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Weighing Job Risks



Roxanna Torres prepares a to-go order at Baker & Commons in Berkeley on Jan. 19, 2022. Experts recommend wearing N95 masks in indoor work settings. Photo by Martin do Nascimento/CalMatters

By Ana B. Ibarra,
CALMatters.org

Look no further than your favorite restaurant, your kid's school or your local hospital to see the effect of California's latest bout of infections.

Cases have skyrocketed since the holidays, reaching nearly 7 million people infected since the pandemic began. That means so many workers are calling in sick that many businesses and offices are left understaffed and fellow workers are stretched thin.

Health officials are walking a fine line between keeping essential services and the economy afloat and controlling the spread of the virus. But a labor shortage has noticeably influenced national and state COVID-19 policies – even temporarily allowing for health care employees to continue working despite a positive test as long as they feel no symptoms and wear an N95 respirator. These guidelines have prompted questions about safety and whether public health is being jeopardized.

Since the start of the pandemic,

California's top officials have been adamant that the state's COVID-19 response is based on science. But these policies also have to be flexible, Gov. Gavin Newsom recently told reporters.

"It's called dealing with reality," the governor said in defense of recent health workplace guidelines during his Jan. 10 budget briefing. "The pragmatism – not what you want, but what you need to do at a time of challenge."

Experts note that the virus and the pandemic environment are fast-changing, and policies in response have to adjust quickly.

But labor needs and politics aside, when it comes to returning safely to work, what are experts and research telling us about omicron? When is it safe for an infected employee to return to work and how dangerous is it to shorten that period? What if you have no symptoms? And what should your employer be doing to keep you and your coworkers safe? Here's what you need to know.

A red flag with omicron is that early research suggests that the incubation

period – the time between when one becomes infected and when one starts to show symptoms – is shorter with this variant – about three days, compared to the four to five days of earlier strains.

Usually, the day before symptoms start and the day symptoms appear are when people are the most infectious, said Sanghyuk Shin, director of UC Irvine's infectious disease science initiative.

That means people can become highly infectious faster with omicron than with the previous variants. For example, if person A is infectious and A infects B, person B can then infect person C quicker with omicron than they may have with delta.

"This creates epidemic dynamics that are really hard to get in front of," said Andrew Noymer, epidemiologist and professor of public health at UC Irvine. "Because it's so rapid."

Here is how fast omicron is moving: It was first identified in late November; in the week ending on Dec. 18, the

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CTC Allocates \$589 Million for Transportation Improvements

Department of Transportation Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated \$589 million for projects to repair and improve transportation infrastructure throughout the state. Senate Bill (SB) 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, accounts for \$302 million – more than half of the funding.

"This investment follows our 'fix-it-first' commitment to repair California's aging infrastructure, while at the same time increasing transit and active transportation options," said Caltrans Director Toks Omishakin. "These projects will make our transportation system safer and more convenient for all users and create thousands of good-paying jobs in the process."

Among those projects approved was one on State Highway 32 in Chico from Muir Avenue to Highway 99 that will rehabilitate pavement, install signals and lighting, upgrade Transportation Management System (TMS) elements, rehabilitate drainage systems, and upgrade facilities to Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards. The project was allocated \$3.51 million.

Caltrans also presented the CTC with the draft 2022 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) at our meeting. Aimed at preserving the condition of the highway system, the draft 2022 SHOPP accounts for \$17.3 billion in funding over a four-year period and includes projects for safety, restoration, road and bridge preservation, and other highway-related facilities.

The CTC will host a public hearing in February to receive comments on the draft SHOPP. All the comments will be considered in the final version that goes before the CTC for adoption at its March meeting. All 2022 SHOPP projects are available on the Caltrans' Ten-Year Project Book website, ProjectBook.dot.ca.gov

SB 1 provides \$5 billion in transportation funding annually split between the state and local agencies. Road projects progress through construction phases more quickly based on the availability of SB 1 funds, including projects that are partially funded by SB 1.

For more information about transportation projects funded by SB 1, visit RebuildingCA.ca.gov. ★

Almost Done!

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Drivers may have noticed the lack of signs, cones, and otherwise closed lanes as they make their way through the City of Live Oak on the Highway 99 corridor.

The Live Oak Streetscaping project, which began in 2020 and is "funded in part by \$2.3 million from Senate Bill (SB) 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, and a \$10 million federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant. The \$36 million project," according to Caltrans, will "improve access for pedestrians and bicyclists" along with traffic flow. The project has seen heavy construction consume the stretch of Highway 99 that begins just north of Ramsdell Drive, continuing south



Kola Street, recipient of its own stoplight, courtesy of the Live Oak Streetscape Project, is just one area that will receive some attention, says Caltrans Gilbert Mohtes-Chan, as the final touches are put on the project. Photo by Seti Long

through Live Oak to just past Ash Street, for well over a year and a half now. As Caltrans has worked its way through town, residents and drivers have experienced shifting lanes,

road closures at vital intersections in the city, loss of easy access to local businesses and more.

Recently, lanes previously closed have opened, along with intersections

and crosswalks. With the finished installation of new light fixtures, construction of ADA compliant sidewalks and crosswalks, new parking spaces along the

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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The future is fascinating. So as we see another grocery store coming to town (being built behind ACE Hardware in Gridley, the overall trend across the world is for fewer stores, and much more of the shopping of the future will be done online with the goods coming to your house and then to the drop box. We went from having stores where you would go and buy stuff to the modern-day today in which people buy things on the Internet, and it shows up at their house; this transformation and upward trend happened in about ten years. Do you want to know what the next thing is? Next is, you pick up your stuff in

a box at a place where you already have to go to - like a grocery store or gas station. Other countries have already adopted this new model of getting their stuff, according to Katharina Buchholz statista.com. Parcel pick-up stations are gaining popularity as a convenient option to receive packages in some markets. Especially in China - where e-commerce is booming - most respondents said they had used or tried to use parcel pick-up stations in the past 12 months before the survey. Countries with many urban consumers were more likely to favor using these stations. They offer easy round-the-clock pick-up of packages and might be located closer to people's houses than the post office or designated stores that traditionally offer parcel pick-up. In some instances, online vendors like Amazon also offer a discount for the pick-up station compared to standard delivery. In the six-country survey, Swedes were the most avid adopters

behind the Chinese at 36 percent use in the past year. Besides having items delivered directly to one's home, Swedes favored most traditional post office pick-up. Germany was ranked third at 19 percent parcel station use. In the country, picking up your parcel from neighbors was the most popular besides home delivery. Use of the pickup stations was lower in the U.S. at 13 percent. Those who live in big cities and do not have concierge law enforcement services like Biggs, Gridley, and Live Oak may be more inclined to use a box for picking up stuff just so it does not get stolen. Small-town people may live in small towns because we like human-based reality shopping. After the drop box, the next delivery upgrade will be flying drones carrying your whatever you want to wherever you are. More on that in the next future watch Pi-Line.

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

Almost Done!

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highway, landscaping, and the addition of a stoplight at Kola Street, the project appears to be completed. Almost.

Gilbert Mohtes-Chan of Caltrans says that despite looking finished, the project is not yet 100 percent complete. According to Mohtes-Chan, there are still some miscellaneous projects that Caltrans crews will be working on to put the finishing touches on the project, but that they are "on the home

stretch". Weather permitting, Mohtes-Chan says that Caltrans is targeting the end of February for completion of the project, which was hoped to be finished December 2021. It is rumored some sort of ribbon-cutting type event will be held to celebrate the completion of the project.

Weekly project updates can still be found online at [liveoak99.com](https://www.facebook.com/LiveOak99/) and on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/LiveOak99/>. ★

State Senator Jim Nielsen Endorses Lanhee Chen for State Controller



Jim Nielsen

Lanhee Chen for Controller Press Release

RED BLUFF, CA (MPG) - California State Senator Jim Nielsen, Vice Chairman of the Senate Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review and one of the authors of Proposition 2, which created the state's Rainy-Day Fund for fiscal emergencies,

endorsed Lanhee Chen for California State Controller.

"Californians need a State Controller who will be a watchdog, not a rubber stamp on the hundreds of billions of dollars our state spends each year," said Nielsen.

"Lanhee Chen will be a tireless fiscal advocate for all Californians. More importantly for our state's future needs, he will make sure that the money allocated for everything from water infrastructure to wildfire prevention is actually spent as we are told it will be."

Nielsen continued, "I believe Lanhee is someone we can trust to keep a watchful eye over our tax dollars and state spending. I am proud to

endorse him and look forward to helping him get his message out across California."

A successful farmer and rancher, Senator Jim Nielsen grew up on a small farm in the San Joaquin Valley and graduated from Fresno State with a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Business. After college, Jim worked as a ranch foreman and operated the family cattle, field, and row-crop ranch. He later founded a company that utilized rice hulls and rice straw for fuel. Elected to the State Senate in January 2013, Senator Nielsen proudly represents the citizens of Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Tehama, and Yuba counties. ★

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Weather Forecasting Rodent Style



Rodents such as the groundhog have been in the past heralds of Spring in the month of February. Photo by Oleg Mikhailenko from Pexels

By Barbara Ott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The beginning of February is the astronomical mid-point between the Winter Solstice and the Spring Equinox. In ancient Celtic Ireland and Scotland, it was Imbolc, the first indicator of Spring. Bonfires and lamps were lit to bring on the light and to honor the goddess Brigid, goddess of fertility, crafts, poetry and prophecy.

Imbolc was replaced with St Brigid Day, then

Candlemas. By the 11th Century candles were counted and blessed the stubs melted and new candles were formed to distribute for the remaining cold weather. As time progressed the attribute of prophecy was included. Old songs say, “If Candlemas be fair and bright,/Come, Winter and have another flight,/ If Candlemas bring clouds and rain,/Go, Winter and come not again.”

The Germans used prophecy and folklore

to watch hedgehogs to predict the coming of Spring at the beginning of February. This tradition came with immigrants to Pennsylvania. The new animal meteorologist became the groundhog.

In 1887, there was a hunting club called Punxsutawney Groundhog Club. A newspaper editor member declared the groundhog of Punxsutawney, PA to be the true weather predictor of America. Punxsutawney Phil remains the best known of the rodent meteorologists.

There are other lesser-known forecasters. The farthest east groundhog predictor is in Nova Scotia. Sam lives in a hollowed-out log at the Shubencadie Provincial Wildlife Park. He is ushered in with bagpipes and a town crier. Then we have Charles G. Hogg of the Staten Island Zoo who has two honorary doctoral degrees. Not to be outdone is General Beauregard Lee of Atlanta, GA. who inhabits a miniature southern mansion.

This is the short list of groundhog meteorologist around the U.S. No matter how the beginning of Spring is predicted we all know it is on its way in February in California. ★

State-wide Homeless “Point in Time Count”



Social Workers from Butte County were present and involved during Gridley’s “Point in Time” homeless persons count. Photo by Barbara Ott

By Barbara Ott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Throughout California on January 26, 2022, the biannual count of the Homeless was conducted in towns throughout each county.

This is a project required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Its purpose is to tally the numbers of homeless in communities, which includes anyone sleeping in a park, on the street, in a vehicle, or those that have no permanent home.

Gridley’s count was run out of the Lions Den on Washington Ave. Posters were distributed around town to help notify the un-homed in the Gridley area of the count. The day of the count, two Gridley Lions had their quad-runners and took social workers out to various living

sites to the south and east of Gridley. Each homeless person who agreed to answer the questions received a \$5.00 food card. Although some took advantage of the chance to be heard, not all were cooperative about answering the questionnaire.

A rough estimate of the homeless counted in our area is 28 persons.

The purpose of the “Point in Time” count gives the homeless population a voice about their housing, personal needs, and experiences of living without a home. The “Point in Time Count” is also how the Federal and State governments determine funding that goes into communities to help with housing. It also keeps track of sub-groups of homeless such as families, elderly, youth, veterans, and domestic violence survivors. ★

Alleged Serial Killer Held to Answer after Preliminary Hearing

Butte County District Attorney

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - An Oroville man, who has been held in jail on an attempted murder case since June 2020, attended court for a preliminary hearing on charges related to an alleged previous killing spree in Butte and Tehama counties. Ryan Scott Blinston, 38, of Oroville, was held to answer for three separate counts of murder, attempted murder, and arson, which took place in May and June of 2020.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey and Tehama County District Attorney Matt Rogers said the evidence presented today showed Blinston worked for a tree-trimming service and was part of a work crew at the home of Loreen Severs, 88, and Homer Severs, 91, on May 18, 2020. The Severs lived in Los Molinos and the evidence showed Blinston travelled to Los Molinos from Oroville, on the morning of May 23, 2020, and killed Loreen and attempted to kill Homer after a forced entry into their home. Both had their throats cut. Homer survived the attack, but later died of an unrelated illness in December of 2020.

Ramsey and Rogers said evidence was presented today showing that on June 4, 2020, Blinston again was part of a tree-trimming work crew that serviced the home of Sandra George, 82, in Oroville. The prosecutors said after the work was completed and the crew left, Blinston returned to George’s home and

killed her. As with the Severs, her throat was slashed inside her home.

Further evidence was presented at the hearing that on June 6, 2020, Vicky Cline, 57, an acquaintance of Blinston, was last seen alive with him in downtown Oroville. An arson fire destroyed Cline’s car later that night. Blood and DNA evidence on and in Blinston’s car was forensically matched back to Cline. Her body was later discovered by a fisherman in the Feather River near Belden on June 21, 2020. Damage to her throat was consistent with the other victim murders.

Butte County Superior Court Judge Michael Candela ruled after the hearing that there was sufficient evidence to proceed to trial in the murders, attempted murder and arson case against Blinston.

Judge Candela also scheduled the case for arraignment and jury trial setting on January 26, 2022, on the separate attempted murder case that he had already been held to answer on. In that case, Blinston was accused of attempting to murder a 50-year-old man in the man’s Brush Creek trailer on June 14, 2020, while a SWAT team was approaching to arrest Blinston for the Cline arson. Blinston was then held in Butte County Jail as investigators put together the other Butte and Tehama murder cases.

Blinston continues to be held without bail as he is facing multiple murder cases and a sentence of life without parole. ★

Quota Helps Rolling Relief

By Barbara Ott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Quota of Gridley hosted a speaker on January 26, 2022, from Rolling Relief: Helping Tiny Babies.

During the talk everyone learned about the efforts of this non-profit organization and its work helping parents of extremely ill, tiny babies at Roseville Kaiser Hospital Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). Rolling Relief provides a travel trailer onsite at Kaiser so parents have a temporary place to stay near where their critically ill babies are being treated.

This trailer has become a haven for parents when they need to rest during the day or need a place to stay in overnight. The trailer is kept stocked with kitchen supplies, bedding, bath towels and other household conveniences.

Recently, Gridley Quota expressed their appreciation for the efforts of Rolling Relief in the form of a \$500 donation. If you would like to donate or discover more about how Rolling Relief has helped families through insightful stories of babies and their parents, please visit www.rollingrelief.org/blog. “The core of our efforts is to help give infants



Jan Meyer, of Gridley Quota International, presents Rolling Relief a donation for the organization’s compassionate efforts. Photo provided by Gridley Quota International

in the NICU a chance at a healthy future. Through this endeavor we hope to display the conviction behind our beliefs.”— Rolling Relief ★

Overdose Averted

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Quick thinking and action by a Butte County Sheriff’s Department deputy may have saved a life recently in Biggs.

According to a Facebook post made by the Butte County Sheriff, on January 27th, shortly after 11:00 am, a BCSO deputy patrolling in Biggs, near D and 9th Streets came across a person inside a vehicle, slumped over the

steering wheel. According to the post, the deputy attempted a welfare check on the individual and trying to contact the driver, who was unresponsive. The BCSO deputy’s observations led him to believe that the individual was exhibiting signs of an opioid overdose.

“Our deputy administered two doses of Narcan, and the subject regained consciousness and was then transported to a local hospital for further

treatment,” says the post. It continues, “All BCSO deputies are equipped with Narcan, which is a nasal spray used to block or reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. We would like to thank our deputy for his swift actions, which likely saved a life. If you or someone you know is experiencing a substance abuse issue, help is available. Please visit <http://www.buttecounty.net/behavioralhealth/substance-use>.” ★

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LINDA L. RICHEY

8/21/1944 – 1/16/2022

Linda L. Richey was welcomed with open arms by her husband, Gary, on January 16, 2022. Linda died peacefully at home on her terms with courage and grace, surrounded by her loving family.

Linda was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma on August 21, 1944. She grew up in Pasco, Washington and moved to Gridley when she married Gary in 1963. Linda was committed to sharing her love of reading, learning, and creativity with everyone, both professionally and at home. She worked for Gridley Unified School District as an instructional aid for thirty years, and she was active in the Manzanita School Parent Club. Some of her favorite activities included sewing, reading, and crafting as well as playing bingo and cards. Her family has fond memories of trying new projects with her and failing to beat her in games of Spite.

Linda had a zest for life that was infectious. She was a member of the Gridley Dance Club, the Loyal Order of the Moose, and The Turtles and she loved to laugh, dance, and spend time with her loved ones. She was a terrific storyteller and had a lively sense of humor. Linda was the definition of abundant generosity and thoughtfulness. She wanted everyone she met to feel welcomed and accepted just as they were. Her greatest joys in life were her grandchildren as well as the children of all her family and friends. Through her smile and unconditional warmth, Linda's light shined bright for all who knew her.

Linda was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, Gary; her mother,



Rubye Price; her father, Stanford Bates; and her brother, Thomas Price. She is survived by her daughters and their husbands, Kelly and Jack Kemmerly of Yuba City, California and Kathy and Randy Harlan of Janesville, California. She is also survived by her siblings Roger Price (Karen) of Kennewick, Washington; Michael Price of Pasco; and Vicki Marte (Dan) of Mesa, Arizona; as well as her sister-in-law Betty Stewart of Gridley. Her greatest legacy is her six amazing grandchildren: Karah Kemmerly of Portland, Oregon; Brennah Kemmerly of Yuba City, California; Madisyn Harlan of Janesville; Garyn Harlan of Boise, Idaho; Sawyer Kemmerly of Yuba City; and Graceyn Harlan of Janesville. Linda is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a later date to celebrate Linda's life. If you would like to honor Linda and her love of reading, the family encourages you to gift a child a book in her memory. Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.

GERALD V. JOHNSON

Jerry Johnson passed away January 10, 2022 at his home in Penn Valley at age 75. He was born January 22, 1946 to Elwood "Johnny" and Ruby Johnson. He attended Gridley schools graduating from Gridley High in 1963. He attended University of LaVerne and graduated from Chico State University in 1967. He taught in Sacramento schools, was a

rep for National Farmers' Organization and retired from Sunsweet in 2008.

Jerry is survived by his wife Nikki, daughter Erin Schmidt, grandson Jack Barry, siblings Jeannette Baldwin, Judy (James) Pruett and Jim (Carol) Johnson, and nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held for family and friends in the Spring.



RFP for CDBG Multi-Family Housing Program Administrative Oversight Manager

The City of Gridley ("City") is seeking a consulting firm ("Contractor") to administer the City's allocation of \$2,394,037 for the Community Development Block Grant-Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Multifamily Housing Program (MHP) pursuant to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) CDBG-DR DR18 Disaster Recovery Multifamily Housing Program Policies and Procedures Manual and HCD Multifamily Housing Program Final Guidelines. The City intends to award a contract to a consulting firm that will meet the qualification criteria and has successfully performed services on similar programs and projects in the past.

Please review the detailed Request for Proposals located on the City of Gridley website at gridley.ca.us.

You may contact Elisa Arteaga, Finance Director, 530-846-5695.

Biggs-West Gridley Water District Full-time Ditch Tender Position

Biggs-West Gridley Water District is accepting applications for the position of full-time Ditch Tender. Hours vary based on a rotational, weekly shift; some overtime work required. Would be responsible for taking water orders from customers and making water deliveries, inspecting, cleaning, and repairing canals and facilities, and preparing reports during the irrigation season. Perform maintenance and repairs during the non-irrigation season.

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Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

January 22 - January 28

1-22-22: At 7:04 am on Losser and Little Avenue, Gridley CA, Cody James McConnell, 33, was arrested on charges of violation of probation (1203.2 (a) PC), possession of a narcotic controlled substance (11350 (a) H&S), and obstruction of justice (148 (a)(1) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-22-22: At 4:03 pm on the 500 block of Washington St., Gridley CA, Wesley Garrat Cornell, 40, was arrested on charges of Dui (23152 (a) VC), having a blood alcohol level at .08% or higher (23152 (b) VC), violation of probation (1203.2 (a) PC), driving with a suspended license (14501.5 (a) VC), four local misdemeanor warrants and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-24-22: At 1:10 pm on the 100 block of Nevada St., Gridley CA, Juan Miguel Medrano, 41, was arrested on 6 local misdemeanor warrants, 2 outside agency misdemeanor warrants and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-25-22: At 7:54 pm on the 10700 block of Live Oak Blvd., Live Oak CA, Trent Delon Clark, 34 was charged with shoplifting (484 (a) PC) and was booked into the Butte County Jail.

1-25-22: At 7:54 pm on the 10700 block of Live Oak Blvd., Live Oak CA, John Wayne Bradley, 54, was charged with possession of tear gas by a felon/addict (22810 (a) PC), driving with a suspended license (14061.2 (a) VC), possession of controlled substance paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), shoplifting (484 (a) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-27-22: At 9:11 pm on the 600 block of Kentucky St., Gridley CA, Robert Lee Royer Jr., 53, was charged with public intoxication (647 (f) PC), driving without a license (12500 (a) VC), and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-28-22: At 1:03 am on the 1600 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Jason Bernard Stodola, 39, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), driving with a suspended license (14601.1 (A) VC), possession of controlled substance paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), possession of an open container (23222 (a) VC), possession of a narcotic controlled substance (11350 (a) H&S), an outside agency felony warrant and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-28-22: At 8:39 pm on the 1600 block of SR-99, Vincent Colt Moreno, 32, was arrested on charges of public intoxication (647 (f) PC), trespassing after police admonishment (602 (o) PC), an outside agency misdemeanor warrant and was booked into Butte County Jail.

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Dear Dietitian

Meatless Substitutes



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

This past weekend, a friend encouraged me to try a meatless burger. I was pleasantly surprised to find that it was delicious and tasted like meat! Are these meatless substitutes better for you than meat?

Josh

Dear Josh,

When it comes to consumer satisfaction, burgers made with meat substitutes taste like meat, look like meat, and have a similar texture. Consumers are switching to plant-based diets for many reasons, including protecting animals, preserving the environment, and general health concerns. Sales of meat alternatives have risen 60% over the last two years, garnering \$922.2 million in 2020 alone (1).

Many of these meat alternatives are made of soy which contains isoflavones, a plant estrogen. At one time, this was a concern for the increased risk of breast cancer in women. However, research has shown there are not enough isoflavones in whole soy products to increase the risk of breast cancer. Caution should be taken, however, when taking soy supplements or consuming processed soy products, which contain larger amounts of isoflavones (2).

One advantage of a plant-based diet is it tends to be higher in fiber. A high fiber diet has been associated with lower rates of obesity, heart disease, type 2

diabetes, and possibly some types of cancer. One disadvantage of choosing meat substitutes is they are about twice the cost of meat per pound. Consumers can dodge this price hike by choosing whole foods, such as beans, lentils, and soy as their protein sources. Another disadvantage is the lack of vitamin B12 in a diet free of meat and animal products. If you choose to go vegan, consider a B12 supplement, as its function is vital in nerve function.

Are meatless alternatives better for you? My mantra is “Keep it simple.” The same rules apply to meat substitutes as they apply to meat when assessing nutritional value. Is it high in fat? What about saturated fat? What is the sodium level? Is it a good source of protein?

When opting for a meat substitute, choose one made from whole foods. Look for items made from tofu, beans, vegetables, and quinoa. Choose a product seasoned with herbs and spices, and beware of fillers, which add calories but little or no nutrition. A rule of thumb is if you can’t pronounce it or it contains more than four syllables, it may be a filler. Last but not least, select a product that is low in saturated fat.

Until next time, be healthy!
Dear Dietitian

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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

You’ve read book reviews, movie reviews and other reviews. Now a seed catalog review using catalogs I’ve received.

B I G S E E D COMPANIES: **Burpee**, big and glossy with great photos of flowers and vegetables. Offering seeds and plants. Some garden tools and accessories. Has online ordering. Always fun new products. I’ve never bought through the catalog. **Park Seed**, Medium size with medium glossy photos but

good representation of flowers and vegetables. Offering seeds and plants. Very good plant starting supplies, some tools. Has online ordering. Products I’ve ordered are of good quality. I’ve never ordered live plants. **Breck’s**, comes with standard seeds and plants as well as specialty catalogs. Low gloss large photos. Tools and accessories. Online ordering available. I’ve ordered Lilies and they were of good quality.

MEDIUM COMPANIES: **Johnny’s Selected Seeds**, an employee-owned company. Big but low gloss. Pictures good but small. Seeds for flowers and vegetables as well as cover crops in bulk and green manure in bulk. Onions as plants. Some interesting items not seen in bigger catalogs. Fabulous tools great accessories. Ordering online. **Territorial Seed Company**, Big, newsprint

paper with small photos. If you like harder to find veges like pan paddy squash, they have the seeds. Good tool and accessory selection. Orders from them have been of good quality. **White Flower Farm**, comes in a series of specialty catalogs. Small, glossy with medium size photos. Great on gifts, bulbs and other decorative items. Excellent products with a high price. Online ordering available. Bulbs received are always healthy and big. **S M A L L A N D SPECIALTY:** **Kinsman Company**, small semi-gloss, little photos. Specialty baskets and other great items. Strong with creative containers no seeds or plants but ideas for them. Online ordering available. The hanging basket holder extra big and the stands for tall plants to grow through are of great quality and work! *(To be continued)* ★



LOCAL FISHING

Oroville’s South Forebay; channel catfish, a cannibal of the first order. USE: Stink Baits. (b) **Fisherman’s Comment:** The cat-is-out-of-the-bag. USE: Hormel Hot Dogs soaked in Strawberry Jello. Signed; Bobby Oroville’s North Forebay; Pomoxis nigromagulus aka Black Crappie. The big dent on his forehead covers a pea sized brain, and some consider him dumb. Nevertheless, he can detect the difference between a...garden variety Red Worm and a 6-inch Nightcrawler. USE: 4-inch Nightcrawler. (b)

SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

S.F. Bay; small boats catching a few halibuts. USE: Herring Cut Baits. (g) Delta Strippers; Pro-guides try locating pre-spawn stripers...Prisoner Point to San Joaquin side. All day results, 1-little striper. USE: Spoons (gg)

COASTAL WATERS

Outside the Golden Gate, Kirby Cove; Sport Dungeness crab limits. Hoop nets and crab snares employed. USE: Fish Offal (b)

LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS

Lake Francis, Yuba County; at 717’ elevation and warm. Lots of Shell Crackers aka Red Ear Sunfish. A unique



Needlefish

set of teeth in the throat for crunching shells of snails and other mollusks.

Delicious eating. Ranging from 2-inches to 2lbs. Bedding times: last Moon in Jan. to first Moon in Apr. Fly fishing USE: BH Nymph. (a) Bait fishing...USE: Red Worms (a) Lake Britton; boating for big trout...USE: Lure Jensen Needlefish. (b) Burney Creek, fly fishing ... when in season. USE: Hares Ear/Callibaetis, or Zebra Midge/Chironomid. (a) Fuller Lake off Hwy. 20; planted hatchery rainbows. No power boats. USE: Oct. Caddis (a) Baum Lake; nice big trout if you can handle the cold. Fly fishing. USE: PMD (b) Folsom Lake; try the North Side points. Spotted bass to 3lbs. Marking pond smelt bait fish at 25’-31’ depths. Rigging; Drop-shot, weedless 1/0 hooks. USE: ¼ X



Cut Tail Worm

4” Cut Tail Worm. (b) Pyramid Lake, Nevada; cutthroats to 19-lbs. All moving towards the hatchery. Try the Washout, or Tamarack Beaches. USE: Black Woolly Buggers, or Popcorn Beetles. (b)

RIVER FISHING

American River steelhead; flow down to 1800CFS. Fish below the hatchery, or Sailor Bar. USE: swing Caddis Fly, or an indicator w/ San Juan Worm. (g) Trinity River; full of steelhead, but nobody fishing there? Sacramento River sturgeon report. No sturgeons appearing yet.

“It’s the icing on the cake.”
~ Brownie

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) is currently updating its Public Participation Plan (PPP). This plan defines BCAG’s public participation process for its transportation planning and programming projects. BCAG is required to prepare a Federal Transportation Improvement program (FTIP) every two years and a long-range Region Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) every four years. The purpose of the FTIP is to identify all transportation-related projects that have federal transportation funding or require some type of federal approval whereas the RTP/SCS is a long-range plan. Prior to the update of these documents, BCAG will be attending two Community Health Fair events to provide the public an opportunity to learn about BCAG activities in person. BCAG will also be hosting a zoom workshop on February 16, 2022.

- **WHAT? PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO LEARN ABOUT BCAG’S PPP, FTIP, RTP or Transit Activities**

- **WHEN AND WHERE? COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIRS AT:**
CHICO Bethel AME Church & BIB
Saturday, January 29, 2022, 11 A.M. to 4 P.M.
821 Linden St., Chico CA 95928

- **African American Family Cultural Center (AAFCC)**
OROVILLE Saturday, February 26, 2022, 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.
3300 Spencer Ave, Oroville, CA 95966

- **CAN’T MAKE IT AND WANT TO LOOK ONLINE OR WHO TO CONTACT?**
All information will be posted at BCAG’s webpage at: WWW.BCAG.ORG.
Please contact Mr. Ivan Garcia at 530-809-4603 or email: igarcia@bcag.org.
Please check the website for zoom workshop on February 16, 2022.

****Se Habla Español**** NOTICIA PUBLICA

Si Ud. esta interesado en participar en el proceso de transportacion de Butte County Association of Governments, estas invitado a asistir una junta para aprender de los actividades, documentos y proyectos en su comunidad. Sea parte de el proceso!

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SPARKY'S CORNER

Scald Emergencies

With National Burn Awareness Week being in the month of February, here is some basic information on pediatric scalding emergencies.

WHAT TO DO

- Set water heater temperature to no higher than 120°F/48°C, or just below the medium setting
- Create a “no kid zone” in the kitchen around stoves, ovens and hot items
- Keep hot drinks away from the edge of tables and counters
- Use a travel mug with a tight fitting lid for all hot drinks
- Place pots and pans on the back burner with handles turned away from the edge of the stove

WHAT NOT TO DO

- Leave a child unattended in the bathtub; if you must leave, take the children with you
- Allow young children to adjust the water temperature or sit near faucet handles
- Set anything hot on tabletops within reach of young children who can pull them down
- Allow appliance cords (slow cookers, deep fryers, coffeemakers) to dangle over the counter edge

THE FACTS

The average annual cost of scald injuries is \$44 million. Over 136,000 children were seen in emergency rooms for burn injuries in 2011. 1,100 children die each year from fire and burns.

THE FIX

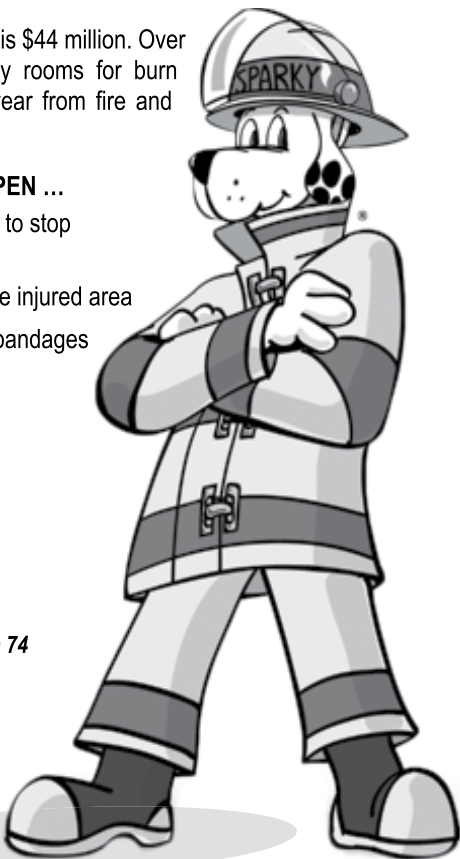
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IF A BURN INJURY DOES HAPPEN ...

- 1) Cool the burn with COOL (not cold) water to stop the burning process
- 2) Remove all clothing and/or diaper from the injured area
- 3) Cover the area with a clean dry sheet or bandages
- 4) Seek medical attention and call 911



Thank You,
Sparky the Dog
Gridley Fire Station 74





Proposition 12 Hog Requirements Could Complicate Junior Livestock Sales

The housing requirements for hogs under California’s Proposition 12 don’t apply to 4-H programs and exhibitions at fairs or rodeos. And yet the California Agricultural Teachers’ Association says administrative costs and burdens imposed by the law on meat processors will impact junior livestock exhibitors who want to sell project pigs into the general food market. That’s because those market hogs will need paperwork showing they come from farms certified as Proposition 12-compliant.

Citrus Farmers Face Rising Costs, Smaller Harvests

California citrus growers are facing increasing costs for bringing their crops to market. The California Citrus Mutual trade association says farmers are facing price increases in water, labor, fertilizer, pesticides and transportation. Amid drought and pandemic-related supply-chain challenges, 4% of last season’s citrus crop was neither picked nor sold. This year, a down-year growing cycle, the navel crop is expected to drop by 20% and mandarins by as much as 45%.

December Storms Deliver Modest Increase In Water Allocations

California farmers and ranchers may have some modest relief in water allocations this year due to December rains. The California Department of Water Resources is increasing deliveries from the State Water Project to 15% of requested supplies for 2022. That’s an improvement from last year when water officials provided just 5% of allocations. That was before the state cut off surface water supplies from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta in August due to severe drought.

Output Drops For Processing-Tomato Farmers Amid Challenges

California’s anticipated tomato production shrank last year due to water shortages and higher production costs, farmers say. Some processing-tomato growers who once paid \$3,000 per acre on their crop say they’re paying more than \$4,000. Last year, state processors intended to contract for 12.1 million tons of tomatoes. By the end of harvest, that figure had dropped by 1.3 million tons, as farmers adjusted production forecasts downward.

PG&E Offering to Remove Debris from Trees Cut Down During 2021 Wildfires

PG&E Press Release

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (MPG) - In response to customer and community feedback, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is offering customers free removal of large-diameter wood from trees that were cut down for safety during the company’s 2021 wildfire response.

As PG&E worked to restore power quickly and safely during the 2021 wildfire season, crews inspected and cut down hazardous trees that posed a potential safety risk to crews and electric equipment. The work was done in coordination with agencies responding to the wildfires.

With this work now largely complete, PG&E is offering landowners the opportunity to have trees that were cut down for safety removed from their property, provided it is safe to do so.

Because the wood is the landowner’s property, removal of the wood is optional, and landowners must provide written permission to PG&E to have the wood removed. PG&E is in the process of reaching out to impacted landowners

to offer the removal services and provide permission forms.

Earlier this year, PG&E and contractor crews began removing and disposing of large-diameter wood from 2020 wildfires. PG&E recently expanded the voluntary program to encompass 2021 wildfires.

If approved by the landowner, PG&E will be removing wood debris from trees cut down for safety in response to the following wildfires: Anderson Fire, Cache Fire, Caldor Fire, Dixie Fire, Fawn Fire, Hopkins Fire, KNP Complex Fire, Linda Falls Fire, McFarland Fire, Monument Fire, North Complex Fire, River Fire (Colfax, Oakhurst), Salt Fire, Washington Fire

PG&E contractor crews will be performing this work and can provide identification upon request. Customers with questions about the Wood Management Program can call 1-877-295-4949 or email wildfiresafety@pge.com.

For additional information about the program visit www.pge.com/woodmanagement.



Weighing Job Risks

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omicron variant was responsible for about 38% of the cases in the U.S., according to the CDC’s variant monitoring system. By the week ending on Jan. 15, omicron made up 99.5% of cases.

In late December, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention shortened the recommended isolation period for a person who tests positive but no longer has symptoms from 10 days to five. Those who were exposed but haven’t tested positive should also quarantine for five days, the agency said.

The CDC said the change was motivated by growing data showing that much of the transmission was occurring earlier “generally in the one to two days prior to onset of symptoms and the two to three days after.”

But this move came with quite a bit of pushback and criticism from some in the public health and medical communities who deemed it too lax, especially because the federal rules don’t require a negative test to leave isolation. California updated its guidance to align with the CDC’s, but the state does ask that people remain isolated until they receive a negative test.

Some research has shown that people can still be contagious after five days of testing positive. A small study from Harvard, for example, took a look at infected NBA players and found that 25% of players infected with omicron were still infectious on day six after their

first positive test and 13% were still contagious on day seven. The study has yet to be peer-reviewed.

“Having people who might still be infectious return to work, could of course lead to more people getting infected and additional workers being forced to isolate,” Shin said.

While recommendations about isolation and quarantine can be hard to keep up with, the bottom line is that people should test negative before returning to work and gathering with others, regardless of symptoms, Noymer said.

Asymptomatic transmission does occur and it’s a big reason why the pandemic has been so difficult to control.

“We can tell everyone who feels sick to stay home, but not everyone feels sick,” said Shin.

Experts say the best public health practice is for anyone who tests positive to isolate, regardless of how they feel.

Studies – albeit, many conducted pre-omicron – have shown that a large percentage of COVID-positive people show no symptoms. Research published in December reviewed 95 studies consisting of about 30 million people worldwide. Of those who tested positive, 40% had no symptoms at the time of testing. “The high percentage of asymptomatic infections highlights the potential transmission risk of asymptomatic infections in communities,” the research authors concluded.

Meanwhile, separate studies show that the viral loads of asymptomatic patients were comparable to those who had symptoms.

Trying to calculate the odds that you’ll contract COVID at work is not really possible because there are so many factors to consider, experts say.

Research has shown that wearing masks indoors can substantially cut transmission, and with omicron, a high-quality mask is more important than ever. N95 masks are the gold standard, especially with a variant as contagious as omicron, Noymer said. Cloth masks are much less effective unless they have multiple layers and a nose wire. And it’s essential for masks to fit snugly around the mouth, nose and chin.

“A well-fitting N95 mask should do a pretty good job. But nothing is guaranteed,” he said. “Surgical masks do something, but they’re not great...and some masks are just pure theater.”

N95 masks can filter about 95% of particles in the air, according to the CDC. Experts at UC Davis say it is OK to reuse an N95 mask, but they recommend waiting one to two days between uses so that viral particles can die off.

How crowded a room is also plays a big role. If you’re in a busy kitchen or warehouse without many windows, the risk will be greater, Shin said.

A molecular PCR test is the most sensitive and most likely to capture

an infection, but rapid antigen tests are effective tools too, experts say.

Antigen tests are often used for routine screening of people who are not sick. If being used as a precaution for an in-person gathering, for example, Shin says a repeat test could help rule out a false negative – a test the day before and a test the day of an event.

However, given the shortage of rapid tests, this could seem like a luxury. People with symptoms looking to confirm whether they’re infected or not, ideally would seek a PCR test, Shin said. But with a backlog in testing, results are sometimes taking more than three days.

Because of the heightened demand for testing, some California counties have come out with new recommendations. Some have urged residents to only get tested if they have symptoms and others have asked people to first seek tests from their health care provider rather than county-ran testing sites because they are overwhelmed.

In an ideal world with no supply shortages, workers who come in contact with large numbers of people, such as those who work in customer service or in grocery stores, would be able to access testing easily and test repeatedly and routinely, experts say.

That said, routine testing of essential workers should go hand-in-hand with adequate paid sick leave, Shin said. “I’ve definitely

known people who have said they don’t want to get tested because they don’t know what to do if they test positive. They can’t not go to work, they need to pay rent.”

California’s COVID sick leave expired in September and legislators and labor unions are negotiating how to reinstate it.

Shin said there is room for more education of workers on how the virus spreads. For example, if someone is in an office space alone, they might think it is safe to take their mask off, but if that same space is occupied by others throughout the day, then people should keep their masks on because COVID-19 is airborne and infectious respiratory particles can remain in the air for up to three hours.

Improving ventilation helps, too.

“Opening windows seems like a no-brainer, but opening windows reduces risk,” Shin said.

Workplaces should also consider investing in high grade filtration systems or high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters, experts say. According to the Environmental Protection Agency, filters need to be able to remove small air particles in the size range of 0.1 to 1 microns to help remove viruses.

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CASE NUMBER:
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NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
Renee P Marshall
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY
PLAINTIFF: Butte Credit Bureau
NOTICE! You have been sued.
The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for

free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court’s lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.
Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento

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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Superior Court of California County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff’s attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Joseph L Selby #249546 Attorney At Law 60 Declaration Drive Suite A Chico, CA 95973

530-715-7688
Date: (Fecha) 3/30/2021
Clerk (Secretario) Kimberly Flaner Deputy (Adjunto) January 28, February 4, 11, and 18, 2022
MARSHALL 2-18-22

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CLINTON E. PLANE
CASE No. 21PR00597
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Clinton E. Plane deceased. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Rita C. Plane-Zanzi, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting H. Kathleen Owens be appointed as personal representatives to administer the estate of the decedent. 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 March 1, 2022 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may

affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc PO Drawer 111 Oroville, CA 95965 530-533-5661
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PLANE 17062 2-18-22

Notice of Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property. Pursuant to Lien Sale Chapter 10 Division 8 Sections 21700-21716 of the California Self Storage Act. Where said property has been stored and which are located at **Mallard Mini Storage 1796 State Highway 99, Gridley CA, County of Butte, State of California, 95948**. The sale of the property is "As Is Where Is", without any representations or warranties as to the value or nature of the property. This is a cash only sale and is subject to cancellation up to the time of sale in the event of settlement between the Landlord and the obligated parties. The company reserves the right to refuse any on line bid. The property must be removed within 72 hours of the time of sale.

Eric Brown Unit # 223 Description of contents: (miscellaneous contents)
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The following persons are doing business as: FOX ENTERPRISES
140 Oakcrest Drive Oroville, CA 95966
William Dean Fox, 14 Oakcrest Drive Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: January 4, 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.
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000021

The following persons are doing business as: SIERRA CAL ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT
4 Glacier Peak Chico, CA 95973
Tirso Rojas, 4 Glacier Peak Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: January 6, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #22CV00009

1. Petitioner Abdual Baser filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Abdul Baser

Proposed name
Abdul Baser Imamzadah

2. 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 March 2, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000034

The following persons are doing business as: DEFY LIFESTYLE BRAND
3337 Esplanade Unit 21 Chico, CA 95973
Clint Patrick Stephens, 3337 Esplanade Unit 21 Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: January 10, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #22CV00010

1. Petitioner Safia Baraky Mohammad Yasin Baraky filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Mohammad Yousef
Mohammad Imran

Proposed name
Mohammad Yousef Baraky
Mohammad Imran Baraky

2. 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 March 2, 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
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000004

The following persons are doing business as: MAYHAM GUITAR WORKS
3096 4th Street Biggs, CA 95917
Jason Crandall, 3096 4th Street Biggs, CA 95917
Date Filed in Butte County: January 3, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000080

The following persons are doing business as: GOLD COUNTRY MIDWIFERY, MERCY OCEANS MIDWIFERY
1907 Manrove Avenue Suite D Chico, CA 95926
Dania Shelton, 3095 Chico River Road Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: January 21, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/1/2022
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0001503

The following persons are doing business as: TOMS FIREWOOD COMPANY
2626 Tiny Lane Palermo, CA 95968
Michael Thomas Ruppert, 2626 Tiny Lane Palermo, CA 95968
Date Filed in Butte County: December 28, 2021
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000017

The following persons are doing business as: CHRIS SIMS LCSW
5 Governors Lane Suite 150 Chico, CA 95926
Chris Sims, 773 Filbert Avenue Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: January 6, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/6/2022
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #22CV00008

1. Petitioner Abdul Baser and Razya Imamzadah filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Abdul Rahman Jasoor Imamzadah

Proposed name
Jasoor Imamzadah

2. 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 March 2, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000044

The following persons are doing business as: PINKS EXPRESS SERVICE
7949 Pebble Beach Drive #122 Sacramento, CA 95610
Raishaud Pinkney, 1200 W Sacramento Avenue #29 Chico, CA 95926
Date Filed in Butte County: January 11, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000036

The following persons are doing business as: TOM'S MARKET
4855 Lincoln Boulevard Oroville, CA 95966
Luckys In and Out Inc, 7195 Springtime Trail Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: January 10, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Corporation

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0001511

The following persons are doing business as: URBAN UPKEEP
74 Tara Terrace Unit 1 Chico, CA 95973
Zachary Hyde, 74 Tara Terrace Unit 1 Chico, CA 95973
Date Filed in Butte County: December 10, 2021
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000086

The following persons are doing business as: JOYFUL MESSAGE
313 Walnut Street Suite 130 Chico, CA 95926
Lilian Wu, 7928 Sunrise Greens Drive Sacramento, CA 95828
Date Filed in Butte County: January 25, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/25/2022
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000005

The following persons are doing business as: BUTTE SIGNING SERVICES
1236 Lindale Avenue Richvale, CA 95974
Lisa L Young, 1236 Lindale Avenue Richvale, CA 95974
Date Filed in Butte County: January 3, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME- STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2021-0001153

The following persons have abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name : FEATHER RIVER PROPERTIES, FEATHER RIVER REALTY

681 Oro Dam Boulevard Oroville, CA 95965
Kristyn Jule Marquez, 43 Oman Drive Oroville, CA 95966

Date Filed in Butte County: September 21, 2021
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0001480

The following persons are doing business as: PALERMO FARMS
2327 Ludlum Avenue Palermo, CA 95968
Jayson Alan Weber, 2327 Ludlum Avenue Palermo, CA 95968

Date Filed in Butte County: December 21, 2021
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #22CV00042

1. Petitioner Cheryl Lynn McBee filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Cheryl Lynn McBee

Proposed name
Cheryl Lynn Boggs

2. 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 March 2, 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
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000038

The following persons are doing business as: BUTTE VALLEY AUTOMOTIVE
29 Ridgeview Lane Oroville, CA 95966
Josh Hardesty, 3515 Fallbrook Avenue Oroville, CA 95966

Date Filed in Butte County: January 10, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000056

The following persons are doing business as: THE SUN FOLLOWERS
883 Cleveland Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Samantha Francis, 883 Cleveland Avenue Chico, CA 95928 and Benjamin Rutenburg 883 Cleveland Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Date Filed in Butte County: January 13, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: General Partnership

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2022-0000095

The following persons are doing business as: ALL CLEANED CARPETS
1240 Bird Street Oroville, CA 62632
Maria Leanne Webber, 1240 Bird Street Oroville, CA 95965
Date Filed in Butte County: January 26, 2022
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/26/2022
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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NOTICE OF SALE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

Notice is given that the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District will sell the following item(s) of personal property:

Truck #157, 2007 Chevy Colorado Extended Cab, 5-Cyl. 3.7 liter engine with 75,765 miles – minimum bid \$4,000.00.

Truck #158, 2007 Chevy Colorado Extended Cab, 5-Cyl. 3.7 liter engine with 106,767 miles – minimum bid \$3,000.00

Truck #163, 2009 Dodge Dakota Extended Cab, V6 3.7 liter engine with 109,927 miles – minimum bid \$3,000.00

Truck #167, 2010 Dodge Dakota Extended Cab, V6 3.7 liter engine with 70,615 miles – minimum bid \$5,000.00

The property will be sold to the highest bidder submitting a bid in excess of the minimum bid amount listed above. The property will be sold “as is,” “where is,” without warranty as to condition or of any other kind.

Bids must be in writing and received at the Oroville District office (5117 Larkin Road) not later than February 9, 2022, by 12:00 PM. Bids, to be considered, must be accompanied by a check in the amount of 10% of the bid amount, made payable to the District, as security for the completion of the purchase and sale. The highest bidder will be notified the morning of February 10, 2022 and will be required to make arrangements with the District to complete the transaction and deliver full cash payment within 24 hours of notification. If he or she fails to complete the transaction by tendering full cash payment of the bid amount within 24 hours of notification, the bid security shall be forfeited to the District. If a transaction with a higher bidder is not completed, the District may sell the property to the next highest bidder until the sale is completed. The bid security shall be returned to bidders who are not designated, once the transaction is completed.

The District reserves the right to reject all bids and withdraw the property from sale.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG) is currently updating its Public Participation Plan (PPP). This plan defines BCAG’s public participation process for its transportation planning and programming projects. BCAG is required to prepare a Federal Transportation Improvement program (FTIP) every two years and a long-range Region Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) every four years. The purpose of the FTIP is to identify all transportation-related projects that have federal transportation funding or require some type of federal approval whereas the RTP/SCS is a long-range plan. Prior to the update of these documents, BCAG will be attending two Community Health Fair events to provide the public an opportunity to learn about BCAG activities in person. BCAG will also be hosting a zoom workshop on February 16, 2022.

- **WHAT? PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO LEARN ABOUT BCAG’S PPP, FTIP, RTP or Transit Activities**

- **WHEN AND WHERE? COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIRS AT:**

CHICO Bethel AME Church & BIB
Saturday, January 29, 2022, 11 A.M. to 4 P.M.
821 Linden St., Chico CA 95928

OROVILLE African American Family Cultural Center (AAFCC)
Saturday, February 26, 2022, 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.
3300 Spencer Ave, Oroville, CA 95966

- **CAN’T MAKE IT AND WANT TO LOOK ONLINE OR WHO TO CONTACT?**
All information will be posted at BCAG’s webpage at: WWW.BCAG.ORG.
Please contact Mr. Ivan Garcia at 530-809-4603 or email: igarcia@bcag.org.
Please check the website for zoom workshop on February 16, 2022.

****Se Habla Español**** **NOTICIA PUBLICA**
Si Ud. esta interesado en participar en el proceso de transportacion de Butte County Association of Governments, estas invitado a asistir una junta para aprender de los actividades, documentos y proyectos en su comunidad. Sea parte de el proceso!

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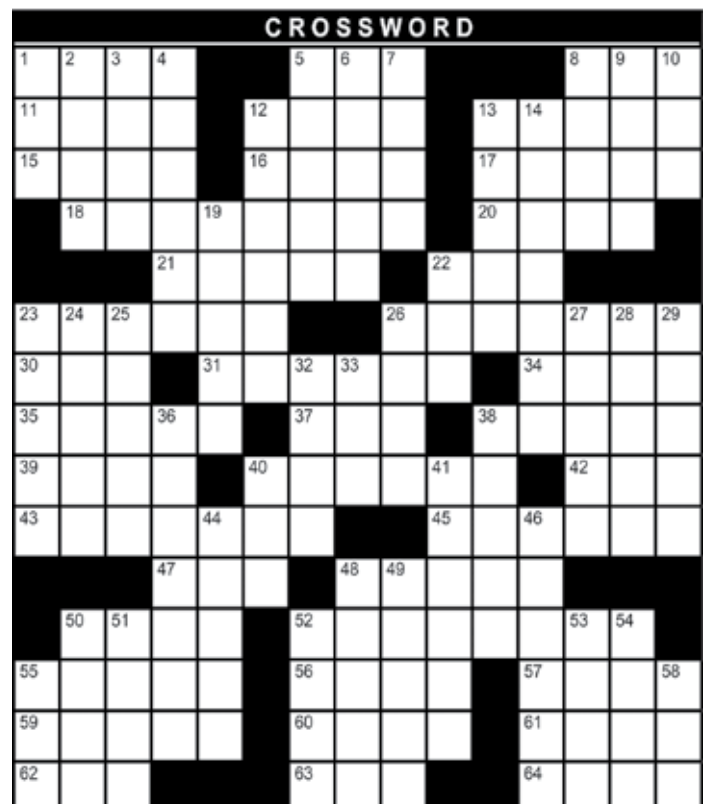
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- Shout from a ship?
- Shout from the bleachers
- ____ and don'ts
- Infamous Henry's number
- One with COVID, e.g.
- Fighter jet button
- Resting stops
- Not guilty, e.g.
- One of Singapore's official languages
- "Home of last year's Super Bowl winners"
- Armor chest plate
- Given name of 2011 Super Bowl MVP
- African grazer
- Greek woodland deities
- Ramones' hit "I Wanna Be ____"
- Big fuss
- Like certain Chili Peppers (2 words)
- Cattle call goal
- Scatterbrained
- Bonehead
- In a different direction
- Jeté in ballet
- More so than eggy
- Conducted
- Christmas firewood (2 words)
- Annotator and commentator
- Soda-pop container
- Unpleasant and offensive
- SWAT attack, e.g.
- "Super Bowl I and II winning coach"
- Pertaining to a pope
- Cain's unfortunate brother
- Gives a hand
- Anoint
- Bébé's mother
- Season to be jolly
- "Most Super Bowl wins by one team"
- Snoop
- Carhop's load

DOWN

- "Roman number of this year's Super Bowl"
- "____ Misbehavin'"
- Santa Maria's traveling partner
- Despair in the face of obstacles
- "The Hobbit" hobbit
- "Caribbean Queen" singer
- Colloquial approval
- Cold cuts counter
- South American tubers
- Pig's digs
- Not dense
- Make corrections
- "Florida team with no Super Bowl appearances"
- Return punch
- Come and ____ it
- Lamentably
- Bye, to Edith Piaf
- Bottom line
- "2022 Super Bowl stadium"
- Upholstery choice
- "Archie to Super Bowl MVPs Peyton and Eli"
- Exploits
- "Super Bowl Halftime show Snoop's "last name"
- Hardly a beauty
- "Like some teams"
- Denophile's concern
- Many, many moons
- Empower
- Big Dipper's visible shape
- Oppressive ruler
- On the wagon
- Nail salon board
- Feminine of raja
- Mt. Everest to Earth
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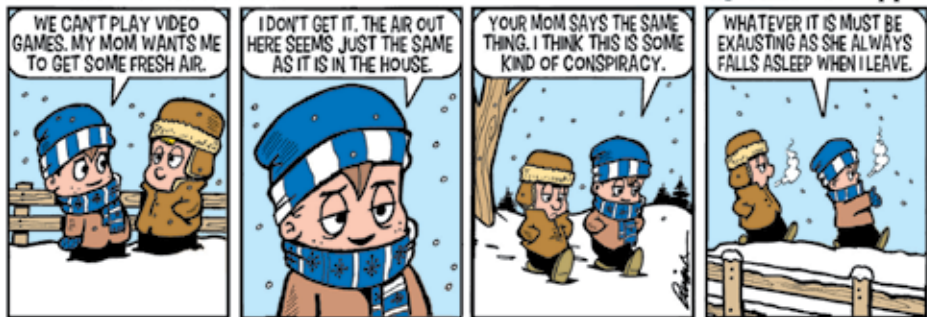
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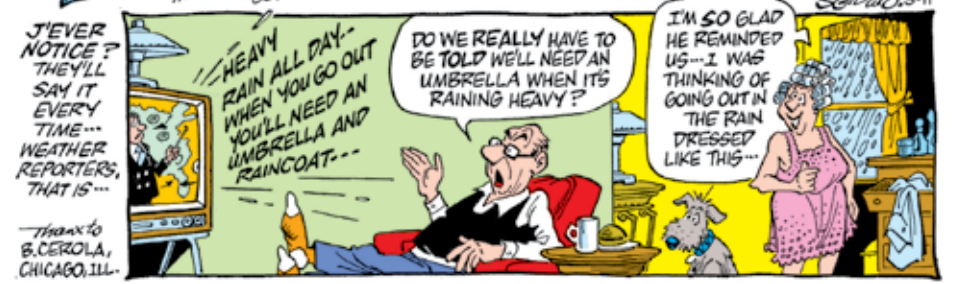
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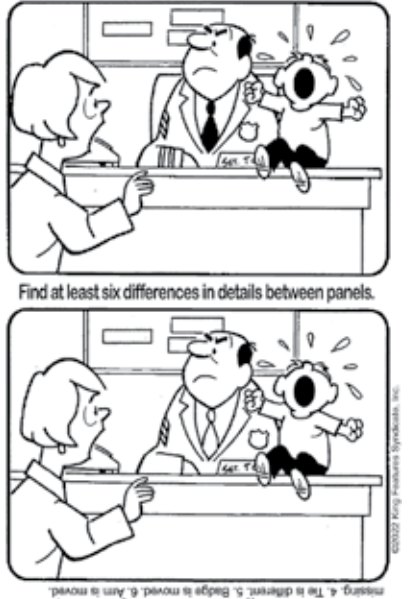
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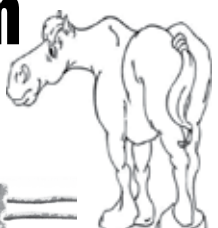
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Sequoia National Forest Most Popular for RVs in 2020

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SAN DIEGO, CA (MPG) - The COVID-19 pandemic has been challenging for the travel and tourism industry as a whole. Through much of 2020, shutdowns and public health restrictions to limit the spread of the virus led many travelers to cancel or postpone trips. Relaxations on these restrictions, the release of vaccines, and declining cases early in 2021 brought back many travelers, but the emergence of the Delta variant last summer and Omicron this winter again scrambled travelers' plans.

Despite the general difficulties of the travel industry over the last two years, one segment that has fared well throughout the pandemic is outdoor recreation like camping and RVing. Because these activities take place outside and social distancing is easier, the risks of COVID exposure are low, which makes them an appealing alternative to airports, hotels, restaurants, and other locations where risk can be higher. The Outdoor Industry Association estimated that 7.1 million more Americans participated in outdoor recreation in 2020 than in the year prior.

New interest in outdoor recreation has forced related businesses to quickly scale up to meet demand. One example comes from the RV market. In February 2020 just before the pandemic began the RV industry shipped a total of 37,113



Many national parks saw record visitation in the summer of 2021, introducing new systems to manage overcrowding and in some cases turning away visitors. Photo courtesy Pixabay

units, according to data from the RV Industry Association. That number dropped to just 7,197 amid COVID shutdowns in April 2020, but ever since, demand for RVs has exploded. In October 2021, monthly RV shipments totaled 57,971, an increase of 56% from immediately before the pandemic.

Unlike the segments of the travel industry that have faced low demand, outdoor destinations like those popular with RV drivers are seeing more visitors than ever. Many national parks saw record visitation in the summer of 2021, introducing new systems to manage overcrowding and in some cases turning away visitors. But COVID accelerated a trend of increased visitation to public lands that has been taking place for several years. A recent report from the Center

for Western Priorities found a 39% increase in the occupancy of reservable campsites on public lands during peak seasons between 2014 and 2020.

States in the western U.S. are seeing the boom and its effects most directly. States like Wyoming, Montana, and Idaho are home to some of the U.S.'s most famous national parks and forests. These features make those states top destinations for camping, RVing, and other forms of outdoor recreation, with visitors and residents alike seeking to take advantage of the states' natural attractions.

While western states experience some of the highest levels of visitation, the effects of stronger interest in camping and RVing can be felt in every state with public lands. For example, some of the top national forest destinations for RV travelers are found in locations like

Florida, Minnesota, and North Carolina in addition to western states like California and Colorado.

The data used in this analysis is from Recreation.gov. To identify the most popular national forests for RV campers, researchers at Outdoorsy calculated the total number of RV nights booked in 2020. In the event of a tie, the national forest with the greater number of total RV reservations in 2020 was ranked higher. It's important to note that these statistics only reflect reservations made on campgrounds managed by federal agencies, such as the National Forest Service.

For more information, a detailed methodology, and complete results, you can find the original report on Outdoorsy's website: www.outdoorsy.com/blog/popular-national-forests-rv-camping.

NRA Wins Case Against Los Angeles County

NRA Release

FAIRFAX, VA (MPG) - The Ninth Circuit sided with the National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action (NRA-ILA) on Thursday, January 20th, 2022 when it struck down a Los Angeles County order that forced gun stores and shooting ranges to close in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic. NRA-ILA originally challenged this order in March of 2020, and filed an appeal a year later.

"The court today rightfully recognized that Los Angeles County violated Second Amendment rights when it shut down gun stores and ranges in the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Michael Jean, NRA's director of the Office of Litigation Counsel. "This is an important decision. It ensures that California—or any state—cannot use a crisis to trample on the Constitutional rights of citizens."

The decision highlights that these orders, which prevented the exercise of basic constitutional rights like acquiring and

practicing with firearms, could have been "perpetually extended if the County so decided."

Given the current state of the world and the periodic resurgence of COVID-19 continuing to affect daily life, this decision ensures that states cannot restrict the fundamental rights of Americans for any reason. In this spirit, the decision concludes by citing Justice Gorsuch's words: "Even in times of crisis – perhaps especially in times of crisis – we have a duty to hold governments to the Constitution."

NRA-ILA also challenged overbearing COVID-19 restrictions in New Mexico and New York. In addition to Los Angeles County, NRA-ILA challenged four additional counties in northern California.

The case is captioned *Martinez v. Villanueva*. NRA-ILA was joined by local gun stores and ranges, the California Gun Rights Foundation, the Firearms Policy Coalition, and the Second Amendment Foundation in this lawsuit.

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