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Self-Sacrifice for Service



As part of his demotion from Rotary President, Edward Jones Financial Advisor Adam Groen does a good deed for a good friend.



How do I look? During Groen's fundraiser for a fellow Rotarian with cancer, his head is shaved in laugh-inducing patterns.



Clean-shaven Adam Groen is all smiles, knowing that his new look and act of service has brought joy to a friend's heart.

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Gridley Rotary gathered on Thursday, June 29th, to honor one of their own, Adam Groen.

Groen has served as the group's president for a year, which is the standard term of office. As is customary for a demotion, the Rotary Club holds a special dinner to celebrate the retiring president. Outgoing leadership is awarded a special plaque with their name, years of service and gavel engraved upon it. As part of his demotion, Groen desired to do something special and organized a surprise fundraiser for a fellow Rotarian.

Before the dinner scheduled at 7:00 pm, Groen carried out his plan for a Rotarian battling cancer. He and other Rotary members awaited her arrival at Dora's Salon in downtown Gridley. Accompanied by family, the guest of honor arrived and learned that Groen had offered to shave his head, mustache, soul patch, and even eyebrows for specific dollar amounts.

A donation of \$20.00 would buy one pass on the head with clippers, \$50.00 would alleviate him of his soul patch, and \$100.00 would take his mustache.

His fellow Rotarian was more than touched as Groen climbed into the chair and willingly let the beautician shave a line right down the middle of his head with the first donation. Using his cowboy hat as a collection plate, Lynne Spencer collected bill upon bill. Groen's hair slowly disappeared in unsightly patterns. At one point the beautician even shaved a heart into an irregularly shaped patch left on his soon-to-be-bald head.

Enough funds were raised to leave Groen completely hairless, barring his eyebrows, and a solid donation was gifted to their fellow Rotary member. Amid smiles and tears, a heartfelt hug was shared between the two at the center of the fundraiser.

When asked why Groen decided to hold the surprise fundraiser, he said that Rotary was about "service above self" and that his actions reflected that

sentiment. Groen is known for having a big heart and a penchant for fun.

Groen said that he joined Gridley Rotary to get to know Gridley itself and has since made the decision to locate here. "I'm a Groen in Gridley!" he declared. As far as his time as president, Groen expressed he was proudest of his fellow Rotarians, Margaret Hughes and Heather Payne, getting the Gridley High School Interact Club in action - Its size has surpassed similar area clubs. He thanked Kyle Dewsnup for creating the newly installed Rotary sign in Rotary Park, and that said that after a stressful week, he felt he could always go to a Rotary meeting and "have a blast."

As a parting gift to Groen and to complete his demotion, his fellow Rotarians blindfolded the freshly shaven man outside the dinner hall and pelted him with water balloons. For a job well done, the group lovingly sent him home soaking wet and smiling. ★

Sierra Nevada Conservancy Approves \$22.5M for Resilience Projects

Sierra Nevada Conservancy News Release

CHESTER, CA (MPG) - On Thursday, June 1, Sierra Nevada Conservancy's (SNC) Governing Board approved roughly \$22.5 million in new grants for 24 different projects that will help with wildfire recovery and forest resilience, expand recreation opportunities, and conserve strategic land throughout California's Sierra-Cascade region.

"I'm proud of how the Sierra Nevada Conservancy is partnering with California tribes and local entities, like irrigation and resource conservation districts, land trusts, and conservation organizations, to find nature-based solutions to some of our region's most pressing concerns," said Sierra Nevada Conservancy's Executive Officer Angela Avery. "Together we are advancing shared goals, such as wildfire and climate resilience, conserving special places, and returning ancestral homelands to tribal stewardship, all while expanding outdoor access for all in the Sierra-Cascade."

The allocation of funds by the SNC Board means local and regional partners will work on projects that advance shared environmental and economic goals in the following counties, listed north to south: Siskiyou, Trinity, Shasta, Lassen, Plumas, Butte, Sierra, Yuba, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Mono, Mariposa, Inyo, and Tulare.

Four projects to help improve forest health and resilience to major disturbances, such as wildfire, were awarded in the central Sierra Nevada region. One of those, a grant to the Camptonville Community Partnership to help build a small-scale biomass plant, will bring jobs to rural Yuba County, while turning excessive

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Unwillingly Unmarked: A Historical Headstone is Destroyed

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A shameful discovery was made at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery Friday, June 23. Someone had vandalized a historical headstone.

Vandalized isn't even the correct word. The tomb marker was destroyed.

A 144-year-old tombstone in the old section of the cemetery, specifically the very first plot on the southeastern corner of the

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A blank concrete base is all that remains of the destroyed headstone. It looked identical to the one on the right-hand side, which is the boy's mother's stone, before vandals destroyed his.



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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The Butte County Sheriff's Office has an Emergency Response Mobile Nutrition Apparatus known widely as The Captain Bob Pancake Wagon. You may have eaten pancakes from Captain Bob yourself, as it has been a fixture in Butte County since 1952 when Sheriff Larry Gillick first raised funds for Little League by serving food out of a smaller, 20-foot travel trailer.

The original trailer was outfitted with a small portable grill, refrigerator, counter space, and coffee machine. In 1968, Sheriff Gillick and Capt. Robert "Bob" Schwab made improvements to meet the needs of nonprofits that

began to use the pancake wagon for fundraisers.

In 1979, it became known as the "Capt. Bob Pancake Wagon" in recognition of Captain Schwab's dedication to building and maintaining it. The 40-foot-long trailer is now equipped with two five-burner gas grills originally used at Folsom State Prison (I don't know what the inmates did to lose pancake privileges), a large freezer, an electric stove, a deep fryer, stainless steel sinks, a commercial coffee maker and a commercial mixer. The trailer is self-contained with a generator, propane tank, and water tank. The Sheriff's Office has been raising funds by selling food and drink from the trailer for more than 70 years. In 2006 after serving 1000 people at the Chico 4th of July event Bob Caught on fire and was destroyed. It made a comeback in 2008. Now in 2022, Bob has been shut down again. This time the State of California has added vehicle emission standards that make it impossible for Captain Bob to be moved

around or be utilized at all. So plans are being made for a new Captain Bob. The new unit will keep the griddles from the state prison, but the refrigerator, broiler, fryer, and ventilation are all being upgraded. So the new Captain will be keeping the historic look and feel of the Original Captain Bob but with newer, more efficient parts. Taxpayer dollars don't go to buy or maintain Captain Bob; it has been resourced over the years by the Sheriff's Office volunteer organizations like the Sheriff's Posse and the Honorary Deputy Sheriff's Association. In the coming months, you may hear about efforts to collect donations to get a new Captain Bob. You should donate; Captain Bob has a multiplier effect on your giving. When it is up and running again, your gift will keep on giving as Captain Bob supports community fundraising events - for the next 70 years.

Josh F.W. Cook is an administrator and educator. Opinions expressed here are solely his. ★

Diamonds and Woman of the Year!



Bonnie Bayles-Stier was named Beta Omega Master Woman of the Year. Photo courtesy of Dell DeMeyer

By Del DeMeyer

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Members of Beta Omega Master chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority met on June 12th at the home of President Dell DeMeyer for the final business meeting of the year. Ada Christensen was hostess and attending were Nancy Schouten, Ernie Chambers, Pam Coffin, Ruby Menadickey, Virginia Faulk, Bonnie Bayles-Stier, Louise Wedin-Block, Ada Christensen and Dell DeMeyer. Not present were Arlene Grein, Laurie Cassady, Kathy Adams, Mary Ann Boeger, Geri Bisbiglia and Clara Tamborski.

A salad luncheon highlighted the event at tables decorated with a tropical theme, flamingos, and bright pink flowers. Several members

registered to attend an area council brunch in Yuba City on August 5th and Mrs. Christensen gave the delegate's report from the June 3rd Far Northern California Council brunch she and Mrs. DeMeyer attended in Redding. Business included approving the 2023-2024 Budget and Social/Meeting Calendar and arranging for a summer luncheon social July 26 at the Union Restaurant in Oroville. Mrs. DeMeyer was presented with a thank you gift from the members and a get-well card was signed by the group to be sent to Kathy Adams.

The chapter recently celebrated the sorority's 92nd year at the Founder's Day luncheon and tea party at the Victorian Rose. The International theme for the coming year is: "Watch Beta Sigma Phi grow and

bloom" and members will be looking forward to a new year at the Beginning Day in August.

At the Founder's Day event Mrs. Chambers was presented with the Diamond Ritual, awarded to a member who has been in sorority for 60 years and she was presented with a gold rose and the official ritual pin. Also honored and presented with the official jewelry and a yellow rose was Mrs. Bayles-Stier as the chapter's Woman of the Year for her dedication and hard work including chapter treasurer and roster chairman. Mrs. Chambers read a humorous and informative Chapter Highlights that she and Mrs. Schouten wrote that gave a look at our financial donations, cultural programs, and meetings that we enjoyed all year.

Beta Sigma Phi is an international sorority based on social, cultural and philanthropic, is non-academic and for women of all ages (over 21) worldwide. Membership is by invitation, including rushing and pledging. Anyone interested can go to the website and find more information. Most cities and towns have chapters, each usually averaging eight to twenty members, and meetings are held either during the day or evening as set up by the members' requirements. Some chapters meet from September to June monthly while others meet twice monthly. Beta Sigma Phi members like to be thought of as the friendliest women in the world and as a sisterhood full of fun, caring and friendship. ★

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dead and dying material into energy. Another grant to American Rivers, will help protect a vital watershed by reducing fuels and implementing prescribed fire across

570 acres in the South Yuba River canyon.

A full list of land conservation, recreation, and wildfire restoration and forest resilience grants awarded is available in SNC's June Board meeting packet. ★



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Date/Time: Thursday, August 10, 2023; 9:00am - 5:00pm
Cost: \$120 per person (includes book); \$80 per person (book not included)
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A Biggs 4th!



An array of classic cars and a band of low-riders would stun parade goers. Photo by Seti Long



These cuties helped Butte County District 4 Supervisor Tod Kimmelshue throw candy to the parade goers. Photo by Seti Long



Always down for having a good time, Biggs Mayor Brian Bassett dons a sash and a smile as he is chauffeured down B Street by Biggs 4th of July Parade organizer and Exp Realtor, Kari Wheeler. Wheeler would stop her vehicle just down the route to sing the National Anthem. Photo by Hilary Bastiani



The Biggs Fourth of July parade route was lined with smiling little faces, waving, showing their patriotic spirit, and stashing tons of candy thrown out by the parade floats. Photo by Seti Long



This family came decked out in Red, White, and Blue for the Biggs 4th of July Parade. Pictured left to right: Amelia Mattos, Vivian Mattos, Henry Mattos, Jeannie Mattos. Photo by Seti Long



Ms. Agriculture America National Teen Queen smiles with one of her fans, Saxon Ross. Photo by Hilary Bastiani



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Three girls from the Thompson family were excited to attend the Biggs Fourth of July parade. Photo by Seti Long



The Miss Butte County Scholarship Program brought their Queens and Princesses to sparkle down the B Street Parade route. Pictured left to right: Ms. Golden Feather: Madison White; Ms. Butte County: Jenny Hernandez; Missette Butte County: Olivia Tomlinson; Miss Teen Butte County 1st Runner Up: Maddie Garcia; Missette Butte County 2nd runner up: Cadence Kuykendall; and Miss Teen Butte County: Bella Warren. Photo by Seti Long



After cruising down the Biggs 4th of July parade route, Congressman Doug LaMalfa was surrounded by beauty as he posed with the Ms. Ag America Queens. Pictured left to right: Miss Agriculture America Sutter County Olivia Salle, Miss Butte County Agriculture America Destiny Hutchinson, Miss Agriculture America Jr. Teen Queen Butte County Ali Khan, Miss National Agriculture America Teen Queen Isabella Bastiani, and Miss Agriculture America Queen Elaine Barnes. Photo by Hilary Bastiani

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The small community of Biggs doesn't do Fourth of July small. Kicking the day off with a pancake breakfast, the town celebrated the Nation's birthday with gusto. The parade that would follow at 11:00 down Biggs B Street brought even more festivity to the day.

People from all over, including neighboring towns of Gridley and Richvale lined the main drag through Biggs, which was adorned in red, white, and blue - be it Old Glory flying proudly down every block, banners streaming from business facades, or a giant flag suspended above the parade route by CALFIRE/Butte County/Gridley Fire

Department's Ladder Truck 74. Retired GPD officer and current City Councilmember Jim Roberts cleared the parade route, with Biggs Mayor Brian Bassett and parade organizer Kari Wheeler first in line behind him. The Honor Guard was provided by the Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. Following were dignitaries Congressmen Doug LaMalfa in his Ford Mustang and Butte County District 4 Supervisor Tod Kimmelshue in his vintage GMC Truck. Kari Wheeler of eXP Realty sang the National Anthem as all stood in salute of our great flag. This year's Grand Marshals, the business owners of Biggs, Ms. Butte County Queens, Ms. Ag America Queens, businesses, local service groups and students,

classic cars, low riders, and massive firework equipment were just some of the entries that made up the near hour-long parade. The crowd dispersed until later that evening when the Biggs Fireworks Show and accompanying events drew crowds out to the Biggs High School Football field. Multiple bounce houses and waterslides were available to entertain children, while adults enjoyed the classic rock stylings of Legend, featuring Mayor Bassett. Vendors peddling glowing toys, jewelry, food, and desserts kept everyone satiated until the fireworks began. According to the announcements made by Bassett as the crowd waited for the show to begin, inflated prices

of the professional grade fireworks to \$20,000 caused the cancellation of last year's show. Creative thinking and research brought costs down to \$15,000 and allowed for the community to return to the community this year. He thanked the multiple volunteers and sponsors that helped make the pancake breakfast, parade, and evening events a reality. Ms. Valerie Hopkins would sing the National Anthem as the main show got started. Shortly before 10:00 pm, the sky filled with light and the crowds of people that came out to enjoy a night filled with light received a well-done, fireworks show. If you would like to donate to the Biggs Firework show, please contact Biggs City Hall at 530-868-5493. ★

Citizens Concerned about Abandoned Building



The building at the corner of Magnolia and Virginia Streets has become of concern to neighbors living in the area. Photo by Lisa Mankins

By Melody McDowell

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - As the Gridley City Council prepared to move into three nights of focused budget meetings and wrapped up discussion of various city development plans, the tone of the June 19 meeting shifted dramatically when community member Stacey Gramps and her daughter, Annie Woods, took the podium to raise “a grave concern for our community.” Their concern was in regard to the condition of the abandoned brick building at the intersection of Magnolia and Virginia Streets.

Gramps provided each Councilmember a folder of photographic evidence of the current conditions of this property, detailing instances of many City Code violations and other illegal conduct witnessed by herself and her family. These include squatting, open drug use, public urination, and fights and arguments between unhoused and other individuals who frequent the area.

Having taken her concerns to the Gridley Police Department and hearing that the property owner “is working on a solution,” Gramps called upon the City to take enforcement action. “At this time,” she said, “I believe it is our responsibility as a city to hold the property owners accountable in order to keep our community safe.”

Gramps’ daughter spoke confidently in confirmation of these claims, adding that “there have been many scenarios where I have been followed by homeless people while walking home.” She also noted a recent break-in at the family’s residence, connecting this to the constant flow of unsavory traffic and presence that is permitted by the run-down conditions at the Magnolia/Virginia Street property. Annie spoke to the likelihood of life-altering trauma and tragedy, for children, troubled youth, and others, if conditions continue unchecked. She ended with the compelling question, “do we really need to wait for something to happen before we create a solution?”

Solutions for other issues discussed by the Council during the evening included official adoption of the 2023 Water Contingency Plan, a resolution to develop a list of priority road repair projects for the 23/24 fiscal year, and approval to renew the City of Gridley’s contract agreement for services through CAL FIRE. Of note, Battalion Chief Mike Conaty discussed handling of recent local fire incidents, indicating that pre-planning and response efforts were coordinated and efficient. He also shared a successful collaboration undertaken for fire prevention in the area of Deniz Brothers Lane, which resulted in a protective 45-50’ swath of land being disced on three sides of the property, to aid fire fighters in the event of a grassfire.

Councilmember Catalina Sanchez requested a show of support for Gridley’s LGBTQ+ community by moving to adopt a Gridley Pride Month Proclamation, with Councilmember J. Angel Calderon indicating his confidence that this would be a beneficial message to send to marginalized community members experiencing gender dysphoria and various mental health issues. The resolution passed with a final vote of 3-2.

On the housing front, approval was given to move forward with design plans for the Pacific Flyway Subdivision, located on the south side of Sycamore Street between the planned “Village at Eagle Meadows” and “Edler Estates” developments. This will be a Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) development that is expected to provide about 70 new residences that will be available to low-income families. CHIP is a leader in affordable housing, providing both rental and owner-builder opportunities (sweat equity) to assist low-income and disadvantaged residents to obtain affordable housing. According to the engineer on file for the project, Jeff Rabo, the approval will lay the groundwork for a construction process that would be expected to begin sometime next summer (2024). ★

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

It’s HOT. Summer is a sizzlin’. Be sure to protect potted plants from too hot of roots on the 105+ days. Some people use old insulation, others use foam. I move things around if I think they might suffer. Most of my pots in the yard stay there because they are tall and big and

I simply water them thoroughly. Small pots like Bonsai I put into shaded areas even if they are OK with hot sun. Their little pots so close to their roots are not good for them. I have an olive Bonsai that is usually in full hot sun. Once it goes above 105 degrees, I take it into a shaded area. Then, when the temps go back into the high 90s, I return it to its sunny place.

I’m hoping the warmth, HA, outright heat is helpful with the peaches ripening. The veg garden will slow down while the high heat lasts. I’ll be wilting. I’m working the Lions fireworks so out in the heat for several hours. Sigh. I’m hoping my tiger lilies that do like a bit of heat aren’t cooked during

this time. I will be adding extra water to the Japanese maples and the fruit trees.

Our artichokes are done for a bit. The blueberries are finished. The asparagus keeps sending up spears. We will let them leaf out later. We learned the hard way not to let them leaf too soon. We had terrible aphids when we did that. By waiting we seem to avoid the infestation. I’ll be watering the grapes a bit extra too. My red flame grape is loaded and the fruit is starting to size up. I did feed it some fruiting fertilizer and that seems to have worked. Keep yourself and your plants hydrated! Hope your Fourth of July was wonderful. ★

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LaMalfa Votes Against Unfair Mortgage Fee Redistributions



Office of Congressman Doug LaMalfa

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - On June 23, 2023, Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) voted in favor of H.R. 3564, the Middle Class Borrower Protection Act of 2023. This bill strikes down the recently enacted Loan Level Pricing Adjustments (LLPA) fee increases and reinstates the LLPA fee structure in effect prior to

May 1, 2023. Under the new structure, low risk borrowers (those with high credit scores) end up paying more in mortgage fees to subsidize high-risk borrowers (those with low credit scores) who have their fees reduced. The current Biden-sponsored policy rewards those with a history of financial irresponsibility and punishes Americans who have worked hard to earn a high credit score. This bill rescinds Biden’s Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) reforms punishing responsible, hard-working Americans with higher interest rates on mortgages.

“It’s infuriating that the Biden Administration wants to strap hardworking families who did the right things to improve their credit with higher interest

rates on mortgages. Those who live within their means and save shouldn’t be penalized for wanting to purchase a home. The Biden Administration continues to disincentivize fiscal responsibility by going after middle-income American families and those who pay back their loans and debts in favor of those who are high-risk borrowers. This isn’t the solution to affordable housing, it’s punishment for sacrificing and doing the right thing” said Congressman LaMalfa.

Congressman Doug LaMalfa is a lifelong farmer representing California’s First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties. ★

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Thoughts to Ponder Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY

by Kathy Neal

Gridley United Methodist Church

Many people today have little hope for a better tomorrow. Jobs are being canceled. Prices of everything are going up. Young people can no longer buy homes much less a high-priced automobile with the lack of funds or jobs. Old people go hungry and babies cry for a lack of baby milk.

Teens can't read well enough to work or get ahead in this economy. Most families do without or cut back on basic needs. Young people are stealing, destroying, and crushing all in their way as they storm stores, roadways, or even correctional facilities. Why? A lack of hope created by a family, a community, or church that has bred fear and anger.

As you look around you'll see people from the "greatest generation" working, striving, and living in peace and HOPE. Why? Because of their faith in themselves and the people who made up a generation of heroes and warriors.

What is different today? Most people don't have family or friends they can count on or leaders who believe in the country more than their own desires. Hope comes from a feeling of love and protection by those around us.

Teens need to learn there are rules in life and boundaries. Elders need to be



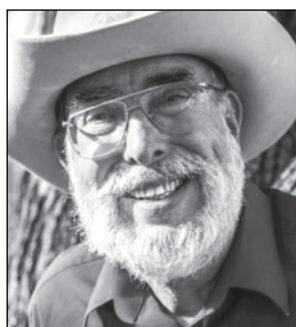
reminded that their work really does count and carries bonuses and privileges. Children need to feel safe, protected, and know they are a part of life as much as everyone else.

To live without hope for food, shelter, medical assistance, even companionship will break hearts, bodies, and minds. Some of us have experienced broken heartedness, as well as medical problems due to a lack of security or hope. It will kill the best of us.

God is our physician. He is our protector and provider. He is our source of hope and salvation. Through God's word we find we are called to hope in Him, run to Him, and believe in Him through good and bad.

Don't forget to tell others where your hope comes from. Teach the youth that their lives and be better if they reach out to the One who really loves and cares no matter what race, age, or gender. He made them all and loves them all. We don't have to live and exist alone, there is love and hope for us all in God.

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Slim Randles

Doc smiled and felt really good inside when he heard the familiar bird song.

"Hey there, Wheezer," he said, "happy nesting!"

For some reason, this mourning dove with the speech impediment comes around to Doc's back yard every spring, and Doc thinks that's just all right. If ol' Wheez didn't have that distinctive voice, Doc would never know if this bird favored his yard or was just another bird looking for a home. Let's face it, Wheezer looks just like every other dove in town.

But he was back and flirting with a

"Doves in the Concrete Block"

good-looking lady dove up on the branches of the locust tree. Doc always wondered whether doves mate for life, and this was the same Mrs. Wheezer he sees every year, or if Wheezer had to court a new lassie each spring.

"I'll have to look it up," Doc said, knowing that he wouldn't.

But he did go over to the concrete block wall and clean out the crud from the hollow in the top block by the gate. Doc had put dirt in it years ago, and each spring, the Wheezer family hauled in twigs and grass and made a place to raise their family.

And each spring, as Mrs. W. sat on her eggs, it would take Doc a few days before she would tolerate

him coming and going through the gate. This was the dove family he was close to. They let him get right up to maybe a foot from the ugly little baby birds each spring, and he was careful never to move quickly or make a noise. That was his contribution, you see, to the putting together of the "Doves in the Concrete Block" family.

Wonder how long doves live? Doc thought. Wonder how long old Wheezer will last? I'll have to look it up.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000402
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Date filed in Butte County: April 25, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 13, 2023.
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YUMMYS 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000339
The following person(s) are doing business as: Paradise Blue Lagoon Chowder House, 6945 Skyway, Paradise, CA 95969. Jesus Perez Luna, 6867 Quail Drive, Paradise, CA 95969.
Date filed in Butte County: March 30, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A.
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PARADISE 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000535
The following person(s) are doing business as: GT Consulting, 3201 Mount Whitney Court, Chico, CA 95973. Grant Townsend, 3201 Mount Whitney Court, Chico, CA 95973.
Date filed in Butte County: June 2, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 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: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023)
CONSULTING 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000523
The following person(s) are doing business as: Wheezy's Fitness & Athletics, 163 1/2 McFadden Lane, Chico, CA 95928. Wheezy's Fitness & Athletics LLC, 163 1/2 McFadden Lane, Chico, CA 95928.
Date filed in Butte County: May 30, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A.
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WHEEZY'S 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000548
The following person(s) are doing business as: El Patron Mexican Cocina, 1354 East Avenue Suite E, Chico, CA 95926. ATMD LLC, 1354 East Avenue Suite E, Chico, CA 95926.
Date filed in Butte County: June 7, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 6, 2023.
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ATMD 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000547
The following person(s) are doing business as: Farmers Skillet, 690 Rio Lindo Avenue, Chico, CA 95926. ATMD LLC, 690 Rio Lindo Avenue, Chico, CA 95926.
Date filed in Butte County: June 7, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 6, 2023.
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FARMERS 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000454
The following person(s) are doing business as: J and Sons Trucking, 2917 Dos Rios Road, Biggs, CA 95917. Jose C. Segura, 2917 Dos Rios Road, Biggs, CA 95917.
Date filed in Butte County: May 5, 2023. 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: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023)
JOSE 7-7-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000559
The following person(s) are doing business as: Sycamore Rentals, 1860, 1862, & 1864 Sycamore Street, Gridley, CA 95948. Mickey Bennett, Gail Bennet and Christopher Bennett, 1583 Glenn Ellen Drive, Gridley, CA 95948.
Date filed in Butte County: June 14, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 1, 1990.
This Business is conducted by: Co-Partners. 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: June 23, 30, July 7, 14, 2023)
SYCAMORE 7-14-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000558
The following person(s) are doing business as: AT4 Wildland/Hofker Wildland, 6300 Wall Lane, Paradise, CA 95969. Raymond Hofker, 6300 Wall Lane, Paradise, CA 95969.
Date filed in Butte County: June 14, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 1, 2021.
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WILDLAND 7-14-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000557
The following person(s) are doing business as: Oroville Resource Center and Rescue Mission, 4250 Lincoln Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95966. Oroville Rescue Mission Inc, 2150 Bird Street, Oroville, CA 95966.
Date filed in Butte County: June 13, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A.
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RESOURCE 7-14-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000498
The following person(s) are doing business as: MSL Studios, 131 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928. Damian Campos, 131 Main Street, Chico, CA 95928.
Date filed in Butte County: May 19, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 5, 2023.
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STUDIOS 7-14-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000565
The following person(s) are doing business as: Forbestown General Store, 19175 New York Flat Road, Forbestown, CA 95941. Delliah D Villapando and Richard L Villapando, 19175 New York

Flat Road, Forbestown, CA 95941. Date filed in Butte County: June 15, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 12, 2023.

This Business is conducted by: a married couple. 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: June 23, 30, July 7, 14, 2023)
FORBESTOWN 7-14-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000583
The following person(s) are doing business as: Long Run Designs, 1440 Oregon Street, Gridley, CA 95948. Seti A Long, 1440 Oregon Street, Gridley, CA 95948.
Date filed in Butte County: June 23, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A.
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SETI 7-21-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000556
The following person(s) are doing business as: Stay Faded Barber Studio, 2216 5th Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966. Alberto Alejandro Chavoya, 2216 5th Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966.
Date filed in Butte County: June 13, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 13, 2023.
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FADED 7-28-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000593
The following person(s) are doing business as: James Water Service, 14063 Morning Glory Place, Chico, CA 95973. James Whitaker, 14063 Morning Glory Place, Chico, CA 95973.
Date filed in Butte County: June 27, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 26, 2023.
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: July 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023)
JAMES 7-28-23

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

CASE #23CV01319
Petitioner Alexander Brian Needham filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Alexander Brian Needham to Alexander Brian Mowry.
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 July 19, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on May 19, 2023
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
ALEXANDER 7-7-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #23CV01567
Petitioner Katherine E. Lewis filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Katherine E. Lewis to Katherine Hollister.
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 August 16, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte,

North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on June 21, 2023
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: July 7, 14, 21, 28, 2023
KATHERINE 7-28-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #23CV01480
Petitioner Crystal Gardner filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Ayden Michael Garcia to Ayden Michael Gardner.
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 August 9, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on June 8, 2023
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
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CRYSTAL 7-28-23

SUMMONS

SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW)
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NOTICE: RESTRAINING ORDERS ARE ON PAGE 2: These restraining orders are effective against both spouse or domestic partners until the petition is dismissed, a judgment is entered or the court makes further orders. They are enforceable anywhere in California by any law enforcement officer who has received or seen a copy of them.

AVISO: LAS ÓRDENES DE RESTRICCIÓN ESTÁN EN LA PÁGINA 2: Estas órdenes de restricción son efectivas contra ambos cónyuges o parejas domésticas hasta que se desestime la petición, se dicte una sentencia o el tribunal dicte más órdenes. Son exigibles en cualquier lugar de California por cualquier oficial de la ley que haya recibido o visto una copia de ellos.
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EXENCIÓN DE TARIFAS: Si no puede pagar la tarifa de presentación, pídale al secretario un formulario de exención de tarifas. El tribunal puede ordenarle que devuelva la totalidad o parte de los honorarios y costos que el tribunal renunció para usted o la otra parte.
The name and address of the court are: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Butte County Superior Court, North Butte County Courthouse, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.
The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del peticionario, o del peticionario sin abogado es): Rochelle M. Chivrell, 1290 Pomona Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965. 530-353-7689
Date: (Fecha) March 22, 2023
By: Sharif Elmallah, Clerk of Court
T. Tobias, Deputy

RESTRAINING ORDERS
Starting immediately, you and your spouse or domestic partner are restrained from:
1. removing the minor children

of the parties from the state or applying for a new or replacement passport for those minor children without the prior written consent of the other party or an order of the court;

2. cashing, borrowing against, canceling, transferring, disposing of, or changing the beneficiaries of any insurance or other coverage, including life, health automobile, and disability, held for the benefit of the parties and their minor children;

3. transferring, encumbering, hypothecating, concealing, or in any way disposing of any property, real or personal, whether community, quasi-community, or separate, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court, except in the usual course of business or for the necessities of life; and
4. creating a nonprobate transfer or modifying a nonprobate transfer in a manner that affects the disposition of property subject to the transfer, without the written consent of the other party or an order of the court. Before revocation of a nonprobate transfer can take effect or a right of survivorship to property can be eliminated, notice of the change must be filed and served on the other party.

You must notify each other of any proposed extraordinary expenditures at least five business days prior to incurring these extraordinary expenditures and account to the court for all extraordinary expenditures made after these restraining orders are effective. However, you may use community property, quasi-community property, or your own separate property to pay an attorney to help you or pay court costs.

NOTICE: ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE HEALTH INSURANCE:
Do you or someone in your household need affordable health insurance? If so, you should apply for Covered California. Covered California can help reduce the cost you pay towards high quality affordable health care. For more information, visit www.coveredca.com. Or call Covered California at 1-800-300-1506

WARNING IMPORANT INFORMATION

California law provides that, for purposes of division of property upon dissolution of a marriage or domestic partnership or upon legal separation, property acquired by the parties during marriage or domestic partnership in joint form is presumed to be community property. If either party to this action should die before the jointly held community property is divided, the language in the deed that characterizes how title is held (i.e., joint tenancy, tenants in common, or community property) will be controlling, and not the community property presumption. You should consult your attorney if you want the community property presumption to be written into the recorded title to the property.

Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
ROCHELLE 7-7-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RONALD D. WILLIAMS
CASE NO. 22PR00289

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

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Roger A. Williams, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Anna M. Williams be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: August 8, 2023, 9:00 a.m. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord 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: Roger A. Williams, 11659 N 135th Place, AZ 85259; 602-527-9966
Publish: June 30, July 7, 14, 2023
ROGER 7-14-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WILMAR JOHN KOEHLER, JR AKA: BILL KOEHLER
CASE NO. 22PR00296

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Wilmar John Koehler, JR aka: Bill Koehler.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Jan E. Meyer, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Jan E. Meyer be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: August 22, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1, Room NC-3. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord 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: Desiree J. Vance, P.O. Box 1081, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-965-5672
Publish: June 30, July 7, 14, 2023
JAN 7-14-23

TRUSTEE SALE

TS No: CA08000928-22-1
APN: 024-130-070-000 TO No: 220445121-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED December 6, 2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 2, 2023 at 03:30 PM, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse at 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on December 16, 2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0076228, and that said Deed of Trust was modified by Modification Agreement and recorded February 11, 2014 as Instrument Number 2014-0004394, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Butte County, California, executed by LINDA L. ASHBAUGH, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPERATE PROPERTY, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for AMERICAN STERLING BANK, A MISSOURI CORPORATION as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other

State Route 70 Reopens for Butte and Tehama Counties

Caltrans News Release

BUTTE REGION, CA (MPG) - State Route 70, between the Greenville Wye and Jarbo Gap, reopened to through traffic on Wednesday, June 28. One-way traffic control will be in place 24/7 at the slide location, just east of Belden, at post mile 15.2. Motorists should plan for up to 30 minute delays at this location.

Motorists planning to travel through this corridor should be aware that while the roadway will be reopened, there are several other projects underway with one-way traffic control in the area. Currently, if traveling between the Greenville Wye and Jarbo Gap, motorists can expect to see total delays of up to an hour and a half. Caltrans District 3 is also performing blasting operations in the Cresta area

which includes a full highway closure. For more information about this work, please visit the Caltrans District 3 Facebook page or use QuickMap.dot.ca.gov.

State Route 70 has been closed between the Greenville Wye and Jarbo Gap since January 9, 2023 due to major rockslides, mudslides, and an avalanche. This year California was hit with historic winter weather, causing unprecedented activity in the State Route 70 corridor as recently as June 11, 2023 when 13 slides occurred after a storm moved over the area. Caltrans and the contractor, Hat Creek Construction & Materials, Inc., have worked tirelessly to reopen this route for the traveling public while also keeping the crews safety in mind. We would like to thank the traveling public for their patience. ★

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TRUSTEE SALE

common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1037 EAST EVANS REIMER RD FKA 1041 EAST EVANS REIMER ROAD, GRIDLEY, CA 95948 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$121,017.35 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000928-22-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone informa-

tion or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA08000928-22-1 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: June 23, 2023 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000928-22-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bernardo Sotelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0436797 To: GRIDLEY HERALD 07/07/2023, 07/14/2023, 07/21/2023

T.S. No.: 22-8239 Loan No.: *****0011 APN: 116-222-029-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/25/2019. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Matthew Jacob Taborski and Jennifer Kathleen Taborski Husband and Wife as Community Property with the Right of Survivorship Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services, LLC Recorded 11/20/2019 as Instrument No. 2019-0006034 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, Date of Sale: 8/2/2023 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: At the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971 Amount of unpaid

balance and other charges: \$303,415.93 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 219 SHELLEY LN QUINCY, CA 95971 A.P.N.: 116-222-029-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services, LLC. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916) 939-0772 or visit this Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-8239. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-8239 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 6/21/2023 Prestige Default Services, LLC 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Questions: 949-427-2010 Sale Line: (916) 939-0772 Patricia Sanchez, Trustee Sale Officer NPP0436778 To: GRIDLEY HERALD - PLUMAS 07/07/2023, 07/14/2023, 07/21/2023

GRIDLEY-BIGGS CEMETERY DISTRICT Post Office Box 494 Gridley, California 95948

RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-02

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GRIDLEY-BIGGS CEMETERY ASSESSMENT DISTRICT INTENT TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery District, acting as the legislative body of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery Maintenance Assessment District, has previously ordered through Resolution 94-3 the formation of an assessment district pursuant to the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, known as the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery Maintenance Assessment District, for the purpose of financing certain cemetery facility improvements as specified in the District's Master Plan and for the purpose of funding maintenance operations of those facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, through Resolution 94-3, has ordered that the cemetery improvements specified in the original Engineer's Report dated April 8, 1994, be constructed, and has estimated that the cost of such proposed cemetery improvements is greater than can be raised from a single annual assessment, and has ordered that the estimated costs of these improvements, other than the costs of maintenance and servicing, be raised by an assessment levied and collected in annual installments over a period of 20 years, commencing in fiscal year 1994-95 and ending after fiscal year 2013-14; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, February 12, 2014, the Board adopted Resolution 14-01, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code sections 22608 and 22585 et seq., declaring the intention to extend the annual assessment period an additional 20 years, setting a public hearing for June 11, 2014 and requiring that the notice of public hearing and assessment ballots be mailed to all District property owners as shown on the equalized tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly published and mailed as required by Resolution 14-01, Streets and Highways Code sections 22585 et seq. and Government Code section 53753 and the assessment ballots were timely mailed to all owners of property within the District as shown on the equalized tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, at 7:00 AM on June 11, 2014, as set forth in Resolution 14-01, the Board held a public hearing and afforded all interested persons an opportunity to be heard, closed the public hearing and directed the Clerk to tabulate the assessment ballots that had been received prior to the close of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the ballots were tabulated and there was no majority protest, the Board may proceed with this Resolution of intent to levy and collect assessments for fiscal year 2023-2024; and

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Sections 22622, 22623, 22565 and 22661 authorize the preparation of an Engineer's Report on an annual basis which shall describe any proposed new improvements or any substantial changes in existing improvements, set forth an estimate of the costs of any improvements and/or maintenance, specify a diagram for the assessment district, specify the amount to be assessed upon various types of assessable lands within the assessment district, and include in the estimate and the assessment for fiscal year 2023-2024 the total amount of the annual installment assessment ordered in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, an Engineer's Report for fiscal year 2023-2024, as authorized and ordered by the Board, has been prepared, which Engineer's Report generally describes the general nature, location, and extent of the new improvements or any substantial changes in existing improvements and maintenance, provides an estimate of the costs of any proposed new improvements or substantial changes in existing improvements and refurbishments and maintenance, sets forth a diagram for the assessment district, specifies the amounts to be assessed upon various types of assessable lands within the assessment district, and sets forth the total amount of the annual installment assessment for fiscal year 2023-2024 ordered by this Board of Trustees in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, this Engineer's Report has been approved by the Board of Trustees of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery District pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 22623, and

WHEREAS, the Board is authorized to act pursuant to Streets and Highways Code sections 22585-22595.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND DETERMINED AND ORDERED as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The Board finds:

- the preceding recitals are correct;
- compliance has been had with all requirements of the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972, including, but not limited to sections 22585-22595, and section 53753 of the Government Code;
- the tally of the assessment ballots timely received was in favor of the assessment as set forth above;
- the Board may proceed with the levy and collection of assessment as set forth herein; and
- Said assessment is a valid property-related fee as defined in Article XIII D, section 6(b) of the California Constitution:
 - Revenues from the fee shall not exceed the funds required to provide the property related service: maintenance and expansion of the cemetery for exclusive use of property owners and families.
 - Revenue derived from the fee is not used for any purpose other than that for which the fee was imposed. The fee provides only for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery.
 - The amount of the fee imposed upon any parcel or person as an incident of property ownership does not exceed the proportional cost of the service attributable to the parcel. The fee provides only for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery.
 - The fee is imposed for a service that is actually used by, or immediately available to, the owner of the property in question. The charge provides for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery which is available to the persons paying the charge and not available to the general public.
 - The fee is not imposed for general governmental services where the service is available to the public at large in substantially the same manner as it is to property owners. The charge provides for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery which is available to the persons paying the charge and not available to the general public.

Section 2. Declaration of intent to levy and collect assessments pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 22624.

- Said assessments will be levied and collected within the boundaries of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery Maintenance Assessment District, which comprises all that area lying within the boundaries of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery District. A full and detailed description of the boundaries of the Assessment District and the parcels of land within the district is contained within the Engineer's Report.
- The Board of Trustees declares its intent to continue to levy and collect assessments for fiscal year 2023-2024 within said District at a rate of \$1.50 per month or \$18.00 per year per single family residential unit, apartment unit and/or condominium, all as set forth in the Engineer's Report. This is the same rate as that of the prior fiscal year. The total number of parcels to be assessed and an estimate of total annual assessment revenue are contained within the Engineer's Report. The estimated cost of the proposed cemetery improvements specified in the Engineer's Report is greater than can be raised from a single annual assessment, and therefore, the estimated cost of these improvements, other than the cost of maintenance and servicing, will be paid for by this assessment, which will be levied and collected in annual installments over a period of 20 years commencing in fiscal year 2014-15 and ending after fiscal year 2033-34.
- Improvements within said assessment district to be funded by said assessments shall include construction of expanded cemetery facilities at Gridley-Biggs Cemetery and ongoing maintenance items as detailed within the Engineer's Report which is incorporated herein by this reference.
- Reference is hereby made to the Engineer's Report which is on file with the Clerk of the Board for a complete description of proposed improvements to be undertaken in fiscal year 2023-2024 and thereafter, the cost thereof, and the proposed assessments upon assessable lots and parcels of land within the proposed assessment district.
- The Board hereby declares that this resolution of intention constitutes a notice of hearing regarding its intent to levy and collect assessments within the assessment district for fiscal year 2023-2024. This hearing shall be held at a meeting of the Board of Trustees on July 12, 2023, at 8:30 AM, at the office of the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery District, 2023 State Highway 99, Gridley, California. The clerk is hereby directed to publish this notice as a notice of hearing in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to the requirements of Government Code Section 6061.

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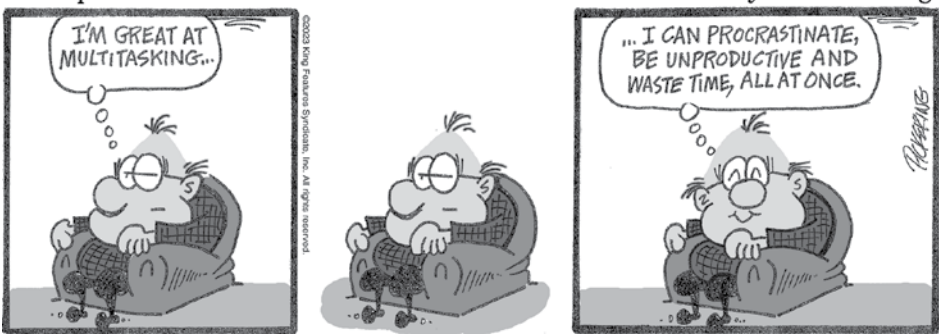
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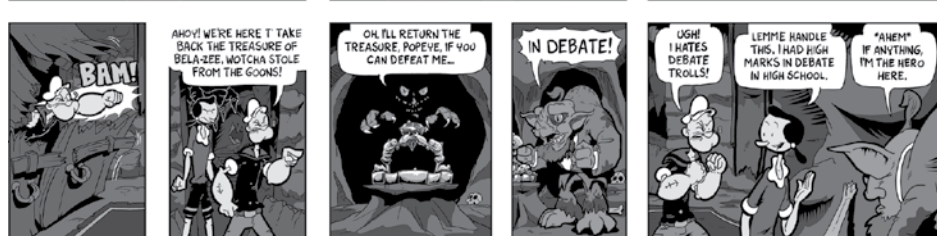
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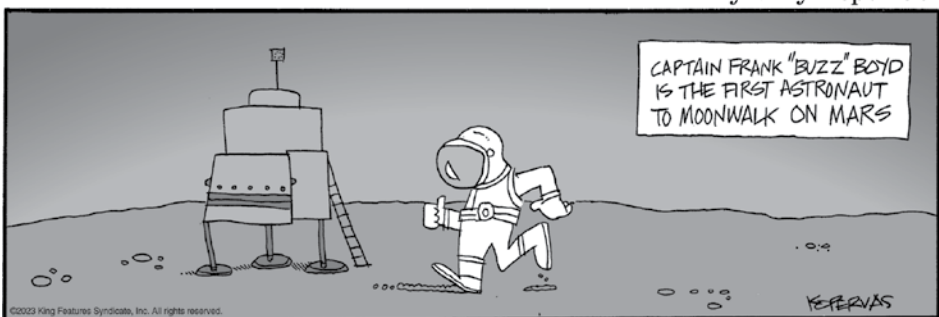
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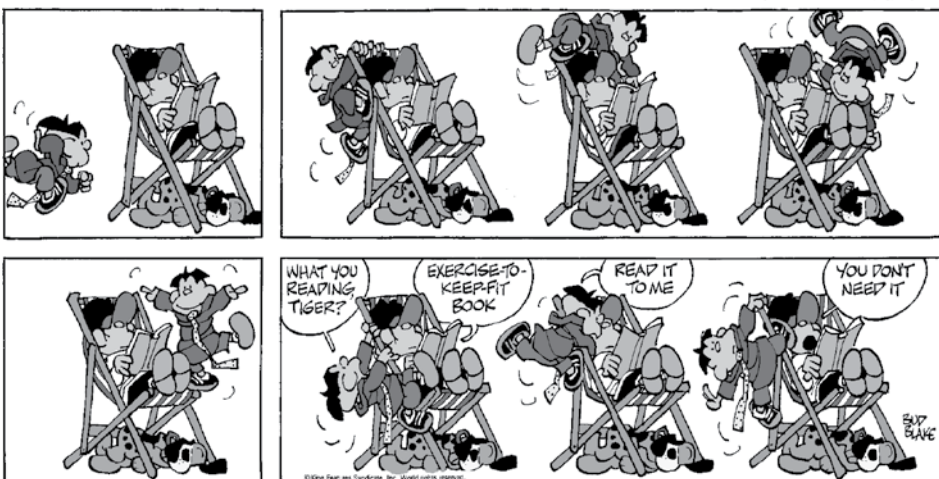


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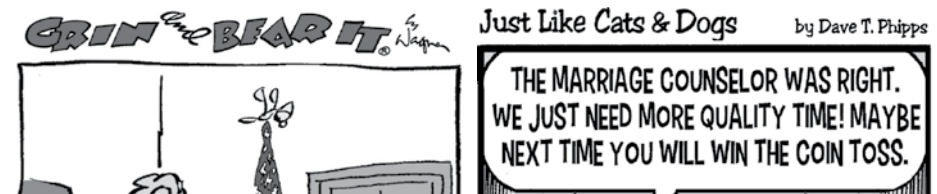


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Musical *Godspell* to Open at Sutter Theater Center for the Arts

YSAC News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Remember that great song, "Day by Day?" How about "Prepare Ye" or "Beautiful City?" Did you know these were written 50 years ago for the musical *Godspell* by young lyricist and composer Stephen Lawrence Schwartz who also wrote *Pippin*, *Wicked*, and contributed to Disney classics like *Pocahontas*, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* and *Enchanted*? Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture in collaboration with Convergence Theatre Company is proud to present *Godspell* at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts.

You know the stories. The teachings of Jesus Christ have impacted the world in more ways than can be imagined. They've been translated into countless languages, inspired the development of nations, been fought over in wars, and can be found near the core of many of the world's major religions. Inspired by the "Jesus People" movement of the early 70s, *Godspell* is a reimagining of the Gospel of Matthew with contemporary comedy, rock/folk music, and a desire to explore the powerful message of hope, community and love found in these teachings. Loved by Christian and secular audiences alike, *Godspell* has remained popular for half a century and continues to remind audiences of the radical and inclusive message of Jesus Christ and his rag-tag bunch of followers. Don't be worried. This isn't a church service, nor is it sacrilegious. The show is an energetic, participatory celebration of love for our fellow humans that will have you humming



Godspell is a reimagining of the Gospel of Matthew with contemporary comedy, rock/folk music, and a desire to explore the powerful message of hope, community and love found in these teachings. Photo courtesy of YSAC

the tunes and discussing your beliefs on the drive home. Although the show has a Christian theme, its message of community will appeal to all faiths. Take a chance on *Godspell*. You'll be glad you did.

The show opens on Friday, July 7 and runs through July 16. July 7, 8, 14, and 15 shows start at 7pm (doors open at 6:30) and there are matinee performances on July 9, 15 and 16 starting at 2pm (doors open at 1:30). General admission tickets are \$20 and VIP/Splash Zone tickets are \$25. What's that you say? What are VIP/Splash Zone tickets? Splash zone tickets include an audience participation goodie bag, VIP seating near the stage and the strong probability of getting slightly wet. To purchase tickets, go to yubasutterarts.org or call 530-742-2787.

The show is co-directed by Lydia Crist and Betsy Johnson. The vocal director is Cassie Fifield and Choreography is by Jerusha Reid and Sarah Walker. The cast includes Salma Alfaqeeh, Kelly Cunningham, Crystal DeMeritt, Ben Fifield, Cassie Fifield, Ethan

Fifield, Grayson Hayes, Toad Mote, Noah Mote, and Jerusha Reid.

Co-Director, Lydia Crist said, "*Godspell* is such a special show, and co-directing it has been an absolute dream. It is goofy, interactive, and fun, all the while bringing the audience back to the basics of what it means to love and care for the people around us." She added, "Throughout the rehearsal process, the cast has become a tight-knit community, and watching their joy and dedication both to the piece and to one another has been extremely life-giving. We hope you 'come sing about love' with us this July!"

Also, while attending the play, plan to visit the Theater Art Gallery. See art in a variety of genres created by local artists. You will enjoy a unique art experience and your purchases of original art will help support artists, so it is a real win-win for all involved. There's plenty of free parking on the streets and parking lots near the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. For more information about *Godspell* and other YSAC programs, go to yubasutterarts.org. ★

Public Health Reminds Residents to Prepare for Hot Summer Weather

BCPH News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - As the summer season kicks into full gear, Butte County is bracing for the arrival of the first heat wave of the year. Butte County Public Health (BCPH) would like to remind residents to take necessary precautions and prepare for the upcoming hot weather conditions to ensure their health and well-being.

The National Weather Service is predicting several consecutive days of high temperatures, starting Friday, June 30, lasting through Monday, July 3. Daytime temperatures are expected to reach between 104° to 110°. It is crucial that everyone, especially vulnerable individuals such as older adults, young children, pregnant women, people who work outside, people who are socially isolated and those with pre-existing health conditions, take steps to stay safe and cool during this period.

Heat-related illnesses happen when the body is not able to properly cool itself and may include: cramps, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and death. Warning signs of heat-related illnesses may include heavy sweating, muscle cramps, weakness, headache and nausea. Additional symptoms for heat stroke include a high body temperature, rapid pulse and hot, dry skin.

If you or someone you know is suffering from heat-related illness, immediately move the affected person to a cooler

location and attempt to reduce body temperature by loosening clothes, applying a cold compress and drinking water. If you suspect a person is suffering from a heat stroke, immediately call 911 and do not give them fluids to drink.

To help residents cope with the upcoming heat wave, BCPH recommends the following tips:

Drink plenty of water, even if you don't feel thirsty; Avoid alcoholic and caffeinated drinks; Limit exercise and strenuous work during the hottest part of the day; Rest often in shady areas; Reschedule outdoor activities; Stay indoors where air conditioning is available (pets included); Wear loose, lightweight and light-colored clothing, hat, sunglasses, and sunscreen; Take short, cool showers during the day to cool off; Never leave children or pets unattended in a parked car – look before you lock; Check on vulnerable individuals, including older adults and those who live alone.

Pets are also at risk for heat-related illness. Protect your pets from extreme heat by providing ample shade and water, limiting exercise, and never leaving your pet in a parked car. Watch for signs of heat stroke, including: heavy panting, difficulty breathing, excessive thirst, lack of coordination, vomiting, lethargy, and profuse salivation.

Learn more about extreme heat in Butte County: www.buttecounty.net/extreme-heat. ★

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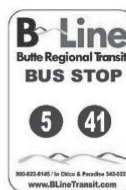
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Not Burning Down the House

Four things California can do as home insurers retreat

By Grace Gedy, CALMatters.org

After State Farm declared in late May that it wouldn't sell any new home insurance policies in California, people shopping around for new insurance had one fewer option. When days later it was revealed that Allstate had quietly made the same decision last year, Californians are now left wondering: How bad is this? And how should the state respond?

The "crisis" in California's insurance market was caused by "a laser focus only on affordability," said Nancy Watkins, a principal at Milliman, an actuarial firm, at a legislative hearing on Wednesday. The companies are operating with "very crude tools" at the expense of availability and reliability, she said.

She said the current regulatory system is too rigid. "It's like you've got your steering wheel locked straight ahead, you've got your speed set on cruise control, and now you find yourself on the Pacific Coast Highway," she said. "What insurance company would agree to that?"

Home insurance premiums in California are a little cheaper than the national average — and much lower than premiums in other disaster-prone states like Florida and Louisiana. That's without accounting for the fact that California has some of the most expensive housing in the country.

California still has about 115 companies offering home insurance, said Michael Soller, a deputy commissioner for the state's insurance department. As for whether more companies are likely to follow State Farm and Allstate, "we don't think that will happen," he said.

Consumer and insurance industry groups and other experts have ideas for what they'd like to see California do in the wake of the news — few of which they agree upon. Here's the debate over four of those ideas.

Require State Farm to Keep Issuing New Policies

There's disagreement whether this idea, backed by the group Consumer Watchdog, is legal.

The idea hinges on how insurance prices are regulated in California. Under current laws, insurance companies can't just charge whatever they want: They have to submit their proposed rates to the insurance department, which they back up by explaining their projected costs, losses, revenue and more. State regulators can approve a company's proposed rates, or deny them, if they think, for example, the rates are unjustifiably high, or so low that they could put the company's finances at risk.

Harvey Rosenfield, founder of Consumer Watchdog, said if a company suddenly says that



The underlying problem is that disasters happen in California — at an increasing rate thanks to climate change — and that homes are at risk. They're in the middle of the woods, or surrounded by flammable grasslands, or on the edge of bluffs that are expected to erode. Making homes less likely to burn, flood or collapse would be good for homeowners and would also make California feel less risky to insurers. Photo courtesy of Joe Sohm | Dreamstime.com

it's not going to take the same number of customers that it had projected when it got the department's approval, then it has changed the assumptions on which the approval was based.

"They granted themselves a de facto rate increase by reducing the risk" in a state where that's illegal, said Rosenfield. The department could issue a notice to State Farm, he said, and tell the company it needs to keep selling new home insurance policies until it submits new rates and those rates are approved.

The insurance department disputes that it has the power to do this. "Their claims are not supported by law," said Soller, the deputy commissioner. "There's a reason why it hasn't been done by any insurance commissioner before."

Let Insurance Companies Use Forward-Looking Catastrophe Models

The kinds of data and statistical models insurance companies can use to set prices may sound like a nighttime sleep aid, but it's a matter of lively discussion in insurance circles.

When a company tries to justify rate changes, it is required to rely on past losses to project future losses. It can't use factors like the locations of new homes it is covering — whether they're in downtown San Francisco or rural wine country — or the increased risk of wildfires due to climate change.

"We do it in a very old-fashioned way, and it needs to be updated," said Rex Frazier, president of the Personal Insurance Federation of California, an insurance industry group that

counts State Farm as a member. He supports the use of forward-looking models, which are generally provided by other private companies. California already permits insurers to use models for earthquake insurance.

If a company is trying to figure out how much it should charge for earthquake coverage, it would look at proximity to fault lines, Frazier said, but for wildfire insurance, California doesn't do that.

"For wildfire it just says 'Well, looking backward, what have you paid over the last 20 years for wildfire clients?'" he said.

Consumer groups generally oppose letting insurance companies use models, fearing that companies will use them to justify extreme price hikes, and that complex math will make scrutiny a challenge.

"They're just very sophisticated crystal balls," said Amy Bach, executive director for United Policyholders, a consumer group. Modeling companies generally see their models as intellectual property, which can pose a challenge for transparency. "Our fear is that they overstate risk," said Bach.

About a week and a half after State Farm's announcement, the insurance department said it would host a public workshop on use of models in insurance pricing, ahead of considering regulations. The workshop will take place on July 13.

On Wednesday, the Assembly's insurance committee held a hearing on models. When asked by a legislator whether the department was

moving toward incorporating catastrophe models, a department representative confirmed that it was.

"Historic losses do not fully account for growing wildfire risks, or risk mitigation measures taken by communities," said Michael Peterson, a deputy commissioner at the insurance department, during the hearing.

Address The Increasing Cost of Insurance — For Insurance Companies

Insurance companies are just like us: They buy insurance! When insurance companies buy it, it's called "reinsurance."

The cost of reinsurance has risen dramatically, and State Farm cited "a challenging reinsurance market" as one of the reasons it decided to stop selling new home insurance policies in California.

When insurance companies explain their costs to the insurance department as part of the process for justifying their prices, they aren't allowed to include the cost of reinsurance. The department hasn't historically permitted it, Soller said, because it doesn't regulate reinsurance.

"What are insurers supposed to do when, on the one hand, the Department of Insurance is telling them 'maintain your solvency' and then, on the other hand, when their costs go up, you can't charge for it," said Frazier.

Insurance industry groups say it would help if they could incorporate the cost of reinsurance into their prices. But consumer groups say that the move would cause

premiums to spike.

"Californians would see immediate massive rate hikes — both as soon as that went into effect and ongoing," said Carmen Balber executive director of Consumer Watchdog. A reinsurance provider regulated by California would address problems she sees with the reinsurance market, Balber said, but that doesn't exist currently.

Reduce the Risk of Disasters

The underlying problem is that disasters happen in California — at an increasing rate thanks to climate change — and that homes are at risk. They're in the middle of the woods, or surrounded by flammable grasslands, or on the edge of bluffs that are expected to erode. Making homes less likely to burn, flood or collapse would be good for homeowners and would also make California feel less risky to insurers.

There's no shortage of ideas for how to reduce risk, and there's been action on this front in recent years. The insurance department, for example, has required insurance companies to consider whether homeowners take certain steps to protect their homes — like installing fire-resistant vents and clearing out vegetation under decks — in their prices.

California has set aside \$2.7 billion for wildfire resilience over the past three years, according to the insurance department. When the department convened a group of environmental advocates, researchers, and public policy and insurance experts to make recommendations on how to reduce the risks of climate change, they came up with a long list. Among the recommendations:

- Create state-wide hazard maps so that future risks are more clear to the public
- Increase funding to retrofit homes
- And apply fire-resistant building codes in areas with moderate to higher fire risk.

Cutting greenhouse gas emissions would ultimately be the best way to reduce the risk, said Alice Hill, chair of the group convened by the department and a senior fellow for energy and the environment at the Council on Foreign Relations. But the world will get warmer even if we reduce emissions, she said, so focusing on where and how homes are built remains important.

"That could mean not building in areas that are just becoming too risky," Hill said.

Grace covers California's economy for CALMatters. Previously, she was an editor at the Washington Monthly. ★

Little Grass Valley Reservoir Recreation Sites Available

US Forest Service News Release

QUINCY, CA (MPG) - While work is continuing to address urgent health and safety issues ahead of opening recreation sites at Little Grass Valley Reservoir, there are still some opportunities available for those who would like to enjoy the lake.

The boat launch at Black Rock is generally open. Firefighters are working in the area on hazard tree removal and fuel reduction and may need to close access at any time.

Campgrounds and restroom facilities at Little Grass Valley Reservoir are still closed.

The fishing area is also accessible near the dam. However, again, restroom facilities are not open yet.

"We are working hard to get the hazard trees removed and the fuel reduction work done while our recreation employees are getting the other maintenance work done at our recreation sites," said Feather River District Fire Management Officer James Lico. "With the July Fourth weekend coming up, we are cautiously

optimistic that we can get sites on the peninsula cleared to open by next Friday, June 30."

Estimated opening dates are tentative and those eager to recreate in the area should be prepared for possible cancellations.

Tentative opening date is June 30 for Wyandotte, Tooms, Peninsula Tent campgrounds, Tooms Boat Launch and Pancake Beach Day Use Area in Little Grass Valley. Black Rock, Horse Camp, Running Deer, Red Feather and Little Beaver campgrounds do not have an estimated opening date.

"Conditions on the lake are great and fishing should be good," Lico said. "This weekend the weather should be awesome for a fishing trip at Little Grass Valley and to enjoy some time in our iconic mountain communities, like La Porte."

Weather can be variable this time of year. This week has seen temperatures significantly below average. There is generally a risk of thunderstorms popping up as well. Visitors to the Forest should be prepared for changing conditions.

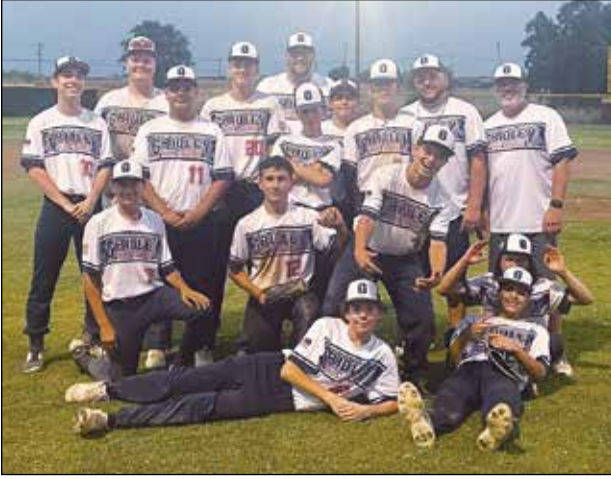
Lakes and rivers are also

exceptionally cold and running fast due to runoff from snowpack. This includes Little Grass Valley Reservoir. Cold lake temperatures increase the risk of hypothermia. Caution should be used if swimming or playing in the lake.

Area residents and visitors are advised to watch for ongoing firefighter traffic in the coming days as operations to open Little Grass Valley Recreation Area continue.

For more information on the Plumas National Forest, visit www.fs.usda.gov/plumas or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/USFSPlumas. ★

All-Star Updates as Teams Lose in Championships



The Gridley junior baseball All-Stars ended as they lost in the championship to Durham this past weekend. Photo courtesy of Gridley Little League



The Gridley minor baseball All-Stars ended as they were beaten in the championship in a 5-4 loss to Westside Little League on Friday, June 30. Photo courtesy of Gridley Little League



The LOLL junior softball All-Stars were beaten in the championship game on Saturday, July 1, in a 15-14 loss to Colusa Little League. Photo courtesy of Live Oak Little League

Drakes Slump into Sixth Place in Pacific Standings

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Marysville Drakes struggled this past week as they fell out of the fourth playoff position for the Pacific Division standings in the Pecos League as they went 1-5 during June 25 - July 1.

The top four teams in each of the Pacific and Mountain divisions of the Pecos League will be the eight teams competing in August for the Pecos League championship.

Through the first month of the season, Marysville was consistently in the top four but fell to sixth in the past week as they hit a huge slump dropping five of their last six games.

There is no question the Drakes have talent on their roster. Prior to competition on Sunday, July 2, Marysville outfielder Lyndon Weaver was the top hitter in the Pecos League according to the league's hitting score formula.

The statistics on the Pecos League website are only from the Pacific division teams as none of the Mountain division teams have statistics up.

Weaver is the league leader in hits (50), runs-batted-in (RBI) with 44 and at-bats (130). Weaver is the only player on the Drakes who has played in all 30 contests this opening season for Marysville.

The Drakes went 11-13 in the month of June where they averaged 8.29 runs per game and gave up 7.08 runs per game which mimicked the season average and they went 7-7 at home.

The fortunate news for Marysville as they have struggled away from Bryant Park on the road this season, the Drakes only have five road games for the rest of the 20 regular season games, which ends on July 31.

Marysville had the second best earned run average (ERA) on July 2 with a 6.24 ERA. The Drakes pitching staff is led by starter Rodrigo Sanchez, who is the league leader with five wins. Sanchez is 5-1 with a 3.07 ERA in his seven starts on the season.

Along with Sanchez, Evan Nakagawa and Michael Vochelli are Marysville's manager Bill Rogan's main starters. The main starters ERA averaged 4.0 runs per game through July 2. The main reliever Rogan has used on a consistent basis is reliever Mike Stellmack. Stellmack was 1-3 with a 5.4 ERA in 35 innings of work.

Rogan has expressed to the Dispatch in past interviews that Marysville is capable of playing with anyone in the league and it has been proven. For example, the Drakes are 3-7 against the top two teams in the Pacific standings (San Rafael Pacifics and Monterey Amberjacks).

Marysville is 1-6 against San Rafael and 2-1 versus Monterey. Other than the recent two-game skid at Lancaster, Monterey and Marysville were the only two teams to defeat the Pacifics.

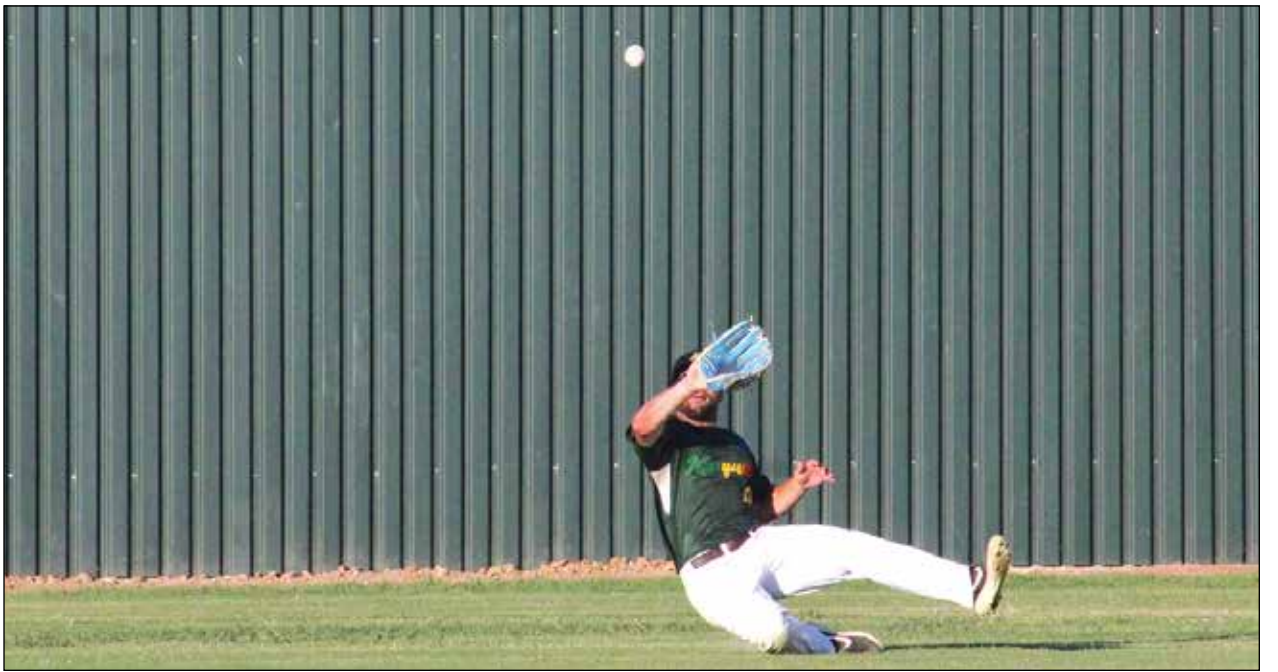
Earlier in the season, the Dispatch used the statistics of the Drakes offense averaging double-digit runs per game. Marysville is 12-2 when they score 10 runs or more in a game.

With the 20 remaining games of the season on July 2, the Drakes play everyone in the Pacific division except Monterey. Marysville plays Dublin six times and Vallejo three times.

The Drakes play Bakersfield twice, with the road game on July 20 being the first of a three-game road trip between Bakersfield and Lancaster.

Marysville plays San Rafael and Martinez three games each. The Drakes are 4-5 against Martinez but have dropped three of the last four games against them since June 17.

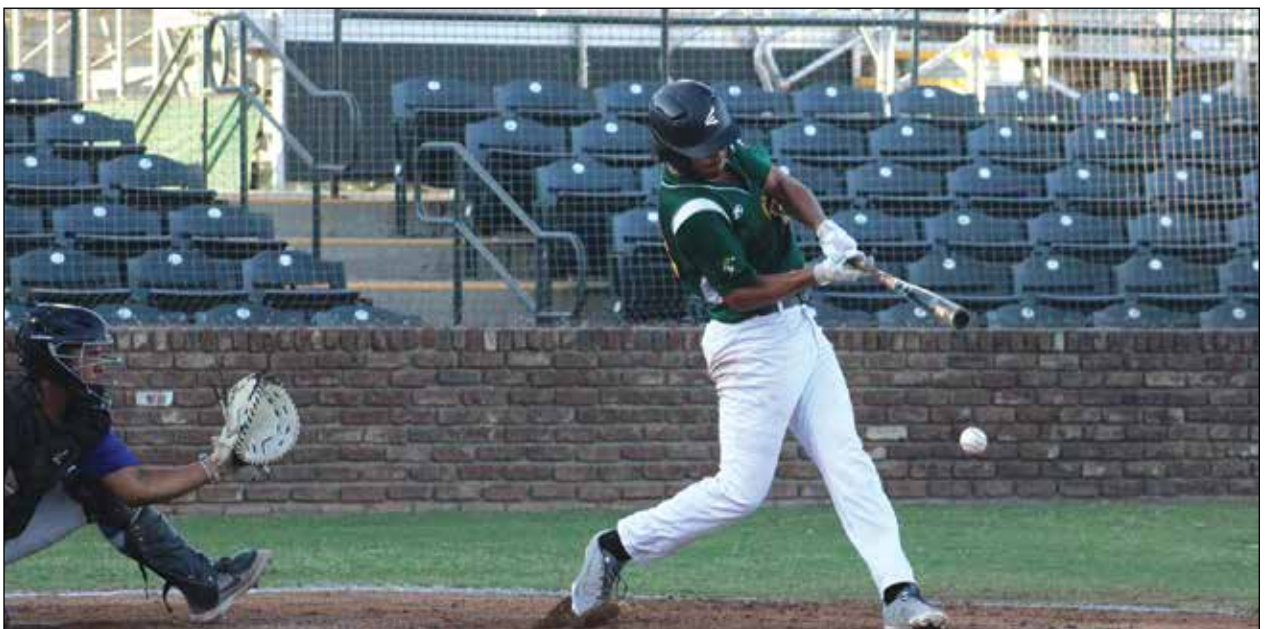
Marysville hosted Dublin and Martinez early in the week before they host Dublin tonight and Vallejo tomorrow at 6:35 p.m. first pitch for all home games. ★



Marysville outfielder Joe Starick (44) slides to make an out in the Drakes 16-9 loss to Martinez on Friday, June 30.



Marysville first baseman Neil Boudreau (30) throws the ball home to try and get an out in the Drakes 16-9 defeat to Martinez on Friday, June 30.



Marysville pitcher Rodrigo Sanchez (13) hits a ground ball in the Drakes 16-9 loss to Martinez on Friday, June 30.



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Unwillingly Unmarked: A Historical Headstone is Destroyed

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 property near the entrance to what is known to locals as the "Old Deniz Dairy", was broken off its base and shattered on the shoulder of Highway 99. Pieces of what looked to be white marble were pulverized, leaving dust and chunks so small that the name and date on the stone could not be read.

Gridley-Biggs Cemetery District Manager Angie Cote was notified by her staff of the discovery, and she immediately called the authorities. Butte County Sheriff's Office sent Officers Moreland and Smith out to the cemetery to take a report.

Cemetery records indicated that the headstone belonged to a 17-year-old boy named William Holt that passed away January 10, 1879. His mother, Jennett Holt, was buried in the plot next to him a month later on February 18, 1879. Her headstone still stands and is an example of what his would have looked like, had it not been destroyed. Judging from what was found strewn along the highway, not all the pieces of Williams stone were accounted for.

Cote expressed to the Herald that the cemetery



Gridley-Biggs Cemetery grounds crew member Nick Caldwell holds the remains of William Holt's tombstone.

constantly struggles with different levels of vandalism but that an incident like this is truly upsetting for multiple reasons. Due to the age of the stone and style, an exact replacement cannot be procured. In addition, the cemetery has no contact information recorded for living family members to notify of the vandalism and that the marker would need to be replaced. It is

not the cemetery's responsibility to replace or repair damaged headstones, but the family's.

Gridley-Biggs Cemetery staff solemnly boxed up the remnants of William Holt's tombstone and stowed them away. With no way of telling who is responsible for the damage and no family contacts, Holt will now rest in an unmarked grave. ★

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