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Live Oak Greet Fall



Above: Excited onlookers packed Broadway Street as classic cars and much more paraded through downtown, kicking off the annual Live Oak Fall Festival. Below: Sutter County Sheriff, Brandon Barnes, had a bucket full of smiles but no candy after handing every last bit out to kiddos along the parade route.

**Story and photos
by Seti Long**

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Live Oak's annual Fall Festival brought the community together to celebrate and enjoy a multitude of family friendly activities, Saturday, September 17th.

The 2022 Fall Fest was brought to the public by the Live Oak Lions, joined this year by the City of Live Oak.

Festivities kicked off just before noon with the Fall Festival Parade, which took its traditional route down Broadway Street. It would be Live Oak's Youth Soccer Teams leading the charge and opening the parade, with teams dressed in uniform as they



awards. Ms. Live Oak 2021, Lesley Zarco would pass the crown onto Ms. Live Oak 2022, Esmeralda Zavala, and assist with the crowning of the first ever Mr. Live Oak.

The Ms. and Mr. Live Oak titles are a scholarship opportunity offered by the Live Oak Lions to a Senior at Live Oak High School. Ms. and Mr. Live Oak act as ambassadors for the Live Oak Lions, attending their events and being of service to the community. They are awarded a \$1,000 scholarship after their term. The first ever Mr. Live Oak title and scholarship went to Mr. Joseph Contreras.

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Live Oak's Response to Grand Jury Findings

**By Seti Long,
Gridley editor**

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The Sutter County Grand Jury Report, released on June 24th of 2022, listed five findings regarding its investigation into the City of Live Oak.

Intituled "City of Live Oak: Crisis of Municipal Dysfunction" and beginning on page 45, the Sutter County Grand Jury Report (SCGJR) provided a summary, background, methodology, and discussion which delved into each of its findings during the investigation. The Grand Jury required a response from the City of Live Oak to each of its findings, which are listed below:

F1 - When the City of Live Oak did not appoint a council person to fill the vacant council seat, it cost the citizens of Live Oak financially.

Response: Disagrees in part. The City of Live Oak had nine applicants for the open City Council seat. Six of those were moved to a vote, and each of the six candidates failed on a 2-2 vote each time. Five of the six candidates Santana and Woten voted yes and Thiara and Ghag voted no. The sixth candidate Thiara and Ghag voted yes and Woten and Santana voted no. However, it should be noted that we disagree in part because not all candidates are necessarily qualified to fill the position.

F2 - The City Council of Live Oak did not pass the budget in a timely fashion.

Response: Agree. The City Council was presented with the final 2021-2022 Annual Budget for approval at the June 2, 2021, meeting and it was moved to the June 16, 2021, meeting. The budget was then tabled at the June 16, 2021, meeting. There was a budget workshop and then a special council meeting to approve the budget. However, only Council Members Woten and Santana were present. Council Members Thiara and Ghag were absent. At the following seven meetings the budget was presented for adoption and failed each time to a 2-2 vote. The dates for those seven meetings were, June 29, 2021; July 7, 2021; July 14, 2021; June 21, 2021; August 4, 2021; September 9, 2021; September 15, 2021. Each time Council Members Woten and Santana voted yes while Council Members Thiara and Ghag voted no. At the December 20, 2021, Council meeting, the City Council passed the 2021-2022 Annual Budget by a vote of 4-0. It is to note
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Promotores Hits the Mark!

**Story and photos
by Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Last Friday, September 16th, Manuel Vierra Park in Gridley was full of residents that turned out to celebrate Mexican Independence Day and participate in a cultural celebration brought to the community by the North Valley Catholic Services Promotores Program.

From 2:00 -8:00 pm the park hosted a variety of educational and informational booths and engaging activities for children, which included arts/craft stations, a sno-ball machine and a children's high-striker game. A giant inflatable target with Velcro soccer balls had kids lined up to take shots at the bullseye all evening. Free tacos, Hispanic style drinks, corn and chips were available for attendees to enjoy, while learning more about Mexican history, holidays and traditions.

In association with the NVCS Promotores Program, organizations such as Butte County



Fabian Gomez, Damian Gomez and Jose Gomez had a blast kicking and throwing soccer balls at the giant blow up target, just one of the fun games at the NVCS Promotores Program cultural celebration held on Mexican Independence Day.

Department of Health, Ampla Health, Vaccinate ALL 58, Butte County Mental Health, Anthem Blue Cross, Catalyst Domestic Violence Services, Gridley Police Department, Si Se Puede and more turned out for the event. Free health screens

and COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters were offered to the public.

Representatives from NVCS Promotores Program informed the Herald that the purpose of the event was not only to provide information and resources on health, mental

wellness, safety, and financial aid to the public, but to break stigmas and bridge cultural barriers within our community.

Recognizing that family-friendly fun, entertainment, and food can be costly during these times,
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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

CORRECTION - The previous Pi-Line article describing the early workings of Butte County Public Works officials (starting at the era of dinosaurs) contained a factual error. The Gridley Herald Publisher Paul V. Scholl, as well as the Editor General of the Gridley Herald, hold all of the contributors to the highest journalistic and ethical standards. So I was indeed shocked and alarmed when notice of a factual error came into the Herald office this Monday morning. So for correcting the record here are the real facts. The 90-year-long line of Public Works Service was had by Smith and Stewart family members who through some sort of Latter-day Saint faith inter-marrying carried the legend onto the retiring Edson Smith. To be most accurate - the 90 years of service started with Ray

Stewart, not a Smith from there the progression goes Ray Smith, Dimon Smith, Leroy Smith and then Edson. I hope this clarification does not cause undo pressure on the current living Smiths to get a job at the County, just because of tradition.

The Down the Road Bowl is complete and Gridley beat Live Oak 34-7. Live Oak has three wins and one loss this year, and Gridley has two wins and one loss. So these two teams will be in the hunt for playoff spots for the rest of the year. Gridley Football Coach Matt Kemmis has big plans. The Gridley JV Football team is having a building year (0-2). Friday, October 14, they play Oroville; that may be the best game to see; it's a home game. Biggs beat Redding Christian, and they are 1-2. The air is getting a little chillier, and that reminds us it is Football Season, and High School football is better and more fun to watch than the NFL.

It must be a rough week for Safeway, everyone I know has headed over to the new SAV•MOR just because it is new. I have not yet visited the

SAV•MOR because every time I am in that area, I see the ACE Hardware and get diverted. I wonder how long until the grocery delivery apps for the phone start having service in Gridley? Perhaps that will never catch on here because local farm operations hire every able-bodied person they can find, part-time or full-time, leaving no one to drive for the apps. Moreover, people in Gridley/LiveOak/Biggs like the sociality of going to town.

Our first Pi-Line official endorsement for a candidate in the 2022 General Election happens here now. Trustee Mike Boeger should be re-elected to the Butte College Board. He has done a great job and is the senior ranking board member; he knows the most about Community Colleges, he has not screwed it up in over 20 years on the Board, and he reads the Gridley Herald regularly, meaning he is well informed on the issues of our community. Vote Boeger 2022.

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

Promotores Hits the Mark!

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the Promotores Program aimed to hold this free event as a way for our residents to gather, celebrating Mexican Independence Day and growing more united as a community while doing so.

Community feedback has been overwhelmingly positive. With such a successful event under their belt, the Promotores Programs looks to the future to hold more community and cultural-based events. ★

GHS Swim Takes the Lanes by Storm



The Gridley High School varsity swim team prepares for its only home meet on September 14. The Bulldogs took first place overall, beating eight other area high schools for the win. Photo courtesy of Monica Terry

By Seti Long, Gridley editor

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley High School swim team has been racking up some serious points in individual and relay events, placing them in top positions this season within the Butte View League, Division II.

Swim competition got started August 31 at the BVL meet held in Durham, CA. Competing against the BVL roster, Gridley pits swimmers against area high schools including Durham, Winters, Orland, Paradise, Las Plumas, Willows, Oroville and Providence Christian.

As the season progresses, the team will go up against Division I teams which includes Chico, Red Bluff, Redding and Shasta area high schools. The GHS Swim Team will culminate their season at the Masters meet held at Shasta College on October 29.

Results of their first meet would launch the Bulldogs into a nice position. The girls ranked fourth overall with 66 points, the boys captured first place with 87 points and combined, Gridley came in second overall with 153 points.

The Bulldogs would move on to compete at Orland, with the young ladies taking second place overall with 97 points, the young men took first overall with 106 points and a combined team score of 203 points would rank Gridley in first place overall.

Their first and what appears to be only home meet held on September 14 in Gridley would yield another set of impressive individual times, relay and overall rankings. The girls



Nico Donati swims the 100-meter butterfly at the Division II Butte View League meet held in Gridley on September 14. Photo courtesy of Kyro Medrano



Nico Donati swims the 100-meter butterfly at the Division II Butte View League meet held in Gridley on September 14. Photo courtesy of Kyro Medrano

ranked third overall with 95 points, beating out Winters, Las Plumas, Oroville and Paradise. The boys would again place first with 108 points, knocking out eight other teams for the win. Combined team scores would see the Bulldogs sitting in the top spot, taking first place yet again with 203 points.

Gridley traveled to Paradise on Wednesday, September 21, for its next meet. The results were unavailable as of press time.

Coach Monica Terry has brought her extensive experience of passion for the sport to the Gridley varsity swim team, leading them to top times in the lanes for the

last 10 years. With the Bulldogs having the only high school swim team in the immediate area, she is adamant about getting her athletes recognized for the outstanding work that they have put forth, both individually and as a team. Her dedicated swimmers are required to travel out of the area for practice as Gridley does not have an indoor, heated pool – a hinderance to the team as their season begins in the fall and continues into colder weather.

Terry expects to see more outstanding swimming from her athletes. The gentlemen are currently undefeated in their division and the ladies are not far behind. ★

Alumni Pep!

By Seti Long, Gridley editor

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Gridley Unified School Districts music teacher, Ethan Jacobsen announced that he is opening positions in the Pep Band to band alumni!

Jacobsen says that alumni from Gridley High School or Biggs High School are welcome to join the current Pep Band during Gridley High School varsity football games. He has set up a website called Gridley Music which the music department will use to help promote upcoming music events, groups and provide information on a variety of instruments.

This website is home to the sign-up sheet for alumni to schedule which home games they would like to participate in. Fill in the information and Jacobsen will provide you the needed sheet music for your instrument and for the date of your participation.

Call time for games will be 6:30 at the Guardian Building next to Gridley High School. Games start at 7:30 and can last up to 2 hours.

If you are interested in added more "pep" to the GHS Pep Band, please visit <https://www.gridleymusic.com/alumni> to sign up. ★

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Live Oak Greets Fall

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Live Oak, with their royalty crowned, would then announce Firefighter of the Year, Austin

Greer and Police Officer of the Year, Sutter County's Sergeant Charles Green. Car Show winners would wrap up the ceremony and

are listed as follows: Best of Show - Gary San Filippo (1937 Ford 78), Sutter County Sheriff's Pick - Jerry Adams (1968 Chevy Camaro

SS), People's Choice - Kenneth San Filippo (1973 Chevrolet Camaro), Mayor's Choice - Joe Aguirre (1954 Chevy 3100),

Live Oak Lion's Choice - Jane Hayden (1970 VW Dune Buggy), Fireman's Choice - Dan Mostats (1955 Chevy Bel-Aire). ★



Live Oak football players handed out candy to excited children that lined the parade route.



Congressman Doug LaMalfa turned out to support the Live Oak Fall Festival, cruising his classic convertible Ford Thunderbird down Broadway Street.



Alumni Pep! These officers turned out to support their fellow Sutter County Sheriff's Department officer, Sergeant Charles Green as he was awarded the 2022 Live Oak Officer of the Year. Pictured left to right: Michael Aguilar, Vish Virk, Sergeant Charles Green, Raj Gill, and Joe Gutierrez.



Live Oak Lions helped make this annual festival happen! Pictured left to right: Noel Grove, Jane Hayden and Perry Hayden.

Live Oak's Response to Grand Jury Findings

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that the original budget that was presented to the City Council on June 29, 2021, for approval was the same that was passed at the December 20, 2021, Council Meeting. There were no changes between the original presented budget and the budget that was adopted.

F3 – The City Council of Live Oak scheduled a budget workshop to resolve the budget deadlock, but all members of the Council did not attend.

Response: Agree. At the request of Council Member Thiara, a Budget Workshop was scheduled for June 29, 2021. Council Members Woten and Santana attended; however, Council Members Thiara and Ghag did not attend. The Grand Jury did commend the two Council Members who took part in the scheduled budget workshop as well as commended them in making a great effort to work cooperatively with the rest of the Council.

F4 – The City Council of Live Oak did not pass the authorization to collect the annual CFDs and special assessments by September

2021, therefore these could not be added to the tax rolls.

Response: Agree. The 92-1 and 2004-1 CFDs were presented to the City Council for adoption on August 4, 2021 and failed on a 2-2 vote. Council Members Woten and Santana voted yes while Council Members Thiara and Ghag voted no.

The special assessments were presented to the City Council for adoption on September 1, 2021 and failed on a 2-2 vote. Council Members Woten and Santana voted yes while Council Members Thiara and Ghag voted no.

F5 – This year's CFD taxes could not be collected. This has cost the City over \$800,000 in budget reserves.

Response: Agree. CFDs were presented to the City Council for adoption. Council Members Woten and Santana voted yes while Council Members Thiara and Ghag voted no, resulting in over \$800,000 in lost Revenues. Instead of the City taking funds out of the general fund, the City used the ARPA funding to make up the difference for the lost revenue.

The SCGJ made recommendations to the City of Live Oak. These were outlined in the response from the City of Live Oak to the Grand Jury.

R1: The City Council of Live Oak will pass the budget in a timely fashion.

Response: The recommendation has been implemented. The City Council passed the 2022-2023 Annual Budget ahead of schedule on May 18, 2022, by a vote of 4-1. This is approximately 6 weeks before the State's deadline to have such budgets adopted.

R2: The City Council of Live Oak will establish budget workshop dates with sufficient time to resolve any concerns prior to voting on the budget resolution.

Response: The recommendation has been implemented. The FY 2022-2023 Annual Budget had three workshops. Those dates were: March 30, 2022; April 6, 2022; and April 20, 2022.

R3: All members of the City Council will participate in any budget workshops to understand the proposed budget and to discuss areas of concerns.

Response: The recommendation has been

implemented. All five Council Members attended all three budget workshops for the FY 2022-2023 Annual Budget.

R4: The City Council of Live Oak will pass the authorization to collect the annual CFDs and special assessments in a timely manner, so that these levies can be added to the current year's tax rolls.

Response: The recommendation has been implemented in part. The CFD's 92-1 and 2004-1 were adopted for collection at the August 3, 2022, City Council meeting by a vote of 3-2. The special assessments will be placed on a City Council meeting for adoption once received by the Sutter County Assessor's Office.

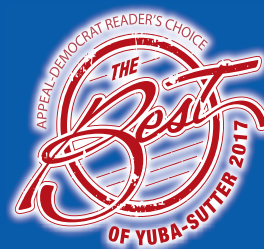
The entirety of the Sutter County Grand Jury Report can be found at <https://www.sutter.courts.ca.gov/system/files/general/2021-22-scjg-final-report.pdf>. The section regarding the City of Live Oak begins on page 45.

To view additional information in regard to the City of Live Oak's response to the Grand Jury Report, please visit www.liveoakcity.org/home/showpublisheddocument/1910. ★



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Stake Your Claim at the Samoyed Nationals

By Mary Jane Popp

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - You are invited to Stake Your Claim at the Samoyed Club of America's 90th Anniversary National Specialty 2022 ...Gold Country style... October 4-8 at the Butte County Fairgrounds in Gridley, California.

This is your chance to discover the wonder of these Arctic dogs, one of the oldest breeds that originated in Siberia. They were bred to herd Reindeer, and then sleep with their people in their huts to keep them warm. It is said that it would take three dogs to nestle with their people in the dead cold of winter, and that the famous group "Three Dog Night" took their name from that connection of dogs and their people, so they say.

So, what's more fun than a flurry of white fur at the Samoyed Club of America 2022 Nationals? It's been some 26 years since the National has come to Northern California. Who knows when or if it will come back?

Every day will be filled with competitions in so many different categories from pups to seniors. You'll be delighted to a display of tricks, weight pulling, fun pee wee showmanship with the little folk and their adorable pups, even a rescue parade and the parade of title holders too. Proud Samoyed owners will gather from around the country and even around the world from as far as Australia for this epic event. From little white flurry fluffs to seasoned pros, they will strut their stuff with that great Sammy smile and their sheer desire to please for this special week.

The event is a truly unique opportunity to get acquainted with all the quirks of the



The Samoyed Club of America 2022 Nationals will be filled every day with competitions in many different categories from pups to seniors. Photo courtesy Photo courtesy of Adrea Dreamstime.com

Sammies, and maybe you'll decide to have one too! They are great family dogs. I should know; I have two of these wonderful critters, one is a rescue and got to be a champion. We share so much love with them. You can check out everything you would like to know from the owners who will be more than happy to share their experience with these dogs, and have they got stories to tell.

There will be a slew of vendors with just about anything you need for whatever kind of canine you have. From doggie stuff to some beautiful jewelry and so much more. And never fear, you can take your sweet time to peruse all that will be on display because there will be lots of great treats to satisfy your appetite. And the events



Get to know the dog breed which will be the center of all attractions at the Samoyed Club of America 2022 Nationals on October 4-8. Photo courtesy of Pavel Byrkin Dreamstime.com



Don't miss all the wonderful dogs shown at the Samoyed Club of America 2022 Nationals at the Butte County Fairgrounds. Photo courtesy Photo courtesy of Zanna Peshnina Dreamstime.com

will keep you and the whole family busy and put smiles on your face every single day. As a matter of fact, you might want to come back because there's so much to see and do.

Opening ceremony will commence Tuesday, October 4 at 9 AM and everyone is invited. There might be

some surprises with Gold Country reenactments of days gone by, lots of Sammies to see with a meet and greet, and some super entertainment. But you can Stake Your Claim for fun every day from 8 AM-5 PM and here's the best part, it's FREE FREE FREE!

That's the Butte County Fairgrounds, 199 E. Hazel St in Gridley, California. Bring the whole family for lots of furry fun. If you want to know what's going on each day, go to www.SCA2022.com. If you have any questions, you can give a call to the Chairwoman of the event

Judy Davis at 650-759-3574. It will be dogs, dogs and more dogs, fun events, good eats, and a super time for the whole family. It's a one-time spectacle you don't want to miss. It's a historic 90th Anniversary and did I mention it's FREE! You'll have a WOOFING GOOD TIME!!! ★

Orchard Hospital HERO of the Month



Hanna Smith

Orchard Hospital News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Join us in celebrating our Hospital HERO of the Month for August 2022, Hannah Smith! As a Registered Nurse, Hanna

Smith has been taking care of patients at Orchard Hospital since May of 2020. Her co-workers nominated her for her dedication to upholding our values of Honesty, Engaged, Responsiveness, and Outcomes (HERO).

A Hospital HERO is a staff member that has gone above and beyond the call of duty to enhance the patient care experience. HEROs consistently live out our Mission of "Improving the Health and Well-being of our Community."

Hanna's coworkers have nothing but good things to say about her and the way she handles herself in the professional setting.

"I am always happy when Hannah is working. She is smart, eager to help, and puts patients first. I can trust her to take excellent care of our sickest patients."

"She is great with the new nurses at training and teaching and is patient with them. I love working with her and am lost when she is off."

"Hanna is very experienced and skillful, knowledgeable, and takes the time and energy to make you feel comfortable and confident in what you are being taught...She is a great resource and has so much patience..."

Thank you Hanna for all that you do! ★

Butte College SBDC In-Person Business Trainings



How to Start a Successful Food Truck Business (Chico)

You will learn about the nuts and bolts of starting a food truck business. Topics will include the differences in purchasing or leasing a truck, how commissaries work, health permit and requirements, financing, and what your financial and time investment will be.

Date: Tuesday, **September 27, 2022**
Time: 8:30am - 10:30am

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

Paid and Guerilla Marketing (Orland)

Determine the right marketing strategy for your business, based on Paid marketing, or through low-cost Guerilla marketing. Learn the differences based on paid or non-paid strategies and expected results. Understand various aspects of both Paid & Guerilla marketing strategies, examples of each, and activities involved. This is a great opportunity to learn about unique strategies to make your business stand out from the rest. Topics include: Paid vs Guerilla marketing overview, Best practices of each marketing strategies, Costs and Time expectations/work involved, Creative vs consistent strategies, and Strategies to build your own marketing plan.

Date: Thursday, **September 29, 2022**
Time: 9:00am - 11:00am

Location: Butte College Glenn-County Center, 1366 Cortina Drive, Orland

Financial Management Series for Existing Businesses (Chico) - 4 weeks, 2 hours per week

This 4-weeks series is designed to teach you how to utilize your financial statements to better manage & understand your business operations, cash flow, and profitability. Focus includes: interpreting & understanding your financial statements (Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet) hands-on exercise and case study; identifying cash flow cycle and how it impacts your business; learning how to calculate and use financial ratios to troubleshoot fiscal dangers, and analyzing trends to improve business performance; using financial tools to make good business decisions for effective spending and break-even analysis; knowing how to think critically when looking at pricing & costs; and developing forecasts and budgetary tools and techniques to improve profit.

Date: Wednesdays, **October 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2022**
Time: 8:30am - 10:30am

Cost: Free - "In-Person" Training
Location: Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY OF GRIDLEY CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Gridley City Council will hold a public hearing on the project described below. The hearing before the City Council will be held at a regular meeting scheduled **Monday, October 3, 2022 at 6:00 P.M.** in Gridley City Hall Council Chambers, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. All interested persons are invited to attend in person, attend remotely, and/or submit comments in writing until 4:00 pm on the date of the public hearing, via email to csantana@gridley.ca.us or via the payment/document drop box at Gridley City Hall and will be conveyed to the City Council for consideration. Remote attendance is available by Zoom.

The information to connect to the Zoom meeting will be provided on the City Council agenda available to the public on Friday, September 2, 2022, located on the City of Gridley website.

PRE-ZONE RZ 1-22; CITY OF GRIDLEY: An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gridley to pre-zone approximately 15.5 acres to Single Family Residential District (R-1) located on the east side of West Biggs Gridley Road. (APN 022-210-025, 022-210-045, 022-210-044, 022-210-060, 022-210-073, 022-210-091, 022-210-090, 022-210-072)

SUMMARY:
 In accordance with Government Code Section 65009, if any person(s) challenges the action of the City Council on these projects in court, said person(s) may be limited to raising only those issues that were raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk or City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing. For further information regarding these projects, please contact Donna Decker, Planning Department, at (530) 768-5090 or email at planningdept@gridley.ca.us.

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American Legion

BINGO RETURNING SOON!



American Legion Post 210 has been forced to cancel Bingo for the month of September.

Bingo resumes October 6th
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MEMORIAL

RICHARD STEWART • 2/20/1934 – 9/9/2022



Gridley native, Richard Allen (Dick) Stewart, beloved husband and father, passed away peacefully on September 9, 2022 at his daughter's home in Bluffdale, UT.

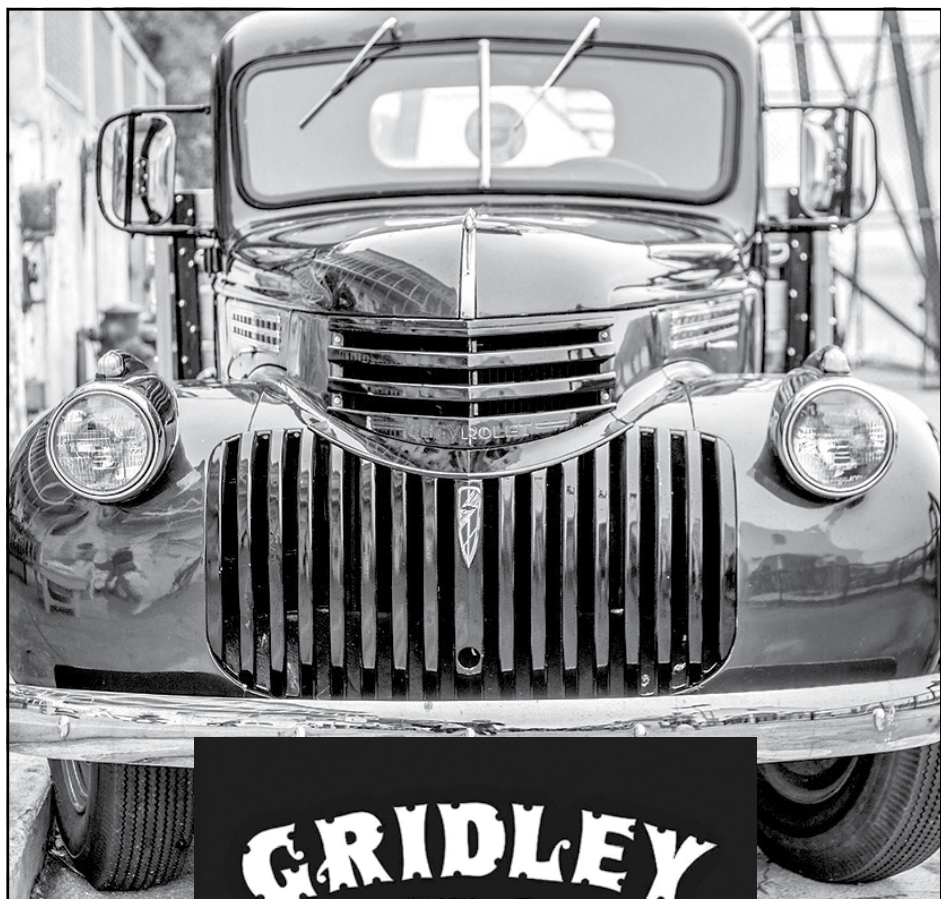
He was born on February 20, 1934 in Gridley, CA - the second son of Elmond (Fussy) Stewart and Lona Louisa Young Stewart. He attended Gridley Schools, graduating from GUHS in 1952 and from Brigham Young University in 1957. While at BYU, he served as Commandant of the Arnold Air Society in its ROTC program and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force upon graduation. He completed pilot training in Texas, eventually flying the KC-97, a 4-engine plane used for in-flight refueling of bomber aircraft. He was sent to Dow Air Force Base in Bangor, Maine during the era of the Cold War and was there during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

In Brewer, Maine, on Oct. 3, 1962, he married Anita Rose Scott, whom he had met and courted years earlier at BYU. He and Anita moved back to Utah in 1963 where he enlisted in the Utah Air National Guard and flew missions for them throughout the world, including to Vietnam during the war. He earned his teaching certificate at the University of Utah and taught math, physics and aviation at Granite High School in Salt Lake City. In 1969, he and Anita returned to Gridley to raise their family. He became a teacher at Sycamore School where he taught math, science, and various electives (including aviation) until retiring in 1990. He also served in the Air Force Reserves, retiring as a Lt. Colonel in 1982.

In his spare time, Richard enjoyed a variety of hobbies. He designed the family's Spanish style home on Laub Rd. He loved restoring old cars - ranging from a Model A coupe to a 1964 Ford Mustang. He studied the history of WWII and the Civil War and enjoyed a motorhome trip to see the major battle sites of the latter. He spent many hours gardening and tried his hand at catfish farming for a few years. He enjoyed clearing brush in the mountains on property he owned near Camptonville, CA. He was a faithful caregiver to his parents and frequently checked in on his neighbors in their declining years.

Richard is survived by his wife of 60 years, Anita; daughter Pam (Garn) McMullin of Utah and son Eric (Tara) Stewart of North Carolina; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Memories and condolences can be sent to the family through the following website: <https://www.broomheadfuneralhome.com/obituary/richard-dick-stewart>



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Marysville Officials Begin Negotiations with Pecos League Baseball

City of Marysville News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Marysville City Council will hold a special meeting this week to begin negotiations to keep a baseball team fielded in Marysville. City officials were saddened to hear that Gold Sox Baseball would not be supporting a team at Marysville's Bryant Field for the 2023 season.

"The City is forever grateful for the investment and the efforts of the ownership group of the Gold Sox for their many years of commitment to keeping baseball alive in Marysville," said Marysville Council Member Dominique Belza.

Just prior to discovering the news about the Gold Sox, the city was contacted by PECOS League baseball LLC, an independent professional league, about bringing a new team to Marysville. Council members and staff are set to meet with PECOS League officials in the coming week to begin negotiating the terms of a potential contract.

"With the recent news of the Marysville Goldsox taking a hiatus, myself along with the Rec Development Committee are thrilled that we may be able to save baseball in Marysville," said Marysville Vice Mayor Bruce Buttacavoli.

PECOS started as a regional league with teams in New Mexico and West Texas and has since grown into the largest independent league in the United States. Since 2017 the Pecos league has had 14 teams

in six states and three time zones. In 2022 the Pecos league grew to 16 teams. Despite moving to much larger markets like Bakersfield, Tucson and Monterey in 2022 the Pecos league still remains strong in smaller markets. In 2017 the league expanded into California, fielding teams in Martinez and San Rafael in 2021. In 2022 they added a team in Santa Rosa. "After learning the history of Bryant Field in Marysville, we feel it will be a great fit to our league and our geography," said Andrew Dunn of the PECOS League. "Marysville has a great baseball history and will fit seamlessly into our California Division with Santa Rosa, San Rafael, Martinez, Bakersfield, Monterey and Santa Cruz," said Dunn.

Marysville officials strive to provide the highest level of baseball it can host for Yuba and Sutter counties and the Pecos League would be the highest level without MIL B affiliated baseball in Marysville.

The City expressed their excitement at the possibility of hosting a new baseball team that is part of the PECOS League.

"Having a team in the PECOS League will undoubtedly have positive impacts on economic development as we continue working diligently to make Marysville a destination for new businesses and tourism," said Community Development Director Dan Flores. "Marysville has a long history with baseball and keeping a strong baseball team at Bryant Field is a priority for the City Council," finished Flores. ★

Avoid West Nile Virus with Some Simple Tips

Sutter-Yuba MVCD News Release

YUBA-SUTTER REGION, CA (MPG) - Sutter County Public Health and Yuba County Public Health have each confirmed the first human case of West Nile Virus (WNV) in Sutter County and Yuba County this year. As of September 9, 2022, forty-one human WNV cases have been reported in California. WNV is active June through October. Both of the recently confirmed local human WNV cases are experiencing severe illness.

Confirmed cases in Sutter County: 1 human, 4 dead birds, 31 mosquito samples and 9 sentinel chickens have tested positive for WNV as of Sept 15, 2022.

Confirmed cases in Yuba County: 1 human, 1 dead bird, 12 mosquito collections and 9 sentinel chickens have tested positive for WNV as of Sept 15, 2022.

People infected with WNV generally fall into three categories: No symptoms/asymptomatic (8 in 10 people); Mild to moderate fever illness with fatigue and body aches (2 in 10 people); Severe illness with neurologic symptoms such as encephalitis or meningitis (less than 1 in 150 people).

For those who develop a severe WNV illness, symptoms may last several weeks and some symptoms may be permanent.

Although overall mosquito abundance is trending downward, the risk of West Nile virus continues to be high throughout Sutter and Yuba counties. "We continue to see ongoing virus activity and detections in our surveillance system. The risk for human infection is high," said Stephen Abshier, District Manager. "Residents need to remain vigilant in protecting themselves from being bitten by mosquitoes," added Abshier. Residents should inspect their yards for anything holding water. Regular landscape irrigation or unseasonable rains, as forecast for this coming week-end, can provide mosquitoes with good breeding habitat. Simply draining or dumping water will prevent new mosquito breeding.

"The best way to prevent West Nile virus infection is to avoid mosquito bites. We want to remind everyone to stay protected by wearing long pants and long sleeves, especially at dawn and

dusk when mosquito activity is high, and by wearing a good mosquito repellent," said Bi-County Public Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu.

WNV is transmitted to humans and animals by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. Residents can reduce the risk of infection by practicing the "Three Ds":

1. DEET – Use a proven insect repellent like DEET. Other recommended repellents include: picaradin, lemon eucalyptus oil, para-menthane-diol, IR3535 or 2-undecanone. Always use according to label instructions. DEET can be used safely on infants and children 2 months of age and older;

2. DAWN AND DUSK – Mosquitoes that transmit WNV bite in the early morning and evening. Wear proper clothing and repellent if outside during these times. Make sure that doors and windows have tight-fitting screens to keep mosquitoes out. Repair or replace screens with tears or hole;

3. DRAIN – Mosquitoes lay their eggs on standing water. Eliminate or drain all sources of standing water on your property, including flower pots, old car tires, rain gutters and pet bowls. For standing water that cannot be drained such as fountains, ponds, etc., consider adding "Mosquito Dunks" or mosquito fish, which feed on mosquito larvae.

In response to recent findings and increased virus activity, District staff will continue to trap mosquitoes for testing, continue our disease surveillance program, and treat areas of high WNV activity with truck mounted foggers to reduce the adult mosquito population. Spray areas can be viewed at the District's website at www.sutter-yubamvcd.org. A surveillance map can be found there as well, which shows the location of WNV positive dead birds, mosquito collections and sentinel chickens.

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Dear Dietitian

Celiac Disease and Wheat Allergy



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

I've been experiencing a lot of digestive problems like stomach cramping and bloating. My friend has celiac disease and thinks I may have it, too. I have an appointment with my doctor and have been reading up on celiac disease. I don't understand the differences between gluten sensitivity, celiac disease, and wheat allergy. Can you help?

Susan

Dear Susan,

It can be very disruptive to have a digestive problem, and I'm glad you are taking the proper steps to resolve this. First, gluten is a protein found in wheat, barley, rye, and triticale (a hybrid of wheat and rye). It is also used as a binder in some products, such as soy sauce, ice cream, and hot dogs. Binders are used in food processing to thicken and improve the product's texture.

Celiac disease is an autoimmune, genetic disorder that affects as many as three million Americans. It is caused by a reaction to gliadin, a component of gluten. The body's response to gliadin causes a flattening of the villi, the fingerlike projections in the small intestines that facilitate the passage of fluids and nutrients. This damage, in turn, results in the malabsorption of nutrients.

Symptoms of celiac disease include diarrhea, abdominal cramping and bloating, and possible weight loss from malabsorption. One may also experience headaches and joint pain. A physician will perform a blood test for specific antibodies. If these are found, the next step is an intestinal biopsy to look for damage to the

villi, providing a definitive diagnosis of celiac disease.

Gluten sensitivity, sometimes called non-celiac gluten sensitivity, is not well-defined in the medical community, and there are no blood tests to diagnose this condition. Symptoms produced after consuming gluten are similar to those with celiac disease, but damage to the small intestine is not found. It is usually diagnosed after ruling out celiac disease and wheat allergy.

Wheat allergy is sometimes confused with celiac disease, but these conditions differ. With a wheat allergy, the body produces antibodies against the proteins in wheat. In celiac disease, the body responds to a specific protein, gluten, and the body's reaction is different than a typical allergic reaction.

A wheat allergy occurs when the body mistakes wheat as harmful. Symptoms occur after eating wheat and sometimes when inhaling wheat flour and may include itching, hives, diarrhea, and even anaphylaxis. Anaphylaxis is a severe, life-threatening allergic reaction that requires immediate medical attention.

If you are sensitive to gluten, you are also sensitive to wheat. However, if you are allergic to wheat, you will react to other components of wheat, not just gluten. Therefore, you need to be sure all the products you buy are labeled "wheat-free" and "gluten-free."

It is important to note that certain nutrients may lack in gluten-free and wheat-free diets. While wheat flour is enriched with nutrients that have been stripped during processing, gluten-free manufacturers are not required to enrich or fortify their products. Consult a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist to design a healthy meal plan that works for you.

Until next time, be healthy!
Dear Dietitian

Leanne McCrate, RDN, LD, is an award-winning dietitian based in Missouri. Her mission is to educate consumers on sound, scientifically-based nutrition. Do you have a nutrition question? Email her today at deardietitian411@gmail.com. Dear Dietitian does not endorse any products, health programs, or diet plans. ★

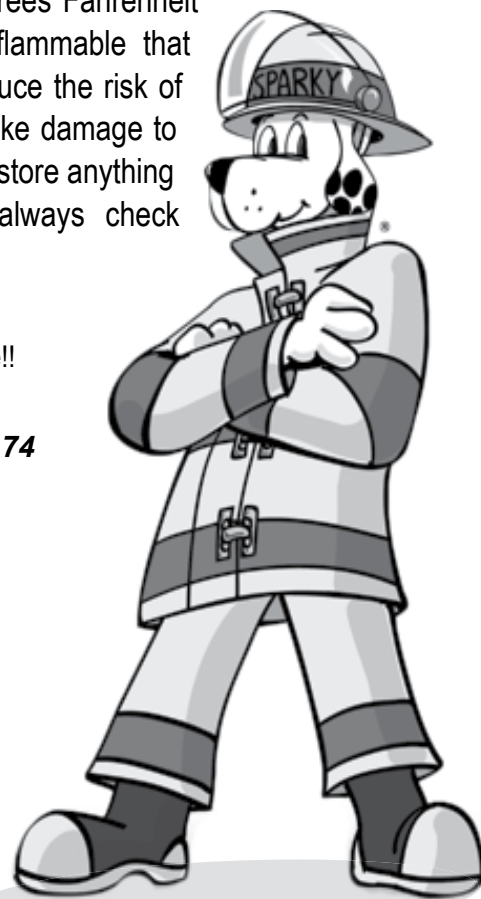
SPARKY'S CORNER

OVEN STORAGE HAZARD

With a recent surge in emergencies that are the result of residents storing pots and pans inside an oven, CAL FIRE / Gridley Fire Department wants to remind the citizens to never store anything inside your oven. The plastic handles and light metal pots and pans can melt onto the heating element and produce large amounts of toxic smoke and easily catch fire. Plastic and rubber handles can melt at temperatures as low as 200 Degrees Fahrenheit. On the self-cleaning setting, an oven can reach temperatures of 900 degrees Fahrenheit easily igniting anything flammable that may be inside. So to reduce the risk of a fire and significant smoke damage to your home, please never store anything inside your oven and always check inside before using.

Thank You, and Be Safe!!

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Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal

What is the hardest thing to do that God has asked of us all to do, for Him? Love, really love!

Paul explains to his followers on one of his journeys that all their giving, all their work, and all their actions meant nothing if done for self-gratitude and not out of love for those receiving it. When they used their spiritual gifts in their communities, as we do in ours, we must keep in mind the need for love.

In 1 Corinthians 13 we find a true definition of love: "Love is not easily angered; it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, and always preserves."

Love is not just a feeling but an action, a belief, and a standard of living. Love lets go of harsh feelings. Love captures a new sense for the human being. Love covers a multitude of sins and evil doings when offered from the depths of one's heart.

The greatest gift ever given out of love was God's gift of His Son, out of

love for a broken, yes cracked, and broken world. God offered the highest form of love to save us all. He gave His only Son out of love to give salvation to all who accept His gift of love.

Jesus offered the highest form of love to His Father as He accepted a sacrificial death to end sin. Love covers a multitude of sins and Jesus gave it all.

Now we all have an example of true love to follow throughout life. Unselfish, devoted love that meets the needs of others. Love because God first loved you.

Come be with us as we share God's love at the Gridley United Methodist Church with others in our community. We meet Sunday at 10 am. We are at 285 Magnolia Street.

We would like to thank those sharing their love with others who have donated food to our Blessing Box. You can place nonperishable items in the box at any time. If you have a large amount of food you can call 530-846-4949 and we can meet and put items in the storage room for later use. ★



COVID-19 School Closures Undermined Learning



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Whether California's schools should remain open or be closed was a hot issue when the COVID-19 pandemic was raging in 2020 and 2021.

Although medical authorities quickly concluded that children had a much smaller risk of being infected or experiencing severe effects if infected, California schools were mostly closed, in large measure because teachers and their powerful unions insisted on it.

With schools closed, local administrators scrambled to provide on-line classes, what became known as "zoom school," but they were poor substitutes for the real thing — especially for English-learner students and those from poor families.

Those children — roughly 60% of the state's nearly 6 million public school students — were already trailing their more privileged contemporaries academically when the pandemic hit. The closures made it worse, for obvious reasons.

They tended to lack internet access and proper equipment for on-line classes. Their parents were often compelled to work outside the home to make ends meet, so kids were often left to fend for themselves. Absenteeism

from on-line classes was widespread.

Affluent parents, particularly those who could easily work from home during the pandemic, made certain that their kids attended on-line classes, helped them with their school work, formed informal collaboration groups and/or hired tutors. Thus, the ill effects of closures were mitigated. And, of course, private schools, such as the one Gov. Gavin Newsom's kids attend, either remained open or minimized closures.

For months, politicians from Newsom downward quarreled over how the schools should function and angry parents formed the core of a movement to recall him from office. Newsom survived the recall, but the educations of millions of kids did not, as new data confirm.

While the state Department of Education has not released 2022 academic test data that would allow comparisons with pre-pandemic results, individual school districts are doing so and the numbers from the state's largest school district, Los Angeles Unified, are stunning.

About 72% of the district's students are not meeting state standards in math and 58% are behind in English, essentially wiping out five years of progress that it had recorded prior to the pandemic.

"The pandemic deeply impacted the performance of our students," LAUSD Supt. Alberto Carvalho said. "Particularly kids who were at risk, in a fragile condition, prior to the pandemic, as we expected, were the ones who have lost the most ground." ★

While the district released gross data, it did not break down the test results by ethnic or economic subgroups. The Los Angeles Times, however, gleaned the detail from a school board document marked "not for public release."

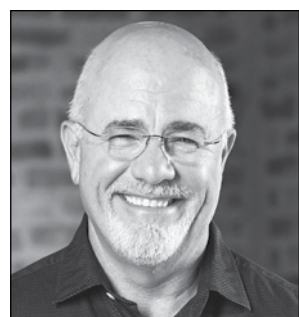
Why the secrecy? Apparently, it was to mask the particularly disturbing data about Black and Latino kids.

"About 81% of 11th-graders did not meet grade-level standards in math. About 83% of Black students, 78% of Latino students and 77% of economically disadvantaged students did not meet the math standards," the Times reported.

We won't know how the state as a whole fared until — and unless — the Department of Education finally releases 2022 complete "Smarter Balance" test results. But there's no reason to believe that what happened — or, more accurately, what didn't happen — in Los Angeles isn't also true of other systems, particularly those with large numbers of at-risk students.

The educational deprivation that California inflicted on its kids is not only shameful, but will reverberate for decades. Children who fail to master the basics of education in lower grades will be ill-prepared for high school and post-high school training and education. If they are not prepared to take their place in the work force, the state's economy will suffer.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★



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— Dave

Commission, Not Allowance

Dear Dave,

What is the right age to begin giving children an allowance?

— Ben

Dear Ben,

In my mind, there's never a right time to give kids an allowance. Instead, work out a plan to pay them commissions, and assign them age-appropriate weekly chores.

This can be done with very simple tasks starting at an early age. When the work gets done, they get paid. If they don't do the work, guess what? They don't get paid. This helps teach them a healthy work ethic, and it introduces

them to the idea that work creates money.

Simply giving kids money is a sure way to plant the seeds of entitlement in a young mind. You don't want your kids growing up with the idea they deserve money simply because they're alive. Of course, there are things kids should be expected to do without pay, too. When you're part of a family, everyone needs to understand they have a responsibility to pitch in and help out sometimes!

— Dave

Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of *The Ramsey Show*, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on *Good Morning America*, *CBS This Morning*, *Today Show*, *Fox News*, *CNN*, *Fox Business*, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions. ★

How Many Years?

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are debt-free. We are in our mid-20s, we also have a full emergency fund and we each have 401(k) plans with our employers. Currently, we are looking at life insurance. We do not plan on having children, so what length term policies would you suggest for a couple in our situation?

— Ashlie

Dear Ashlie,

I'd recommend you both find good 15- or 20-year, level term policies, with coverage amounts of 10 to 12 times your individual incomes. If you two have a change of heart, and decide you want kids later, I'd recommend converting those to 30-year term policies, still at 10 to 12 times your incomes. Why? You'd want the insurance to be there to protect

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

I was chatting with a person at physical therapy and heard her story about tree frogs in her yard. She is plagued with tree frogs... many...lots...an annoying amount. Little did I know how much of a pest they can be. When I see them in the pots on my porch, I always love it. Of course, I see only a couple

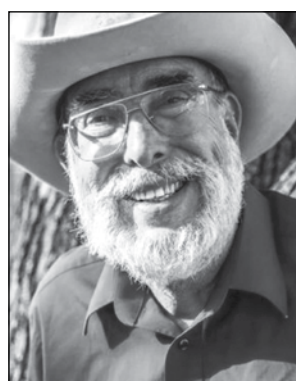
at a time and not all of the time. This fellow gardener told me her entire patio and flower pot area is inundated with tree frogs. They go up her windows and of course make a heck of a racket. At least snails are quiet. This made me wonder more about tree frogs. I had them, as well as brown frogs and bull frogs when I lived in Berry Creek. They were rarely anywhere near the house. They were loud at night, I loved it.

Aquatic tree frogs are generally smaller than terrestrial frogs. Their weight is usually supported by twigs and leaves, so light weight is important. Tree frogs descend to the ground only once in a while. They do mate and spawn on the ground. Although some

tree frogs lay their eggs in trees that contain water. The tadpoles can survive in a variety of levels of water. Tree frogs inhabit every continent except Antarctica. About 30 species live in the U.S. When they are tadpoles, the future frogs are herbivorous. When grown, the frogs are insectivorous, and eat small invertebrates, such as moths, flies, ants, crickets, and beetles. This is all very interesting. I was hoping that they would eat snails and slugs but that seems out of their wheel-house.

After this conversation I'm being careful about what I wish for. I still want toads to come here and live. I already have visiting rabbits and cats. Have a great Autumn Equinox. ★

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

When the Rafter E branded recently, a bunch of us went out to help. There's a definite pecking order here, and it's a badge of pride to have worked your way up the branding ladder.

As a kid, you flank the calves; you grab them, throw them and hold them down. This is conducive to abrasions, muscle strain, and involuntarily changing

I Haven't Had Black Leg Since

the color of your shirt.

As you get older, you get to handle the branding iron, then move up to giving shots. After that comes earmarking. When you reach the pinnacle of branding, that is, when you own the calves, then you get to rope the calves and drag them up to the fire.

It is a swirling cauldron of heat and hooves, excited cowdogs and bawling cows. There is the smell of manure and singed hair and sweat and corral dust.

At the Rafter E, I

wielded a syringe as the youngsters got their teeth rattled by the heavy stuff.

Wasn't the first time I'd given the shots, though. Once during a branding at the Triangle Cross, I was about to immunize a calf when the calf jumped and I stuck the needle into my thumb.

Hurt like the dickens, of course, but at least it was effective. I haven't had black leg since.

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- Gumbo pod
- Old horse
- "I see!"
- *Like Yankees and Dodgers in 11 World Series
- Kind of tale
- Mother-of-pearl
- *Like a pennant in wind above a ballpark
- Foam-at-the-mouth display
- Agenda entries
- *League with most World Series wins
- Oldsmobile founder
- Two-door car
- Legal org.
- *2018 World Series champs famous for Green Monster
- Dockets
- Paul is to Simon as ___ is to Garfunkel
- Household
- ___-a-whirl fair ride
- Kills a dragon
- U.N. labor standards grp.
- Follows a cut?
- Certain party garb
- Closed book
- Repeated Latin dance step
- Catch in a trap
- Not like The Fonx
- Crème de cassis plus wine
- Faquir, alt. spelling
- *Only 3 World Series games in history ended in these
- *Play-in game entry
- Sticker on a jar
- Rod of a hot rod
- Sodium hydroxide
- Falstaffian in body
- Not quite an adult
- World's longest river
- Formal wear, colloquially speaking
- Put to the test
- Big Bang's original matter

DOWN

- Not quite right
- Caffeine-producing tree
- Paper unit
- Characteristic to consider
- W.E.B Du Bois's org.
- Pool problem, pl.
- "Rhinstone Cowboy" singer
- Passed with flying colors
- *Baseball bullpens always need good ones
- "For ___ a jolly..."
- Three in one
- She turned to stone, mythology
- *Hometown of last year's World Series champs
- Hotel's offering, pl.
- It shows over time
- Moisten a turkey
- Acrylic fiber
- Bambi and Rudolph
- Bug-eyed
- 70s music genre
- Poetic although
- *Objectionable action encouraged on a diamond
- *Number of players in the field
- Baba of "One Thousand and One Nights"
- *1949-1953 World Series winners
- Go to pieces
- Be off base
- a.k.a. Shenyang
- Bridal path
- Nook's partner
- ___-upper, as in house
- Bradley Cooper's 2021 movie
- "Nightmare ___"
- Taboo, alt. spelling
- Wild goat
- Light bulb unit
- Train track
- Dish out
- Parking surface
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000682
The following person(s) are doing business as: EQUILIBRIUM ACUPUNCTURE, 254 E 1st Street, Chico, CA 95928
Andre Williams, 112 West 19th Street, Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: July 11, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
EQUILIBRIUM 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000820
The following person(s) are doing business as: PIZZA BROTHERS, 1000 West Sacramento Street, Chico, CA 95926
Triple R Ventures, Inc., 40 Philadelphia, Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: August 22, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
PIZZA 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000752
The following person(s) are doing business as: SIMPLE STRINGS MUSIC ACADEMY, 1544 Warner Street, Chico, CA 95926
Ray Huang, 1544 Warner Street, Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: August 5, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
SIMPLE 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000822
The following person(s) are doing business as: ASCAB CAPOEIRA CHICO, 254 E 1st Street, Chico, CA 95928
Andre Williams, 112 West 19th Street, Chico, CA 95928, and Mason Rapacz, 2850 Pin Oak Lane, Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: August 22, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
ASCAB 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000821
The following person(s) are doing business as: DARK HORSE FREQUENCIES, 1430 Esplanade 17, Chico, CA 95926
Christine Lara Mascarenas, 1265 Marvin Way, Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: August 22, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
DARK 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000836
The following person(s) are doing business as: MADE IN FRIENDS, 24 Baltar Loop, Unit 2, Chico, CA 95973
Erim Celik, 24 Baltar Loop, Unit 2, Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: August 24, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
MADE 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000825
The following person(s) are doing business as: SEARCHER ESTATES, 315 Wall Street #5, Chico, CA 95928
Ralph Lee Matthews, 785½ E 5th Street, Chico, CA 95928, and Raymond Slade Matthews, 678 Vallombrosa Way, Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: August 24, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: General Partnership. 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: Sept 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2022)
SEARCHER 9-23-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000848
The following person(s) are doing business as: REMAX HOME AND INVESTMENT, 1001 Bille Road, Paradise, CA 95969
KL Equity Incorporated, 1001 Bille Road, Paradise, CA 95969
Date Filed in Butte County: August 29 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022)
REMAX 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000854
The following person(s) are doing business as: AWESOME RAWSONE, 1320 10th Street, Oroville, CA 95965
Dean Jensen and Yvonne Jensen, 1320 10th Street, Oroville, CA 95965
Date Filed in Butte County: August 31, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
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: Sept 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2022)
AWESOME 9-30-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000858
The following person(s) are doing business as: BISTRO LAISSEZ FAIRE, 58 Grand Avenue, Apt. 12, Oroville, CA 95965
Buda Smith LLC, 58 Grand Ave, Apt. 12, Oroville, CA 95965
Date Filed in Butte County: September 2, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 16, 23, 30 & Oct 7, 2022)
BISTRO 10-7-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000817
The following person(s) are doing business as: COMERS PRINT SHOP, 2008 Lincoln Street, Oroville, CA 95966
Christopher M. Comer, 3 La Paz Drive, Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: August 22, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 16, 23, 30 & Oct 7, 2022)
COMERS 10-7-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000860
The following person(s) are doing business as: Bulk Electric Supply, 4 Pamela Jane Court, Oroville, CA 95966
Frugal Electric LLC, 4 Pamela Jane Court, Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: September 2, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 23, 30, Oct 7 & 14, 2022)
BULK 10-14-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000427
The following person(s) are doing business as: Shawn's Appliance Repair, 1529 Colusa Highway #5, Yuba City, CA 95993
Simrun Purewal, 1529 Colusa Highway #5, Yuba City, CA 95993
Date Filed in Butte County: August 31, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: August 10, 2022
This Business is conducted by: 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: Sept 23, 30, Oct 7 & 14, 2022)
SHAWN'S 10-14-22

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2021-0001266
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name: COMER'S PRINT SHOP, 2008 Lincoln Street, Oroville, CA 95966
Jeffrey Roy Comer, 1335 Forbestown Road, Oroville, CA 95966
Original filing date: 10/18/2021; Statement expires: 10/18/2026. The Registrant began transacting business on: 7/1/1991. Business conducted by: Individual.
Date Filed in Butte County: August 23, 2022. This statement was filed in the office of Candace J. Grubbs, County Clerk of Butte County s/R. Reid, Deputy
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COMER'S 9-23-22

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME
PFI-221713 A.P.N.: 177-060-001-000
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/07/2018. UNLESS YOU

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #22CV01924
Petitioner Sylvia Gutierrez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Malaki Andre Gutierrez to Malakai Andre Gutierrez.
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 October 19, 2022, 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 August 25, 2022.
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Sept 16, 23, 30 & Oct 7, 2022
SYLVIA 10-7-22



NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PETER AHART AKA PETER L. AHART
CASE NO. 22PR00484
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Peter Ahart aka Peter L. Ahart, deceased.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Lowell W. Ahart, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Lowell W. Ahart be appointed as personal representatives 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 October 11, 2022, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. 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 decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc, P.O. Drawer 111, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-533-5661
Publish: Sept. 16, 23 & 30, 2022
AHART 9-30-22

TRUSTEE SALE

TITLE ORDER NUMBER: 2129947CAD LOAN: BARLOW FILE: PFI-221713 A.P.N.: 177-060-001-000
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/07/2018. 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. NOTICE is hereby given that PLACER FORECLOSURE, INC., as trustee, or successor trustee, or substituted trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by: SHIRLEY E. LESCHINSKY, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN Recorded 09/07/2018 as Instrument No. 2018-0004810 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, and pursuant to the Notice of Default and Election to Sell thereunder recorded 05/12/2022 in Book , Page , as Instrument No. 2022-0003002 of said Official Records, WILL SELL on 10/18/2022 At the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971 at 11:00AM AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State hereinafter described: As more fully described on said Deed of Trust. The property address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 90 BELL LANE, QUINCY, CA 95971 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. Total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$15,068.13 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, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. In the event tender other than cash is accepted the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed, advances thereunder, with interest as provided therein, and the unpaid principal balance of the Note secured by said Deed with interest thereon as provided in said Note, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and the trusts created by said Deed of Trust.
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 916-939-0772 or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case PFI-221713. 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 website. 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 PFI-221713 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, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, 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.
Dated: 09/13/2022 PLACER FORECLOSURE, INC., as said Trustee 12190 Herd Drive, Suite 9 Auburn, California 95603 (530) 888-8411 By: STELLA SHAO, TRUSTEE SALE OFFICER
DIRECTIONS MAY BE OBTAINED PURSUANT TO A WRITTEN REQUEST SUBMITTED TO THE BENEFICIARY C/O PLACER FORECLOSURE, INC., 12190 HERDAL DR, SUITE 9, AUBURN, CA 95603. WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, PLACER FORECLOSURE, INC. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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NOTICE OF INTENT / NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

TO ADOPT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE GRIDLEY FEATHER RIVER SEWER CROSSING PROJECT

September 23, 2022

LEAD AGENCY: City of Gridley
685 Kentucky Street
Gridley, CA 95948

PROJECT TITLE: Gridley Feather River Sewer Crossing Project

PROJECT LOCATION: The work area is located approximately 0.87 miles downstream from the East Gridley Road bridge adjacent to and within the Feather River, Butte County, CA.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Proposed Project entails the replacement of the City's existing main wastewater sewer pipe which crosses under the Feather River water channel and links the City to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Project will require three exploratory borings within the Feather River, one boring on each side of the river, and microtunneling to install a new sewer pipeline.

The three exploratory borings within the Feather River will be completed with the use of a barge supported drill rig equipped with mud rotary drilling capabilities to depths up to 70 feet (minimum elevation of -10 feet) MSL, depending on conditions encountered. The over-water borings will be performed at least 25 feet and no more than 50 feet from the proposed new utility alignment and maintain at least 25 feet from the existing pipeline. The drilling mud from the river borings will be retained in drums and removed from the site. The borings will be filled once boring is completed.

Microtunneling technology will be used to install the new sewer pipe. Two shafts, on either side of the river, will be excavated to install a minimum 48-inch diameter casing to run the force main pipe through. A jacking shaft will be completed on the south/west side of the levee, between the river and the levee prism. A reception shaft, located on the north/east side of the levee and south of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: The 30-day public review period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration will commence on September 23, 2022 and ends on October 24, 2022 for any interested and concerned individuals and public agencies to submit written comments on the document. Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are available for review at the City of Gridley City Hall at the above address and on the City's web site at: <http://gridley.ca.us/our-community/public-notices/>

PUBLIC MEETING: The City of Gridley will consider the adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration at a future the City Council meeting to be determined.

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Final Farewell for Queen Elizabeth II

By Susan Maxwell Skinner

It was a spectacle few will see again. A Queen – perhaps the greatest monarch in history – borne to rest with pageantry beyond Cecil B. De Mille. Monday’s funeral

heartfelt mourning demonstrated the brood’s profound love.

When I was a little girl, I waved to the Queen from a street crowd. In pale flesh, I beheld the icon from New Zealand’s stamps and pound notes. When I met her many years later, I was



Photographed with the Queen on tour, Susan Maxwell Skinner was among correspondents that followed the Royal family during the 1980s. Photo courtesy of Anwar Hussein.

was a masterpiece only the Queen’s horses and men could achieve; meticulously choreographed by the lady herself.

The massed pipers, gun carriage and swaying naval phalanx was not just pomp. Pragmatic to the last, Elizabeth II knew great pageantry stirs sentiment. What better tonic for royal continuance? What better kick-start for her heir’s succession?

Ten thousand military officers and the tears of a grateful nation accompanied an Empress into legend. Elizabeth was not born to her role, yet this accidental monarch managed sovereignty so peerlessly that her death was – for millions – like the loss of a mother, a grandmother or great grandmother.

The Queen encapsulated the Greatest Generation. Her radio voice comforted Londoners during Hitler’s blitzkrieg. Her wedding dress was purchased with clothing ration coupons. The Navy bride followed her husband’s deployments, and she paraded children at her coronation. As a Commonwealth leader, she walked a steel tightrope through 70 years of diplomacy. During pandemic, she reassured locked-down subjects, “We will meet again.” The nonagenarian bore the yoke of duty until death.

Service came at a price. Her babies lacked a mum’s hands-on guidance and later blundered into mistakes she so deftly avoided. But three Windsor generations’

told to address her as her ma’am. Through nerves, I called her “mum.” She looked at me askance, but the irony was surely not lost on the mother of the Commonwealth.

I was then a court correspondent in London. Palace press corps members saw her frequently, but the jokey banter of Charles and Diana’s entourage was absent with the Queen. Some people called her shy; I found her reserved. I recall achingly polite conversations about the weather. Her sapphire gaze was beguiling. But in disapproval, what she called “the look” could silence cannon fire.

Stoicism is not the same as snobbery. As much as her 15 prime ministers, the Monarch knew adaptability was key to survival. In tune with her times, she knighted rock stars, agreed to pay taxes, shelved her minks, mothballed her yacht and shook hands with activists.

She bent only as far as her principles allowed. The Queen gave no interviews; nor did she pander to the press. She believed a monarch should be seen – hence her bright ensembles – but heard as little as possible. In an age of celebrity narcissism, the world’s greatest celebrity eschewed exposure of emotions or private life. Her children divorced; a son was disgraced; a grandson defected. The matriarch seethed or grieved in private. Her husband died; she soon donned lavender



A broad smile and colorful ensembles were foils for Queen Elizabeth’s stoic reserve. Photo courtesy of Zak Hussein.



In keeping with royal tradition, more than 140 Royal Navy ratings pulled a Victorian gun carriage bearing the Queen’s casket. The flag-draped lid was topped by Crown Jewels, including the Imperial State Crown and orb and scepter. Flowers from the Queen’s gardens formed a wreath. Photos above and below courtesy of Zak Hussein.

ensembles and returned to work. Her policy to neither explain, complain or comment served her well.

The Queen nevertheless knew the age when few questioned colonialism – or Britain’s right to the Koh-in-Nor diamond – were over. Abdicating from dynastic problems on September 8, her final coup was to unite stewing elements of the Commonwealth in mourning.

Elizabeth II’s most crucial legacy is the king she groomed. What Charles missed in motherly cuddles was not stinted in his training.



The mentor likely hammered in responsibility to a changing society over tea and scones.

When Elizabeth ascended, her realms were emerging from war years with adoration for Queen and Country. Charles III inherits national crises and a complaining Commonwealth. But as passionately as one Sovereign believed in contouring monarchy for the times, so will her heir.

Elizabeth II was the right Queen for her era. Thanks to her unflinching example, I believe Charles III will be the right King, for his. ★

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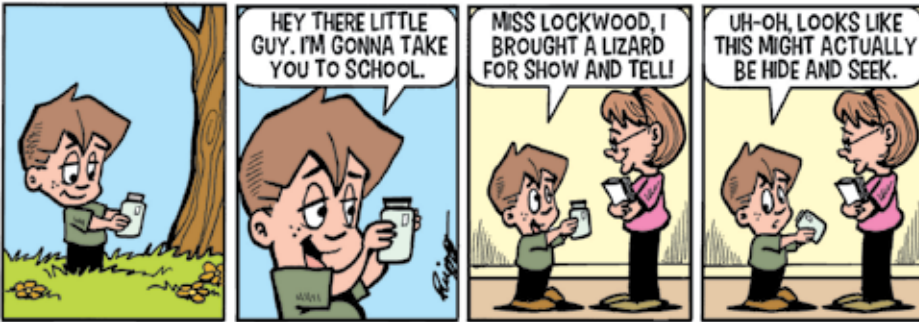
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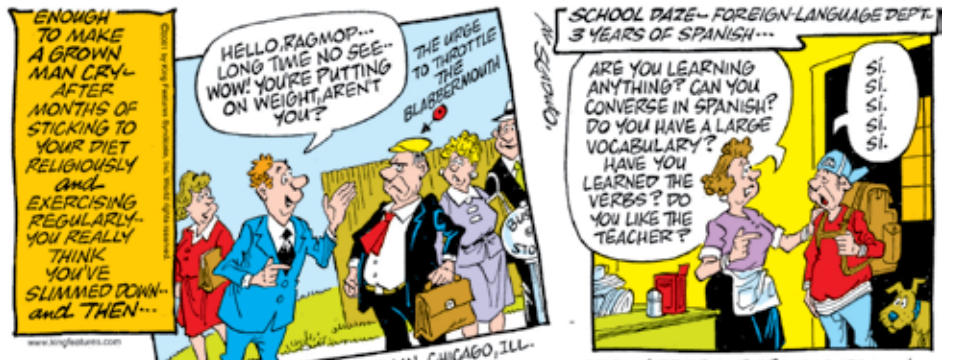
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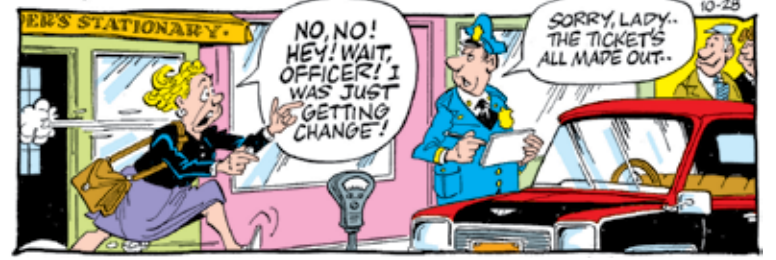


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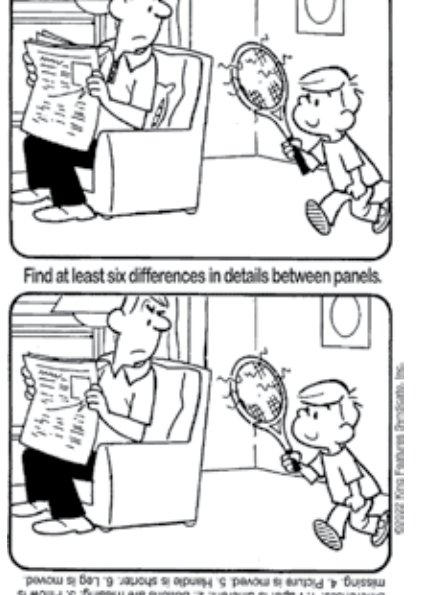
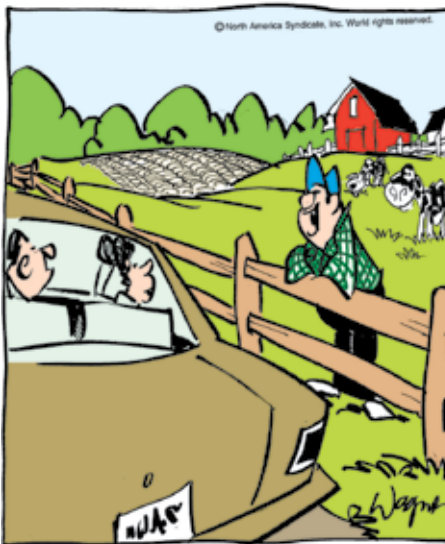
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Bulldogs Ground and Pound their Way to Harvest Bowl Win

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Bulldogs continued streaking Friday night with their ninth straight win against cross-town rivals, the Live Oak Lions.

The Bulldogs (2-1) soundly defeated the Lions (3-1) by a score of 34-7. With the triumph, they are one victory away from a double-digit winning streak in the annual Harvest Bowl.

Gridley head coach Matt Kemmis said he was proud of his team's focus on the big game.

"We're young and I feel like they're growing up right in front of our eyes," Kemmis told the Messenger Publishing Group following the win.

Of the measly 23 players on the Bulldogs' roster, seven are underclassmen. Six of the seven young guys are sophomores.

The Lions started with the ball and got off to a rough start. Live Oak senior running back Raul Romero fumbled and Gridley quickly capitalized by recovering the ball near midfield.

The Bulldogs then drove down the field and took a 6-0 lead with four minutes to go in the first quarter when sophomore quarterback Gus Stogsdill dashed in on a two-yard keeper. This was the first of Stogsdill's three rushing touchdowns in the game to go along with a total of 224 yards on the ground.

"Our linemen blocked really good for us tonight," Stogsdill said to MPG.

He added that his offensive coordinator noticed a few things to improve throughout the game, so



Gridley sophomore quarterback Gus Stogsdill lines up next to senior running back Aiden Gomez and prepares to snap the ball during a 34-7 win at Live Oak on Friday, September 16.



Gridley senior running back Aiden Gomez jukes a Live Oak defender during a 34-7 win against the Lions on Friday, September 16 in Live Oak.

they changed up the running scheme and it opened bigger runs for Gridley. Stogsdill completed 4-of-8 passes for 93 yards and a touchdown through the air.

The Lions' offense struggled to move the ball early in the game, putting them at a deficit as the Bulldogs were able to move the ball consistently. Live Oak head coach Robert Tilton said the early turnovers in

the game were crucial.

"We got work we can do and we can improve," Tilton explained to MPG.

Although Stogsdill contributed most of the offensive yardage for Gridley throughout the night, he had great support from his teammate, Aiden Gomez. The senior running back had 22 carries for 89 yards and one rushing touchdown.

Stogsdill opened the second quarter with a 45-yard touchdown run up the right sideline. Gomez and Stogsdill gave their offensive line plenty of props for creating the open running lanes.

"They (open the holes). We're open because of my linemen," Gomez told MPG. "They do all of the dirty work and they are under-appreciated."

Gomez gave Gridley a commanding 21-0 lead when he scored from one yard out with just under five minutes to go in the first half. The Lions responded towards the end of the second quarter when senior quarterback Tony Herrera threw a 60-yard touchdown bomb to junior wide receiver Noah Cuevas.

Live Oak's score

shortened the Bulldogs' lead to 21-7, but Stogsdill quickly put any hope from the Lions to bed as he threw a 45-yard touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Andrew Engelmann. Gridley extended its lead to 27-7 at halftime.

The Bulldogs silenced the Lions fans in the stands that started the game engaged and loud, hoping to see their team end the harrowing Harvest Bowl streak. Live Oak threatened to shorten Gridley's lead, but another turnover haunted the Lions towards the end of the third period.

Live Oak fumbled on the Bulldogs' one-yard line, which was their fifth of six turnovers throughout the game. Gridley controlled the remainder of the clock until the scoreboard showed triple zeroes. The Bulldogs were victorious 34-7.

Tilton told his team to put the loss behind them because it was a big difference from where they were last season, when they posted a 1-8 overall record.

Gridley will host their first home game in nearly a month when the Bulldogs play West Valley (0-3) on Friday at 7:30 p.m. Gridley lost 27-13 in 2021 and has a 1-3 record in their series history against the Eagles.

The Lions will play their first road game in September as they travel to play at Hamilton (2-1). Live Oak's series record against the Braves is 2-3 and the Lions won the last meeting in 2019. This will be the last preseason game for Live Oak before beginning Sacramento Valley League play against Winters (1-3) on October 7. ★



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