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National Crown, Local Grown



Current Ms. Agriculture America Queens were honored with the "Outstanding Service Award" including Isabella Bastiani. Outstanding Service Queens pictured here are (left to right) Miss Agriculture America Queen Elaine Barnes, Miss Agriculture America Jr. Teen Queen Butte County Ali Khan, Miss National Agriculture America Teen Queen Isabella Bastiani, Miss Agriculture America Queen Haley Holland, and Miss Agriculture American Teen Queen Sutter County Olivia Salle (not pictured). Photo provided by Hilary Bastiani

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Ms. Agriculture America Pageant was born from the marriage of over 125 years of farming and 30 years of pageantry experience, but the program is relatively new to the Gridley area.

Eight months ago, Isabella Bastiani was crowned Miss Agriculture America Butte County Teen Queen, but on May 28th, 2023, the 15-year-old relinquished her Butte County title to compete at a higher level.

After a long day



In the Theme Wear portion of the competition, Bastiani paid homage to FFA, wearing her blue jacket and white show pants, while carrying a stuffed lamb. Photo provided by Hilary Bastiani

selling her lamb at the Silver Dollar Fair auction, she traveled directly to Sacramento's Holiday Inn to participate in the Ms. Agriculture American Pageant 2023. Out of seven competitive categories - photogenic, interview, theme wear, introductions, evening wear, talent, and spokesmodel, Bastiani would dazzle judges in her chosen 4: photogenic, introduction, theme wear, and evening wear.

After a night of competition, Bastiani would be crowned the new Miss

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Gridley Council Considers Live Oak Policing Request

By Cindy Scott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - In the June 5 Gridley City Council meeting, Gridley Police Chief Rodney Harr discussed a request from the City of Live Oak to provide policing services. Live Oak historically had its own police department but began contracting with the Sutter County Sheriff's Office decades ago. Live Oak requested Gridley assign seven officers, a lieutenant, and a sergeant to police Live Oak, offering to pay salaries and benefits.

Harr said that Live Oak makes the request every five years or so. When Councilmember Angel Calderon asked why they continue to request services, Harr answered, "In the past ... to check to see if they're being charged appropriately by the sheriff's office."

Several challenges to policing Live Oak were discussed: the different radio systems used by the two cities, the need for additional equipment such as a repeater, the current difficulty with hiring additional officers, the need to process arrests in Sutter County, the obligation to attend court in Sutter County, the need for additional records staff, and the possible conflict of an officer summoned to appear simultaneously in two county courthouses.

Councilmember Jim Roberts said, "Back in the mid to late 90s, this came really close to actually happening. ... It was just a logistical nightmare dealing with two different counties and different dispatch systems, and it died at the council."

Harr discussed the \$1.7 million contract Live Oak currently has with the Sutter County Sheriff's Office, calling it a "smokin' deal," and added that it isn't economically feasible for the City of Gridley to essentially create a second police department to patrol Live Oak.

Mayor Mike Farr said, "I think Gridley PD should be patrolling and policing Gridley, not Live Oak or anybody else. ... I strongly said no."

Developers used the community forum period to remind the council of their concerns in working with the City Planner and City Engineer.

Justin Kern, GUSD Superintendent, added to the comments by reporting they are in the process of certifying the district property on Randolph Avenue, "to build a

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Gas Leak Forces Evacuations

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Evacuation orders went out on the morning of Friday, June 16th due to a large gas leak that occurred along the Hwy 99 corridor.

Reports say that a backhoe accidentally struck a PG&E gas line roughly around 10:00 am at 1460 Hwy 99, just south of the Dollar General store and north of Archer Avenue in Gridley.

CALFIRE responded to the scene, along with PG&E crews, Butte County Sheriff's Office and Gridley Police Department. It is believed that PG&E crews were already on-site at the time of the incident.

CALFIRE/Butte County/Battalion 7 Chief Mike Conaty said that upon their arrival, a very loud whistling was issuing from the struck pipe, inferring a



PG&E team members feverishly work to stop and cap the leaking gas pipe responsible for the evacuation of area homes Friday in Gridley.

high-pressure leak. Due to the potential danger it imposed on neighboring residents and businesses, an evacuation order was issued to homes on Archer Avenue down to Bonnell

Avenue. The AmeriGas facility, located on the south corner of Archer and Hwy 99 immediately shut down operations and was of concern to responders. Conaty also requested

a shutdown of Hwy 99 until the gas leak had been contained.

When Herald reporters arrived, the smell of gas in the area was heavy despite

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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The recent spate of people being hit by the train has brought to light the issue of Railroad legal jurisdiction. Gridley Police Chief Rodney Harr has to work with the Railroad Police to have enforcement jurisdiction on the tracks. A majority of railroad operations are regulated at the federal level, which can sometimes limit the authority of local and state governments. In American history, as the trains started going west,

they wanted speed in their development, so having one set of rules made sense at the time, as the railroad wanted to avoid dealing with new rules at every state line. The Interstate Commerce Clause of the United States Constitution grants Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce. Railroads are considered a part of interstate commerce because they transport goods and passengers across state lines. As a result, the federal government has the authority to regulate various aspects of railroad operations, including safety standards, rates, and specific environmental regulations. The regulation of railroads has evolved, but only a little since the 1800s, and there have been ongoing conflicts about the balance of power between the federal government and local

and state governments. In recent years, there have been efforts to devolve (push down) more regulatory authority to the states, counties, and cities, allowing them to have greater control over certain aspects of railroad operations while ensuring compliance with federal safety and operational standards. The City cannot tell the train how many times or for how long to blow its whistle; unlike cars and trucks, the City has no authority to regulate their speed. So don't call City Hall. Call your Congressman to make changes to the railroad in Biggs/Gridley/Live Oak, all of which are towns that were started by the railroad and have tracks running through them.

Josh F.W. Cook is an educator and public administrator. ★

CAL FIRE to Suspend Burn Permits

CAL FIRE/Butte County News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Following a period of critically dry conditions, California experienced a very wet winter that filled reservoirs and put an end to years of drought. The plentiful precipitation also caused significant vegetation growth in Butte County. No matter how much rain the area receives throughout the winter and spring, however, the abundant grass crop dries out as the temperature rises and humidity drops.

While wildfires are a natural part of California's landscape, the increasing fire danger posed by dead grass and hotter, drier conditions in the region are prompting CAL FIRE to suspend all burn permits for outdoor residential burning within the State Responsibility Area of Butte County. This suspension goes into effect Monday, June 26, 2023 and bans all residential outdoor burning of landscape debris such as branches and leaves.

"We encourage residents to use the last two weekends in June to finish any debris burning that may help you achieve your defensible space goals," says Garrett Sjolund, CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department Fire Chief. "But we urge caution as the risk of an escaped control burn is

rising with the temperature."

As of June 12, CAL FIRE and firefighters across the state have responded to 1,639 wildfires that have burned more than 4,000 acres this year.

After outdoor burning of landscape debris by homeowners is no longer allowed, CAL FIRE is asking residents to continue preparing your home for wildfire by creating defensible space and hardening your home.

Here are some tips to help prepare homes and property:

Clear all dead and dying vegetation 100 feet from your around all structures: Landscape with fire resistant plants and non-flammable ground cover; Find alternative ways to dispose of landscape debris like chipping or hauling it to a biomass energy or green waste facility.

The department may issue restrictive temporary burning permits if there is an essential reason due to public health and safety. Agriculture, land management, fire training, and other industrial-type burning may proceed if a CAL FIRE official inspects the burn site and issues a special permit.

The burn permit suspension applies to all areas of Butte County except within the city limits of Gridley and Biggs. For up-to-date burning regulations, visit the Burning page at ButteCounty.net/Fire. ★

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school on that site down the road." He also noted that TK, Transitional Kindergarten, is expanding in the state, and the district will soon be required to serve all four-year-olds. Because McKinley School is almost maxed out, they are planning for the future. He said that City Planner Donna Decker had reached out to him on the matter in April but hadn't replied to his response. He requested the city "stay in communication, stay in the loop, it's been spotty."

Eric Waterbury, GUSD Board President, also spoke during the community forum, saying, "We're hearing things like we're not willing to give up

an easement for Laurel Street to be extended, and we are. ... Those talks have fallen flat since April." He added that residential development could be "too much" for current school facilities, saying, "If we don't have a plan to build schools out in the future, and how we're going to build those schools out ... we're going to have kids stacked in classrooms." He noted a future school on Randolph could cost \$50-\$60 million, funds the district wouldn't have with the impact fees they are allowed to levy, and they would like to work with the city on other avenues for raising the needed funds.

Ashley Ayala, Parks and

Recreation Director, was happy to report that the Kids Free Fishing Day saw 871 participants and 750 free meals, with the biggest fish weighing in at 7.16 lbs. The Outdoor Equity Grant helped pay for the expenses of the fishing event. The grant will also fund the Kids Healthy Outdoor Day on July 8. Catalina Sanchez, councilmember, suggested Ayala consider tri-city events organized in partnership with the cities of Biggs and Live Oak.

Calderon reported that the county library system is in crisis and needs a minimum of \$3 million dollars. The Butte County Library Ad Hoc Committee is recommending to the Board of

Supervisors a ballot measure that would create a tax district or other funding.

City Manager Cliff Wagner reported that there is an interested buyer for the Stapleton's plant on the north side of town. City staff will be meeting with the potential buyer, a company that makes natural cookies, "... a very clean, healthy operation."

After Electric Utility Director Jake Carter reported on several Electric Department activities, Wagner noted that the DMV registration renewal of one of the electric department trucks became problematic, with the DMV charging a \$30,000 renewal fee. Calling it a "double tax," Carter said, "I got to talk to

every tax division in the State of California ... It took a few days and a lot of documentation ... I was finally able to walk out with plates and registration."

Christian Garcia, Waste Management Recycling Education Rep, spoke during the community forum period, reporting on their participation in the Red Suspenders bed races, vendor booths, and parade, where they had a vintage collection truck and the newest collection truck in California. Garcia added, "The Gridley Transfer Station is open Saturdays and Sundays 8:30-4:00pm, closed 30 minutes for lunch at 11:30am. You're welcome to bring in all your mattresses for free." ★

Employment Opportunity

BIGGS-WEST GRIDLEY WATER DISTRICT

Full-Time Ditch Tender

Biggs-West Gridley Water District is accepting applications for the position of full-time Ditch Tender. Hours vary based on a rotational, weekly shift; some overtime work required. Would be responsible for taking water orders from customers and making water deliveries, inspecting, cleaning, and repairing canals and facilities, and preparing reports during the irrigation season. Perform maintenance and repairs during the non-irrigation season. Qualifications: Knowledge of and practical experience in the area of agriculture required; one or more years' experience in the operation of irrigation water conveyance and distribution facilities desired; California Class A or C driver's license with satisfactory driving record; high school diploma or equivalent. Pay dependent on experience. Post-offer, pre-employment drug testing and physical may be required. Position will be open until filled. EOE. Full job description, benefit information, and application materials for this position are available at www.bwgwater.com or the District's office, or by email request to bcedillo@bwgwater.com.

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Marketing Funnels: How to Acquire, Measure, Track, Monetize Traffic (Chico)

Do you know what Marketing Funnels are? Do you know how they can benefit your business? Do you want to ensure your marketing dollars and time are working for you? Do you want to know how you can use Marketing Funnels to drive increase sales, more loyalty and stronger brand awareness? During this marketing workshop, you will learn how to use Marketing Funnels to acquire, measure, track and monetize your traffic, leads, and conversations. You will also gain insights from seeing the "big picture" and learn how collecting the right data can help to identify your "Marketing Blindspots."

Date/Time: Wednesday, June 28, 2023; 8:30am - 10:30am
Cost/Location: Free, Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

Common Problems Encountered with QuickBooks Online Accounting (Chico)

Accurate bookkeeping is critical for successfully managing your business; therefore, taking the time to understand how to correctly use your accounting program is key for your business financial success. This 2-hour workshop is for individuals who have already set up their QuickBooks Online system, have been working with the system for 6 months or more, and need help with ensuring that they are using the system correctly (i.e., performing the necessary reconciliations, matching and categorization properly). We will cover reconciling your bank and credit card accounts to your ledgers, problems with categorizations vs. matching vs. rules, understanding reporting and problem solving the data, cleaning up Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable anomalies and cleaning up Balance Sheet misallocations. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers.

Date/Time: Thursday, June 29, 2023; 8:30am - 10:30am
Cost/Location: Free, Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

Introduction to Digital/Online Marketing (Chico)

This workshop will focus on discussing introductory methods of digital and online marketing. You will learn the basics about Search Engine Optimization (SEO), Search Engine Marketing (SEM), Social Media Marketing (SMM), as well as mobile, affiliate, and online Ad marketing. You will be provided real-world examples of which type of marketing may best fit your marketing goals, as well as ideas for your future marketing needs. This training is perfect for individuals who are either first getting started in digital/online marketing, or those who would like a little more information on how to develop their current digital/online marketing.

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 12, 2023; 8:30am - 10:30am
Cost/Location: Free, Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

Using AI for Your Business Marketing (Chico)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) has become increasingly beneficial to businesses and our communities as a whole. However, very few people understand how to use AI to help them in their marketing and other business strategies. We will take a deep dive into using AI to develop marketing strategies, content, and will take a step-by-step approach to developing an AI generated marketing strategy.

Date/Time: Wednesday, July 26, 2023; 8:30am - 10:30am
Cost/Location: Free, Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

ServSafe Food Safety Training and Certification (Chico)

California Uniform Retail Food Facility Law requires re-certification of competence in Food Safety and Sanitation every 5 years. Passing the ServSafe® exam is necessary to renew your certification. Training includes National Restaurant Association ServSafe® Exam, Essentials book, Answer Sheet and Certificate. Training is recognized by the California Health Department and fulfills the State of California certification obligations. Learn the importance of food safety practices how to implement them. Trainer is State certified. Participants must register purchase books 3 weeks before training.

Date/Time: Thursday, August 10, 2023; 9:00am - 5:00pm
Cost: \$120 per person (includes book); \$80 per person (book not included)
Location: Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

To Register for Trainings CALL: (530) 895-9017

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National Crown, Local Grown



The new Ms. Agriculture America National Teen Queen Isabella Bastiani with pageant directors Shannon and Cathy Lolmaugh. Photo provided by Hilary Bastiani

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National Agriculture North America Teen Queen, one of the program's top three highest teen titles. She was also honored with the "outstanding service queen" award.

Of her new title, Bastiani says that it felt "amazing" to earn the crown and that she is very excited for the opportunities the title opens up for her and her platform as an advocate for ag, or ag-vocate.

Her new role as Miss National Agriculture America Teen Queen affords Bastiani the ability to share her passion for agriculture and animals, which manifested at the young age of 6. Her mother, Hilary Bastiani shares that her daughter learned from her pet rabbit how animal fertilizer or compost supported garden growth, and how the produce yield from the garden fed both animal and farmer. Her interest in ag spread from there and by age 7, Bastiani had decided that she wanted to be a farm vet. Her conviction has not changed since.

During her freshman year at Gridley High School, Bastiani continued her



Isabella Bastiani received the Natural Beauty Award during the evening wear competition. Photo provided by Hilary Bastiani

studies in ag in the FFA program, focusing on competitive creed and informed green hand, and plans to participate in an animal judging camp this summer. She is currently in the Advanced Animal Science and Horticulture Pathways offered at GHS.

Bastiani says that being Ms. National Agriculture American Teen Queen was such a draw to her because "I felt like I could spread more information," with a national title. "When I had my previous title, I could only really travel in my

county, maybe to a county nearby, but now I can basically travel anywhere in the United States."

Bastiani says her dream is to "spread more information about agriculture as a whole" to the nation as an ag-vocate. The queen says that while still prominent in our culture, agriculture is taking a back seat to industries such as technology. Her goal would be to shift that focus and help educate others on the importance of agriculture and how any economic level can easily become involved in the realms of agriculture.

The teen has multiple ways to share her message including participating in parades, and fairs, being a spokesperson at events, doing PSA's, educational posts on social media, and community service. Since being crowned Ms. Ag American National Teen Queen, Bastiani has been visiting royalty at the Sutter Parade, Colusa County Fair, and will be participating in many upcoming local events this summer.

As far as the Ms. Agriculture American program, Bastiani says that it feels like "family" and that her fellow queens lift and support each other. She considers herself an introvert and says that "I feel like more people need to know about this program," she continues, "because it's not all about ag. It's about putting in the work and showing that you *care* about your community, and you *care* about the country's agriculture and people in general."

For more information on the Ms. Ag American Pageant, please visit www.missagricultureamerica-pageant.com. ★

Gas Leak Forces Evacuations



Multiple CALFIRE units responded to a gas leak mid-morning on Friday, June 16th.

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a strong breeze. Gridley PD had blocked off the far right northbound lane and Archer Avenue in order to give PG&E crews and responders room to work on the leak, but traffic had not been halted at that time. CALFIRE had set up an incident command center in the Dollar General parking lot and worked with PG&E crews to maintain public safety and facilitate the shutoff efforts. Customers continued to enter the Dollar General parking lot and shopping center across the street, seemingly unaware of danger.

The leaking pipe



Gridley Police Department and Butte County Sheriff's Office responded to assist CALFIRE with evacuation efforts, traffic control, and be on standby during the incident if danger increased.

appeared to be in a rather shallow excavation site off the shoulder of the highway, with PG&E crews able to reach down and manually work to repair the leak.

The pressure of the leak was reportedly reduced by 10:35 a.m. and the line issuing gas was reportedly capped around 10:40 a.m. No further incident occurred. ★

VFW Announces Scholarship Winners

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - With the end of the 2023 school year, Gridley's VFW Post 5731 announced their annual scholarship winners.

Out of two participating schools, Gridley High School and Live Oak High

School, two students from LOHS and 5 from GHS submitted applications. Gridley High School's first place winner was Charis Pantaleoni. Esmerelda Zavala took first place for LOHS.

The scholarship winners were announced and awarded their scholarships at their respective awards nights. ★

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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The yard and life observations are always interwoven in my life. My beloved granddaughter just graduated college with a degree in Molecular Biology and is going to enter a PhD program. So proud of her. She seems to think I will understand when she talks her science passion with me, I try very

hard to keep up. She wants to do research in bacterial genetics. She has already done a research project under her mentor, looking for why bacteria become antibiotic resistant. Now she is helping with a project that involves fruit flies. I never knew scientists paid so much attention to fruit flies. The flies have short life spans and this allows for quicker results. She is learning how to dissect the female fruit flies and remove their ovaries. Never in my life did I consider that fruit flies had ovaries. They are looking for some bacterial thing that I don't understand but I'm sure it will help civilization in the long run. When the Summer Solstice brings on fruit flies, I now know what they give to humankind.

The mocking birds were racing throughout the yard the other day. They were shrieking and screeching all over the place. Then I noticed that one was really dumb acting and I realized it was a fledgling that the parents were trying to make independent. The goofy kid gave itself away by clinging to the power line. Then it did an awkward side-stepping down the line towards its mother who was avoiding it. It almost fell off of the line. I guess it was still figuring out how to perch on lines. A while later it was quiet so I'm guessing the youngster got the message and became independent. I'm sure human mothers would like this to happen in about a one-hour time period. ★



Imperial Valley Farmers Await Water Deal, Weigh Planting Decisions

California, Arizona and Nevada reached a long-sought consensus last month on how to conserve water and prevent the Colorado River from running dry. Farmers in the Imperial Valley, who are expected to shoulder much of the burden, had been readying to fallow some acreage to save water as early as this year. But many will plant as normal this year and look to reduce acreage next year. That's because a \$1.2 billion federal compensation plan is yet to be worked out for those curbing water use, including details on how much each water user will be paid to leave water in the river.

California Ranchers Have Ample Pastures, but High Costs for Rebuilding Herds

Short supplies of cattle nationwide have sent prices soaring at a time when California ranchers have less to sell after years of drought forced them to shrink their herds. With more rain and an explosion of feed on pastures this year, ranchers are eager to rebuild their numbers while the market is hot. But buying cattle at current prices may not be palatable for some. In its May forecast, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said it anticipates beef production in 2024 to decline 8%, resulting in the lowest per capita beef available domestically since records began in 1970.

Storms improved outlook for California farming, agricultural summit is told

The outlook for California's agricultural economy shows some signs of improvement after several years of supply-chain constraints, high input costs and a multi-year drought that forced farmers to fallow acres and remove orchards. Drenching storms that hit the state early this year turned the tide, contributing to a more positive outlook for agriculture this year, economic analyst David Magaña of Rabobank told attendees during a food and agriculture issues summit in Sacramento. The event featured discussions on topics including water, labor and farm policy.

Officials Hail Farm Grant Program to Safeguard Food Protection

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is partnering with states to offer a grant program to build resilience across the food-supply system, responding to lessons learned from supply-chain disruptions and food shortages that occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic. The USDA Resilient Food System Infrastructure Program is meant to create new revenue streams for producers and to strengthen local and regional food systems. The program was discussed during a recent California State Board of Food and Agriculture session on safeguards to protect America's food supply. ★

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LOCAL FISHING
Wood Duck Pond can be seen from the Spenceville road and just a hop-skip and jump from the parking lot. Big, big Bluegill inhabit this pretty little pond. Try: Bluegill Jigs. (b) Gold Pond #C on map in the Yuba Goldfield is akin to a small trout stream.

Spenceville WA Map

Yuba Gold Fields Map

It contains small rainbow trout, offspring of rainbows from the old "Trout Rearing Ponds". Funny! I never see any fishermen here, fine with me. Try: Trico Flies. (b) Haypress Creek is a small freestone genre and full of Brook Trout aka, Square tails. Males have brilliant tangerine/orange bellies, edged in black squiggly lines on their backs with light yellow spots in a halo. Their kype is hooked during fall mating season. Try: Midges or Red Ants. (b)

SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA
San Francisco offshore fishing for rock fish is open to all depths. Try: Tray Bait. (b) Delta Broad Slough is windy; caught one slot sized sturgeon. Try: Lamprey Eel. (b) Note: the female stripers have not spawned yet, bellies are full of crawdads.

COASTAL WATERS
Bodega Bay; deep water (320'-330') anglers are limiting out on Vermillion, Yellowtail and Lingcod. Rockfish... Try: Jigs (b). Lingcod...Try: Swimbait. (b) Halfmoon Bay; limits of Rockfish at 50-fathoms. Try: Shrimp Fly w/ Anchovy Bait. (b)

LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS
Eagle Lake; Eagle Lake strain rainbows are biting. Fish early and shallow 5'-10' deep. Trolling...Try: Hot Orange Fly. (a) Lake Oroville; Lake level 840 ft, (94 percent full). Releases: 8500 CFS. Feather River inflow 15,000 CFS. All boat ramps open. Black bass are active; fish close to shore and shallow. Try: Wacky Rigged Senko. (a) Davis Lake; ice off and bass are hungry. Bank anglers...Try: Nightcrawlers inflated with air injected needle, rigged on Jigs. (b) Folsom Lake bass; surface to 10-ft deep. Try: Swim Bait. (a) Danger. Watch for subsurface logs. Lake Almanor; 8lb 8oz rainbow caught. Water is 68 degrees and warming. Fish on the bottom. Rainbows are feeding on Hexagenia (Hex) Larva. Jigging... Try: Hex Larva on lead hook and Nightcrawler on the dropper hook. (a)

RIVERS
Downie River accessed via Sailor Ravine Rd, where big rainbow trout are biting size #16 Trico. Later, a short trek up Lavazolla Creek puts us into lots of small rainbows. Try: Speckle Wing Callibaetis in sizes #16-18. (b) Abe believes that I should be able to pan 100g of Au (24gr/1-penny Wt.) from the Downie River. Putting a nice \$109.74 in my pocket. We'll see. No report on the Sacramento River system today. The guides are being...
"Mum is the word." **Brownie**

Dave Ramsey Says

Your Financial Life Depends on It

Dear Dave,

I've been struggling for about a year, ever since I made a stupid new-college-graduate decision to finance a car. It's a 2018 Jeep Compass, and I owe \$21,000 on it. The trade-in value is about \$11,000, so I really got stung on the sticker price and everything else. I also have \$85,000 in student loan debt and around \$7,500 on credit cards. The good news is, I make \$63,000 at my job, and that should increase to \$75,000 by January of next year. My girlfriend and I are renting an apartment and engaged to be married in 2025. How do I clean all this up before then?

— Austin

Dear Austin,

Well, the good news is, you have the rest of your life to never make this kind of mistake again. I'm really sorry you're going through all this, son. What a horrible thing to experience right after college.

So, you're \$10,000 upside down on a vehicle you owe \$21,000 on, right? The truth is, you're kind of stuck. If you're serious about getting out of this mess and not repeating the same mistakes twice, you're going to be working like a dog for the next year or two. Right now, you need a serious side job nights and weekends—maybe two. And I'm talking bare-bones living. No vacations, and no eating out for a while. You don't need to see the inside of a restaurant unless you're working there. Get what I'm saying? No unnecessary spending. Period. On top of all this, you've got to start living on a strict, written monthly budget.

Now, about your fiancée. I get the desire to fix things before you get married. But married people work together on this kind of stuff all the time. Believe it or not, there's no perfect time to get married. I mean, it sounds like you two have already decided to go there and figured out neither one of you are perfect. That's just called being human. So, there's really no reason to wait on tying the knot at this point. And the truth is, the two of you can whip your finances into shape faster and much more efficiently working on it together—as a married couple.

Austin, I want you tear into this debt like your life depends on it. Because guess what, dude? It does!

— Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show," heard by more than 18 million listeners. He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, He also serves as CEO of Ramsey Solutions. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000508
The following person(s) are doing business as: Green Truck Records, 1804 Matson Street, Chico, CA 95928
Cayle J Hunter, 1804 Matson Street, Chico, CA 95928
Date filed in Butte County: May 22, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 1, 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: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023
GREEN 6-23-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000436
The following person(s) are doing business as: Forbestown Mobile Home and RV, 5528 Forbestown Road, Forbestown, CA 95941
L & J Reeder LLC, 5278 Trojan Road, San Diego, CA 92115.
Date filed in Butte County: May 3, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A.
This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023
FORBESTOWN 6-23-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000389
The following person(s) are doing business as: Tinoco's Tacos, 2710 Feather River Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95965
Eduardo Tinoco, 140 Maine Street, Gridley, CA 95948.
Date filed in Butte County: April 17, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: February 28, 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: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023
TINOCOS 6-23-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000432
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name: Sprinkler Pro, 2415 Durham Street, Durham, CA 95938
David L Moore and Cindi R Moore, 2415 Durham Street, Durham, CA 95938.
Original filing date: November 1, 2022; Statement expires: November 1, 2027.
Date Filed in Butte County: May 2, 2023.
This statement was filed in the office of Keaton Denlay, County Clerk of Butte County Cindi Wilde, Assistant
Publish: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023
SPRINKLER 6-23-2023

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000516
The following person(s) are doing business as: Chico Community Midwives, 2 Vermillion Circle, Chico, CA 95928
Alexandra L. Watts, 2 Vermillion Circle, Chico, CA 95928
Date filed in Butte County: May 24, 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 9, 16, 23, 30, 2023
CHICO 6-30-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000533
The following person(s) are doing business as: Gridley Truck Show, 256 Spicetree Street, Gridley, 95948
Diego A Ramos, 256 Spicetree Street, Gridley, 95948
Date filed in Butte County: June 1, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: June 1, 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.

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DIEGO 6-30-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2023-0000402
The following person(s) are doing business as: Yummy's Baking Company, 265 Humboldt Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.
Yummy's Baking Company LLC, 265 Humboldt Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.
Date filed in Butte County: April 25, 2023. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 13, 2023
This Business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
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
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
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 ½ McFadden Lane, Chico, CA 95928.
Wheezy's Fitness & Athletics LLC, 163 ½ 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
This Business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
WHEEZYS 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.
This Business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
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
This Business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious

business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: June 16, 23, 30, July 7, 2023
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.
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
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.
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
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.
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 23, 30, July 7, 14, 2023
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

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #23CV01170
Petitioner Jessica Anne Dorricott filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jessica Anne Dorricott to Hayden Bryn Dorricott.
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 June 28, 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 9, 2023
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: June 2, 9, 16, 23, 2023
JESSICA 6-23-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #23CV00711
Petitioner Juan David Duran Alvarez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Juan David Duran Alvarez to Juan David Alvarez.
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 12, 2023, 1:30 p.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on May 25, 2023
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
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JUAN 6-30-23

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
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ALEXANDER 7-7-23

SUMMONS

SUMMONS (FAMILY LAW)
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DEL CASO): 23FL00397
NOTICE TO RESPONDENT (Name): AVISO AL DEMANDADO (Nombre): Daniel R. Cheetham
YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. Read the information below and on the next page. PETITIONER'S NAME IS: (NOMBRE DEL DEMANDANTE): Rochelle M. Chivrell.
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this Summons and Petition are served on you to file a Response (form FL-120) at the court and have a copy served on the petitioner. A letter, phone call or court appearance will not protect you. If you do not file your response on time, the court may make orders affecting your marriage or domestic partnership, your property, and custody of your children. You may be ordered to pay support and attorney fees and costs. For legal advice contact a lawyer immediately. Get help finding a lawyer at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), at the California Legal Services website (www.lawhelpca.org) or by contacting your local county bar association.
Usted tiene 30 DÍAS CALENDARIO después de que se le presente esta Citación y Petición para presentar una respuesta (formulario FL-120) en el tribunal y tener una copia notificada al peticionario. Una carta, llamada telefónica o comparecencia ante el tribunal no lo protegerá. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, el tribunal puede hacer órdenes que afecten su matrimonio o pareja de

hecho, sus bienes y la custodia de sus hijos. Es posible que se le ordene pagar la manutención y los honorarios y costos de los abogados. Para obtener asesoramiento legal, póngase en contacto con un abogado de inmediato. Obenga ayuda para encontrar un abogado en el Centro de Autoayuda en Línea de los Tribunales de California (www.courts.ca.gov/selfhelp), en el sitio web de Servicios Legales de California (www.lawhelpca.org) o comunicándose con el colegio de abogados de su condado local.
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.
FEE WAIVER: If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the clerk for a fee waiver form. The court may order you to pay back all or part of the fees and costs that the court waived for you or the other party.

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
STANDARD FAMILY LAW
RESTRAINING ORDERS

Starting immediately, you and your spouse or domestic partner are restrained from:

- 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;
- 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;
- 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
- 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.

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ROCHELLE 7-7-23

TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 48047584 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/15/2006. 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: CHARLES STAFFORD, A SINGLE PERSON Duly Appointed Trustee: IDEA LAW GROUP, PC Recorded 12/21/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0066864 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of BUTTE County, California, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 902 KENTUCKY ST GRIDLEY, CA 95948 A.P.N.: 009-081-013-000 Date of Sale: 7/12/2023 at 3:30:00 PM Place of Sale: Butte County Courthouse, 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$296,199.70, Estimated. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. 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Thoughts to Ponder Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY

by Kathy Neal

Gridley United Methodist Church

I've seen a miracle of determination. The builders of an eagle's nest. For years I had watched a pair of eagles build a nest along the after bay on my way home and they lived there in a tall white barked tree. Then one day, I saw it was gone. Did the limb break? Did some human help break it off? What happened? I don't know, but the eagles weren't there for a long while.

But just recently, to my surprise, I noticed twigs and branches being placed one upon another. Then there it was, the eagle. It was like, "ok! My old nest is gone, but my new, stronger one is going back up for my family." Wings flipped and off it went to collect more building supplies.

Now that's determination! Beaten down, blown over, and a place of living is gone. But, out of instinct or desire, this eagle was working to get back what it had lost. We could learn a lot from the birds and animals around us. Never give up! Keep up the faith and go to work.

We've all heard the kid's nursery rhyme, "The three little pigs." One built a house of twigs the wolf blew it over. Off ran the little pig to his brother's house. The second little pig made

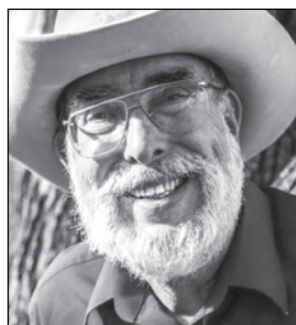
his out of straw walls. Along came the big blow hard wolf and over went the pig's house. They ran to the third little pig's house for safety.

The third little pig made his house of bricks, on a strong foundation. The old wolf tried and tried but couldn't blow over this house. The three little pigs were saved and learned a very important lesson, do not skimp on building supplies or a strong base.

The Bible gives us the same story, but two houses were built. One was on sand and the other was on rock. Now let's get this straight the one built on a firm foundation survives the one on sand doesn't. Our cornerstone for building and our strong base is Jesus Christ. If He isn't, a big wind of trials and destruction, may cause our lives (homes) to be blown over and destroyed.

Just as an eagle with determination rebuilt his home, we too can build our homes (lives) on a firm foundation of God, His power, and mercy to regain our salvation. Don't skimp on the building supplies!!!!

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Slim Randles

"Wonder what the count is today," said Herb. "Sure is hot."

We sipped simultaneously, as is our wont, and stared at our friend. "What count would that be?" asked Steve.

"The btu count, of course," said Herb. "Those are British thermal units, you know. It's how heat is measured."

Leave it to Herb. There doesn't appear to be any coffee-drinking topic that Herb can't make completely obscure.

"I was just getting used to the difference between Fahrenheit and Celsius," our cowboy, Steve, said.

"I always eat my Celsius with peanut butter on it,"

"Not Without Peanut Butter it Isn't"

said Doc.

"Doc made a joke!" came the coffee-counter chorus. That was unusual because Doc was considered by most of us as the chief justice of the supreme court of darn near everything because of all the initials after his name.

Windy Wilson got up slowly and stiffly, walked over to the phone sitting on the cashier's counter, and dialed a number. He nodded and came back to the other members of the world dilemma think tank.

"97," he said, taking a sip,

"97 what?"

"Degrees. Right now. Outside. According to that girl's voice on the hotline number I called."

"Fahrenheit?"

"Don't know," Windy said.

"Kelvin?"

"Kelvin who?"

"Rankine?"

"She didn't say. Just a recordin' on the phone, you know..."

"Number of British thermal units?"

"I don't care how they do it in Britain," Windy said. "Hotter right here, anyway."

"Might be Celsius," said Herb.

Doc looked up from the depths of his coffee, "Not without peanut butter it isn't."

Some onlookers just enjoy a short stack and try to figure out what we're talking about. It could become a passion or trend or something.

Looking at the thermometer? When ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise. ★

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Approval of the Report of Delinquent Fees (Report) related to utility charges for collection on the property tax roll prepared by the Butte County Tax Collector.

A list of addresses potentially affected by this action is on file with the City Clerk.

City Council shall make its determination upon each charge as described in the Report. Their final determination shall cause the Report to be filed with the County of Butte. The Tax Collector shall include said delinquent fees and charges for taxes levied against the respective lots and parcels of land.

Property owners and any other interested persons may contact Carrie Pahua, Billing and Collections, at 530-868-5493, or submit written comments to City Hall prior to 4 p.m. on July 11, 2023, or by emailing the City Clerk at cityclerk@biggs-ca.gov, or in person at the Public Hearing.

As a continued courtesy to the public, the meeting will be broadcast free via the internet - no comments will be allowed remotely. The zoom link to watch the meeting is <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5308680100>.

If you challenge the subject matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Billings and Collections, 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs at or prior to the close of the public hearing.

Roben Benish,
City Clerk, City of Biggs

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE BUTTE COUNTY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT MOSQUITO, VECTOR AND DISEASE CONTROL ASSESSMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Trustees of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District intends to conduct a public hearing for the CONTINUATION of the benefit assessment in fiscal year 2023-24 that fund the District's mosquito, vector control, and disease prevention services and projects in the District's Boundaries.

The public hearing to consider the ordering of services and projects, and the levy of the continued assessments for fiscal year 2023-24 for the Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control Assessment, shall be held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. at the at the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District offices, located at 444 Otterson Dr, Chico, CA 95928. The proposed assessment rate for fiscal year 2023-24 is TWELVE DOLLARS AND SIXTY CENTS (\$12.60) per single-family equivalent benefit unit for Zone A, and THREE DOLLARS AND FIFTEEN CENTS (\$3.15) per single-family equivalent benefit unit for Zone B, which is an increase from last year's rates.

Members of the public are invited to provide comment at the public hearing, or in writing, which is received by the District on or before Wednesday, July 12, 2023. If you desire additional information concerning the above, please contact the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District at (530) 533-6038.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Gridley City Council ORDINANCE 847-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 14.8-ACRES FROM RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (R- S) TO SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-1) AND TO RESCIND THE EXISTING AGRICULTURE OVERLAY ZONING DESIGNATION, FOR A PROPOSED DENSITY OF 4.9 DU/AC LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SYCAMORE STREET AND AT THE TERMINUS OF LAUREL STREET. (APN 010-270-121)

First read by title only at June 19, 2023 City Council meeting.

Second reading and adoption anticipated on July 17th, 2023 City Council Meeting.

A complete copy of this ordinance is available for viewing at City Hall, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Gridley City Council ORDINANCE 848-2023

AN AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 844-2023 ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 6, 2023 REMOVING THE OPEN SPACE DESIGNATION AS SHOWN ON APN 022-210-095, 80.48 ACRES, APN 022-210-087, 4.5 ACRES, AND APN 022-210-051, 10.5 ACRES TOTALING APPROXIMATELY -95.5 ACRES AND REPLACING IT WITH R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, AND R-2, MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY OF BIGGS ADOPTION OF THE SUTTER BUTTE BASIN REGIONAL LEVEE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Biggs will hold a public hearing at 5:00 PM on July 11, 2023 at the Biggs City Council Chambers, 465 C Street, Biggs, CA for the purpose of receiving written and oral comments from the public regarding the adoption of The Sutter Butte Basin Regional Levee Improvement Program Development Impact Fee pursuant to the Mitigation Fee Act (Government Code Section 66000 et seq.) The Sutter Butte Basin Regional Levee Improvement Program Development Impact Fee would provide funding for the implementation of 200-year flood control improvements in the urban (Northern) portion of the Sutter Butte Basin and 100-year flood control improvements in the rural (Southern) portion of the Sutter Butte Basin. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that at the said time and place any person may appear and be heard regarding the approval of the proposed impact fee. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that any data required by the Mitigation Fee Act is available and can be mailed to any interested party who files a written request with the City of Biggs for mailed notice of any meeting considering new or increased fees or service charges. Written requests may be provided to Biggs City Clerk at its offices located at 465 C Street, Biggs, CA, 95917. All interested parties are encouraged to attend the hearing and provide written and oral comments or suggestions concerning the proposed impact fee.

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Undercutting Accelerated Approval Could Doom Biden's "Cancer Moonshot"

Commentary by Kenneth E. Thorpe

Thirty years ago, AIDS patients faced increasing symptoms and the risk of death while awaiting life-saving drugs that had shown enormous promise in clinical trials -- but that were hung up in the FDA's traditional approval process. In response, Congress sanctioned a new FDA "accelerated approval" pathway that gave patients earlier access to medicines. Lives were spared and our healthcare system finally had solutions to manage a disease that was ravaging our nation.

That same accelerated approval pathway has saved countless lives over the past three decades. Cancer treatments have been developed and delivered to patients more readily. Rare diseases once considered untreatable now have new standards of care that were previously completely unthinkable.

Despite this, the pathway is back in the news -- and for all the wrong reasons. Congress recently passed legislation that changed the accelerated approval pathway in significant ways. The latest reforms could substantially weaken the pathway and its potential to bring future treatments down the pike. It's puzzling that some elected officials are championing the Cancer Moonshot while at the same time undermining the pathway that's facilitated earlier access to breakthrough cancer drugs.

Accelerated approval is reserved for treatments that address serious or life-threatening conditions for which there are currently no adequate therapies.

Under traditional FDA approval, new drugs don't get a green light until tests demonstrate they produce a clinical benefit in patients -- for example, better cancer survival rates. Under the accelerated approval pathway, however, medications are conditionally approved if they can demonstrate success at a "surrogate endpoint" -- that is, a predetermined and measurable step that predicts a future clinical benefit. For example, if tests show a new cancer drug shrinks tumors, there's good reason to think it will

extend lives.

Crucially, if further required testing determines the medication has failed to deliver on its initial promise, its accelerated approval can be revoked. But in the overwhelming majority of cases -- some 76.5% of accelerated approvals between 1992 and 2016 -- confirmatory testing has led to what's called conversion to traditional approval.

Compromising the accelerated approval pathway would lead to fewer new treatments, period.

Emerging biotech companies are responsible for about 80% of all experimental medicines in the drug-development pipeline. Yet these firms often lack the funds to see a drug all the way from creation to confirmatory testing. With accelerated approval, they can begin selling their medication sooner, thereby enabling them to financially sustain the final rounds of testing themselves.

Unfortunately, that might not be a workable business model much longer. The FDA's top oncology regulator said he intends to begin withholding accelerated approval of new cancer drugs until confirmatory trials are already underway. As a result, two companies have already seen promising cancer treatments delayed because of this new policy.

Further concerns lie in the inconsistencies around access to drugs approved under the accelerated approval pathway. The Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services (CMS), for example, has disclosed plans to pay less for accelerated approval drugs that haven't completed confirmatory studies.

Equally worrying, CMS has issued a "national coverage determination," that will prevent most Medicare beneficiaries from accessing an entire class of groundbreaking new Alzheimer's treatments simply because they received accelerated approval.

All told, these misguided coverage restrictions will only delay access to FDA-approved treatments that could change the course of some of the nation's most costly chronic conditions. ★

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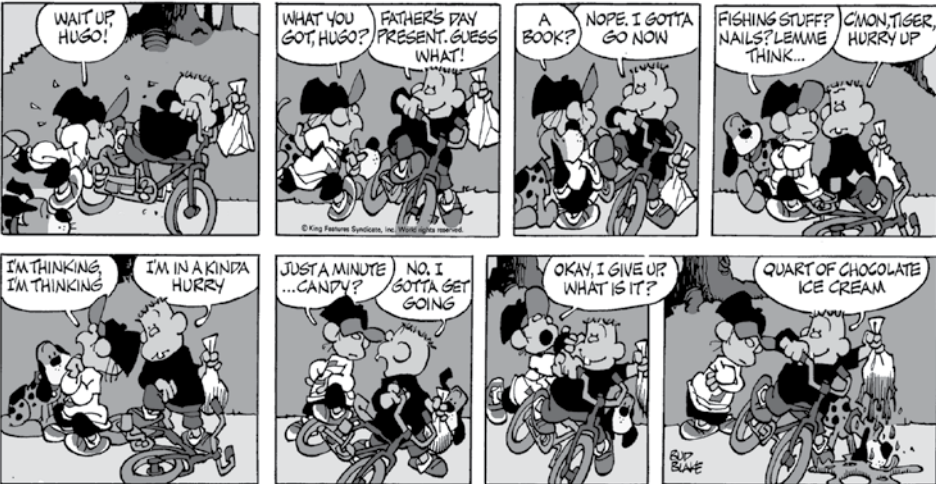
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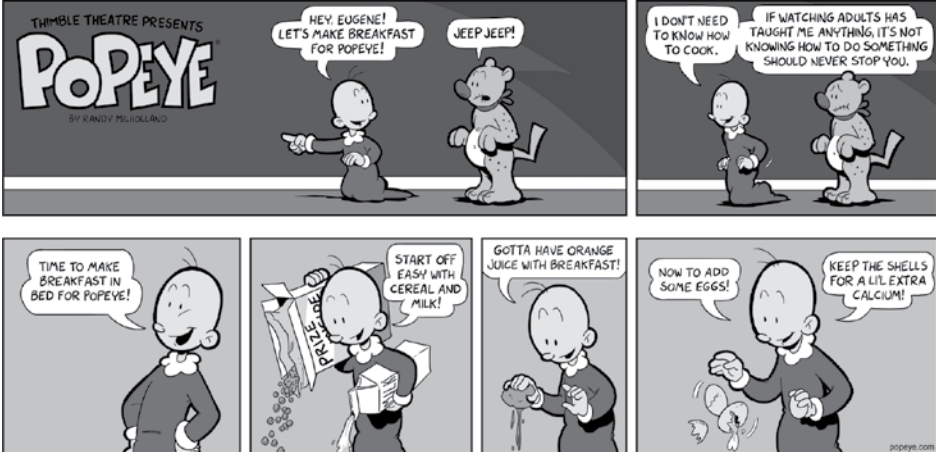


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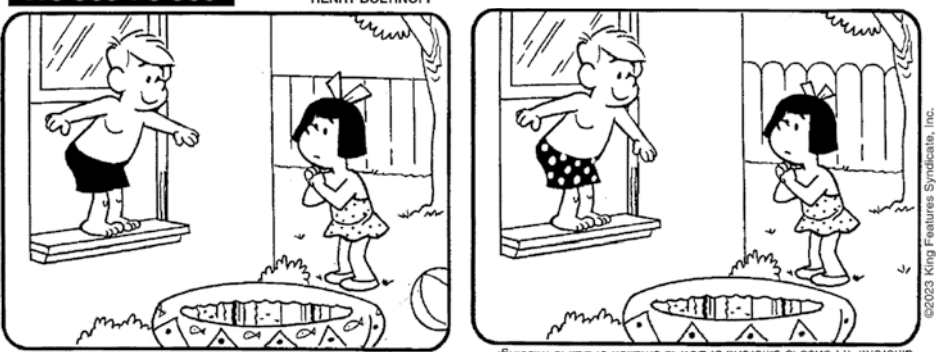


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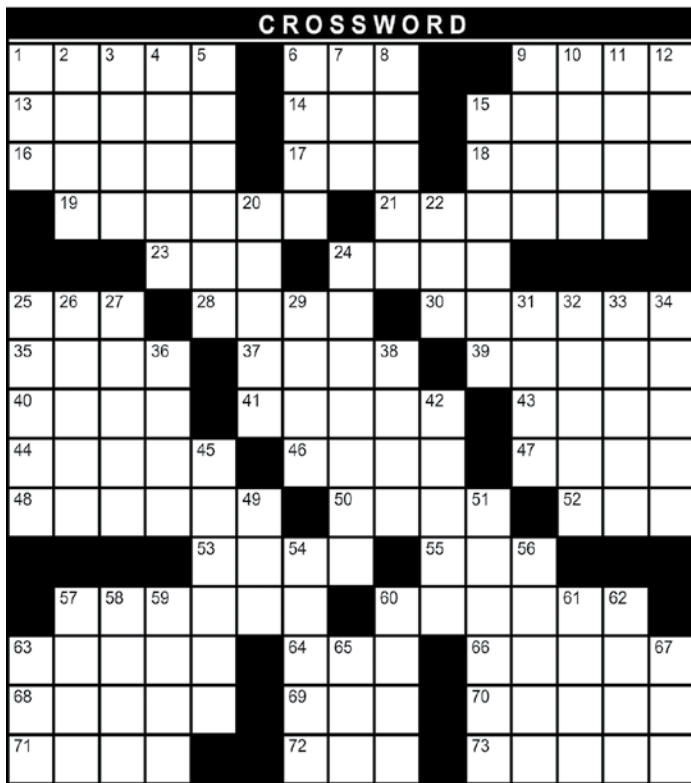
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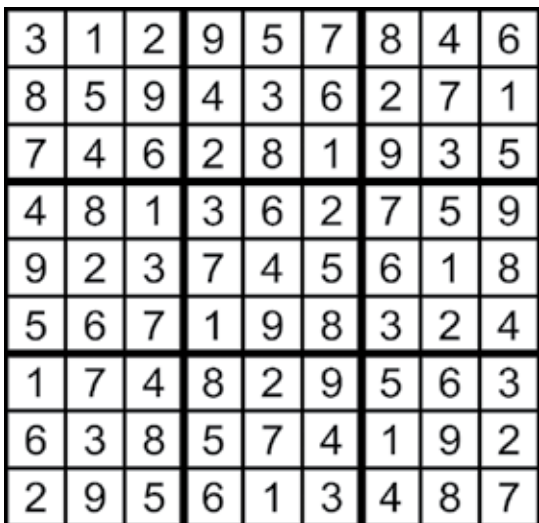
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Five Local Athletes Represent Area in Lions All-Star Game



The South Division II/III Lions All-Stars pose for a picture post game on June 17 following the 22-0 loss to the North at Pleasant Valley High School in Chico.



Above: Andrew Engelmann of Gridley's (14) of the South Division II/III makes a tackle in the 22-0 loss to the North on June 17 at Pleasant Valley High School in Chico. Right: The players of the South Division II/III team lined their helmets up pregame on June 17 at Pleasant Valley High School in Chico with decals from all the schools they were teammates for the week.



Angel Castaneda of Gridley (13) makes a tackle in the 22-0 loss to the North in the Lions All-Star Division II/III game at Pleasant Valley High School in Chico on June 17.



Story and photos by Steven Bryla

CHICO, CA (MPG) - Five class of 2023 football athletes represented the area in the 46th Annual Lions All-Star Game at Pleasant Valley High School in Chico on Saturday, June 17.

Six athletes were selected back in February by the Lions committee and they were Johnny Williams and Santos Sanchez from Biggs, Raul Romero from Live Oak and Jimmie Kelly, Angel Castaneda, Andrew Engelmann from Gridley.

Along with the six athletes representing the area, the coaching staffs of Gridley High School and Biggs High School primarily coached the Division II/III South roster led by former Bulldogs head

coach Matt Kemmis.

Kemmis resigned from the head coaching job in December 2022, but was offered coaching the Lions game a few days before his official resignation.

Kemmis expressed to the Herald that when he took the Gridley job in fall of 2017, he wanted to bring a section title to the school and get an opportunity to coach in the Lions game.

Although he didn't bring a section title home for Gridley, Kemmis was still appreciative of the love and support he received from the community of Gridley through his six seasons as head coach.

Although six athletes were originally named to the Lions roster in February, Romero was the lone

athlete that didn't accept the invitation to play in the game.

Kemmis told the Herald the practice and preparation for the Lions game began on Monday, June 12 where the athletes practiced and stayed at California State University - Chico, until the morning of June 16.

The fun nature of all-star games in general is the collection of the best players for every team and that includes former rivals who are now teammates.

Along with Gridley and Biggs on the South roster, it also included players from Marysville, Yuba City and former Northern Section power Sutter Union High School.

"It was never personal, but now that we all get to play with one

another it's great," Engelmann said.

Williams added that everyone put in the hard work and it was an honor to be selected and recognized by the committee for getting the opportunity to play in the game.

"It was awesome to watch the kids bond together as one unit this past week," Kemmis told the Herald.

For the actual game itself, the North won the Division II/III game 22-0.

The South defensively had a strong showing as they forced the only turnover of the game in the opening possession of the game.

Offensively the South struggled to get any major push and rush attack going as both teams

consistently were punting back and forth to one another.

The North squad put in a couple long drives that eventually gave them the opportunity to score and take the game overall.

Williams told the Herald he is planning to attend Yuba College pursuing a business degree as Engelmann will be attending and playing at Butte College while his major of choice is mechanical engineering.

For Kemmis, his time in the Northern Section comes to an official close as he hit the road this past Monday to move to Southern California onto his next journey. He went 35-25 in his six seasons as the top dog for Gridley, which included three playoff appearances. ★

Live Oak Little League Has Two Teams Knocked Out



The Live Oak Little League 50/70 team prepares to face Colusa Little League in the Championship game on Saturday, June 17. Photo courtesy of Live Oak Little League



The Live Oak Little League major girls softball team poses for a picture following their win on Saturday, June 17. Photo courtesy of Live Oak Little League



The Live Oak Little League minors girls softball team poses for a picture following their loss to Westside Little League on Thursday, June 15. Photo courtesy of Live Oak Little League

Story by Steven Bryla

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The Little League All-Star season is in full swing as tournaments begin across the country to crown the best team in multiple Little League divisions.

The Live Oak Little League had two teams knocked out of their respective brackets between June 15-17.

The Minor league girls softball team for LOLL was eliminated as they fell to Westside on June 15 in the

double-elimination tournament. The minor softball girls lost their first round matchup to Sutter Area Little League on June 14.

The 50/70 baseball team was knocked out twice by Colusa on June 16 and 17th in the

championship game where they had the opportunity to clinch it with one victory.

The major baseball team began play on June 23 in their all-star journey.

The team that had gone the furthest for LOLL was

the major girls softball team played into the week as they beat SALL in a win or go home game on Sunday, June 18.

On the league's Facebook page, they noted that they were proud of all of their participants. ★

Scott Fire Burns in Foothills



Flames from the Scott Fire consume oaks along the foothills in Yuba County as it broke out Thursday afternoon. Photo provided by CALFIRE/Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit

By Seti Long

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Thursday afternoon at approximately 5:26 fires broke out in the foothills near Loma Rica and Browns Valley, according to CALFIRE.

CALFIRE reports that what started as two spot fires near Fargo Way and Dusty Trail, merged into one larger fire that the agency named the Scott Fire.

The Yuba County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with CALFIRE Nevada-Yuba-Placer Units put out evacuation warnings and orders that extended throughout the area. The fire forced road closures to portions of Loma Rica Rd., Los Verjeles Rd., Scott Grant Rd., and the public was urged to avoid Marysville Rd. as firefighters worked to contain the blaze.



The Scott Fire near Loma Rica and Browns Valley left the foothills charred and smoking. Photo provided by CALFIRE/Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit

Although crews immediately began containment efforts, the wildfire was not reported as 100% extinguished until Monday, June 19th.

CALFIRE incident reports say that 475 structures were threatened by the blaze that ultimately consumed 115 acres of grassland and oak woodland. ★

Two Out of Three Defendants in 2020 Double Homicide Plead Guilty

Butte County DA News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Guilty pleas were entered on June 13, 2023, in Butte County Superior Court by two defendants in an October 2020 double homicide involving a marijuana deal gone bad.

Michael Griff and Austin Hogan, both 24, were part of a trio of Oroville men who lured two brothers from Florida to buy marijuana here. Griff today pleaded guilty to two counts of first-degree murder and Hogan pleaded guilty to two counts of second-degree murder in the deaths of brothers Jerry and Randy Bonds, 39 and 33 respectively. The remaining defendant still pending trial is Kyle Smith, 27.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the case began when the Florida brothers' family called the Butte County Sheriff's Office on October 21, 2020 and reported the brothers missing. The family told sheriff's detectives the brothers had flown to the Los Angeles Airport two days before and rented a car. The family had tracked one of the brother's cell phone to the Forbestown area in Butte County but then lost contact. Sheriff's detectives developed evidence

linking the Oroville trio to a meeting with the Bonds at Ponderosa Way and Lower Forbestown Road in rural eastern Butte County. The alleged purpose of the meeting was for the Bonds to purchase marijuana from the defendants. The evidence showed the Bonds brothers were then fatally shot by Griff and Hogan using a handgun and a shotgun. All three defendants then concealed the brothers' bodies under vegetation in the area.

Smith then drove the victims' rental car away followed by Griff and Hogan in a separate car to a Reno, Nevada casino. Local and Nevada surveillance linked the defendants to the involved vehicles and eventually to the homicide scene where the brothers' bodies were recovered.

As a result of the pleas, Griff faces a prison sentence of 50 years to life when he is sentenced on August 8, 2023.

Hogan faces a prison sentence of 30 years to life when he is sentenced, but his sentencing will be delayed until Smith's case goes to trial. Hogan is expected to be a witness against Smith during that trial. Smith's trial proceedings were continued to June 21, 2023, to set a date for his jury trial. ★

Paving Work Scheduled for State Highway 162 East of Oroville

Caltrans News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Caltrans is alerting motorists about around-the-clock one-way traffic control next week on State Highway 162 east of Oroville for paving work.

Starting Monday, June 19, construction crews will be working during the daytime and nighttime hours through Saturday, June 24 from Saddle Drive to the Middle Fork Feather River Bridge. Around-the-clock one-way traffic control is scheduled to continue Monday and Tuesday, June 26 and 27. Flaggers at each end of the construction zone will be utilized along with a pilot car.

Motorists can expect intermittent one-way traffic control at various locations along the 4-mile stretch of roadway from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday from June 28 through August 31.

Motorists are reminded that pilot vehicles are to be followed at all times within the project zone for the safety of construction crews and travelers. Failure to follow pilot vehicles may result in a \$220 citation with traffic fees doubled in construction zones.

The schedule is subject to change due to weather, equipment or material availability or other unexpected events. Knife River Construction of Chico is the contractor for this \$2.4 million paving project. Roadwork is expected to be completed by the end of August.

Caltrans advises motorists to "Be Work Zone Alert." The department will issue construction updates on Twitter @CaltransDist3 and on Facebook at CaltransDistrict3. For real-time traffic, click on Caltrans' QuickMap quickmap.dot.ca.gov/ or download the QuickMap app from the App Store or Google Play. ★

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