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Biggs Goes Big!



Children of all ages got into the spirit of the 4th of July, waving flags and wearing patriotic colors.

Story and photos by **Seti Long**

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - With B Street decked out in Old Glory, stars and stripes seen in almost every direction, Biggs held its annual 4th of July Parade.

This year the community turned out in droves to support the hometown parade, a strong showing of support for Biggs 4th of July community events, especially in the wake of the loss of Biggs fireworks show.

With 50 entries, the parade itself was "huge" says co-organizer Kari Wheeler, and the crowd even larger, spanning all the way down Biggs main drag from 7th street to 2nd street without gaps. Free American Flags were passed out to those that lined the parade route, while supplies lasted, giving everyone the chance to join in the patriotic spirit of the event.



Red, white, blue, and smiles were seen everywhere at Biggs 4th of July Parade.

The Henry C. Veatch Camp 30 Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil war kicked off the parade providing the honor guard. The crowd saluted the flag while Wheeler sang

the National Anthem beautifully. Following behind on the parade route were members of the Miss Butte County Royal Court, Biggs Mayor Bo Sheppard, Butte County Supervisor Tod Kimmelshue and various entries spanning from the Butte County Sheriff's Department, local ministries, the Knights of Columbus, businesses, classic vehicles and trucks, music stations, racing groups, school groups and of course, CALFIRE Units.

Flags weren't the only thing flying. Candy was in no short supply as most of the entries treated the crowd to handfuls of it. Children rushed the streets trying to get their hands on the sweet stuff.

As the last entry made its way down the parade route, wrapping up the event, the community dispersed

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California Sheriffs Issue Public Alert Following DOJ Data Breach

CSSA News Release

SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The California State Sheriffs' Association (CSSA) is alarmed to learn of a data breach by the California Department of Justice (DOJ) that has made public the personal information of California's citizen concealed weapon (CCW) permit holders.

CSSA is issuing this alert to make CCW permit holders aware of the situation so they can take appropriate precautions.

"It is infuriating that people who have been complying with the law have been put at risk by this breach," said CSSA President and Butte County Sheriff Kory Honea. "California's sheriffs are very concerned about this data breach and the risk it poses to California's CCW permit holders."

CSSA will continue to engage with DOJ in an effort to ensure that the risk to CCW permit holders is mitigated and a breach of this nature does not happen again.

Every law enforcement agency in California that issues CCW permits is required by law to provide certain information about CCW permit holders to DOJ, which in turn is required to safeguard that information. The data breach was in conjunction with DOJ's launch of its "2022 Firearms Dashboard Portal." The breach included, but was not limited to, the names, ages, and addresses of individuals who hold CCW permits in California. It appears that before the breach was detected by DOJ, the information was copied and at least some portion of it was posted on the internet.

After learning of the breach, CSSA President and Butte County Sheriff Kory Honea contacted DOJ officials. During that conversation DOJ confirmed there was a data breach involving CCW permit holder information. DOJ advised it has deactivated the dashboard and is

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'Happy' Resource Fair

Story and photo by **Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Recently, Butte County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program and the Butte County Library held a resource fair in Gridley.

Multiple organizations were in attendance, including the Butte County Oral Health, Butte County Injury and Prevention, and the North Valley Catholic Services (NVCSS) Promotores Program. All provided an array of educational resources to promote physical and mental health and well-being, with fun giveaways and activities for the children in attendance.

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Kate Sheehy (left) and Wendy Cervantes (right) of Butte County WIC provided guests with an array of helpful information, the ability to sign up for WIC services and more. The organization, in partnership with the Butte County Library, brought the resource fair to Gridley to share a wealth of information and resources to the public.

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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

My mother-in-law warned us as we were coming into the City limits on the 4th of July - it was like entering into a war zone. The patriotic people of Gridley had been launching semi-legal mortars and crackling fire sparklers since 3 a.m. on July 3rd. Driving down Hazel street, there was literally a fireworks show going on each side street from one end of town to the other. Our out-of-town friends were shocked to see several police officers, who, while out on patrol, simply steer around the fountain sparklers, ground spinners, ash snakes, and flashing smoke bombs going off in front of people's homes. Yes, it was another spectacular Fourth of July in Gridley. Biggs had a parade in the morning, and the Fireworks stands in Live Oak were mostly sold out by 7:00 p.m. A Gallup Research poll released earlier this

week said that 65% of Americans are "proud" or "very proud" to be Americans. In Gridley, Biggs, and Live Oak, that percentage is probably 90%. Rightfully so, although we are in an odd period of political upheaval and economic stress, America is still the greatest place to live anywhere in the world.

We bought our pyrotechnics this year from the Lions Club. The two Lionesses who were selling (and up selling) were having quite a happy time in their booth. They pointed out that the money they make from the fireworks in July they spend on the community egg hunting event for kids at Easter in the Park. So we see a part of the economy of Gridley; service clubs try to raise enough money at one holiday to fund the activities at a future holiday. There have from time to time been efforts by zealous do-gooders to stop the sale of fireworks (usually after a house fire or someone blowing off their finger) in the few bastions of freedom that still allow them to be sold and set off every Fourth of July. Even though the City Council has gone soft on smoking and is trying to ban it from parks and other outdoor spaces, they know they would be political

short-timers if they ever voted to ban fireworks sales. The many veterans' organizations and service clubs are made up of people who vote, and fireworks sales are what keeps them going throughout the year. It is almost as potent a political issue as school board members and their support for FFA, Football, and Soccer; what they call in politics the third-rail issues, the third rail being the one that is electrified and kills you if you touch it.

Speaking of political issues, the Grand Jury noted that the Oroville City Council did not co-operate with their investigation and that the Oroville City Council members all copied each other's responses when the Jury sent them requests for information. Perhaps they would take the issue more seriously if the Grand Jury indicted elected officials instead of just listing the things that have been done wrong, the malfeasance of bureaucrats, and the wasting of taxpayer dollars. Until they indict instead of just report, expect more of the annual "Oroville response" to the Grand Jury report.

Josh F.W. Cook is a public administrator and columnist. ★

Biggs Looks to Finalize Updates to Housing Element

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The City of Biggs has put out a notice of a public hearing to be held July 12, at 5:00 PM in City Council Chambers located at 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs.

The purpose of this meeting is to notify the community regarding updates to the City of Biggs Housing Element, which will cover the years 2022-2030. This meeting hopes to wrap up a 9-month-long process, dependent on whether it is adopted by City Council.

The City of Biggs website states, "As one of the elements of the City's General Plan, the Housing Element is a statement of the community's priorities with respect to housing its residents. It is a community plan for all types of housing."

According to the City of Biggs Notice of Public hearings, based on state mandates, a new Housing Element must be adopted by City Council every eight years. "The Housing Element is one of eight mandatory elements to a General Plan in rehabilitation, and preservation of housing for all economic segments of the City's population."

Stated in the Notice of Public Hearing, beginning on October 7, 2021, public outreach and planning for the Housing Element included "public workshops, surveys, and other outreach and analysis."

Based off that feedback, a Draft Housing Element has been prepared, which includes the "assessment of housing needs, an assessment of fair housing issues, an inventory of resources, constraints relevant to meeting housing needs, and an eight-year program of actions the City intends to implement to meet housing needs."

To view the Draft Housing Element, please visit the website: www.biggs-ca.gov/City-Services/Building-Planning/2022-2030-Housing-ElementUpdate. Also available for review at that website are the power point presentations, meeting records from breakout groups, presentations, public surveys and more that have documented the planning process and the incorporation of public feedback over the previous 9-month period.

Participation in these meetings is strongly encouraged so that residents of Biggs can provide their input to City Council, either in person during the public hearing or prior to it. Public comments on agenda items will be accepted until 4 PM on July 12, 2022, by emailing the City Clerk at cityclerk@biggs-ca.gov or via the drop box at 465 C Street.

For questions, comments, or access to the project file, please contact City Clerk, Roben Benish, at (530) 868-5493, or email planning@biggs-ca.gov. ★

California Sheriffs Issue Public Alert Following DOJ Data Breach

Continued from page 1 working to determine the scope of the breach. DOJ stated it would be contacting all CCW permit

holders directly to advise them of the breach and will institute a program to mitigate any harm or damages to CCW holders that result

from the breach. DOJ has issued a statement regarding this situation that can be accessed on their website. ★

DBW Reminds Boaters to Carry a California Boater Card

California State Parks News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - California State Parks' Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) reminds California boaters of the requirement to obtain and carry a California Boater Card when boating on state inland and coastal waterways. Applying for one is a simple process, it costs \$10 and lasts a lifetime. Operators who are not in compliance with the law and caught operating a vessel without their California Boater Card will be cited accordingly. This is considered an infraction and base fines can range anywhere from \$100 - \$500.

U.S. Coast Guard boating accident data show that states with some form of boating safety education have fewer accidents and fatalities than states without any boater education requirements. California is one of the last states to implement a mandatory boating education requirement. The law is being phased-in by age. By Jan. 1, 2023, all boaters 50 years of age or younger must carry a card. All boaters, regardless of age, will need to carry one by Jan. 1, 2025. The card is verification that its holder has successfully taken and passed an approved boating safety education course. It is important to note there are exemptions to the law. For example, those operating a rental vessel or possessing a valid marine operator's license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard do not need to obtain a California Boater Card. To date, DBW has issued more than 143,000 cards.

"It's not just novice boaters that benefit from this education program by learning the

boating rules of the road," said DBW Acting Deputy Director Ramona Fernandez. "Even experienced boaters find that a boating safety course can help them improve their boating knowledge and stay up to date with current boating laws."

Applying for a California Boater Card is a simple process. Boaters can complete their application by visiting CaliforniaBoaterCard.com. The card only costs \$10 and lasts a lifetime. Boaters have an option to complete an online, classroom or a home study course. Boaters only need to complete one of the approved courses. Once DBW has received your application, proof of education and payment, you will receive a 90-day temporary boater card by email. You should receive your official boater card by mail within 30 days from the time the application was approved. Detailed information on the process and information on available boating safety courses is available online at CaliforniaBoaterCard.com. A toll-free telephone support line is also available at (844) 421-8333.

California State Parks and the recreational programs supported by its divisions of Boating and Waterways, Historic Preservation and Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation provide the opportunity for families, friends, and communities to connect. Off-highway motor vehicle recreation, boating activities, horseback riding, cycling, hiking, camping, rock climbing, tours, hikes, school group enrichment, and special events are just some of the activities enjoyed in 279 park units organized into 21 field districts throughout the state. Learn more at www.parks.ca.gov. ★

B-Line Wants Your Input!

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Butte Regional Transit system, B-Line, wants your input at its upcoming routing study public workshop, to be held Thursday July 14th, from 5-6:30 p.m., via Zoom.

The Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG), who operates the B-Line transit system, is conducting the routing study, which will take an in-depth look at how passengers use the B-line system, what routes best serve riders and seeks

input to improve user experience.

In addition to the public study, other information such as an analysis of the current B-Line transit system, discussion on the future of transit in Butte County, and time for public comments on topics such as efficiency, scheduling and safety will be provided.

To share your input, please register at: bit.ly/BCAGBLINE. For more information on the upcoming routing study public workshop, please visit www.blinetransit.com, call (530) 809-4616, or email Sara Cain at scain@bcag.org. ★

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A Crisis of Municipal Dysfunction

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The City of Live Oak found itself the focus of the 2019-2020 Sutter County Grand Jury Report (SCGJR), the investigation being called "City of Live Oak – Government, Transparency and Finances."

In the 2020-2021 SCGJR, the jury followed up on its recommendations made in the 2019-2020 report and the actions the City of Live Oak took in response to those recommendations. Now, the City of Live Oak appears, once again, in the SCGJR on page 45, the section titled "City of Live Oak: A Crisis of Municipal Dysfunction."

Released June 24, 2022, the SCGJR summary section states, "The City Council and the administration of the City of Live Oak have not diligently and judiciously served the citizens of Live Oak for several years, and this past year is no exception. In 2021 dysfunction has been the state of affairs in the City of Live Oak because of the failed performance of the city council in its due diligence duty to the people of that community. Our methods of investigation included: interviews with local officials and service staff, articles from local news publications, government websites, and public documents."

The Sutter County Civil Grand Jury for 2021/2022 investigated areas of dysfunction on the city council relating to its inability to fill a vacant seat on the council. This problem was compounded by an extended period of lack of consensus to pass a budget. Additionally, the council was unable to pass authorizations to collect taxes on the Community Financial Districts (CFDs) and special assessments for the city. Beyond the findings we submit for the public record a series of recommendations made by the grand jury."

The report goes on to provide a background on the City of Live Oak and the issues that became the focus of the SCGJR. Listing the SCGJ methodology of how it conducted its investigation into the matters, the report breaks into a discussion of three major areas of concern: "The need to fill a seat", "The Budget Crisis" and "A gap year for collecting CFD taxes and special assessments".

During the discussion portion intitled "A gap year for collecting CFD taxes and special assessments" the SCGJR states, "Amidst, the budget debates of 2021 no resolution calling for the collection of those CFD taxes passed due to another 2-2 deadlock on the city council. This meant the city was gazing into a deficit of

eight hundred and thirty thousand dollars for the fiscal year. In the end a resolution was never passed. The deficit was covered by raiding the Live Oak municipal emergency reserve fund with about four and a half million dollars in reserves. To avoid future deadlocks that waste the valuable tax dollars of the people of Live Oak and significantly disrupt municipal operations, the city council members must perform a better job understanding one another's positions and seek compromise. The council should always remember that they exist to serve the citizens of their fair city and not their own personal agendas."

The SCGJR lists the following findings from its 2021-2022 investigation:

F1 – When the LO city council did not appoint a council person to fill the vacant council seat it cost the citizens of Live Oak financially.

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

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.

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.

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

The SCGJR 2021-2022 lists these recommendations:

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

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.

R3 – All members of the city council will participate in any scheduled budget workshops to understand the proposed budget and to discuss areas of concern.

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 tax rolls.

The SCGJR requires responses to its finding by the City of Live Oak, pursuant to Penal Code sections 933 and 933.05. According to the report, it appears that no time frame has been set for the City of Live Oak to respond to findings F1-F6.

To view the complete 2021-2022 Sutter County Grand Jury Report, please visit www.sutter.courts.ca.gov/system/files/general/2021-22-scgj-final-report.pdf. ★

Biggs Goes Big!

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with smiles on their faces, having genuinely enjoyed this year's parade.

Wheeler says, "It takes a team to put such a wonderful parade together." Many volunteers and of course, community participation, made the Biggs 2022 4th of July Parade such a success. Wheeler extended thanks the following: Vickie Harrison, Kayla Wheeler-Dunlap, Ricki Donnahoe, Rob Hall, Whitney Hall, the Dows, Brian Harrison, Travis Smith, Josh McLean, Brian Bassett, Biggs Cheerleaders and the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program, Perry Stair, the City of Biggs, Biggs City Public Works, Paul Pratt and crew. ★



These little patriots let their red, white and blue fly along with their adorable smiles!



Representing Wheeler Ranch and Feed, Hannah and Tucker rode down the parade route country-style, atop beautiful horses.

'Happy' Resource Fair

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Children took advantage of rock painting at the Butte County Library booth, which also provided free Bob Ross cookbooks to families courtesy of a grant received by the State of California. Free bubbles and sidewalk chalk were also a boon for the kiddos. A variety of toothbrushes, from infant to adult sizes were available courtesy of the Butte County Oral Health Program, including timers to help promote the proper time length for brushing, Potter the Otter books, and information on access to dental care in the area. Butte County Injury and Prevention was on hand with information about proper car

seat installation, classes, helmet fittings and even free helmets for youth.

Little artists got busy with watercolor activities provided by the NVCSS Promotores Program while adults learned more about what resources were available to them regarding mental health programs. The Promotores program is designed to remove language and cultural barriers to allow everyone equal access to mental health services.

While the resource fair was somewhat small in size, it had a decent turnout, and attendees left with valuable information and tools for a healthier and safer life for their families. ★



Sparkling like stars, in patriotic colors, members of the Butte County Royal Court were poised and perfect down the Biggs 4th of July parade route. Pictured left to right: Iris Barnette - Missette Butte County, Madison Garcia - Miss Teen 1st Runner Up, Allie Little - Miss Teen Butte County, Isabella Bastiani - Miss Teen 2nd Runner Up, and Olivia Tomlinson - 2021 Missette 1st Runner Up.

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Bitcoin Bust and Trust

The latest news in the market resembles the 1950's radio disc jockey that shouted between songs "and the hits just keep on coming".

Previous Wall Street darling stocks manage to get off the mat after being hammered down 70, 80, 90 percent or more, only to be carpet slammed again by another brutal sell off on any given day. Relentless is the word that comes to mind.

Crypto fans who dabble in the Bitcoin universe and thought they were safe are finding out they too are not immune from the markets financial beat downs.

More than a handful of cyber coin dealers and marketers have had liquidity problems in the past few weeks with some halting or limiting redemptions. The so called "stable" coin, Terra USD, which was supposed to remain in lockstep with the US dollar, lost its mojo as it not only failed to maintain its peg to the dollar, but almost completely collapsed. Now the news wires contain almost daily headlines that major players in the crypto universe are having some very serious financial issues.

Warning multiple times Cyber coins were "vapor", I reiterate a direr warning again today that the whole cyber universe reeks of an out of control mania that will end badly. In fact, the cyber coin phenomenon is the worst mania ever when compared to previous price explosions in any other asset mania recorded in human history.

Unfortunately, these types of liquidity headlines have a tendency to become only more frequent, until the "one" headline that announces a total collapse of the asset in question or that of a major player hits the wires and causes an all-out panic wipe out.

Not saying it will happen of course, as no one can forecast the workings of financial markets, but the whole thing has a very familiar ring to it.

Since Bitcoin came to my attention about 7 years ago, I didn't trust it and written such in more than a handful of news articles and covered it on my radio show multiple times over the years.

The coins themselves, called tokens, are not guaranteed by any government, and the market has grown into the trillions. It is estimated over 100 billion worth of bitcoin accounts have been lost in cyber space due to password loss or theft. The actual numbers may never be known. Never knew anyone who lost a bank or stock account.

This brings another issue to light that bothers the heck out of me. Truthfully I don't fully understand the whole cyber coin thing, how it works, who runs it, and all the ins and outs of this relatively new version of electronic currency, and frankly I believe few do.

With trillions in cyberspace, not doubt there are many, many hands in the mix, of which we have no idea of their moral makeup and honesty versus their self-interests. We also know that there are tens of thousands of very computer savvy thieves running amongst them.

With no one you can call or ask for assistance from, an investor is at the mercy of this vast and complicated electronic universe. Making matters worse, it has no checks or balances that apparently work right and there is little to no regulatory oversight at this time, although some is pending by concerned governments.

The whole things is downright frightening to this analyst.

And finally, I am surprised one of the reasons proponents of Bitcoin tell me they want to invest in it is that governments can't mess with it and cyber coins autonomous qualities. Excuse me, but Bitcoin and other cyber currencies are anything but autonomous. A dollar bill or gold coin has no memory, which is to say what it was spent on is forever unknown to the next holder. Look at a dollar and tell me what is has bought. Ditto with gold and silver coins. Cyber coins however, being in cyber space, forever maintain a record of where and when it moved. This is the ultimate in a tracking history should governments wish to install themselves more into the universe of Cyber. That the anti-government and conspiracy crowd flocks to this anti-cash asset where its record keeping is airtight and written in stone forever, is to me, more than baffling.

"Watching the markets so you don't have to"

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How Taxes are Decided in California



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Let's start with the premise that taxation is largely arbitrary.

Despite efforts to frame tax policy in moral or at least philosophical terms, what or who is taxed and the form and level of that taxation merely reflect current political priorities.

Take, for example, South Lake Tahoe, a small city that sits on California's border with Nevada. If you live in that city, you pay the nation's highest state income taxes. However, if your home is located a few feet to the east, inside Douglas County, Nevada, you pay no state income taxes.

That explains why there's a steady rivulet of high-income Californians resettling in Nevada, or at least changing their official addresses. If a couple of pending California ballot measures are approved in November, state taxes on the wealthy will increase even more and Nevada will become an even more popular tax refuge.

California's income taxes became the nation's highest through a series of incremental decisions made by legislators or voters and they now provide more than two-thirds of the state's general fund revenue. Nevada, on the

other hand, makes do without taxing incomes.

So which state is correct? Neither. They just happened to take different taxation paths for different reasons.

The arbitrary nature of taxation is evident, too, within the California revenue system, particularly in sales taxes.

One oddity is that cold food is not subject to taxation but hot food is and the differential can be very difficult to sort out. Some years ago, a movie theater chain asked the state Board of Equalization to shift popcorn from being a taxable hot food to a tax-free cold food. The rationale was that by the time theater patrons returned to their seats with popcorn in hand, it had turned cold. The board agreed.

If someone buys computer software, such as Turbo Tax, in a store to file federal and state income tax returns, that purchase is subject to a sales tax. But if a large company obtains a custom computer program to prepare its tax returns, the purchase is free of sales taxes. Why? Because those who sell custom software lobbied the Legislature for an exemption in the 1980s.

The Legislature, at the behest of Gov. Gavin Newsom, is on the verge of enacting a new and especially questionable tax anomaly.

One budget trailer bill would impose a hefty new tax on the embryonic industry of extracting lithium from the brine of the Salton Sea in the Southern California desert.

Lithium is the key ingredient of long-life, rechargeable batteries used in everything from cellphones to electric cars and immense electrical energy storage banks and therefore plays a key role in the state's drive to make itself carbon-free.

Most lithium is imported from other countries, including China. The Salton Sea, however, is a potentially huge source of the mineral that, if developed, would both contribute to energy independence and create many new jobs in an economically depressed corner of the state.

Lithium companies have warned that taxing extraction, \$400 to \$800 per metric ton, would make California lithium more expensive than imports and discourage investment in the industry, but were ignored.

Another trailer bill, however, would give sellers of legal marijuana a hefty cut in taxes, responding to their complaints that taxation makes their product too expensive vis-à-vis pot from illegal growers and sellers.

So California politicians may be strangling an industry vital to their vision of a carbon-free future while encouraging – in essence, subsidizing – an industry that helps people get stoned.

That's about as arbitrary as it can get.

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



Amid Drought, Agencies Work to Restore Salmon Habitat for Wet Years

State and federal agencies are undertaking a 30,000-acre floodplain restoration project to enhance habitat for juvenile salmon in the Yolo Bypass near the Sacramento River. The project will allow water to enter the floodplain to nurture habitat for fish when river levels are higher. The project is being implemented in conjunction with the State Water Project and the federal Central Valley Project. Both key water providers for California agriculture have slashed deliveries due to drought.

Study: Sweet Corn Yields Increase with Water-Saving Drip Irrigation

A study in California's low desert region has shown that switching to drip irrigation for growing sweet corn can significantly conserve water, curb fertilizer use and boost crop yield. That's according to University of California Cooperative Extension researchers who conducted trials in Imperial County. The county is California's top sweet corn producing area, with an average of 8,000 acres planted a year. The study was conducted in the 2020-21 and 2021-22 growing seasons.

UC Davis Breeders Hoping to Develop Warmer-Climate Variety of Popular Leafy Green

Researchers at the University of California, Davis, are working to breed new varieties of a popular leafy green vegetable in Asian cuisine that may be grown in warmer climates. Celtuce, or stem lettuce, is grown for its crunchy stalk, which has a mild, nutty taste. Celtuce plants generally thrive in cool climates. But a new garden at UC Davis and greenhouse cultivations are testing different breeds in hopes they can thrive in hotter temperatures. Researchers say the breeding program could be expanded to other crops.


940 California Farm And Rangeland Projects Get Healthy Soils Program Funds

The California Department of Food and Agriculture is awarding \$66 million in grants to fund 940 projects under its Healthy Soils Program. The grant awards, announced this month, will cover 82,000 acres of California agricultural and rangelands. The effort is aimed at improving soil health, sequestering carbon and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Since 2017, \$107 million has been awarded for Healthy Soils projects spanning more than 135,000 acres of farmland. ★

MEMORIAL

GEORGE HOWARD ALLISON • 8/28/1935 – 5/25/2022

Born in Chaonia, Missouri. Howard laid to rest in the Gridley Biggs Memorial Cemetery June 6, 2022. The service attended by family and friends. The service was officiated by Billy Gallagher. Military honors performed by the VFW and American Legion. Howard spent 2yrs in the Army as a Medic. Married Louise Jones in Aug 1957 raised 3 children, unfortunately lost a son at his birth. He loved the outdoors, gardening, fishing, hunting, camping, mostly he loved his wife Louise and his family and friends. The family would get together as often as possible and enjoy each other. They would Camp together or



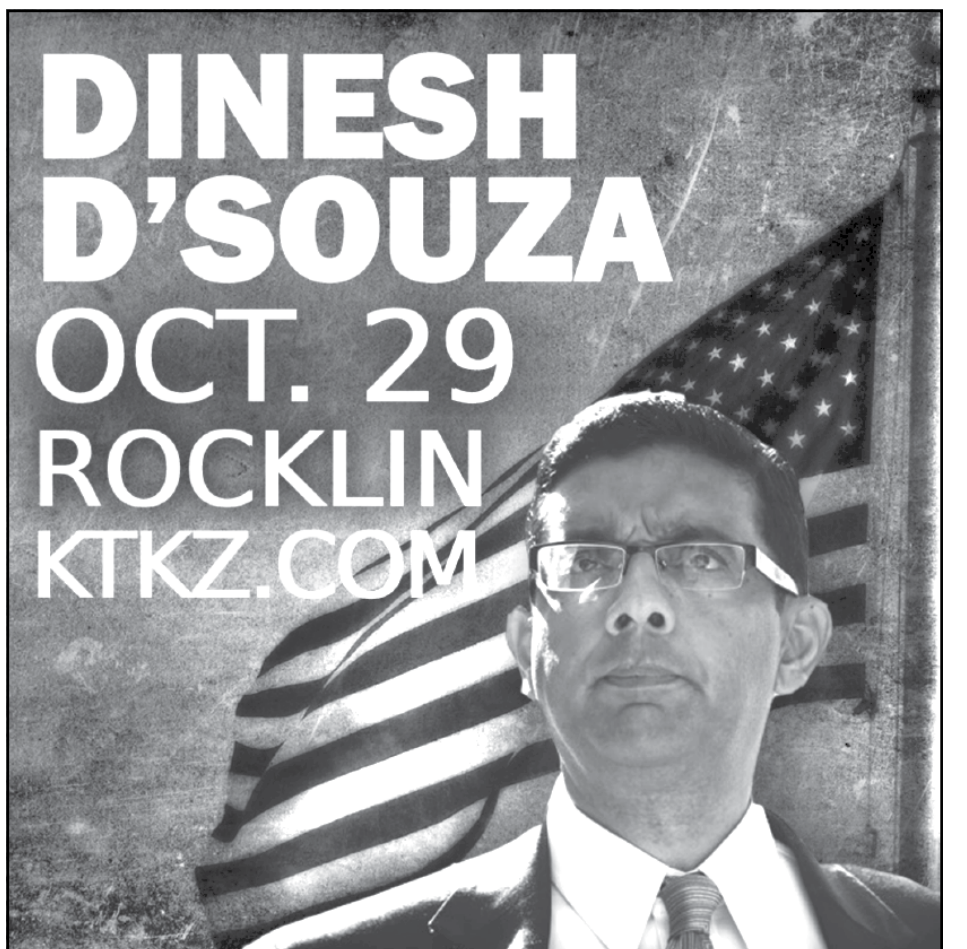
just load up and go swimming in the summer. Many BBQ's and pot lucks with friends and family are memories all share. He was pre deceased by his parents Edwin and Edith Allison, 2 brothers Edwin and James, 1 son, and 1 grandchild Sherry Allison. Howard is survived by his wife Louise Allison, Sister Rita Smith, Sons Steven and Stanton, Daughter Stacie, 7 grandchildren Lindsay, Shawna, Kiersten, Kariena, Taylor, Kylie, Samantha, 6 great grandchildren Camron Navaro, Jaden Berkhoudt, Naomi Rosati, Zoey and Ally Miller. People remember Howard for his sense of humor and knowledge of lumber and hardware. He worked for Collins Pine logging, he managed one of the stores, known as Builders Supply. He worked in Chester, Gridley and Oroville where he retired. He and Louise enjoyed trips to Ft Bragg and walking on the beach together. They would go for drives in the hills to spend time together. He will be remembered in our hearts with joy for eternity.

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Dear Dietitian

Orthorexia Nervosa



Commentary by **Leanne McCrate**

Dear Dietitian,

My thirteen-year-old daughter started a new healthy eating program about six months ago. She seems obsessed with healthy eating and sometimes refuses to eat when she stays at a friend's house. I am concerned about her behavior. Is this something serious, or will she grow out of it?

Sheila

Dear Sheila,

The desire to eat right is healthy, but too much of a good thing is no longer a good thing. New light is being shed on an obsessive pattern of eating known as Orthorexia Nervosa.

The term orthorexia is from the Greek meaning 'right appetite' and was first coined by Steven Bratman, M.D. in 1997. Orthorexia may occur in someone who has unresolved trauma in her life. The obsession with healthy eating is pursued through a restrictive diet, a focus on food preparation, and rigid eating patterns. People with orthorexia are concerned with the quality of food rather than quantity. The obsession does not begin with a desire to lose weight, as with anorexia, but rather as a desire to eat healthy and live a better life (1).

Currently, orthorexia is not formally recognized as a psychiatric disorder, and scientific research is lacking. Bratman cautions that just because someone adopts an alternative diet does not mean that person has orthorexia. When eating right becomes an obsession and affects other areas of the person's life, it becomes a problem (2).

At this point, it is unclear if the disorder is a part of anorexia nervosa, stands alone as a disorder, or is a part of obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD). It affects women more often than men and is more prevalent

in Western countries than in other parts of the world. Orthorexia may lead to nutrient deficiencies and malnutrition.

Another area of life that is impacted by orthorexia is relationships. One may socialize less frequently as activities often include dining out. They may spend less time with family and friends because they are obsessing about the foods that will be available at a gathering next week. As a result, the individual begins to feel isolated and alone.

According to the National Eating Disorders Association, warning signs and symptoms of orthorexia include (3):

- Compulsive checking of ingredient lists and nutrition labels
- An increase in concern about the health of ingredients
- Cutting out an increasing number of food groups (all sugar, all carbohydrates, all dairy, all meat, or all animal products)
- An inability to eat anything but a narrow group of foods deemed 'healthy' or 'pure.'
- Showing high levels of distress when 'safe' or 'healthy' foods aren't available

Whether this is a phase or a more serious problem for your daughter remains to be seen. You may start by asking your daughter's pediatrician for a referral to a psychotherapist for an evaluation. You may also contact the National Eating Disorder Association at 1-800-931.2237. My prayers are with you and your family.

Until next time, be healthy!

Dear Dietitian

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Fishing rating scale: (b) Excellent • (a) Good • (g) Poor (bad)

LOCAL FISHING

Fisherman's Comment: We traveled to Hellhole Reservoir and found the road going in was nasty. Launched at the dam and fished all the way to the cataracts. No trout for dinner. Signed, Sad fisherman.

Folsom Lake; rainbows of 12"-19". Launch at Rattlesnake Bar. USE: Rolling Shad (dyed blue). (b)

EIGHT DAY ODYSSEY

Surf Fishing Series 5 of 7

#5 Manchester Beach; this huge 18,000 foot beach front is home to Redtail Serf Perch. USE: Squid Fly. (b)

SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

Angel Island; landed 53 fish. 42 halibut and 11 striped bass. USE: Live Anchovy on bait leaders. (b) Delta; Rio Vista. ABA Bass Tournament. 40 boats and 80 anglers.



Creek Chub Jointed Darter

Winner: 5/22.37. Big fish 8.64lbs. USE: Creek Chub Jointed Darter. Delta; below 3-mile Slough. Stripers arriving, caught 4-shakers and 18 keepers, 8-9 pounders. USE: Plastic Crawdads. (b)

COASTAL WATERS

Marin Coast; Sport King salmon of 49 3/4lbs. found at 25 pulls. USE: Live Anchovy. (b)

LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS

Rollins Lake; Eagle Lake strain rainbows. Launch at Peninsula, motor to Bear River inlet. USE: Mepps Aglia #5. (b) Note: 1846-47 site of Donner Party route. Eagle Lake, Shrimp Island. Caught 25, 15"-19" rainbows, kept two. Trolling side-planers 8'-15' deep, 2.5 MPH. USE: Water melon Speedy Shiner. (a) Lake Amador is known for

its big channel catfish. Caught 6-cats of 49 lbs. total weight. Biggest 15lbs. USE: Chicken Livers. (b) Berryessa Lake. Launch at Spanish Flat. Very windy, still netted 10 large mouth bass to 3-lbs. USE: Drop shot with Tubes. (a) Caples Lake; ice off. German Brown trout of 13"/3lbs. USE: Kastmaster Spoons. (a) Landed 10 mackinaw 9-13 lbs. USE: Rapalas. (a) Clear Lake; ABA Power Pole Tournament. Large mouth winner: 5/19.65. Biggest bass 5.67 lbs. USE: Texas rigged Senko-wacky style. (b) Lake Oroville; trolling... by dam and Bidwell Pt. Very few King salmon 7-8lbs. USE: Cut Plug w/ 8" green Chrome Dodger. (g) French Meadow Reservoir; troll the 100ft deep M.F. American River channel north to its inflow. Big German Browns. USE: Nightcrawlers behind Dodgers. (a) Stumpy Meadow Reservoir (East of Auburn) Rainbow trout plants. USE: Black Marabou Muddler. (a) Spicer Reservoir (near Arnold, Hwy 4). Gorgeous square tail rainbows that spawned in Hobart Creek. USE: Kastmasters. (b)



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RIVER FISHING

Fall River; big 18" rainbows. Match the Limbada Hexigenia hatch. USE: Hex Paradrake, or X-Hex. (b) Lower Yuba and American Rivers still turning out nice American shad. USE: Shad Fly. (b)

EASTERN SIERRAS

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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The gifts of a habitat garden are many. Some are questionable gifts such as snails, earwigs and sow bugs but even they are gifts to the soil, believe it or not. A recent gift of the garden is the Praying Mantis' getting big enough to see. Really, they should be called Preying Mantis as a common name. If you have discussions about

beneficial insects, (yes some do) there is great disagreement whether or not the Praying Mantis is a beneficial or not. I am on the side that says "yes" they are beneficial. The other side will argue that they are too predatory and eat beneficials, therefore they are not beneficial. Seems like semantics to me. Yes, they eat lady bugs. Yes, they eat lacewings. Yes, they eat whatever they can catch. They are the horror of insects taking over the world in grade B movies. We think of danger from Mountain Lions, Bears, Snakes yet when a Praying Mantis shows up, it is common (at least in my yard) to try and catch them. They do have weird hooks at the end of their six legs that

latch on in a creepy way. Their heads swivel and analyze whether or not they can eat you. They are able to camouflage themselves by changing colors to whatever they are sitting on. They have those vicious looking "praying" legs. At the same time, they have very intelligent eyes. There are also people who engage in the debate about which animals are possibly sentient, such as octopus, pigs, dogs, dolphins, elephants, whales and others. I wonder when looking close up at a Praying Mantis if: 1. It is going to attack me; 2. Will it hurt if it bites me (I have not heard of them biting); 3. How much reason and planning they are doing about taking over the world. ★

Fish Tales Music Camp Registration

Gridley Christian Church News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Music Camp will be held at Gridley Christian Church July 25th through July 31st. Monday through Friday we meet from 3-5 PM. Saturday's dress rehearsal is from 1-2 PM. Sunday's performances are at 10:30 AM and 4:30 PM. Participation in this music camp is free.

Children from four years old through 8th grade will have a great week of learning the mini-musical "Great Fish for Easter Day". Five songs will be learned

which have simple movements. Sign language will be used to learn the memory verse. Interesting Bible lessons will be given. A craft time and a snack time will be enjoyed by all. The younger group will learn to play two songs with rhythm instruments and the older group will learn two songs using the songbells.

Please call Bonnie at (530) 933-9845 to register your child. Come a little early on the first day to fill out a registration form. Gridley Christian Church is located at 580 Washington Street. Call Pastor Ed Lucas at (530) 846-4002 for any needs or spiritual concerns you may have. ★

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal

People want to see how Jesus and His Father have changed your life. Have you ever known someone whose life changed by coming to know the Lord?

In prison, ministers have brought thieves, murders, and drug traffickers to their knees and to forgiveness. Meetings for AA or drug addicts have led people to alter courses and return to work, family, and a sober life. All because someone introduced them to the Savior who changes lives.

While on earth, Jesus healed the blind, the deaf, the spirit infested, and even raised some back to life. He was a man of miracles.

We have seen miracles happen in our own lives, when diseases have been erased, cancer has been cured, and tumors have been stopped. All this because of faith, prayer, and the laying on of hands by those gifted with the Spirit's healing powers.

Even the smallest child or the oldest adult can be the recipient of a miracle from the Lord. Just believe, pray, and offer praise to the Creator.

Take time look over your life and

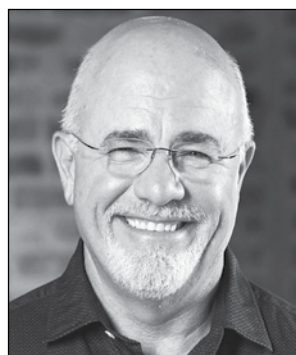
see how the hand of God has been on you and your life. Unexpected healing! A change of heart! An end to hate! A medical solution! A family drawn together! A new direction to travel! A new direction for your life! They are all ways God helps our broken spirit and life.

We need to listen to that small voice that gives directions. We need to acknowledge the nudges to act or the visions to carry through. God offers us changes in many ways, we just need to pay attention and respond.

Ask God for help. He hears. Seek God for answers, He responds. Look for God in your daily workings and you'll find ways that the Lord offers you to change.

When you receive change, then praise God for His love and caring character. He deserves our gratitude.

Come to the Gridley United Methodist Church every Sunday at 9:30 am to find that hope that God can bring to your life. We are located at 285 Magnolia Street. ★



Dave Ramsey Says

that, but let's look at the math of your situation.

You say the value of the car is \$4,500 if fixed and running properly. Let's say for the sake of argument the value of the car if you sell it as-is - basically salvage - is \$1,500. If you take the value of the car as-is, plus the repair, and the number you come up with is more than the value of the car after it's fixed, you don't repair the car.

So, if this car is actually worth \$1,500, the idea of fixing it is very questionable. If you can get \$1,500 for this thing as-is, I'd sell it and put the \$2,200 I would've thrown into fixing that old thing toward a better car.

You're talking about a big repair on an old car,

Susan. If the repair price you got is right, and it was from an honest mechanic - not some padded, over-blown quote from a dealer - I think it's time for that old beater to go!

- 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. ★

It May be Time to Sell the Car

Dear Dave,

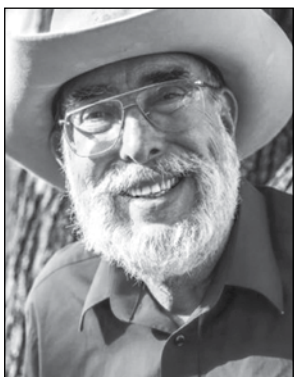
We have a 2008 Honda Accord that needs a new timing chain. Our mechanic says the repair will cost about \$2,200. The car is worth about \$4,500. Is it time to get another car, or should we have it repaired?

- Susan

Dear Susan,

That sounds a little high for a timing chain fix to me. Maybe I'm wrong about

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

The annual Fourth of July parade through our town began this year with a mystery. You see, a couple of the boys cornered Jimmy Angles yesterday down by Lewis Creek and hit him in the mouth. On purpose. Ordinarily, this wouldn't have made headlines in the Valley Weekly Miracle, or even the New York Post, but Jimmy played first trumpet in the band.

Played ... past tense. The pain and swelling of his lips meant he couldn't play the great trumpet solos in Mr. Sousa's marches on the Fourth. It meant that the other three

Happy Birthday America!

trumpeters all moved up a notch. The new "first" trumpeter just happened to be one of Jimmy's assailants.

The horses came first, of course, with cowboys and cowgirls and wannabe cowboys and cowgirls and used-to-be cowboys and cowgirls riding along and waving.

Then came the 4Hers, dragging reluctant lambs and goats after them. But hey, they were shiny clean lambs and goats. The queen and several other cute high school girls followed in a convertible, and then came the band. The parade's brain trust, Doc and Dud, actually, planned it this way. It was decided over coffee that it was a far, far better thing we do to let the horses go first so the band wouldn't frighten

them. If this meant the 4H kids and the band members had to dodge a few equestrian "products" on the street, so be it.

A small town parade on the Fourth of July is where everyone goes to see how big the kids have gotten over this past year, and to celebrate us all being different ... and the same ... for yet another year.

But how about Jimmy Angles and the temporarily inactive trumpet mouth? We found out as the band came into view. Jimmy was out in front of them all, carrying the American flag.

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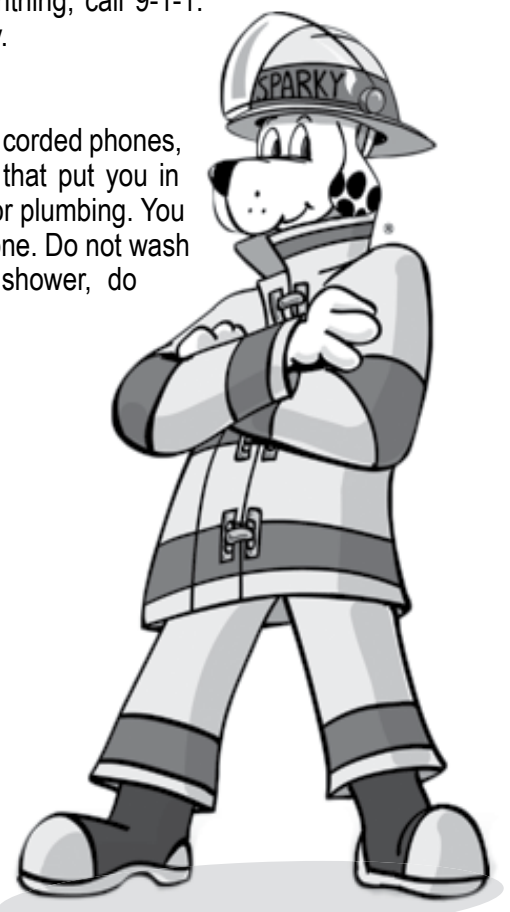
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Chico Woman Plead Guilty to Murder for Hwy 70 DUI that Killed One

Butte County DA News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Chico woman plead guilty today in Butte County Superior Court to Second Degree Murder as a result of a car crash while driving under the influence in February 2021.

Nicole Schalles, 36, of Chico was accused of driving her vehicle north on Highway 70 at speeds over 120 mph into the rear of another northbound vehicle on the road. The collision happened on February 4, 2021

at 11:25 p.m. near Lower Honcut Road killing Dollar Vang, 30, of Olivehurst.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said Vang had been traveling from Olivehurst to work in Oroville when Schalles' vehicle overtook him as she traveled from Marysville back toward Chico. When Schalles hit the rear of Vang's vehicle, it caused Vang's vehicle to spin into the opposite lane of traffic. Another vehicle traveling in the opposite direction then hit Vang's vehicle. Vang died from injuries sustained in the collision, the

driver of the other vehicle sustained a broken collarbone.

Vang left behind a pregnant wife and an infant child, Ramsey said. His second child was born shortly after his death.

Ramsey said Schalles had left her home in Chico around 7:30 p.m. and drove to two bars in Marysville to drink and buy drugs. An analysis of her blood revealed Schalles' blood alcohol content was 0.24 per cent, more than three times the legal limit and showed the presence of oxycodone in her system.

Ramsey said Schalles had

previously been convicted of a DUI in 2012 during which time she engaged in alcohol programs as well as a DUI school. Schalles said she had been involved in Alcoholics Anonymous for at least 10 years prior to the collision. Schalles reportedly told a friend after the collision that, "They talk about it. One time. That's all it takes."

Ramsey said the murder charge rather than a manslaughter charge was pursued by his office because Schalles had been previously warned during her prior DUI hearing and in subsequent

classes that should she drive under the influence and cause a death, she could be charged with murder. This subjective knowledge of the dangers of drinking and driving ultimately resulted in Schalles' murder conviction for the death of Vang.

Schalles will next appear in Butte County Superior Court on July 29, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. when she will be sentenced. She is facing a life sentence in state prison with the possibility of parole in 15 years. She continues to be held in the Butte County Jail with no bail. ★

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- Sign of escape
- "How to Get Away with Murder," starring ___ Davis
- *Featuring Jerry, Elaine, George, Kramer
- Theories
- Make awake
- Mai follower
- *Featuring Sam, Diane, Cliff, Norm, Carla
- Scary creature
- Salmon on a bagel
- Etsy member
- Crawling
- Old and feeble
- Quaker Man's grain
- Romanov rulers
- Without help
- Stay clear of
- *"The ___ Life" on Animal Planet
- Keep from happening
- Sets to zero
- Old age, in the olden days
- *"___ Previews" with Siskel and Ebert
- Same as taboo
- *Featuring Dre, Rainbow, Zoey, Andre, Diane, Jack
- New Testament king
- Is not, colloquially
- At hand
- Pond buildup
- Microscope part
- *"Hogan's Heroes," set in ___ Germany
- Coin opening
- Like some martinis
- Big Bang's original matter

DOWN

- ___-di-dah
- Awfully long time
- Stubbled beast
- Make soiled, in the olden days
- At the heart of Boston Tea Party
- Quick or nimble
- No longer working, shortened
- *Featuring Rebecca, Jack, Kate, Randall, Kevin
- *ABC comedy-drama, "___ 222" (1969-74)
- 90-degree pipes, e.g.
- Public health agency, acr.
- "The wretched ___ of your teeming shores"
- Of a bird
- Relating to Scandinavia
- Lookout point
- Necklace lock
- Great esteem
- Napoleon's time on Elba
- Crystalline hydrochloride
- Crossbeam
- Kind of heron
- "The defense ___"
- *Featuring Hurley, Sawyer, Kate, Sayid, John
- Lake, in Provence
- *Featuring Stubby, Smith, Washington, McCoy, Bricker
- Fine-tune
- Finish line, e.g.
- Builds
- Dodge
- Certain jeans fit
- More than sly
- *"The ___," featuring Fran, Maxwell, C.C., Niles
- *"To ___ the Truth," game show
- Golden Fleece ship
- *Like George Costanza, Homer Simpson or Captain Picard
- Close an envelope
- Mental confusion
- Possesses
- Canyon feature

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The following person(s) are doing business as: MJ AGGREGATE CONSULTING AND SERVICE, 30 Acacia Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966
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Date Filed in Butte County: June 3, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 6/3/2022
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: June 17, 24, July 1 & 8, 2022
MJ 7-8-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000572
The following person(s) are doing business as: ANTHONY'S BALLOONS, 691 Biggs East Hwy, Biggs, CA 95917
Anthony Velazquez, Veronica Velazquez, 691 Biggs East Hwy, Biggs, CA 95917
Date Filed in Butte County: June 6, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 8/1/2020
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: June 17, 24, July 1 & 8, 2022
ANTHONY'S 7-8-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000515
The following person(s) are doing business as: ESFLAND ONE REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT, 2 Glenview Court, Chico, CA 95928
Daniela T. Ferguson and Lyle Ferguson, 2 Glenview Court, Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: May 18, 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: June 17, 24, July 1 & 8, 2022
ESF 7-8-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000525
The following person(s) are doing business as: FORDPROS / NATIONAL FORD TRUCK CLUB, 411 Main Street, Suite 101, Chico, CA 95928
Work Truck Solutions, Inc., 2485 Notre Dame Boulevard, 370E, Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: May 23, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 8/9/2021
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: June 24, July 1, 8, & 15, 2022
FORDPROS 7-15-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000585
The following person(s) are doing business as: BIDWELL PERK, 664 E. 1st Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
Symmetry Enterprises, Inc., 1424 Manchester Road, Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: June 8, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 10/16/2006
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: June 24, July 1, 8, & 15, 2022
BIDWELL 7-15-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000623
The following person(s) are doing business as: GRIDLEY CHILDREN'S CLINIC, 50 East Gridley Road, Gridley, CA 95948
Sanjiv Midha, M.D., A Medical Corporation, A Professional Corporation, 50 East Gridley Road, Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: June 17, 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: July 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2022
GRIDLEY 7-22-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000526
The following person(s) are doing business as: DON'T YOU KNOW YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL / DYKYB, 3025 Foothill Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95966
Benjamin Hatch, 1253 W 5th Street, Apt. 76, Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: May 23, 2022. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 5/10/2012
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: July 1, 8, 15 & 22, 2022
DYKYB 7-22-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000637
The following person(s) are doing business as: PIXEL DESIGNS, 728 Keifer Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948
Levi Guillory, 728 Keifer Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: June 23, 2022. The Registrant com-

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PIXEL 7-22-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000628
The following person(s) are doing business as: FILAMENT ELECTRIC, 700 Rancharia Drive, Unit A, Chico, CA 95926
Filament Electric, 700 Rancharia Drive, Unit A, Chico, CA 95926
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FILAMENT 7-29-22

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000648
The following person(s) are doing business as: ROAMING SPIRITS, 3134 Clairmont Drive, Oroville, CA 95966
Kelly Evans-Stoker, 3134 Clairmont Drive, Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: June 27, 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: July 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2022
ROAMING 7-29-22

TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
Foreclosure No. 6813637 APN# 061-030-008 On August 3, 2022 at 3:30 p.m., Mid Valley Title and Escrow Company, Trustee, or Successor Trustee or Substituted Trustee of that certain Deed of Trust executed by Nash Trevino, an unmarried man, and recorded January 25, 2019 as Instrument No. 2019-0006022, of Official Records of Butte County, California, and pursuant to that certain Notice of Default thereunder recorded April 1, 2022 as Instrument No. 2022-0011776, of Official Records of said County, will under and pursuant to said Deed of Trust sell at public auction for cash, lawful money of the United States of America, a cashier's check payable to said Trustee 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 bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse at 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965,

all that 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 described as: shown on said deed of trust, together with a security interest in that certain mobile home known as a 1968 Lancer Mobile Home, Decal #LBC7507 (X) The street address or other common designation of said property: 4364 Bald Rock Rd, Berry Creek, CA 95916 (X) Name and address of the beneficiary at whose request the sale is being conducted: Pejsa, PO Box 6, Oroville, CA 95965 Directions to the above property may be obtained by requesting same in writing from the beneficiary within 10 days from the first publication of this notice. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, as to title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the unpaid balance due on the note or notes secured by said Deed of Trust, plus estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Sale: \$67,831.63 NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED JANUARY 15, 2019 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. DATED: June 30, 2022 The undersigned mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent for the mortgagee or beneficiary declares that the mortgagee or beneficiary has satisfied the requirements of California Civil Code 2923.5.: MID VALLEY TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY Address: 601 Main Street Chico, California 95928 Phone: (530) 893-5644

BY: Greg Wood, Foreclosure Officer 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 1-916-939-0772 or visit this internet website: <http://www.nationwideposting.com> address for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 6813637.

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 <http://www.nationwideposting.com>. 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's sale, you can call 1-916-939-0772, or visit this internet website <http://www.nationwideposting.com>, using the file number assigned to this case 6813637 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. NPP0413469 To: GRIDLEY HERALD 07/08/2022, 07/15/2022, 07/22/2022 NPP0413469 7-22-22

NOTICE OF ELECTION CITY OF BIGGS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Consolidated General Municipal Election will be held in the **CITY OF BIGGS** on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, for the purpose of electing four (4) members to the City Council, one (1) to serve a two-year term ending 2024 and three (3) to serve a four-year term ending 2026.

This will be an all vote-by-mail election. All registered voters in the City of Biggs will receive a vote-by-mail ballot in the mail prior to the election.

The **Candidate Filing Period** begins Monday, July 18, 2022, and ends on Friday, August 12, 2022, at 4:00 P.M., regular office hours. If one or more incumbents do not file nomination papers by August 12, 2022, the filing period for qualifying individuals who are not incumbents will be extended to no later than 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, August 17, 2022.

A nominee must be a registered voter residing within the City of Biggs.

Nomination documents and further information may be obtained at City Offices by contacting the City Clerk at 530-868-0102.

If no one or only one person is nominated for an elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by §10229, Elections Code of the State of California.

Roben Benish, City Clerk
Publish July 8, 2022

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS LIVE OAK UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DUE DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2022 BY 2:00PM RFP 23-01

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PRECONSTRUCTION AND LEASE/LEASEBACK SERVICES FOR MODULAR CLASSROOM, PLAYGROUND AND PLAYFIELD PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Live Oak Unified School District of Sutter County, State of California, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereafter referred to as the "District", will receive under sealed cover by 2:00 P.M., on Monday, August 1, 2022, proposals for preconstruction and lease/leaseback services for Modular Classroom, Playground and Playfield Project. The Request for Proposals (RFP) is located at the District office or at the District's website at: www.lousd.k12.ca.us

Proposals shall be received at:
Live Oak Unified School District 2201 Pennington Road
Live Oak, CA 95953
Attn: Christopher Peters, CFO

The School District reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the proposals or in the proposal process. No proposers may withdraw their proposal for a period of 90 days after the date set for the opening of proposals or after approval by the Live Oak Unified School District Governing Board.

For all questions please contact: Christopher Peters, CFO
Live Oak Unified School District
Phone: 530-695-5400
Email: cpeters@lousd.k12.ca.us

(Questions must be submitted in writing via email ONLY by July 22, 2022 by 2:00 pm)
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY OF GRIDLEY PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Gridley will hold a public hearing on the project described below. The hearing before the Planning Commission will be held at a regular meeting scheduled **Wednesday, July 20, 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 Friday, June 10, 2022, via email to csantana@gridley.ca.us or via the payment/document drop box at Gridley City Hall and will be conveyed to the Planning Commission for consideration. Remote attendance is available by Zoom.

The information to connect to the Zoom meeting will be provided on the Planning Commission agenda available to the public on Friday, July 15, 2022, located on the City of Gridley website.

Elder Estates Tentative Subdivision Map 1-22; Application for a Tentative Subdivision Map to subdivide an existing 8.49-acres into forty-six (46) parcels. The application includes a General Plan Amendment to amend the land use designation from Residential, Very Low Density to Residential, Medium Density, Mitigated Negative Declaration, and to rezone the property from Residential-Suburban, to Low Density Residential (R-1) for a proposed density of 5.41 du/ac. (APN 010-270-016)

SUMMARY:

In accordance with Government Code Section 65009, if any person(s) challenges the action of the Planning Commission 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 Planning Commission 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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Gridley Industrial Park Complex Subdivision Map 2-22; Application for a Tentative Subdivision Map to subdivide an existing 70-acre into (8) parcels. The application includes a General Plan Amendment to amend the land use designation from Industrial to Industrial/Park/Open Space/Public, Mitigated Negative Declaration, and to rezone the parcels from Heavy Industrial (M-2) to Heavy Industrial (M-2), Open Space (OS), and Public-Quasi-Public (PQP). (APN 021-240-027, -042)

SUMMARY:

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by Dave T. Phipps



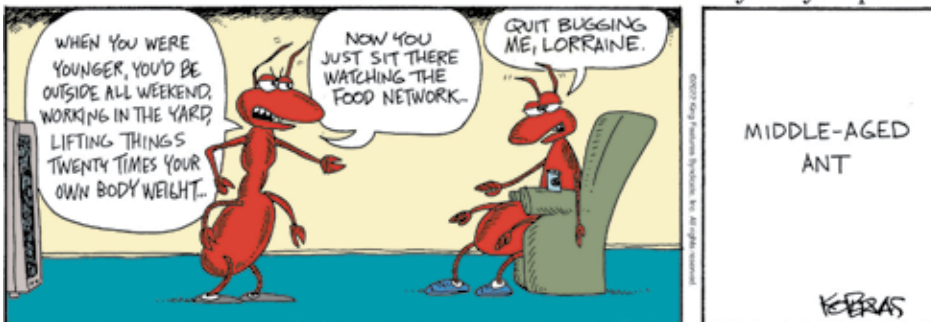
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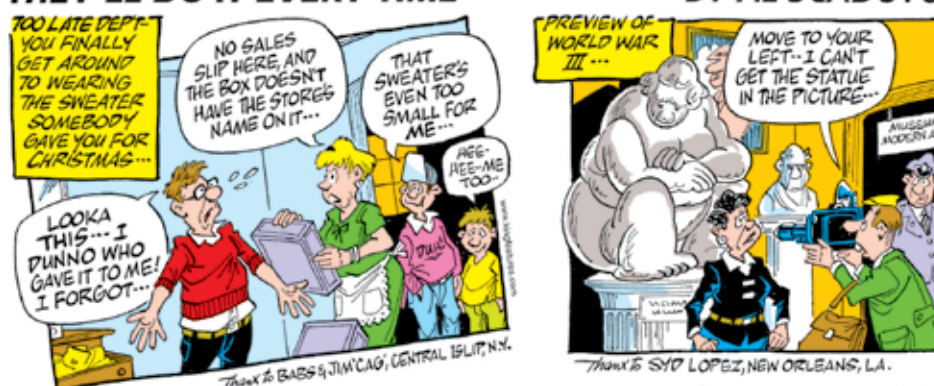
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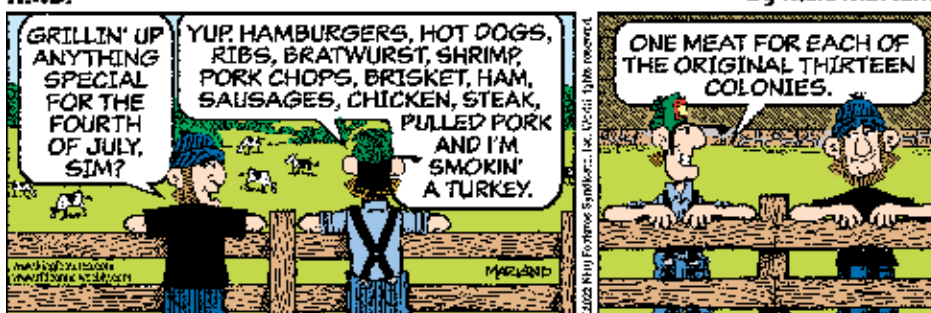
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Commentary
by Jon Coupal

Victor Davis Hanson is a resident scholar at the Hoover Institute and lifelong Californian from the Central Valley. He recently spoke at a conference of Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association members. For the naïve who want an optimistic presentation about how great California is, VDH is not your guy. He gives an accurate, if depressing, view of the current state of the state. In both his writings and speeches, he assesses just how far California has deteriorated; from homelessness, poverty, cost of living, crime, taxes, business climate, etc., ad nauseum.

The decline of California has, as most know, led to an unprecedented exodus out of the state. So much so that for the first time in its history, California has lost representation in Congress. In addition to the 2 million people who have already left California, far more are seriously considering it. Facebook now has a group called "Life after California" with rapidly

growing membership, but most Californians are unlikely to leave, at least anytime soon. They will stay either because they are willing to tolerate all that is wrong here, or they are not able to leave.

A Central Valley farmer isn't going to pick up his orchard and move to Texas, neither is the retired couple who want to stay close to family members, including grandchildren but simply because tens of millions will stay in California does not mean they are oblivious to its ills.

Those deciding to stick it out here in the formerly Golden State are constantly on the lookout for some faint signs that things might get better. The primary election returns might provide such a sign, although it would be foolish to believe there has been a political sea change.

First, the good news. It now appears that voters in the most liberal city in America have had it with rising crime. Given that you can count the number of Republicans in San Francisco on two hands, the rejection of the city's District Attorney, Chesa Boudin, certainly wasn't a partisan fight. San Franciscans of all political stripes simply felt unsafe on city streets as tens of thousands had their cars or homes broken into. It doesn't take a conservative to want serious criminal acts to result in serious criminal penalties, including incarceration.

The similarly Soros-backed

district attorney of Los Angeles, George Gascón, wasn't on the ballot, but it appears he is in deep trouble as he tries to deflect a recall of his own. Also, L.A. mayoral candidate Rick Caruso, previously a Republican and now registered in the Democratic party, is headed to a runoff against progressive Democrat Karen Bass, currently in Congress and previously Assembly leader.

As in San Francisco, crime and homelessness are top issues.

Throughout California, even within Democrat-on-Democrat races, the more moderate candidates seemed to be outperforming their more progressive counterparts, although many races remain too close to call.

Whether California's election results represent a meaningful shift away from radical progressivism or merely a blip in the relentless leftward movement in California is the subject of a national debate. Even the New York Times wrote that the recall of Boudin was "a stark warning to the Democratic Party."

It is way too early to predict a significant return to sanity in California, and November's election results will be more telling. But for now, even a slight movement toward responsible politics is a welcome change.

As the Chinese proverb reminds us, a journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. ★

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