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A Diamond Jubilee Year!

Gridley VFW Gathers to Receive 75th Anniversary Award



Gridley VFW Post 5731 receives the Diamond Jubilee Award. Pictured left to right: David Yadon – Navy, Arnaldo Ruiz – Army, George Hiralez – Navy, VFW Commander Michael Larson – Navy, Ed Kawasaki – Airforce, Norris Anderson – Airforce, and District 15 Commander Mike DiGiordano. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - After very little activity, Gridley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5731 came together in a private meeting Saturday, April 3rd, to receive a very special award.

VFW District 15 Commander Mike DiGiordano was on hand to present the post the Diamond Jubilee Award in honor of Warren H. McCutcheon Post 5731's 75th anniversary. Gridley's VFW post celebrated the landmark birthday on February 21st, this year, commemorating the original charter signed and first hung on the walls of the hall in February of 1946.

The award includes a gold stamped Diamond Jubilee Award

certificate signed by the National Commander in Chief of the VFW, Hal Roesch, along with his official head shot. A letter addressed to Gridley's VFW post by Commander Roesch reads:

"It is an honor to congratulate you upon the occasion of the 75th anniversary of your post. I send my sincere thanks and gratitude to all members of VFW Post 5731 for your outstanding record of service to the community, to veterans, service members and their families, and to our nation for so many years.

"The members of VFW Post 5731 are a pillar of support for Gridley California. Year after year, you have provided superb public service to others. You provide an invaluable

network of service to those who have borne the battle, as well as to their families, and you advance the health and well-being of those who bear the burden of defending our nation and our way of life.

"Your continued devotion to protecting and upholding American ideals serve as an inspiration for all to follow, and is testament to our motto, No One Does More for Veterans.

"My heartfelt congratulations on reaching this landmark. Well done!" Gridley VFW's Ed Kawasaki says that the award is "an honor" and many local VFW veterans came out to the meeting after months of lockdown to witness the Post receive the commendation. ★

Public Health Warns of Potential Increase in Overdoses

**Butte County
Department of Public
Health Press Release**

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Recent reports indicate there may be an increase in opioid drug overdoses occurring in Butte County. Butte County Public Health (BCPH) is working closely with local hospitals, EMS and law enforcement to learn more and will update the public as soon as possible. If you or someone you know misuses drugs, BCPH urges residents learn the signs of an overdose and always have Naloxone available.

Naloxone (also known as Narcan) is a medication approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that may reduce serious injury and death from opioid misuse and abuse. It may be used when a person is showing signs of an overdose, blocking the opioid receptor sites and reversing the toxic effects of the overdose. Speak to your doctor about getting naloxone. It is also possible to acquire naloxone from a pharmacy without a prescription.

What you can do to prevent opioid overdose - Always have naloxone available and ensure other people who are likely to be nearby know where it is and how to use it. Know the symptoms of overdose and how to provide first aid if someone experiences an overdose, give them naloxone, call 911 immediately, and provide rescue breathing until they can breathe on their own. Signs and symptoms of an overdose may include someone who is not breathing, has blue lips/skin, and who is unresponsive.

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) is available in Butte County for people who have been exposed to opioids and are currently misusing or abusing them. MAT reduces the adverse physiological symptoms, such as cravings and withdrawals, by combining behavioral therapy and medications that help to block opioid receptors in the brain. MAT includes assessment, individual and group counseling, physician review and monitoring, and case management.

24/7 Behavioral Health Access Line: 800-334-6622 or 530-891-2810. Learn more about opioids in Butte County and MAT services, please visit: www.buttecounty.net/opioids. ★

Lions Had Easter in the Bag!



A Great Group Effort!! Gridley Lions and Miss Butte County Scholarship Princesses and Queens brought the community lots of cheer this year at the Drive-Thru Easter Egg Hunt! Photo by Josh Porcayo

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Lots of lil' bunnies hopped on down to Gridley's Vierra Park for the 2021 Lions Drive-Thru Easter Egg Hunt.

The Gridley Lions worked hard to continue the beloved family tradition of the Lions Easter Egg Hunt, planning a drive-thru event to continue the community Easter fun! On Wednesday, March 31st, the Lions met at their den to assemble hundreds of goody bags

filled with candy and eggs, and finalize the finishing touches for the big day.

The rush came early on as cars lined up at both park entrances at 10:00 am Saturday morning, patiently waiting their turn as their cars crept closer to "Easter Island" where the Lions Club had their base set up. Decorated with cutouts of giant colorful easter eggs, bunnies and more, the Lions, three Easter Bunnies, and the Queens and Princesses from the Miss Butte County Royal Court helped hand out

Easter goody bags to excited children. A handful of lucky children found a surprise inside their eggs, winning a stuffed bunny, or the grand prize, a giant, rainbow stuffed unicorn.

Lion Vern Hartman says that the rush came early, and that the last hour of the hunt was pretty slow. Regardless of the smaller turnout this year, those community members attending were visibly thankful for the hard work and effort put forth by the Gridley Lions Club and other volunteers. ★

The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

As I have broken the five-decade mark in life the thing I find most perplexing is advertisements for well-seasoned people. Lately, every time I get on the Internet or go to the P.O. Box, there are advertisements for recreational vehicles, campers, and for some odd reason, roof rain gutter leaf cleaning devices. Somehow they've tapped into the inner workings of psychology and know that it annoys us when our roof gutters have debris in them and ladders are deadly. I get a solicitation about every two weeks from the AARP (the association of retired people). I won't even dignify with a response the ads targeted at me by pharmaceutical companies. More than half of those messages are inappropriate for mixed company and target conditions I do not suffer from. I think the concept of retirement is going through a rapid and substantial change. When I go to church, the president of our church is above 90

years old and the new president in the United States is above 85 and they both are showing up every day and changing the world. As you look around you may conclude that a lot of people decided it's really not that fun to stop doing important things when you hit age 55 or 60. So on behalf of everyone in my age bracket please don't start advertising old people's stuff to us until we in our '80s.

The Gridley City Council hired a consultant to find a City Manager. That person and the firm have scoured the earth and created a list of four individuals who will now be interviewed by those elected to run the City. It's taken so long and has been such a complex process I really can't wait to meet the finalists. At this point, there's more drama and excitement than the season finale of the bachelorette and that other show where they leave people on the island and make him do calisthenics and hunt for food until only one person is left. For those of you concerned that you may be bored when this process is over, do not fear the City of Chico may be looking for a new City Manager soon.

You may notice on the pages of this historic and ever-important instrument of the first amendment (that's college professor

talk for a newspaper) that there are many legal notices. As part of the effort to make sure government is transparent, certain government actions are required to be posted in a newspaper that has been declared by a Judge to have enough circulation to be considered legitimate. The Paradise Post, Chico Enterprise, and the Oroville Mercury are the only other newspapers to meet this threshold in the Butte County and they are now owned by one company. Because their fee for posting such notices is higher - you see many businesses and individuals posting their notices of fictitious business names and other legal matters on pages three and four here in the south county journal of record (newspaper). One such notice last week was for Spitieri's Deli in Chico, for at least 30 years it has been the best place in the world to get a sandwich and deli foods. Long-time employee Nicole Crippen has purchased the Deli and thought it best to not change the name to Crippen's Deli. The legal notices give some interesting insights into people's lives and because they are missing important context they are quite intriguing reading.

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

New Stonyford Rodeo Queen Competition Dates

By Roy Stewart, SCHA

COLUSA COUNTY, CA (MPG) - In 2021, the annual Stonyford Rodeo will be a three-day event: Friday, April 30 through Sunday, May 2. The initial interviews will be on Friday, April 30, at 9 a.m., in Stonyford, at the Brother Moore Arena. The interview and horsemanship competition will both be on Friday. The Queen, Runner-up, and Miss Congeniality will be announced that day during the PRCA rodeo, starting at 5 p.m. The contest is open to girls living in surrounding counties from ages 14 to 25. Entries close on April 23rd, 2021. The Queen must participate in several rodeos and parades throughout 2021 & 2222 (see entry form). Entry forms for the Queen competition are available for download at www.stonycreekhorsemen.org/index.php/Queen_Contest.

Rodeo tickets are available at our website: www.stonycreekhorsemen.org. Or, you will be able



Caylie Gardner is the reigning 2019/2020 Stonyford Rodeo Queen. She will pass on her crown to the new queen at Friday's rodeo, April 30, 2021. Caylie is 16 and lives in Elk Creek. She attends Willows High School and is involved in Rodeos and FFA. She loves to rope and work cattle and is a true cowgirl. She carries a 4.0 GPA and plans to become a nurse. Photo courtesy SCHA

get them at any of these area locations: Stonyford General Store, Stonyford; Carl's Feed, Willows; Boot Barn, Chico, Yuba City; Bucke's Feed & Grain, Orland; Marie's Lakeshore Feed, Clearlake; Rainbow Ag, Lakeport; and Ace Hardware, Arbuckle.

Discounted pre-sale rodeo tickets for Friday,

May 1, and Saturday, May 2, 2020, are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children 7-12 years — children 6 years and under are free. Tickets purchased at the gate are \$15 and \$7. Tickets for Sunday will only be available at the gate; for fans aged 13+ \$5. Children aged 12 and under are free. ★

Green Bay Packers Quarterback Aaron Rodgers to Host Jeopardy

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Butte County's MVP, Aaron Rodgers, Quarterback for the Green Bay Packers has generously donated a million dollars to the North Valley Community Foundation to support the rebuilding efforts after the Camp Fire and Bear Fire. His philanthropic endeavors continue and now Rodgers has turned focus to small businesses ravaged by COVID-19 and a year of quarantining.

Rodgers and the NVCC have been working on small business grant funds, specifically helping those one-of-a-kind mom-n-pop shops keep their doors open. Apparently, 80 small businesses and retail establishments throughout Butte County received life-saving funds

during the first phase of this grant process.

In his latest play, Rodgers will host Jeopardy for a two-week period. The show's producers have reportedly agreed to donate the cumulative winnings from the 10-shows to the North Valley Community Foundation's Small Business COVID-19 Fund. Both Rodgers and the NVCC hope that the total winnings donated to the NVCCSB COVID-19 Fund will help a second round of small businesses still struggling to get the help they need. Don't miss Rodgers as Jeopardy's host from April 5th to April 16th.

For more information on the Aaron Rodgers Small Business COVID-19 Fund, please visit: www.nvcf.org/aaronrodgers-small-business-covid19 ★

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Walter 'Dale' Swanson

October 2, 1930 to January 21, 2021

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday April 14, 2021 at 2 p.m. at the Gridley Biggs Cemetery for Walter 'Dale' Swanson, 90 of Gridley. He passed away on January 21, 2021 in Chico. Dale was born on October 2, 1930 in Turlock, California, 1 of 4 children born to Victor and Bonnie Swanson.

He was raised in Woodland, and Portola, where he graduated. He then attended college at Chico State. He served in the U. S. Air Force, stationed at George AFB in Victorville, CA. After his military service he went into business with his brother-in-law, Brud Soares, owning and operating New Look Cleaners and Continental Athletic Supply. He enjoyed racing motorcycles as an enduro racer, winning multiple trophies and awards. He belonged to the Polka Dots Motorcycle Club. He loved the desert as a rock hound. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and hiking. He and Judy hiked Half Dome twice, he was extremely proud of that accomplishment. He



loved dogs, and was especially fond of the Giant Schnauzer breed. He was called the dog whisperer by his family. His last dog Stella was his steady companion.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and son Rodney Swanson.

Dale is survived by his wife of 30 years, Judy Swanson of Gridley, his son Michael Swanson of North Carolina, step-daughter Kelly (Phillip) Hernandez of Chico, step-son Timothy (Stephanie) Evans of Oroville, daughter-in-law Debbie Swanson of Gridley, 2 brothers William (Yolanda) Swanson of Vacaville, Derold (Doris) Swanson of Los Angeles, sister Joan (Bryce) Dethlefs of Boise, Idaho, 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Dale was loved and will be greatly missed by his wife Judy, his family and his friends. He had many friends who enjoyed and loved him.

Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Betty Ruth Fuller

April 27, 1937 to April 2, 2021

Betty Ruth Daniels Fuller, age 83 of Gridley, passed away April 2, 2021. She was born in Bertha MN. and grew up in Hewitt MN. She was preceded in death by her parents James O. and Ruth H. Daniels, and her brother Jack Daniels. She is survived by her husband William G. Fuller; three daughters, Kathleen Gilbert, Leslie Ray and Jennifer Fowler; seven grandchildren, Dakota, Bronson, and Sierra Gilbert, Amanda and Preston Ray, Cole and Brody Fowler, her sister Lois Bray and brother-in-law Dr. Jerome Bray and families.

Betty went to school and attended Maplewood Academy in Hutchinson, MN. She met her husband Bill in Long Beach



and later when Bill was in the service, Betty flew to Dumfries, VA. where they were united in marriage. Following their marriage, Bill was stationed at the Pentagon and Betty worked in the office of Chief of Staff for Intelligence. Later they moved to Long Beach where Bill finished his degree and together they would start their family, ultimately residing in Gridley, CA.

Betty lived a wonderful life. She loved her girls and her grandchildren with all her heart. She loved to garden and play bingo with her friends at the Senior Center and had 61 wonderful years with her beloved husband. The legacy she left is nothing short of beautiful.

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Gridley Mourns Mrs. Thomas

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Butte County Sheriff's Office reported Saturday, April 3rd, that a woman hiking atop Table Mountain had fallen into the water at Hollow Falls. A ABCSO helicopter was dispatched to the area near Table Top Dr. and Cherokee Rd. in a rescue effort, but the woman was pronounced dead at the scene by authorities.

As details of the tragic accident come to light, the name of the woman has been released as well - heartbreaking news for many in Gridley. The woman was Gridley's own Brenda Thomas. She and her family had been hiking, enjoying the wildflowers atop Table Mountain, when she tripped and was lost over the side of the cliff.

Thomas was loved by all and served as leadership advisor for 25 years at Gridley High School and touched many lives. A close friend that has asked to remain anonymous says that Thomas was an amazing asset to the youth and our whole community. Thomas always reached out to the kids that were struggling.... "the kids that needed extra love" says her friend and helped them find their way through kindness and compassion. "She had a way about her that made everyone feel unconditionally loved. She was just so kind, so loving....and she touched so many lives." She was dedicated to her family, her community, her students, and her church.

The family is asking that those who have stories or have been touched by Mrs.

Thomas share their memories on her Facebook page, or tag her in their posts. The family has been reading the posts and the stories of the beloved mother, wife, Grandma and friend are helping the family heal.

Brenda Thomas's viewing will be held from 5:00-8:00 pm Thursday, April 8th, at Gridley Block Funeral Home. The Funeral is scheduled for Friday, April 9th, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, at 400 Spruce St., Gridley, CA. There will be social distancing and mask wearing observed. The funeral will be transmitted by Zoom. Please use the link: <https://zoom.us/j/95547900710>. The Webinar ID is: 955 4790 0710. Burial will follow immediately after at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery. ★

Heart-felt, Hand-made Easter Wishes



A sampling of the beautiful Easter Cards created by Biggs Cloverbuds and their bigger, 4-H helpers. Photos provided by Jonna Phillips

By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - What started out as a Biggs Cloverbuds project, quickly expanded to include some of the 4-H group and 5 officers. Inspired by Club Leaders Brian Harrison and Jonna Phillips, the Cloverbuds decided to create handmade Easter Cards for seniors.

Group Leader Wendy Hall, who procured the art supplies for the card says that her Cloverbuds "were motivated, they were excited, they like the opportunity to be able to give back."

"We talked about how important our grandparents are.... how so many of our seniors that are in these facilities, haven't been able to see their family. So, they (cloverbuds) were hoping that it would just bless their hearts to get a message from the kids," said Hall.

Hall says that she had about 15 kids

participating and that in total, they made 55 cards. The kids got so into it that they requested to write personalized messages inside each of the cards for the residents that would receive them.

Due to COVID-19, Hovlid is currently restricting visitations, and the children could not personally deliver their cards. Club Leaders Brian Harrison and Jonna Phillips delivered the cards to the center on behalf of their Cloverbuds and 4-H members. An employee at Hovlid, who has asked to remain nameless, said that the cards were "Amazing". They go on to say that the residents knew it was Easter and that they "were really looking forward to some sort of contact." They were ecstatic when the cards arrived.

The residents said, "Seeing those cards.... it really lit up everyone." They were ever-so-grateful for the sweet drawings and messages. ★

Water Users Urged to Reduce and Conserve During Dry Conditions

State Water Resources Board

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

- As dry conditions persist throughout California, the State Water Resources Control Board mailed early warning notices to approximately 40,000 water right holders, urging them to plan for potential shortages by reducing water use and adopting practical conservation measures.

Reservoir and groundwater levels are significantly below average, and despite recent storms, snowpack is only 58% of average as of March 10. After two years of below average precipitation, officials don't expect the April 1 snow survey to reveal significant improvement in the water supply outlook this year. April 1 is typically the peak of California's snowpack, which in an average year provides 30% of the state's water supply.

"Planting crops and other

decisions that are dictated by water supply are made early in the year, so early warnings are vital," said Erik Ekdahl, deputy director for the Water Board's Division of Water Rights. "These letters give water users time to prepare and help minimize the impacts of reduced supplies on businesses, farms and homes."

Agricultural water users can implement practical actions now to improve their drought resilience, including reducing irrigated acreage, managing herd size, using innovative irrigation and diversifying water supply portfolios. Urban water users can conserve by putting in drought-resistant landscape, reducing outdoor irrigation and replacing older house fixtures and appliances with more efficient ones.

Additionally, all diverters are legally required to report their annual water use to the State Water Board. Accurate and timely reporting of information is crucial

to managing the state's water resources.

In preparing for potential droughts, the State Water Board partners with multiple state, local and federal agencies, including California Department of Water Resources, Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, Tribal governments and water management organizations. Staff will continue to coordinate as it monitors the situation and engage more frequently with water users if conditions continue or worsen.

Current drought conditions can be found on the National Integrated Drought Information System website.

The State Water Board's mission is to preserve, enhance and restore the quality of California's water resources and ensure proper allocation and efficient use for the benefit of present and future generations. ★

BINGO!!!!

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - It's Back! Gridley's American Legion South Butte Post 210 is bringing back Thursday Night BINGO!

There will be some changes. Since Gridley's Memorial Hall is off-limits,

Thursday Night Bingo will be held at the Community Hall in Biggs, located at 280 B Street.

The American Legion is delighted to invite the public back to the fun. Bingo will start April 15th, at 5:00 pm and will be held at the same time and location for the foreseeable future. ★

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Brenda Jeanne Shipley Thomas

November 23, 1947 to April 3, 2021

Brenda Jeanne Shipley Thomas was born on November 23, 1947 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Robert Bruce Shipley and Alta Jean Butler. She was a proud graduate of Olympus High School in 1966.

A faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Brenda served a full-time mission in the Central States Mission from 1969 to 1971. Later, she served as a seminary teacher, Young Women president/counselor, primary teacher, and full-time service missionary in the BYU-Pathway program. She was most proud of her thirty-year streak attending Girls' Camp, where she taught and inspired generations of young women in the Gridley California Stake.

After returning from her mission, Brenda married Wayne Richard Thomas on June 2, 1971 for time and all eternity in the Salt Lake City Temple. They moved to California after the birth of their oldest child, Cameron, and lived in Sacramento, where Scott and Missy were born. Emily was born after the family moved to Gridley, California.

In Gridley, Brenda found her true home, focusing on community service, first as a classroom volunteer and then later as PTA President. She volunteered in the Gridley Museum and on the Hospital Auxiliary Board. Brenda raised thousands of dollars for St Jude's Hospital. In 1995, the Chamber



of Commerce presented Brenda with the Marjorie McCaughan Award, an award honoring and celebrating the service of community members who have made significant contributions to youth.

As the Gridley High School Student Activity Director from 1988 to 2013, Brenda found her true calling. "Mrs. Thomas" - as her students knew her - counseled and mentored thousands who took advantage of her open-door policy. She loved discovering and motivating students in her Leadership Class,

where she focused on helping students realize their latent leadership potential.

Brenda was predeceased by her parents, Robert and Alta Jean. She is survived by her loving husband of 49 years and 10 months, Wayne, and her children: Cameron (Julie), Burbank, CA; Scott (Julia), Cokeville, WY; Missy (Kevin), Roseville, CA; and Emily (Derrick), Petaluma, CA. She is also survived by her brother, Rick (Kathy), Yuba City, CA, and sister, Carole (Clayton), Lake Mary, FL. She will be missed especially by her 13 grandchildren, who were the true joys of her life: Thomas, Andrew, Matthew, Mallory, Kinsey, Hunter, Ethan, Rachel, Elsie, Joey, Drew, Lindsey, and Lucie. Families are forever.

Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.

FOCUS

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Regretfully, FOCUS, a children's charity, is officially retiring. FOCUS would like to thank the many community members for your support and generosity. Over these many years, Focus has donated many thousands of dollars to hundreds of youth in our community. We

could not have accomplished this without you. FOCUS members have enjoyed organizing and sharing our many fundraising events. We appreciate those of you who attended and assisted us in making these events not only successful, but fun!

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Tax Dollars for Campaigns?

In response to the article written by the Honorable Doug LaMalfa published in the Gridley Herald edition of Friday March 26, 2021.

Mr. LaMalfa, what is so wrong with providing a monetary means for all political candidates to run a campaign? Should politicians be limited to only the rich? All too often those rich candidates are out of touch with the common people in our country.

In addition, since Mr. LaMalfa is a rich person himself and therefore most likely pays an accountant to do his income taxes, perhaps he does not realize that for years there have been two boxes on the tax forms to earmark money from your income taxes paid to go into a fund

to pay out money to political candidates. Therefore, Federal (Tax Payer) funds, are already available is some amount for political candidates for some offices.

Finally, I point out the last paragraph of Mr. LaMalfa's article. With the last paragraph of the article he converts it from an informational article to a fund raiser asking for a donation of \$25 or more. This brings into question his sincerity of the entire article, since he ends it asking for our money to reelect him to office.

PS: There is much more to bill HR1 than matching funds, but Mr. LaMalfa fails to mention that.

Lloyd Irwin
Gridley, CA



Snowpack Remains Well Below Average

Hopes for a March miracle have dissipated, with the Sierra Nevada snowpack remaining at about 60% of average – the same as when the month began. The state Department of Water Resources will conduct a manual snow survey Thursday, with early April typically being the time the snowpack reaches its deepest level. Both state and federal water projects announced last week they would reduce or delay deliveries due to the dry winter and other restrictions.

Report Says U.S. Should Invest More in Agricultural Research

Public spending for agricultural research has remained flat for the past decade, and a new report says that threatens the nation's future agricultural productivity. The study says there's particular need for public research in crop breeding, crop protection, climate change, animal health, animal disease and foodborne illness. Although private-sector research funding has increased, the report says that tends to focus on a relatively narrow set of topics.

Barley Study Focuses on Climate Adaptation

To help learn how cereal crops adapt to different climate and weather conditions, a University of California professor and students will evaluate a collection of plant genes dating back nearly a century. UC Riverside says the study will focus on barley, comparing genes from plant collections. The work aims to help researchers understand which genes allowed barley to adapt to weather, as opposed to diseases or other pressures.

Forecast Predicts Larger Strawberry Crop

The season started slowly, but California strawberry production should ultimately be larger than last year's, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In a new report, USDA says California farmers planted more strawberries last fall, which should lead to a bigger harvest this season. The report says Americans' strawberry consumption has more-than-doubled since the turn of the century, with both domestic and foreign supplies rising to meet the increased demand ★

Dear Dietitian

LDL Weight Gain



Commentary
by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

I have pre-diabetes and was on a low-carb diet for a year. The good news is my A1C is 5.6, but the bad news is my cholesterol went from a healthy 165 to 199! My LDL is 125! I am 5'2" and weigh 105 pounds. I was a healthy 120 pounds a year ago, but I can't put weight on! I don't feel well every day, and I want my life back! I would greatly appreciate your advice. ~ Judy

Dear Judy,

First, let's keep everything in perspective. While your cholesterol level isn't what you want it to be, it's still pretty good. It may need some tweaking, but it's doable. Your A1C is now on the low-end of the pre-diabetes scale, so pat yourself on the back! As far as your weight, it's possible to gain weight and be healthy!

Next, let's review some of the terms for other readers. Low-density lipoprotein (LDL) is often called "bad" cholesterol, while high-density lipoprotein (HDL) is referred to as "good" cholesterol. Hemoglobin A1C is a three-month average of blood sugar levels.

The best way to achieve weight gain while lowering LDL is to eat more healthy food. You will need to take in at least three hundred extra calories every day. A simple way to increase calories is a bedtime snack. A smoothie may be a good option for you, and there are ways to prepare them without sugar. Use

peanut butter or tofu as your base. You may choose nuts or seeds as a snack, as these are high-calorie but healthy.

Another helpful avenue to healthy weight gain is increasing your fat intake. Focus on unsaturated fat, found in plant foods rather than the saturated fat in animal products. Monounsaturated fats include olive oil, canola oil, nuts, avocados, and nut butters. Polyunsaturated fats are found in corn oil, safflower oil, and sunflower oil. Heart healthy omega-3 fatty acids are also included in this category, and these are found in walnuts and fatty fish, like salmon, mackerel, trout, and sardines.

Another nutrient that helps lower cholesterol is soluble fiber found in old-fashioned oatmeal. Other sources include beans, apples, citrus fruits, and potatoes. Since soluble fiber makes you feel full, and you need to gain weight, increase fiber prudently.

The next strategy is to raise your HDL level. Increasing HDL will help lower your LDL-cholesterol. Health experts believe that HDL acts as a house cleaner by "sweeping up" some LDL particles and carrying them back to the liver for disposal. The best way to increase good cholesterol is through exercise - just 20 minutes of moderate exercise at least four times a week.

Finally, consider seeing a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) who will work closely with you to reach your goals. Most insurance plans pay for an RDN consult, and your doctor will provide a referral for you.

Until next time, be healthy!
Dear Dietitian

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Menu Mastery Webinar Series for Food Businesses

Wednesday, April 14th, 21st and 28th, 2021 from 9:30 am to 11:00 am

SERIES 1

Title: "The A-Z of Menu Mastery"

Date: Wednesday, April 14th, 2021 Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Register Here: <https://casbdc.biz/MenuA-Z>

Description: Operations. Training covers why operation is important including the 3 components of creating good menus, inventory, skill set, prep, make or buy analysis, production line, service staff, and transaction time.

SERIES 2

Title: "Ultimate Cash Flow Pricing Formula"

Date: Wednesday, April 21st, 2021 Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Register Here: <https://casbdc.biz/MenuProfit>

Description: Understanding Menu Costing. Training covers why menu costing is important, formal versus informal costing, manual costing and using a program, components, yield testing, prep recipes, menu item costing, Food Cost Formula, and examples of calculations.

SERIES 3

Title: "Menu Marketing Made Easy"

Date: Wednesday, April 28th, 2021 Time: 9:30am – 11:00am

Register Here: <https://casbdc.biz/MenuMarketing>

Description: Menu Marketing. Training covers why menu marketing is important, choosing a format, plate presentations and scripting, eye travel and product placement, what should (and shouldn't) be in the menu, train...train...train..., and building the check using daily strategies, and motivation tactics.

Trainer Tom Bruce, owner of Central Coast Food and Beverage, is a business owner serving the hospitality industry for over 35 years in various capacities including restaurant consultant, mentor, and food service advisor. He has taught classes such as Applied Food Service Sanitation, Purchasing, Basic Cost Control, Advanced Cost Control, and Marketing and Legal Aspects. He is certified by the National Restaurant Association, California Restaurant Association, is a vocational instructor through UCLA, and is a qualified HACCP & ServSafe instructor. In addition to periodic television appearances, Tom has been published in Chef Magazine, is also a regular contributor to Restaurant Start-up & Growth Magazine, and a Butte College SBDC Business Consultant and Trainer focusing on restaurant start-up, management, and growth for more than 10 years.



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Fire Safe Landscaping

With the spring planting season finally here, the Gridley Fire Fighters would like to talk a little about some landscaping options while still staying fire-safe!

A fire-safe landscape isn't necessarily the same thing as a well-maintained yard. A fire-safe landscape uses fire-resistant plants that are strategically planted to resist the spread of fire to your home. Fire resistant plants are great in California because they are often drought tolerant too.

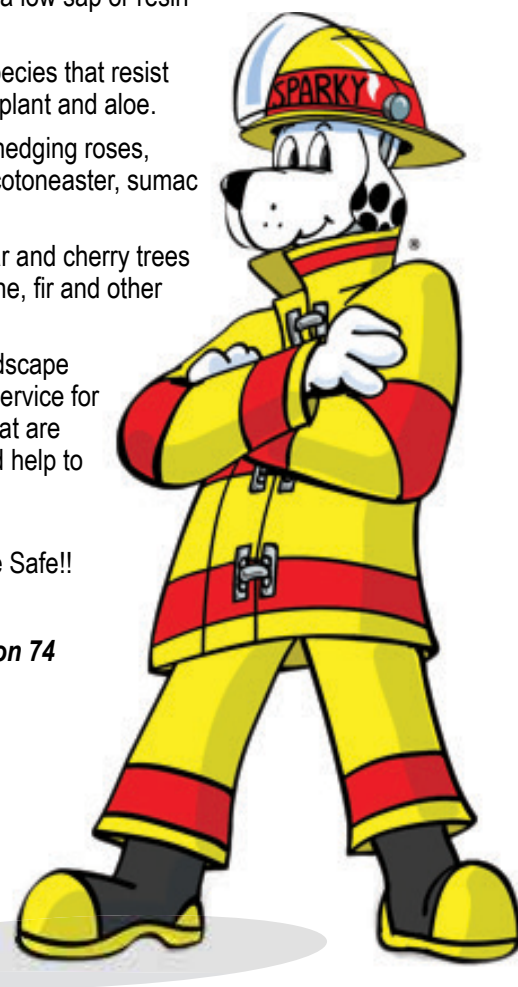
The good news is, you don't need a lot of money to make your landscape fire safe. You will find that a fire-safe landscape can increase your property value and conserve water while beautifying your home.

- Create fire-safe zones with stone walls, patios, decks and roadways.
- Use rock, mulch, flower beds and gardens as ground cover for bare spaces and as effective firebreaks.
- There are no "fire-proof" plants. Select high moisture plants that grow close to the ground and have a low sap or resin content.
- Choose fire-retardant plant species that resist ignition such as rockrose, ice plant and aloe.
- Fire-resistant shrubs include hedging roses, bush honeysuckles, currant, cotoneaster, sumac and shrub apples.
- Plant hardwood, maple, poplar and cherry trees that is less flammable than pine, fir and other conifers.

Check your local nursery, landscape contractor or county extension service for advice on fire-resistant plants that are suited for your environment, and help to plan your landscape.

Thank You, and Be Safe!!

Sparky the Dog
Gridley Fire Station 74



Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

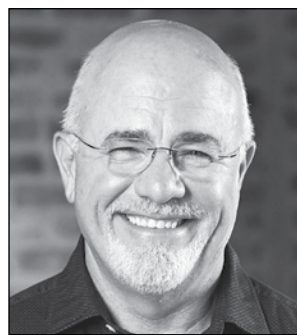
There is a weed that grows in Gridley that I call Velcro weed. It is so annoying and it grows huge overnight. I have some in the backyard that is at least four feet long. It goes up and over a large mound of Santa Barbara Daisy. I wonder what that plant is and why it is so invasive. So, I looked

it up its common name is Catchweed-Bedstraw.

Bedstraw is an annual weed whose seeds like to germinate when the soil is cooler. It tends to start up in December, February and March. It is able to withstand freezing. What I've noticed is that it is there in the winter but is very small. In the spring it is one of those bellwether weeds that let you know the ground is starting to warm up. Seedlings can emerge even if they are buried up to 3 inches deep in loose soil. However, the seed will not sprout on the soil surface, as exposure to light inhibits germination. Of course, this wiley weed seems most successful in cracks and other deep recesses because it

needs the dark to get started.

Once established bedstraw can tolerate dry soil. It is fast growing and can flower within eight weeks after germination; the flowers are self-pollinated, of course. Individual plants typically produce 100 to 400 seeds, with occasional plants producing 3,000 or more seeds, I'm fairly certain this is the type I have. To add insult to injury, Bedstraw seeds, can remain viable in the soil for up to three years. It is not controlled by bugs; they don't like it. Herbicides can be used but the most effective control in the home garden is pulling it out by the roots before it flowers. Fortunately, it is an easy weed to pull, if the ground is moist. Good luck. ★



Not Really an Emergency

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are close to having our home paid off and being completely debt-free. Can we dip into our emergency fund to pay off the house?

—Enid

Dear Enid

I'm not sure I'd recommend doing this. I might think about it if your emergency fund is way too big, plus you have a very small amount left to pay on your home. But remember, your emergency fund should be three to six months of expenses — not income. On top of that, paying off your home a few months earlier isn't exactly an emergency.

Believe me, I understand the feelings that go along with being so close to becoming completely debt-free. It can be tempting to throw a bunch of money at your house, and get rid of the mortgage payments. Still, even as much as I hate debt, I

Dave Ramsey Says

wouldn't put my emergency fund at risk to make it happen.

When you do things like that, Enid, you're just begging for Murphy to come visit. The moment you write a big check and weaken your emergency fund for something that isn't an emergency, the transmission in your car will go out or you'll have to replace the central unit on your home. It's not worth the risk!

—Dave

Getting Started

Dear Dave,

Should I catch up on my past due bills before saving up \$1,000 for Baby Step 1?

—Sharyn

Dear Sharyn

That's exactly what you should do. Get current or make payment arrangements with everyone who's willing to work with you first. In the process, make sure you're keeping your own living necessities in mind — food, shelter, clothing, utilities, and transportation.

After you've done that, and saved a beginner emergency fund of \$1,000, start your debt snowball and pay off all your debts from smallest largest, except for your home. That's Baby Step 2. In Baby Step 3, you'll

save up and increase your emergency fund from \$1,000 to a full three to six months of expenses. Once you reach this point, you can really start looking toward the future.

In Baby Step 4, start investing 15 percent of your income into Roth IRAs and other pre-tax retirement plans. College funding for the kids, if there are any, is next in Baby Step 5.

Baby Step 6 is a big one, because this is where you pay off your home early. But Baby Step 7 is the real deal. This is when you're completely debt-free, and you're able to build wealth like crazy and give with outrageous generosity!

—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 16 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. ★

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal



Spring has sprung, clocks are turned forward, flowers are in full bloom. Now what? Easter baskets are stored. Egg salad graces every table so the dyed wonders can be used. Homes have been swept for spring cleaning. People have made their yearly visit to church for the Easter services, and now they can go for another half-year until Christmas rolls around and they can get another dose of Christianity that will keep them until next Easter. What happens in between?

Jesus was born. Jesus died. So what? Articles in leading magazines are now trying to find the historical Jesus and the Jesus of faith. We know he was on earth for there are too many records that tell of Him. But why is it so important to know about the "in between time" in Jesus' life?

People of faith say He was the Son of God, the Lamb foretold by ancients in the Old Testament. Historians say He was a teacher, mystic, a rebellious leader who taught with clever stories, cute tricks, and examples of what made Him the: first Jewish stand-up comic". WOW!

Well, let's look at Jesus from the viewpoint of both a man of history and of

faith. Without Jesus the man, there would be no Cristian churches, so erase them from all over the earth — gone — finished. No chapels or cathedrals for artists to paint or create statues for. Without Jesus, there would be no celebrations of Christmas or Easter, the merchants could count zero on their registers for two of the biggest buying seasons of the year. No cards, no songs, no decorations, no TV specials, and no days off from work to celebrate the birth, death, and life of a man some say never came as the Savior of a world.

No books could be written. No choirs could sing His glory. No followers could write down His deeds in one of the most published books ever written.

Without this this man Jesus, humans would still be walking around thinking all was doom and gloom, awaiting a darkness of death. No crosses would be hung around peoples' necks as a symbol of hope. We would still be wandering in the wilderness as the children of Israel did after Moses led them to freedom. Sad to think!

All of us can imagine what Jesus did as a child: He played. He lost teeth. He fell down and bruised His knee. He tossed balls and ran with playmates. He learned a trade from His father and listened to stories told by the leaders of His village. He was taught the scriptures and He grew, as all children do, in the wisdom of His surroundings.

As a man, Jesus' difference became known. He used the stories of His childhood to teach God's plan. He used His training as a carpenter to build a new ladder to the Father.

Now we come to the questions facing all of us: Was Jesus the Messiah, the Savior of man, the Son of God? Herod knew Jesus was different and he feared even the baby Jesus, whose existence caused kings to travel great distances to see. They knew. John the Baptist knew when he baptized Jesus in the river Jordan that this man was the beginning of a new kingdom. Mary Magdalene knew when Jesus gave her a second chance at life free of sin. Lazarus knew when he opened his eyes from the depths of death. Pilate knew as he tried to set Jesus free. The Jewish leaders knew, and the Roman soldiers knew as the sky turned dark, the earth shook, and the stone rolled from the tomb.

How do we know? By faith. By faith, and reading and studying, we come to know the truth. Take the next 40 days of Easter tide and do your own search for historical and faithful Jesus. Find your Jesus and see how important He is for all mankind.

Bring your search to the Gridley United Methodist Church on Sundays at 10 am to search with us. We are located on the corner of Haskell and Magnolia Streets. We are following Covid-19 protocols. ★

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

"Fling into Spring!" said our high school art teacher, Janice Thomas to herself as she headed out to pick up some groceries. "That's what I'll call it. Fling into Spring!"

She ear rumpled Woof, her deer pointer (he being half pointer and half cow-dog and the herd instinct didn't work well on deer, so he points them now. His tail didn't work for a week.)

She took off down to the Soup 'R' Market and

Fling into Spring!

waved to Annette, who masked up and brought her groceries out to Janice's car. Yes, even here.

"What do you think of Fling into Spring, Annette?"

"Love it, Janice," she said. "That's why I picked it."

Janice tried to look puzzled through her mask. "You picked it?"

"You know ... for the high school picnic theme this year. I'm helping with the planning. But you must've heard about it."

"No ... I thought it would be a good name for my spring art show ..."

Both women stared at each other's masks, six feet away.

"In that case," Janice said, "I could change it, I guess. If the locals made jewelry we could call it Spring Bling, but that just doesn't work too well for paintings, does it?"

Annette nodded. "I know. How about 'A Sprint to Tint.'?"

Janice started the car. "I guess it deserves a bit more thought."

"I know!" said Annette. "Brush Strokes for Folks!"

Janice nodded, sadly. Sure will be glad when they get a handle on this pandemic.

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The Silver Lining of Proposition 19

Disabled Americans Could Soon Face Healthcare Discrimination



Senator Ted Gaines

Commentary by Ted Gaines

Proposition 19, The Home Protection for Seniors, Severely Disabled, Families, and Victims of Wildfire or Natural Disasters Act, was passed by voters last November, enacting significant changes to California's property tax law. One provision of the measure – that concerning “parent-child” and “grandparent-grandchild” exclusions – triggered a massive property tax increase that took effect February 16.

Unfortunately for homeowners, the statute in its current state is a confusing mess. As a State Board of Equalization Member and dedicated taxpayer advocate, I continue to work closely with state legislators and county assessors to provide clarity and answer as many questions as possible for taxpayers affected by these provisions.

While Proposition 19 has some serious shortcomings – increasing taxes on tens of thousands of California families and making it more difficult and expensive to pass on property and family farms to your children and grandchildren – it does offer noteworthy tax

benefits to homeowners who are nearing retirement, severely disabled or victims of natural disasters. Beginning April 1, 2021, qualified homeowners can transfer their low Proposition 13 tax base year value to a replacement home of any value, in any of California's 58 counties. Homeowners who want to downsize, move closer to family, or relocate for any other reason can blend the taxable value of their old house with the purchase price of a new, and possibly more expensive home, reducing the property tax burden they would otherwise face.

When voters overwhelmingly passed Proposition 13 in 1978, it was to rein in property tax rates that had spiraled out of control as county governments routinely raised property taxes, in many cases forcing families from their homes. The landmark ballot initiative placed restrictions on how much a homeowner's taxable value could increase every year, even if a home's market value grew substantially.

California voters later passed Propositions 60, 90, and 110, which extended Proposition 13 protections to homeowners 55 or older and people with severe disabilities by giving them a one-time opportunity to retain their Proposition 13 tax base if they moved to a home of equal or lesser value within the same county or to one of the 10 counties with an intercounty agreement.

Proposition 19 further expands Proposition 13 benefits by allowing eligible homeowners to

transfer their base year value up to three times. It also gives property owners whose homes were damaged or destroyed by a wildfire or other natural disaster the ability to transfer their Proposition 13 base year value to a new home. These provisions of Proposition 19 take effect on April 1, 2021 and give homeowners two years to transfer their base year value to a replacement residence in any county.

I support the base year transfer provisions of Proposition 19 because they allow more homeowners to take advantage of Proposition 13 protections that continue to be widely supported by California voters. While some of Proposition 19's provisions hurt California taxpayers at a time when they need economic security the most, it's always nice to have a silver lining.

Visit my website at boe.ca.gov/gaines for more information on Proposition 19. I encourage all homeowners to check with their County Assessor for specific county regulations, policies, and any paperwork associated with base year transfers.

Senator Ted Gaines (Ret.) was elected in November 2018 to represent the Board of Equalization's First District. He is a leading taxpayer advocate and is committed to providing trustworthy and transparent representation for nearly ten million constituents in 30 counties of northern, eastern, and southern California. For more information, visit boe.ca.gov/Gaines. ★

Commentary by Angela F. Williams

Patients with disabilities are 11 times more likely to die from Covid-19 than their able-bodied peers. That's a sobering statistic. And it's why public health officials have prioritized these vulnerable patients for vaccinations.

Unfortunately, when it comes to non-Covid matters, society doesn't always show the same concern. In fact, many states and private insurers are pushing for a “reform” that could deprive Americans living with multiple sclerosis (MS), cerebral palsy, and other disabilities of life-saving medicines.

The reform relies on a metric known as a “quality-adjusted life year.” These QALYs supposedly quantify the “cost effectiveness” of drugs by assessing the “quality” of an individual's life. The use of QALYs should concern every American, but especially those living with disabilities or battling chronic illnesses.

When this metric is utilized, a drug that delivers one year of “perfect” health receives one QALY. A drug that provides a benefit – but doesn't return a patient to “perfect” – receives a fraction of a QALY.

So, by design, QALYs devalue important treatments for chronically ill and disabled patients.

Since even breakthrough drugs will not restore perfect health in those patients, this puts them at a distinct disadvantage when it comes to accessing life-saving or life-improving drugs and medications. While there is no cure for blindness, MS, or cerebral palsy, new drugs can still dramatically improve patient well-being and longevity.

The British national health system regularly employs this tactic to deny coverage for advanced new therapies for chronically ill and disabled patients. Many other nations use QALY-like assessments to determine which medicines are available to patients.

The biggest advocate for their use stateside is the Institute for Clinical and Economic Review – or “ICER” – an influential Boston-based organization.

ICER's evaluations impose brutally simplistic categories on complex diseases. For instance, the institute splits patients with spinal muscular atrophy that have received treatment into three rudimentary categories: mobile, requiring ventilation, and dead.



Patients with disabilities are 11 times more likely to die from Covid-19 than their able-bodied peers. Image by klimkin from Pixabay

That classification is offensively reductive. Spinal muscular atrophy is an extremely challenging condition that involves several gradients of incapacitation. Drugs can deliver significant improvements to patients' well-being without moving them between those three categories.

Worryingly, the Institute has become very effective at getting large health insurers to utilize its metrics in their coverage decisions. And now New York health officials have begun using ICER metrics in their state-run Medicaid program, specifically to clamp down on access to advanced cystic fibrosis treatments.

ICER hasn't been the only group working to jeopardize disabled Americans' access to medication.

Shortly before President Trump left office, his administration announced a rule that ties the price of physician-administered drugs covered by Medicare to their cost in a select group of other developed nations. In doing so, then-President Trump imported the ruthless QALYs used abroad.

Countless Americans with disabilities rely on cutting-edge medications to live healthy, productive lives. Unfortunately, access to those drugs is now in jeopardy because of ICER and the Trump administration's rule. As we navigate the ongoing public health crisis, we must work to ensure these individuals have the tools to thrive, not simply survive.

To truly protect the health of the one in four Americans living with disabilities today, policymakers must work to ensure that those most deserving of new medicines are able to access them.

Angela F. Williams is president and CEO of Easterseals, a leading provider of services for people with disabilities, veterans, and seniors. This piece originally ran in the Buffalo News. ★

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Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

March 28th - April 5th

3-28-21: At 11:09 pm on the 200 block of Maine St., Gridley, Louis Garza Cordova, 19, was arrested for diving without a license (12500 (a) VC), obstructing justice (148 (a)(1) PC), and evading police (2800.2 VC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

3-29-21: At 2:07 pm on the 1700 block of W. Biggs-Gridley Rd., Gridley, Kayla Lynn Jackson, 30, was arrested for two outside agency felony warrants, 2 outside agency misdemeanor warrants, a local misdemeanor bench warrant, possession/transportation of tear gas by a felon or addict (22810 PC), felon in possession of a stun gun (12651 (a) PC), presenting false id to officers (148.9 (a) PC), possession of a controlled substance without a prescription (11375 (b)(2) H&S), possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), violation of probation (1203.2 (a) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

3-29-21: At 10:47 pm on the 100 block of E. Spruce St., Gridley, Timothy William Gibson, 43, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), possession of burglary tools (466 PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

3-30-21: At 9:32 am at Daddow Park, Gridley, Michael Andrew Beci, 30, was arrested on a local felony bench warrant and booked into Butte County Jail.

3-30-21: At 3:21 pm on the 1400 block of SR-99, Gridley, Glenda Louise Kennedy, 53, was arrested for public intoxication (647 (f) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

3-31-21: At 2:42 pm on the 100 block of Magnolia St., Gridley, Roberto Enrique Peralta, 38, was arrested for public intoxication (647 (f) PC), obstructing justice (148 (a)(1) PC), carrying a switchblade knife (21510 (b) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

4-4-21: At 6:31 am on Magnolia and Virginia Streets, Gridley, Diana Conception Padilla, 34, was arrested on a local misdemeanor bench warrant and booked into Butte County Jail.

4-4-21: At 10:19 pm on the 1500 block of SR-99, John Norwood Marsh, 68 was arrested for driving under the influence (23152 (a) VC), having a blood alcohol level of .08% or higher (23152 (b) VC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

4-5-21: At 4:13 pm on the 600 block of Jackson St., Gridley, Seth Duane Henderson, 41, was arrested for unreasonable noise (415 (2) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

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Is California Driving Business Away?



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

Is California killing the golden goose with taxes and regulations that drive businesses and their jobs to more hospitable states?

That question has been debated for years without a definitive answer, flaring up whenever there's a high-profile move out of the state.

With the recent relocation of several well-known firms to Texas, along with one famous billionaire, Tesla's Elon Musk, the question once again reverberates in political circles.

Musk first threatened to shift locales last year after his manufacturing facility in the Bay Area was hit with a pandemic shutdown order.

"Frankly, this is the final straw," he tweeted last May. "Tesla will now move its HQ and future programs to Texas/Nevada immediately."

"F*ck Elon Musk," Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez, tweeted in response. Gonzalez, a San Diego Democrat and the Legislature's most outspoken proponent of unionization, later added, "California has highly subsidized a company that has always disregarded worker safety & well-being, has engaged in union busting & bullies public servants. I

probably could've expressed my frustration in a less aggressive way. Of course, no one would've cared if I tweeted that."

In December, Musk announced his personal move to Texas and his plans to expand activities in that state.

Last week, the Center for Jobs and the Economy, an arm of the California Business Roundtable, offered new grist for the debate by launching "CaliFormers," a running list of companies that have relocated from California or expanded operations elsewhere.

"California policies have created the highest in the nation cost-of-living and strictest in the nation regulatory costs which have caused jobs in key sectors such as manufacturing to start-up, scale or relocate in other lower-cost states, sometimes just across the border from California," the CaliFormers announcement declared.

"As we look to the future of our post-pandemic economy," it added, "the shift of the tech industry and the movement of its executives and investors will significantly impact the stability and solvency of our general fund since the state's progressive tax structure relies heavily on taxes paid by California's highest earners."

CaliFormers arrives on the scene not only as the perpetual debate heats up again but as the Legislature considers a new spate of bills that would impose additional costs on business and/or levy new taxes on business or wealthy individuals such as Musk.

CaliFormers gives the perpetual debate a factual underpinning, but it also falls short of a much-needed comprehensive analysis of the issue. Jerry Nickelsburg, who runs the Anderson Forecast, an economic research organization at UCLA, quickly criticized it for lacking context.

"The list does not sort by year or normalize by u-rate or employment," Nickelsburg tweeted. "It does not track moves to CA. (e.g if a company adds 200 jobs in CA and moves 100 to TX it appears on the table as a move of jobs to TX). So, a nice graphic, but not very useful as an analysis."

Nickelsburg makes a valid point. Obviously the issue is an important one. California depends on a vigorous private sector to provide jobs and indirectly provide revenues for the services that Gonzalez and other politicians want to expand. In fact, those one-percenters at the very top of the income ladder, such as Musk, are paying half of the state's income taxes.

It's so important that it deserves far more serious analysis. Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature have immense research capabilities at their command and should order up a comprehensive and independent examination of whether California is becoming toxic to vital business activity. It's time to settle the argument once and for all.

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

Spring Weather Brings Increased Fire Activity

CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department Press Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - As the warm weather warms up and vegetation, fed by seasonal rainfall, grows and dries out, CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department reminds residents that now is the time to prepare your home and property for the approaching fire season.

Defensible Space and Home Hardening are two of the most important ways you can protect your home from the threat of fire. In February 2021, the county adopted a new Fire Prevention Ordinance, which included some additions to the Defensible Space rules. The text of the ordinance can be found at www.buttecounty.net/fire and click "Defensible Space." Defensible Space Inspectors are here to educate and reform, with the goal of ensuring the safety of everyone in Butte County," says

Fire Captain Jake Gilliam, DSI Program Manager: "We look forward to working with residents toward voluntary compliance with these regulations.

Currently permits are not required for residential burning, but as always, caution must be used when you are burning your debris piles. Before you light your burn pile each day, be sure to call the Butte County Air Quality Management District at 530-332-9407 or visit their website at www.bcaqmd.org to find out if it is a permissible burn day.

Burn permits will be required by May 1, 2021. You can find all burning regulations at www.buttecounty.net/fire/burning. Be aware that we have had several escaped control burns in Butte County already this year. Although permits are not currently required, you can still be cited if your burn escapes your control. ★

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Father on Trial for Killing His Children in Crash

Butte County Superior Court

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Sacramento man, who drove his truck into a local canal killing his children and a brother-in-law last Easter, was in Butte County Superior Court where a judge found sufficient evidence to send his case to a jury trial.

Colby Allen Brookman, 28, was held to answer after a preliminary hearing before Judge Kristen Lucena. Brookman is charged with gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated and felony DUI.

Brookman is facing life in prison.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said on April 12, 2020, Brookman drove his truck into the canal at the end of Grand Avenue in Oroville. Brookman's wife, J'lynn Stothers, was a passenger in front seat and their two infants – Arianna, 17 months; Ava, 7 months; and J'lynn's brother, Matthew Stothers, age 32 – were passengers in the rear of the quad cab truck.

Ramsey said the evidence at the hearing showed Brookman was drinking numerous beers throughout the day and had been told

not to drive. A blood test taken two hours after the crash showed his blood alcohol level to be 0.12 percent. California Highway Patrol's Multidisciplinary Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) investigated the incident and testified at the hearing. The MAIT team was able to determine through the truck's "black box" that Brookman was driving at over 80 mph just prior to the road ending at the canal. The truck launched over the levee into the canal's deep waters. The children were strapped into baby car seats in the rear seat with Matthew Stothers between them.

Ramsey said a witness testified he saw Brookman and J'lynn swim out of the water. He saw Matthew come to the surface of the water briefly, struggle and then sink below the surface. Butte County Search and Rescue later recovered the bodies of Matthew, Arianna, and Ava from the canal's water.

The judge scheduled Brookman's case for arraignment and jury trial setting on April 14, 2021. Brookman remains in custody at the Butte County Jail and is being held without bail. ★

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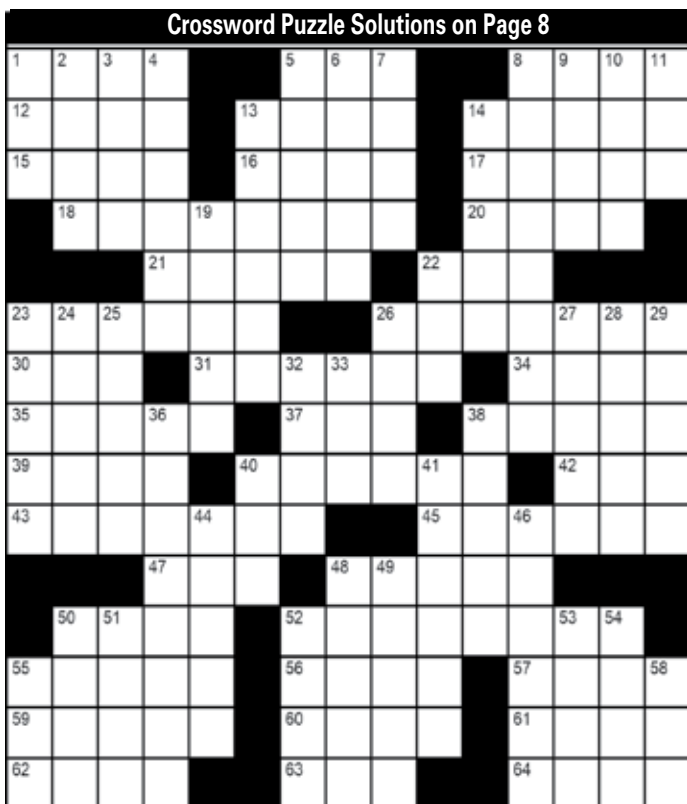
CLUES

ACROSS

- Type of tide
- Sin over tan
- Schooner pole
- Part of temple floor plan
- Made a basket
- *Main artery in the body
- *-carotene
- Swear, not curse
- Reputation-damaging gossip
- *Physicist of theory of relativity fame
- Salty drop
- Turn upside down
- Mark on Pinterest
- *Everything around us
- Porch in ancient Greece
- Not St. or Blvd.
- Percussion instrument
- *"Aim High... Fly-Fight-Win" org.
- Walks like Long John Silver
- *"Dog ____ dog"
- Like TV or phone in 2021
- Measuring roll
- Catch in a net
- Gorilla or orangutan
- Pull-over parkas
- *One of B-vitamins
- Anger
- Open disrespect
- Full of excitement
- *Explanations that can be tested and verified
- Words to live by
- Sword handle
- Large West African republic
- *"Encore!"
- Unrivaled
- From a second-hand store
- Cleopatra's necklace
- Second solfa syllable, pl.
- Makes stitches

DOWN

- Pick up a perpetrator
- Dueling weapon in "The Three Musketeers"
- ____ Spumante
- Treat for Dumbo
- Witches' get-together
- Egg-shaped
- Made with stitches
- *Product of mass and velocity of an object
- *Equals length times width
- *Alpha Centauri A, e.g.
- Toni Morrison's "____ Baby"
- Like rheumy eyes
- On the move
- Four-eyes' gear
- Short for "politician"
- Tiny European republic
- Type of flu
- Moderato, e.g.
- Toupée spot
- *Scientist Newton
- *Wrist bones
- More than occasional
- Department store department
33. "Pow!"
- *Mendeleev's ____ table
- Bake, as in eggs
- Make bigger
- Persnickety
- *Ar, inert gas
- Bad blood
- Use a shoe polish
- *Smallest units of life



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- Jason's ship
- Wheel inside old clock
- God of thunder
- Alleviate
- Boatload
- Tom of "Tom and Jerry"
- Dog tags



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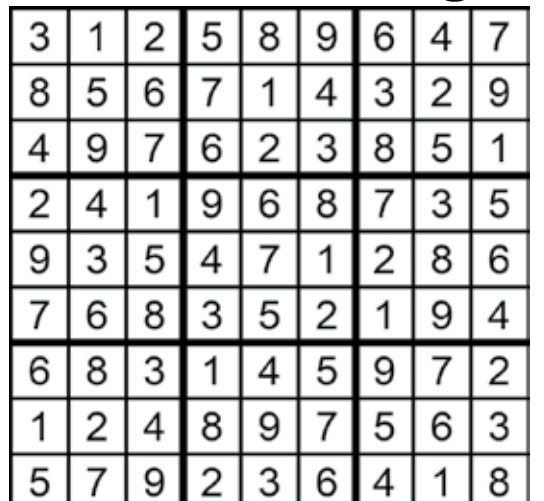
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #21CV00440

1. Petitioner Christian Anthony Dunn filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Christian Anthony Dunn

Proposed name
Christian Anthony Watson

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 April 21, 2021 9:00 a.m. Department 6, 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. 2021-0000258

The following persons are doing business as: D12 HOUSEBOATS
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Dustin Jenks, 68 Bobcat Saddle, Oroville, CA 95966
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The following persons are doing business as: SPITERIS DELICATESSEN AND CATERING
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The following persons are doing business as: SISTER MUSE
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Aleah Panther, 1099 E 1st Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
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This Business is Conducted by: A Married Couple

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #21CV00582

1. Petitioner Ralph Edward Perez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name
Ralph Edward Perez

Proposed name
Ralph Edward Mundy

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 May 19, 2021 9:00 a.m. Department 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. 2021-0000365

The following persons are doing business as: TILIYS
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Erik Mellum, 3419 Hackamore Lane Chico, CA 95973
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0000384

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EDNA J. BILLS
CASE No. 21PR00136

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Edna J. Bills, deceased

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kari A. Roderick, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Kari A. Roderick be appointed as personal representative 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 April 27, 2021 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is:

Raoul J. LeClerc, Esq
P.O. Drawer 111
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JUDITH KAY FORMAN AKA JUDITH FORMAN
CASE No. 21PR00143

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Judith Kay Forman aka Judith Forman, deceased

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Robert M. Buck, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Robert M. Buck be appointed as personal representative 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 May 4, 2021 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is:

Raoul J. LeClerc, Esq

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ROBERT LEROY BAINBRIDGE
CASE No. 21PR00140

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Robert Leroy Bainbridge, deceased
A Petition for Probate has been filed by James M. Ward, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting James M. Ward be appointed as personal representative 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 May 11, 2021 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for the Petitioner is:

clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner is: James Ward
P.O. Box 5621
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Summons

SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)

CASE NUMBER:

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NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Michael P Koebel

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Butte County Credit Bureau A Corp

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 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.

Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación 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 telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en

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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)

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Date: (Fecha) 05/29/2019

Clerk (Secretario) R Phillips, Deputy (Adjunto)

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PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF HEARING

The Central Valley Flood Protection Board (CVFPB), pursuant to Section 12878 of the California Water Code, will hold a hearing Friday, April 23, 2021. **Note: Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the hearing will be held virtually. We ask that the public attend remotely via the WEBEX link or telephone. The WEBEX link and telephone instructions can be found at CVFPB's website, www.cvfpb.ca.gov, click the Meetings icon.** This hearing is being held to consider the fiscal year 2021-2022 estimate for Maintenance Areas (MAs) Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 16, 17 (Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Sacramento, Sutter, and Yolo Counties) for maintenance and operation of the levees within the MAs.

The purpose of the hearing is to confirm or revise the proposed maintenance and operation work program and budget submitted to the CVFPB by the Department of Water Resources for fiscal year 2021-2022. The CVFPB will receive evidence or testimony from any landowner or other interested person relevant to the proposed program of work, the necessity for such work, or the estimated cost thereof.

Within 10 days of the meeting date, please check the CVFPB website www.cvfpb.ca.gov for a copy of the proposed budget and an agenda for the April 23th meeting.

If you need reasonable accommodations, call (916) 654-0533, as soon as possible, for arrangements.

Gridley Herald April 9 and 16, 2021



GOT NEWS ?

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 projects described below. The hearing before the Planning Commission will be held at a regular meeting scheduled **Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.** in Gridley City Hall Council Chambers, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. All interested persons are invited to attend or submit comments in writing.

Introduction of a General Plan Amendment GPA 2-20, Pre-zone RZ 2-20, and Tentative Parcel Map 2-20; Annexation 2-20; Mitigated Negative Declaration 2-20; Darryl & Sue Bernard, Applicant; Application for a proposed General Plan Amendment, Pre-zone, Tentative Map, Annexation and Mitigated Negative Declaration of approximately 40.0 acres. The applicant proposes to annex the property into the City of Gridley providing to amend the General Plan land use designation of Residential, Low Density, to General Plan Medium Density and pre-zoned for Single Family Residential District(R-1). The property is located on the east side of West Biggs Gridley Road, north and contiguous to the Heron Landing Subdivision. (022-210-092)

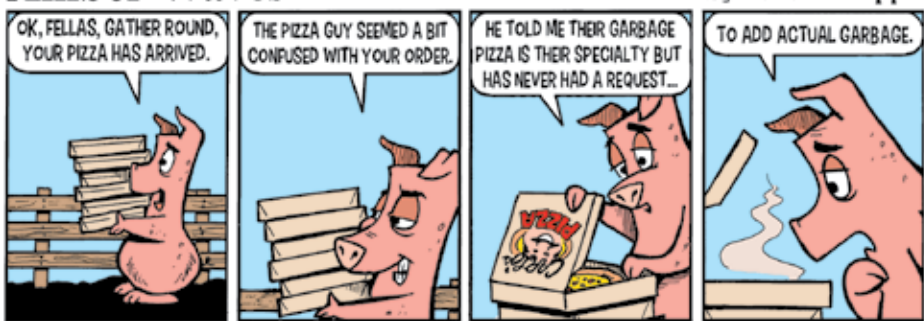
SUMMARY:

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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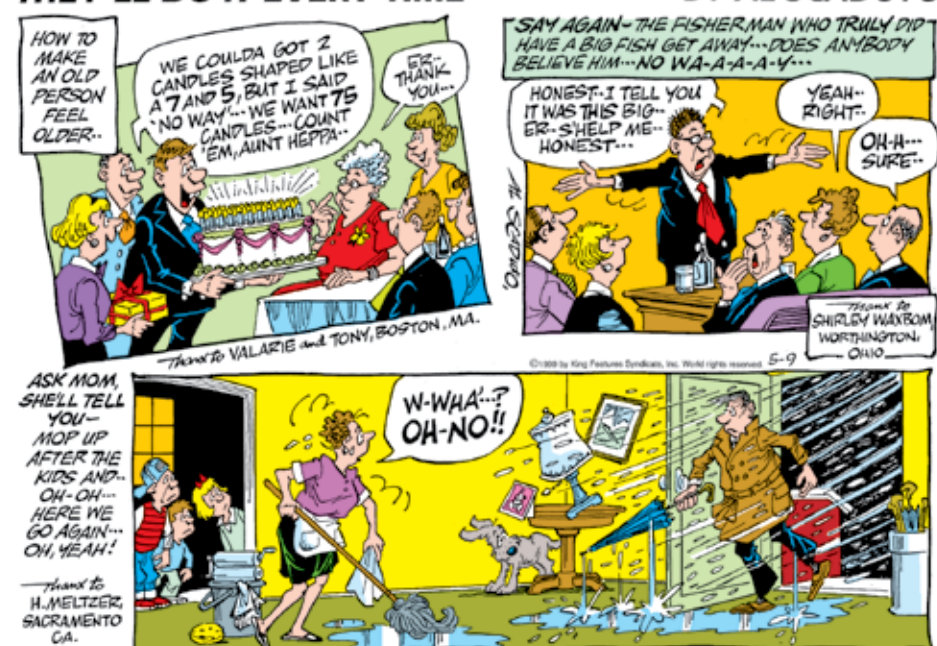
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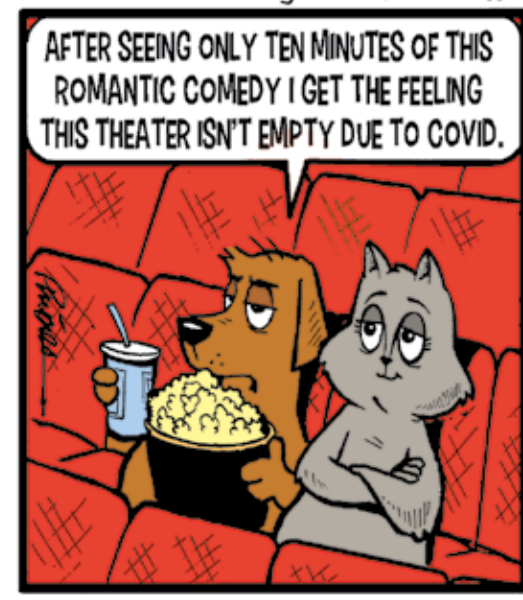
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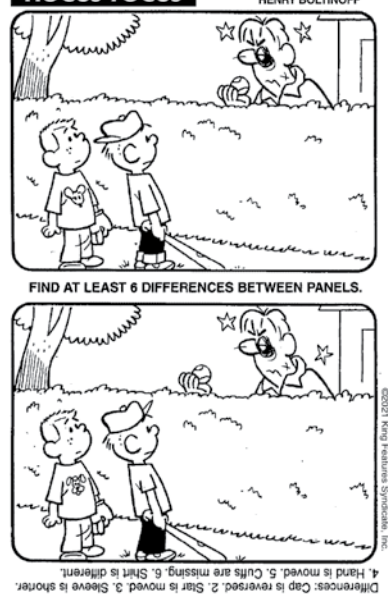
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SPORTS

Gridley Lady Bulldogs Battle to Victory in Colusa 11-8

By Joshua Porcayo

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Lady Bulldogs got four games into their 2019-2020 season before things shut down their 3-1 start. Since March 12, 2020, the Lady Bulldogs have been eager to get back onto the field to get back where they left off. Wednesday, March 31, 2021, the varsity Lady Bulldogs got back onto the field for the first time since then to put their talents back into action against the Colusa High School Redhawks.

Junior pitcher McKenna Speer started in the circle for Gridley looking strong and poised. With some great hitting by the Lady Redhawks offense, the Lady Bulldogs fell behind 0-5 after two innings. Not until the fourth inning did the Lady Bulldogs come alive and put up five runs of their own to tie the game 5-5. Speer was replaced by sophomore pitcher Emry Egan as the Lady Bulldogs continued to battle the Lady Redhawks.

In the top of the sixth inning the Lady Bulldogs



Gridley High School varsity softball player, Emry Egan (#15), delivers a pitch during the Lady Bulldogs' first game of the season against the Colusa Redhawks on Wednesday. Egan would get the win after the Lady Bulldogs won 11-8. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

pulled ahead with three runs before the Lady Redhawks tied it up 8-8

in the bottom half of the inning. In the top of the seventh inning with

two outs, senior Maribel Garcia got on base before senior Kate Pilgram

moved her to third base with a bloop double over an outreached Redhawk

second baseman. That's when sophomore center fielder, Avery Weagant, stepped into the batter's box with full confidence. "I was just hoping to pull through for everyone. I know we've all been working hard so it was good to make my team happy," said Weagant after the game. With two outs, and two on, Weagant smashed a stand up double over the center fielder's head driving in Garcia and Pilgram to take the 10-8 lead. Senior Ally Mardesich would drive in Weagant with a single of her own before being called out on a bogus base running call.

Egan would go three up, three down from the circle, freezing up and striking out the final Redhawk batter to end the game and give the Lady Bulldogs the 11-8 victory. After the game, Egan would say, "That made me feel great! Both Ana (Lady Bulldogs catcher) and I jumped at each other. It was amazing." The Lady Bulldogs carry a lot of talented softball players this season, all capable of stepping up and performing in any situation. ★

Biggs Varsity Football Cruises to Victory on Homecoming

By Joshua Porcayo

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Biggs Wolverines have been a force to be reckoned with this football season. In four games, the Wolverines have outscored their opponents 212-35. Thursday, April 1, 2021, in their second contest this season against Hamilton High School, the Wolverines cruised to the 47-7 victory, capping off an exciting homecoming evening for the school and community.

Shavon Gramps-Green stayed electric with 8 carries for 163 yards and 4 touchdowns. Gramps-Green also caught one pass from quarterback Gregg Slusser for a 69-yard touchdown. Parker Finley carried the ball 11 times for 115 yards and 2 scores.

On the defensive side of the ball, Gramps-Green led the team with 10 solo tackles and a forced fumble. Junior linebacker, Cody Roles, tallied up 9 tackles in the contest with fellow bash brother, Camren Jackson, getting 8 tackles of



Biggs High School Homecoming queen (Megan Shelton) and king (Tanner Job) pose for a picture after being crowned before the varsity football game. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

his own. Jacob Hartley tallied 8 tackles himself, with Finley getting 6 tackles and 2 sacks on the quarterback.

A huge congratulations to Megan Shelton and Tanner Job for being crowned queen and king during Homecoming celebrations. Last year's queen, Abby Mattos, and king, Tyler Job, crowned the new queen and king. This year's court royalty consisted

of candidates Megan Shelton and Daniel Santillan, Jackie Gonzalez and Tanner Job, and Grace Ramos and Aiden Solansky. Santillan, Job, and Solansky are all members of the varsity football team. Shelton and Gonzalez are varsity cheerleaders, and Ramos is a stat keeper during the games. All candidates are multi-sport athletes for the Wolverines. ★

Live Oak Lions Open Football Season against Durham

By Joshua Porcayo

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The last time the Live Oak Lions varsity football team stepped onto the field for a contest was a play-off game on November 15, 2019 against a tough Paradise opponent. Since then, the football team has acquired a new head coach, Robert Tilton, and staff members. Many of the same players were back on the gridiron at Durham High School Friday evening, April 2, 2021, for the Trojan's Homecoming night.

A rough start had the Lions behind early in the game as the Trojan's controlled the offense and defense in the first half. Down 41-0 at halftime, the Lions kept fighting the rest of the game. A forced fumble recovered in the end zone by the Lions eventually got them on the board, but the Trojan attack was too much for the Lions who fell 49-13

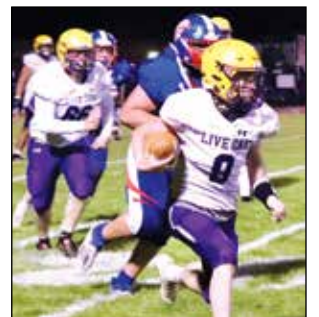


Live Oak High School varsity football captain, Odin Moody (#7), leads the team onto the field before the Lions' first football game of the season against the Durham Trojans on Friday. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

in the contest.

Senior quarterback Tony Vallejo led the rushing attack with 133 yards in the contest. Sophomore running back, Raul Romero, rushed for 110 yards in the game.

The Lions will host their only home game of their four game season on Friday, April 9, 2021, against the Winters Warriors. The varsity game begins at 7:30 PM. ★



Live Oak High School varsity football quarterback, Tony Vallejo (#9), runs the ball for a gain against the Durham Trojans during the Lions' first football game of the season.



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For John C., Men’s Liberty is a “lifesaver.”

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Will this urinary breakthrough sink the \$7 billion adult diaper industry?

Many experts think so. Because adult diapers are not covered by Medicare, the estimated four million men who use them daily pay as much as \$300 a month in out of pocket costs.

Tucson resident, Sam T., wore them for years. “I remember the continued moisture in my crotch would give me a yeast infection, not a good thing,” he says.

Sam wore four or five absorbents during the day, and two or three at night. “All of that went away when I found Men’s Liberty,” he smiles.

Enjoy Life Again

“I can wear Men’s Liberty for 24 hours with minimal interruption,” says Sam, “even after drinking coffee!”

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social affairs are all possible now. Our granddaughter graduated with honors from high school last week,” says the beaming grandfather. “I sat beside my wife, applauding!”

During the sizzling hot Arizona summers, you’ll always find Sam in a pair of cargo shorts.

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“The feeling of not wanting to associate with others because you fear loss of control, or fear what others might think of you, goes away.”

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“I saw an ad on the internet,” says Sam, “that showed some guy wearing these briefs, walking around with a big smile on his face.”

“I thought to myself, yeah... if I had two cups of urine sloshing around my crotch, I wouldn’t be smiling, and I would sure be walking ‘funny.’”

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