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## You're Someone's Type!



GHS Leadership Students prove that it's cool to donate blood! GHS hosted Vitalant at their blood drive, Tuesday March 23rd. Pictured from left to right: Evelyn Horton, Audrey Johnson, Emily Ruiz, Damian Mendoza, and Brady Crabtree. Photo by Jennifer Davidson

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - One of the multitude of things that COVID-19 has affected over the last year is the collection of life-saving blood and holding of blood drives.

The Food and Drug Administration says that "blood supplies have been dramatically reduced due to the implementation of social distancing and the cancellation of blood drives." And the American Red Cross has been urging healthy individuals able to donate to do so as often as possible.

Recently, Gridley High School Leadership Class worked together with Vitalant, a non-profit organization that collects blood from volunteer donors, to host a blood drive at the school. "The leadership class organized the blood drive this year because we want

to support our local blood banks, especially when their supplies are reduced due to covid. We're always looking for ways to support the surrounding community and this is a great way for our entire school to participate," says leadership advisor Jennifer Davidson.

On Tuesday, March 23rd, Vitalant's mobile blood collection units parked in front of the high school and leadership students manned the donation check-in station. Students handed out information packets, t-shirts and helped Vitalant staff ensure the safety of all those donating blood through ensuring social distancing and COVID-19 safety precautions were in full effect.

Robin Carter, Donor Recruitment Representative with Vitalant, who worked with Advisors Davidson and Tammy Carr to organize the blood

bank said, "You did a great job of recruiting donors. You registered 39 donors and collected 36 life-saving units! There were 28 whole blood donations and 4 double red cell donations." Carter goes on to say that high school events like this typically have a lot of no-shows or deferrals, and that the amount collected was more than expected. GHS leadership class collected 16 units over their assigned collection goal of 20!

Carter thanked GHS saying, "Again, thank you so much for your support on this life-saving event! Your donations will help patients both locally and beyond!"

The next scheduled blood drive in the Gridley area will be held Thursday, April 29th, from 2:00 -6:00 pm at the First Presbyterian Church, 495 Kentucky Street, Gridley. ★

## A Reprieve from FEMA

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - After months of it looking like the end was near for the FEMA Direct Housing Program, another extension has been granted past the May 2021 deadline.

Originally, the temporary housing facility established for Camp Fire Survivors at the Gridley Industrial Park, was supposed to be available for fire evacuees until June of 2020, with the potential to extend until 2021. Ideally, both Cal OES and FEMA had hoped to utilize the park for less than that time and return it to the City of Gridley.

Last year in March, a year extension was granted to those living in the FEMA parks, with the stipulation that those remaining would be required to pay rent. Rent would be based on current housing market values based on bedrooms/baths in the unit. Certain applicants could qualify for reduced rent or appeal the charges altogether.

With the hard deadline of May 2021 approaching rapidly, FEMA reps and FEMA residents nervously considered the few options for those still at the site, which wasn't much. Concerned volunteers with the Gridley Relief Group worried that residents would be put out on the streets.

Then, Camp Fire survivors still at the site got some great news: FEMA has agreed to sell the modular housing units to the survivors and has extended the deadline.

At the most recent Gridley Relief Group meeting, Bruce Yerman, Voluntary Liaison for FEMA outlined what that would look like. Only residents in good standing would qualify for potential MHU purchases. Yerman shares that letters of intent were sent to residents living at the FEMA park last week, notifying survivors of the opportunity to purchase the units they are currently living in. Residents have 15 days to respond to FEMA whether they are interested in purchasing their unit. If so, FEMA will calculate an offer for the unit based on the National Automobile Dealers Association pricing guide. Because each unit is different (age, bedrooms, condition) FEMA is hesitant to share pricing information due to the varying costs. Those purchasing the units will be fully responsible for utilities, transportation costs, insurance, liability, etc. FEMA will not provide any financial assistance in purchasing these units. FEMA estimates about 90 qualifying residences between the Gridley and Hegan sites.

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## Three Fatalities Result from SR-70 Collision



Image of the overturned Ford Explorer; The driver of the Lexus was not injured and the vehicle received the least damage. Photo: CHP

By Officer Joshua Oglesby, California Highway Patrol

**YUBA-SUTTER AREA, CA (MPG)** - On March 29, at 6:18 am, CHP Chico Communication Center received a call of a white Ford F250 driving recklessly (unable to maintain lanes and erratic speeds) traveling southbound SR-70 south of Lower Honcut

Road. At 6:21 am the white F250 while traveling southbound within the northbound lane, collided with a Ford Explorer traveling northbound SR-70 just north of Chandler Road. The impact caused the Ford Explorer to veer off the east shoulder where it overturned and caught fire. The F250 overturned in the northbound lane and impacted with a white Lexus RX350

that was traveling northbound SR-70.

Both drivers of the Ford F250 and the Ford Explorer sustained fatal injuries as a result of the collision and where pronounced deceased at the scene by paramedics. The driver of the Lexus was uninjured in the collision.

The use of alcohol and or drugs in this collision are unknown at this time. ★

# The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

Word on the street is that the FEMA village has received a reprieve. The deadline for closure has been pushed out a few months. That is good news for the City of Gridley. FEMA pays the City rent.

One missed year of high school sports has created a lot of gratitude as the stories of our local young people competing again are found on the pages of the

Herald. Besides doubling the number of Joshs at the newspaper Joshua Porcayo does a great job of retelling the drama of all of the high school sports matches for those of us who are unable to attend in person.

Some time ago I wrote a column that said you can judge a community by adding up the number of churches and the number of bars. I have recently developed a new assessment metric based on how many times I have to hear the F word when I go to a store in a town. I recently stopped in Tehachapi California to pick something up at their Walmart and was baffled by the number of people who seem to be completely oblivious to normal social constructs. I'm quite

forgiving and I can understand one who would let loose an expletive upon hitting their thumb with a hammer but being unable to find Diet Coke is no reason to fill the air with obscenities.

In my ongoing quest to emphasize literacy and human interaction I proffer the Pi -Line Conversation starter of the week. When you find yourself with other human beings invite them to discuss whether they begin eating the chocolate Easter rabbit from his head or his feet, and then ask what this says about the person who chooses to eat the rabbit in either of these two manners. Happy Easter.

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

# Appeals Court Sets Date in Case Against Newsom

By Curtis Grima, California State Assembly

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - California Assemblymembers James Gallagher (R-Yuba City) and Kevin Kiley (R-Rocklin) announced that an Appellate Court has scheduled oral argument in their lawsuit challenging Governor Gavin Newsom's abuse of emergency powers during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. The parties will appear before the 3rd District Court of Appeal in Sacramento on April 20 at 9:30 AM.

"California has not been well-served by one-man rule. We are asking the court of appeals to affirm the superior's court's decision and protect our representative government from the abuses

of this or any future Governor," said Assemblymembers Gallagher and Kiley.

On November 14th, a California State Superior Court finalized its ruling determining that Governor Gavin Newsom abused his authority by changing state law in violation of the California Constitution during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Assemblymembers' lawsuit challenges the legality of Executive Order N-67-20 which changed several statutory laws overnight. Gallagher and Kiley contend that this was an unconstitutional act because it invaded the powers that are left to the Legislature alone. Newsom argued that a State of Emergency "centralizes the State's powers in the hands of the Governor."

# Lions Send Gakhal Onward

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - As the race tightens, competitors in the Lions Club 84th Student Speakers Contest are weeded out until only the very best remain.

Gridley Lions held the club level contest in early March, pitting Biggs and Gridley high school seniors against each other. The winner, Ms. Harjot Gakhal, returned to the Lions' Den March 24th, to give her speech again to a panel of three judges as part of the Zone Contest. This year's topic was "Distance and Online Learning: Pros and Cons".

Speakers are judged on originality, how well they adhere to the topic, their delivery, enunciation, and persuasiveness. Lions Club rules mandate that no audio/video recordings, note taking,



Lions Speech Contest Zone winner Harjot Gakhal (left) receives a Certificate of Appreciation from Gridley Lions Zone Chairperson, Mandi Daniels (right). Photo by Seti Long

or otherwise sharing the content of a contestant's speech outside the den walls is allowed. This ensures integrity as the candidate climbs higher in competition. That said, Gakhal presented her argument clearly, calmly and confidently.

Gakhal's recitation for the Lions' Den and

invite-only guests was her last competition before moving to the Regional Contest, to be held on or before April 19, 2021. There she will join fellow zone winning speakers, vying for the opportunity to take home over \$103,000 in scholarship funds as they compete at each of the six levels.

# A Reprieve from FEMA

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In addition to the potential sales of the units, FEMA has announced the End of Program Date has now been extended to September 12,

2021. Residents are in the process of being notified of the extension and that rent for units will be enforced beginning May 13, 2021, with the first payments due June 1st.

# Gridley Police Department: Phone Scam Information

Gridley Police Department

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Police Department has received information that people have been receiving calls from phone numbers that appear to be from the police department. The callers

identify themselves as police officers and state the call recipient has an arrest warrant and request payment to avoid criminal proceedings. Please be advised that no member of our department will call you to request payment related to any outstanding arrest warrant.



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## April Blood Drives

**For All Blood Drives:**  
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**GRIDLEY**

**First Presbyterian Church Blood Drive**  
Thursday, April 29 • 2 – 6 p.m.  
495 Kentucky Street, Gridley

**MARYSVILLE/YUBA**

**NorCal Asset Solutions Blood Drive**  
Friday, April 2 • 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Bloodmobiles  
1095 Stafford Way, Suite K, Yuba City

**St. Joseph Catholic Church Blood Drive**  
Sunday, April 18 • 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Parish Hall  
702 C Street, Marysville

**Yuba College Blood Drive**  
Wednesday, April 21 • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Located in the Cafeteria  
2088 N. Beale Road, Marysville

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**  
**Plumas Lake Blood Drive**  
Friday, April 23 • 1 – 6 p.m.  
Located on the bloodmobiles  
Eufay Wood Sr. Memorial Park – corner of River Oaks & Zanes, Plumas Lake

**OROVILLE**

**Oroville Community Blood Drive**  
Thursday, April 1 • 1 – 5 p.m.  
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints  
2390 Monte Vista Blvd., Oroville

**Bangor Community Blood Drive**  
Wednesday, April 21 • 2 – 6 p.m.  
Located at the Bangor Community Hall  
7500 Oroville Bangor Highway, Bangor

**PARADISE**

**Paradise High School & Community Blood Drive**  
Wednesday, April 28 • 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Bloodmobiles next to Paradise High School  
Corner of Maxwell & Elliott Roads, Paradise

## AB 516 Clears Assembly Education Committee with Full Support



Megan Dahle

By Erik Brahms, Office of Assemblywoman Megan Dahle

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On March 24, 2021, Assembly Bill 516 by Assemblywoman Megan Dahle (R-Bieber) passed out of the California Assembly Education Committee on a vote of 7-0 in support of the bill. The legislation will allow students to be excused from school in order to participate in a cultural ceremony or event.

Current law only allows absences to be excused if they are for a religious purpose, which excludes

legitimate cultural events and ceremonies that are equally important to encourage pupils to participate in. As a result, Native American families often feel penalized when they have their children participate in cultural ceremonies or events as the days are not excused.

“Rural counties have the highest percentage of Native students with the highest absenteeism.” Said Dr. April Lea Go Forth, Executive Director of Resources for Indian Student Education (RISE) located in Modoc County. “There are schools that record those absences as ‘excused’ for religious purposes. While the gesture and effort to respect ancient traditions is appreciated, it is a lie and approves dishonestly. Our ceremonies are not dogma-bound practices of religion. Each event holds spiritual purpose to develop personal growth, preserve

life values and reinforce community.”

“This misrepresentation is untenable, and AB 516 provides the simple, necessary fix to support our Native American students.” Said Dahle. “This bill will end a long-held practice of false reporting that backfires on respect. It also could not come at a better time given the current pandemic and will help students connect deeper to their culture, spirituality, and academics.”

Assemblywoman Dahle serves on the Assembly Appropriations Committee, which will be the next committee to consider AB 516 this spring.

Assemblywoman Dahle represents the 1st Assembly District in the California Legislature, which includes portions of Butte and Placer counties, along with Lassen, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, and Siskiyou counties. ★

## The Gridley Cannery and Summer Jobs

By Doris Pettersen

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - It's gone now; the old Libby's cannery, once reportedly the largest cannery in the United States (or perhaps the world). It was for many years the largest employer in Gridley and a mainstay of our economy. Our area was the home of many, many peach orchards and those peaches had to be canned. Later the cannery also added the canning of pumpkins. Life goes on and now we have walnuts, but a generation ago peaches were our primary crop.

A generation ago, when our kids were young, summer vacation did not mean foreign travel or pleasant days of “sleeping in”. Summer meant, for every kid who was worth his or her salt, twelve- or fourteen-hour days of work. Somehow the “powers that be” hadn't yet realized the fragility of the younger generation, or that they were not really capable of thinking for themselves as far as safety was concerned.

Our girls, like most of their friends, worked night shifts at the cannery – eight hours of standing by a moving belt while unending supplies of peaches passed in front of them. Each peach had to be split and pitted. They usually worked on the “fuzzy belts”, the least desirable job as the un-lyed peaches made one itch. Our son, on the other hand, worked in the lab. He wore a white hat

and (at least in his sister's opinion) did nothing all day except stroll around impressing the girls – an early example, in their eyes, of sexual discrimination. I still remember the first night one daughter worked at the cannery. She had already put in a long day of babysitting a family of five preschoolers when she was called to report for a shift. She staggered into the house at 4 a.m. in tears. “Mom, I just can't do it.” She sobbed. (But she did go back the next night).

Our younger sons, once they reached their early teens, worked driving equipment. I don't remember how kids acquired their jobs; I don't think parents had anything to do with it. There must have been some sort of an underground communication system. I know they weren't yet old enough to have driver's licenses, because I had to get up at four to drive them out to the fields. First it was forklifts, later shakers and catcher framers, later yet work repairing machinery for various ranchers.

As the years went by jobs changed. One daughter learned to drive (as, I believe, a fourteen-year-old) traveling the back roads delivering water to those who were flagging for crop-dusters, and later herself worked flagging. They picked prunes early on, worked on a tomato harvester over near the Sacramento River (where rattlesnakes were frequently harvested

along with the tomatoes and thrown up on the belt in front of the workers). Later came summers working as a lifeguard at the pool or teaching swim lessons during the day, while still working nights at the cannery.

Life at home those summers was a little haphazard. Some were working nights, others during the days, some both. The crock-pot was always on and meals were “catch-as-catch can”. But, on the other hand, kids were able to earn almost enough to pay most of the cost when those inevitable college expenses came along. They did grow up with the knowledge that they could handle an “adult” job and with some wonderful memories of post-shift breakfasts at The Bungalow with their friends. Those jobs also left them with a life-long work ethic which has served them in good stead.

One daughter reported recently that at a meeting with the “higher-ups” at her company everyone was asked to tell about their first job. As they shared the laughter of early teenage job experiences it was suggested that this was an important question to ask prospective employees. What can present-day kids answer? In an attempt to “keep them safe” are we robbing them of a chance to grow up and take adult responsibility? Sometimes I'm afraid we are. ★

## BINTF Issues Warning Concerning Lethal Counterfeit Pills

Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force Sergeant Sam Burnett

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Recently there has been an increase in the number of overdoses in Butte County related to counterfeit pills containing Fentanyl. Fentanyl is a very powerful synthetic opiate that is 50-100 times more potent than morphine and 30-50 times more potent than heroin. An amount as small as 2 milligrams (about the size of 7 grains of salt) is enough to be a fatal dose of Fentanyl. There has been a rise in counterfeit pills recently containing Fentanyl. These counterfeit pills are pressed using a pill press and can be made to look like legitimate



Counterfeit Xanax pills. Photo: BINTF

prescription medication.

The most popular counterfeit pills are Oxycodone pills commonly called “M30's” and Xanax pills commonly referred to as “Zani Bars;” however, these counterfeit pills can be pressed to look like any form of legitimate prescription medication.

For your safety, do not use medications that are

not prescribed by a physician and obtained from a legitimate pharmacist. Even one of these counterfeit pills can be deadly if they are not formulated properly. If you have any information regarding the sales of counterfeit pills or other narcotics, please contact the Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force at 530-538-2261. ★



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# Chico Teacher Sentenced for Child Molest

By Michael L. Ramsey, Butte County District Attorney

OROVILLE, CA. (MPG) - A former Chico teacher was sentenced to five years in state prison today after pleading no contest to sexual offenses involving a former student. Two of the counts related to crimes committed when the victim was under 16, and two related to crimes committed when the victim was under 18.

Jenifer Lynn Smith, 50, who was a Spanish teacher at Bidwell Junior High School, began an abusive sexual relationship with one of her students at about the time of the young girl turned 14 in 2010. The abuse continued until after the victim turned 18. The victim came forward and reported the abuse to police in 2020.

District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the now young woman revealed Smith began paying extra attention to her after the victim confided to Smith that she

had a turbulent home life. Smith then began spending time with the victim outside of school hours by including her in Smith's own family outings. The victim ultimately moved in with Smith's family, and Smith described the victim to friends and associates as her daughter, despite regularly providing the victim marijuana and alcohol while molesting her.

Ramsey said at today's sentencing hearing, the victim addressed the court and described her years of abuse, and told of the emotional pain she still feels as a result of what Smith did to her. The victim further thanked the people who came to support her in the courtroom, including another alleged victim who claimed Smith attempted to groom her for sexual abuse several years before Smith met the current victim.

Superior Court Judge Michael Deems denied Smith's request for probation and sentenced Smith to the maximum term under the

charges Smith plead to, and she was remanded from the courtroom to begin serving her five-year prison term.

"Teachers in our community are trusted with our most precious things - our children. Teachers who violate that trust by sexually abusing their students do great harm to their victims and their community at large," said Ramsey. "We owe a debt of great gratitude to this brave young lady who came forward and shared her story with us. Her courage allowed us to take a dangerous predator off the streets."

Documents filed with the court stated Smith had been on mandatory leave from her teaching position since her arrest and that she is expected to resign from her job and surrender her teaching credential in the face of certain action by the California Board of Education.

Smith will be required to register as a sex offender after prison for a minimum of 20 years. ★



### Water Projects Reduce and Delay Deliveries

Water worries intensified for California farmers Tuesday. The State Water Project announced it would cut its water allocation by half, to 5%, and the federal Central Valley Project said it would delay delivery of its 5% allocation to agricultural customers south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. In addition, the state water board has warned water-rights holders to plan for potential shortages.

### Farm Bureau Conference Focuses On State Issues

Drought concerns surfaced frequently during the California Farm Bureau Capitol AG Day event, held via video conference Tuesday. Farm Bureau President Jamie Johansson expressed disappointment with the slow progress of projects funded through a 2014 water bond, and urged movement on voluntary river-flow agreements intended to head off further water cuts. The conference featured discussions with legislative and administration leaders on a variety of topics.

### Farm Exports Face Delays at Ports

Agricultural exporters say they've having a "nightmare" of a time moving farm products through California ports. A surge in cargo volumes, a reduced port workforce and other problems have contributed to a shortage in shipping containers. Shippers trying to export California crops and commodities say they've experienced canceled bookings, increased costs and concerns about lost business. They fear the problems may not ease for weeks or even months.

### Union-access Rule Undergoes Supreme Court Review

A decision could come by the end of June, after the U.S. Supreme Court took up a California regulation that allows union organizers to recruit farm employees on a farmer's property. Two agricultural employers challenged the regulation, describing it as an unconstitutional taking of private property by the government. Farm groups say the regulation goes against Supreme Court precedent, especially when unions have other ways to communicate with farm employees. ★

# Dear Dietitian

## Orthorexia Nervosa



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

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

Sheila

Dear Sheila,

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

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

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

At this point, it is unclear if the disorder is a part of anorexia nervosa, stands alone as a disorder, or is a part of

obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD). It is known to affect women more often than men and is more prevalent in Western countries than in other parts of the world. Orthorexia may lead to nutrient deficiencies and malnutrition.

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

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

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

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

Until next time, be healthy!

Dear Dietitian

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**SPARKY'S CORNER**  
**Playing with Matches**

Sparky wants to remind his friends that lighters and matches are not toys, they are for adults only. Matches and lighters are very dangerous, they can get very hot and burn you very easily. Sparky has a few tips for you to remember:

- Never play with matches, lighters, candles or anything else with an open flame.
- If you find matches or a lighter don't touch it, tell an adult right away.
- If you see another kid playing with matches or lighters tell an adult right away.

Thank You, and Be Safe!!  
**Sparky the Dog**  
**Gridley Fire Station 74**

# Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

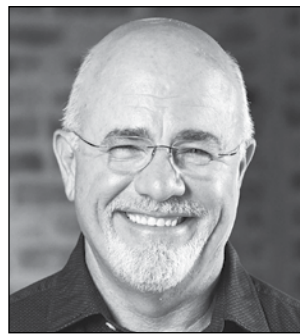
Does April Fool's Day, have anything to do with the arrival of spring? There is a mention of a line in Chaucer's Tale of the Nun that refers to a day for fools on March 32. That date when the calendar was changed became April, 1st. At no time in the research was there a mention of

spring, gardening or flowers. That is disappointing. Whatever the reason I think the weather in California likes to participate in the pranks of April 1st. Will it rain? Will it get cold again? Will it be sunny? Whatever happens we can all rejoice in being an April Fool.

The vegetable plants I started are getting put into the garden. The squash has blooms and are ready to get out of their pots. The Bell Peppers will go into bigger pots to wait a bit longer before going into the garden. I wanted to start tomatoes but that was not to be. Those were bought and are already in the ground. I often wonder why my beloved vegetable

gardener puts things into the garden so early because they will simply sit there until the soil is warmer, but that is how it is done by the man of the house.

Snails are resurfacing and I see their shiny slime trails all over the sidewalk out back. I am going to put a line of some liquid snail bait I found last year, along the edge of the patio. It is ugly black stuff but it seems to work on places where I need a barrier to the snails. I had myself fooled that I had eliminated the snails, wrong. I did slow them down by last fall but we'll see how that holds up this spring. Get outside and plant something. It will do you good. ★



## It'll Work Out Better In The Long Run

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are having a financial disagreement. I would like to go ahead and fully fund our Roth IRAs, even though we have about \$10,000 in car loan debt. She, on the other hand, thinks we should pay off the debt first. We can probably have either one completed by the end of the year. What do you think we should do?

—Mark

Dear Mark

I've got to go along with your wife on this one. I'm glad you two are having money discussions,

## Dave Ramsey Says

and working toward making decisions together, but you'll never get control of your finances until you rid yourself of the mindset that debt is okay. Once you lose that idea, you'll begin to understand missing a year of funding your Roth IRAs isn't going to kill you. It's also not going to prevent you from becoming wealthy and living like no one else when it's time to start thinking about retirement.

If you stay in the mindset that having debt is okay, or that you're going to let it hang around, eventually it will really mess you up financially. Winning with money is more about behavior than math. Don't get me wrong, you need to crunch the numbers and be mindful of them, but all the mathematical components are nothing but theory if the behavior doesn't kick in.

So yeah, I'm siding with your wife on this

one. Just follow the Baby Steps plan. Have all your debt paid off, except for your home, and an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses saved and set aside before you start any long-term investing. A lot of folks will tell you my way isn't mathematically correct, but it will work better in the long run – for your money, your marriage, and in other areas of your life!

—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



Greetings in the name of the Lord our risen Savior and may the thorns of life be replaced by the "Good News" of our salvation. This time of Lent is "good news" and not a morbid look at death on a barren hill.

All we have to remember is that Jesus suffered hunger as we do, pain as we do, sadness as we do, and death as we will. He was man, but He was our Lord, and to experience life as we do, God placed Jesus, right in the thick of man's life struggles. He does understand our problems.

If we look at Jesus' life in relationship to ours, we'll see that He experienced the same problems and disappointments as we do. The only difference is that He was blessed as God's Son and had a strength based upon a faith in His Father that was firsthand. He had lived with the Father and knew that His sacrifice was the ultimate job for any being. We are led by His

examples on earth to that faith, a faith that will only be fulfilled by our total trust in a Father so loving that He created a whole world for a creature that turned time after time from His guidance and protection only to be welcomed back with open arms.

Our Lenten journey is not really us accompanying Jesus on His way of sorrows. It's the other way around: He walks the path of our sorrows so that we might get to Easter. We accompany Him on His walk to Calvary so that it can happen to us – again – and so that through this walk we may repent, reconstruct, and repair our lives that we may live with Him through eternity.

Jesus' first word from the cross (Luke 23:24) is God's last word for sinners – forgiveness. That forgiveness is a fact. We can count on it. We can live by it. It's the one true fact of life. The Lord God almighty forgives us all of our sins no matter the extent. The thief on the cross is a prime example. You and I are the present-day thieves hanging by our Lord are we ready to ask the question of Christ, "Jesus remember me when, you come into your

kingdom." (Luke 23:42)

This Lenten season should be the walk back to God, to His son the Lamb, and to the Holy Spirit that keeps us all, "on line." When thorns dig in, we must reach out for aid and that aid is God's love for all of us, no matter how stained, how torn, how used up or how late in life. The cross is God at work in His beloved Son to become our, "Abba" (Father), to restore us to the relationship of a trusting child to a loving parent.

"Seek and ye shall find. Knock and it shall be opened unto you." (Matt 7:7) All you have to do is ask and God will answer with outstretched arms. "Remember me is paradise" is not a dream but a reality for all men. Do you have the courage and faith to ask? Why not try? It's easier than you think; just believe.

In our daily crucifixions, we too hand helplessly like the thief. But as sinners' pleas for mercy echo across the years, and when all we can do is blurt out, "Jesus, remember me!" the response of our Lord is constant, "Yes. Today. With Me," and that's paradise. ★

# Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

Windy looked out the window. A great day for helping. Windy Wilson sets one day aside each week for helping others, you see, and this was helping day.

Mrs. Morris, he thought, checking on the calendar. Yes, Mrs. Morris's poor old shed that's leaning dangerously to one side.

"I can just whup over there today and see that gets fixated," Windy said, smiling. "By dark, she'll have a perp-up-and-dicular shed she can be proud of."

Windy talks like that. A lot.

Armed with enough tools to recreate the city of Troy, Windy arrived at

## Life is good

Mrs. Morris's house and set to work. He rigged a come-along to a tree and used it to straighten the shed. Then, while he had it straight up, he attacked it with bracing.

Mrs. Morris brought him coffee a couple of times, and later had him in for lunch. Mr. Morris passed away several years ago, and some of these bigger chores were beyond her abilities.

Windy hadn't asked Mrs. Morris about fixing the shed, because that's part of the fun for him. You just show up and do it. Do it until it's done. And ... you do it right. Fortunately, Windy has always been pretty handy with tools.

By three o'clock, that shed was up and braced, and several loose boards had been nailed back in their homes again. He brought the can of paint

out of his truck and started painting it the same light green it had always been.

Inside the house, Mrs. Morris looked out upon the wonder of a reconditioned shed in her back yard. She picked up the phone.

"Mr. Johnson? This is Mrs. Morris. That's right. Look, I know I'd asked you to take down my old shed, but I've changed my mind. No, I don't think the old shed will fall on anyone. Thanks so much anyway."

Nothing like a good helping day, Windy thought, rinsing out his paint brush and dancing a little jig carrying the tools back to his pickup. It has been what he'd call a fantasmserious afternoon.

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# Overnight Utility Work Set for State Route 162 in Oroville

By Gilbert Mohtes-Chan, Caltrans

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Caltrans is alerting motorists and residents about overnight utility work on a two-mile stretch of State Highway 162 in eastern Oroville over the next two months.

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. crews are scheduled to start work Sunday night, March 28 for tree and brush removal

between Lower Wyandotte Road and the Gold Country Casino. PG&E will also be relocating natural gas and power lines in the area through May.

Motorists may expect intermittent lane restrictions from approximately 8 p.m. to 7 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. Residents may hear loud construction noises during those hours.

The utility work is in advance of construction on a major safety improvement project on Highway 162 scheduled to start later this year. The safety project includes constructing two-way left turn lanes, widening the shoulders and creating an area allowing vehicles that veer off the roadway to return safely onto the highway. Weather or unexpected events may

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

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**Crossword Puzzle Solutions on Page 6**

**CLUES**  
ACROSS  
1. \*Kennedy and Ruby  
6. Credit card acr.  
9. Just in case  
13. Yemeni's neighbor  
14. Scheduled to arrive  
15. \*First full-disk image of it was taken in 1966  
16. Alleviated  
17. Wildfire remains  
18. One born to Japanese immigrants  
19. \*"Catch-22" author  
21. \*Oscar-winning leading lady of "Mary Poppins"  
23. Green or black beverage  
24. Piercing woodwind  
25. Mom in U. K.  
28. \_\_\_ and drab  
30. Good-for-nothing  
35. \*TV's Batman, \_\_\_ West  
37. Figure skater's jump  
39. Make happy  
40. Hitchhiker's quest  
41. \*"Wilt the \_\_\_" of pro basketball  
43. Femur, e.g.  
44. Cut it out  
46. Away from port  
47. Largest organ of human body  
48. Like anti-cruelty society  
50. Same as #42 Down  
52. Even, to a poet  
53. Roaster's spot  
55. \*It's the loneliest number  
57. \*Sam Walton's company  
61. \*Haircut popularized by the Beatles  
64. Relating to axis  
65. PC brain  
67. \*Sting Ray and Mustang, e.g.  
69. Threshing hand tool  
70. \*On \_\_\_ Majesty's Secret Service"  
71. Dostoyevsky's novel, with The  
72. Seaside bird  
73. Tibetan ox  
74. Condemn  
  
DOWN  
1. \*Hasbro's G. I.  
2. Same as ayah  
3. Four six-packs  
4. Genuflected  
5. Sashayed  
6. Month of Purim  
7. Abscess contents  
8. Repair  
9. Bear's den  
10. Gaelic tongue  
11. Meat and potato dish  
12. Not that  
15. Take to one's heart  
20. \_\_\_ Grey and James \_\_\_ Jones  
22. Noggin or dome  
24. #24 Across players  
25. \_\_\_ on Washington  
26. Farewell in Paris  
27. Address to a woman  
29. Just a little  
31. Young socialites, for short  
32. Call forth  
33. \*Barbara Eden starred as one  
34. \*First American astronaut to orbit the Earth  
36. Table in Spanish  
38. Type of bargain  
42. Best not mentioned  
45. Ultimate goal  
49. Slightly pointed on a Hobbit  
51. Pro bono  
54. Scratchy's nemesis  
56. Chopin piece  
57. Drift  
58. Rod for a hot rod  
59. One with pants on fire?  
60. Street in Anytown, USA  
61. Darkness or gloom  
62. Relating to ear  
63. Poverty-stricken  
66. Cause of Princess' downfall  
68. Pig's home

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1	7	4	2	3	9	5	8	6
2	3	5	6	8	4	7	1	9
6	8	9	5	1	7	2	4	3
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1. Petitioner Cynthia Faye Brandt filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

<b>Present name</b> Cynthia Faye Brant	<b>Proposed name</b> Cynthia Faye Hill
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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 1, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
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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:

<b>Present name</b> Christian Anthony Dunn	<b>Proposed name</b> Christian Anthony Watson
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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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This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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# GOT NEWS ?

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**APPLICATION FOR LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT**  
**LLA21-0005 (Ernestine Chambers)**

Pursuant to Butte County Code Section 20-95.1, Ernestine Chambers has submitted an application to Butte County for a Lot Line Adjustment, identified as Planning File LLA21-0005 between two parcels (Assessor Parcel Numbers (APNs): 025-200-139, -140). Existing parcel sizes are 53.8 and 9.6 acres respectively. Resultant parcel sizes will be 25.1 and 38.3 acres. The parcels are located to the north of E Gridley Road approximately ½ mile due east of the City of Gridley city limits. Both parcels are unaddressed. The parcels are zoned Agriculture (AG – 40 acre minimums).

Application materials may be viewed online at <https://permits.buttecounty.net/etrakit/Search/project.aspx> by entering “LLA21-0005” in the search box. For information, contact Tristan Weems, Associate Planner, at (530) 552.3685, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., or by email at [tweems@buttecounty.net](mailto:tweems@buttecounty.net).

**Comments must be submitted in written form on or before Monday, April 12, 2021.** The Zoning Administrator will review and approve this Lot Line Adjustment application, on or after this date, if the proposal is found to be in compliance with the requirements of the County’s ordinance and consistent with the General Plan.

If you challenge the above application in court, you may be limited to raising only those concerns you or someone else submitted in written form to the Department of Development Services, Planning Division, prior to Monday, April 12, 2021.

**Paula M. Daneluk, AICP, Director,**  
**Butte County Department of Development Services**

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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:

<b>Present name</b> Ralph Edward Perez	<b>Proposed name</b> Ralph Edward Mundy
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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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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF BUTTE  
CASE No. 21PR00059  
NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

Estate of Ray J. Penix, Decedent. NOTICE IS GIVEN that Kevin D. Penix as administrator of the Estate of Ray J. Penix, deceased, will sell at private sale on or after April 5, 2021, that certain improved residential real property located at 8 Hanging Tree Court, Oroville, California, A.P. No. 069-090-024, subject to confirmation of court. The terms and conditions of the sale are: All cash or part cash and part credit, the terms and conditions of which are acceptable to the administrator and the court, escrow and title insurance to be equally split, transfer fees paid by estate, prorations as of close of escrow, property to be purchased in its “as is” condition. Ten percent of the amount bid must be paid with the offer and the balance must be paid on confirmation of sale by the court. Bids or offers for this property must be made in writing and directed to the attorney for the admin-

istrator at the above-address. The administrator reserves the right to reject any and all bids. DATED: March 19, 2021. The name, address and telephone number of the attorney for the Administrator is: Raoul J. LeClerc  
P.O. Drawer 111  
Oroville, CA 95965  
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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 Ad-

ministration 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 ei-

ther (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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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT AGRICULTURAL WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Notice is hereby given that the Biggs-West Gridley Water District’s (BWGWD) draft Agricultural Water Management Plan (A WMP), prepared pursuant to Water Code §10820 and following, is now available for public inspection at BWGWD’s office at 1713 West Biggs Gridley Road, Gridley, CA 95948, and on its website at [bwgwater.com](http://bwgwater.com). Written public comments on the draft A WMP may be submitted for consideration by the BWGWD Board of Directors until April 19, 2021, at the District office or via email at [emassa@bwgwater.com](mailto:emassa@bwgwater.com). In a hearing to be held at a public meeting beginning at 8:00 a.m., April 24, 2021, the BWGWD Board of Directors will receive oral and written comments on the A WMP, and then will adopt the plan as drafted or modified during the meeting. The April 24, 2021 meeting will be held at BWGWD’s office at the address noted above and by telephone as described on the agenda for the meeting.  
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# WEEKLY COMICS

## Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

## Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas

## R.F.D.



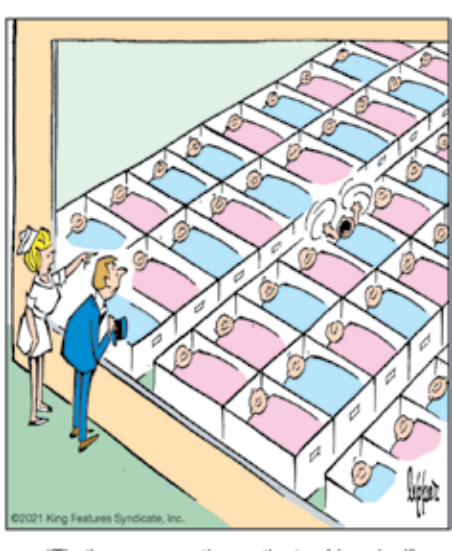
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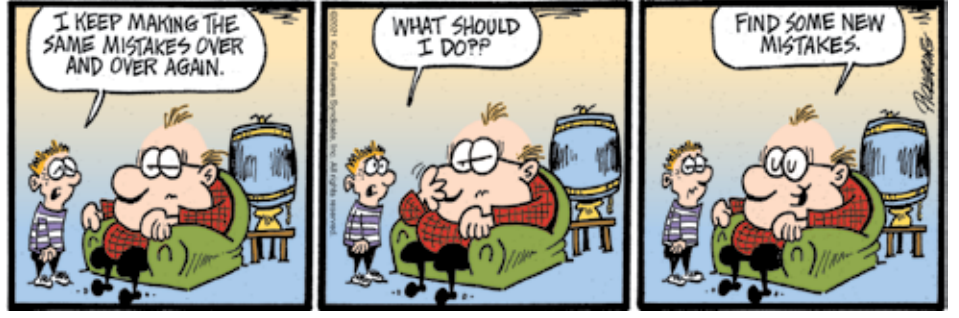
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## LAFF-A-DAY



"That's yours over there—the troublemaker!"

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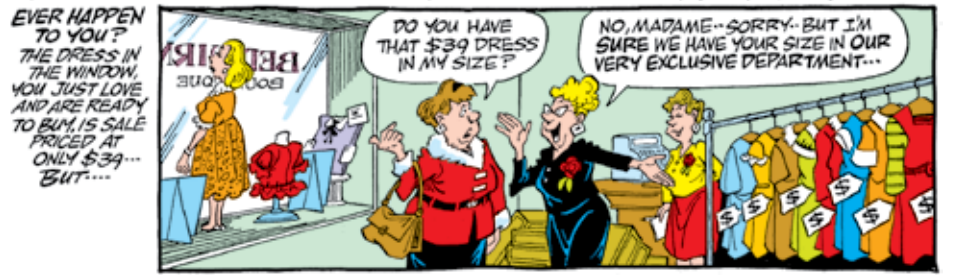
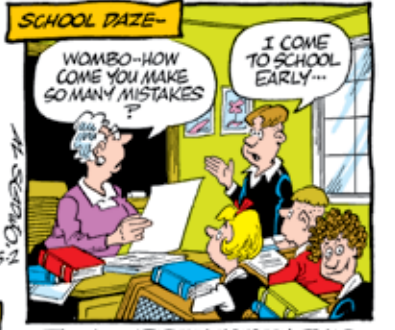


by Jeff Pickering

## THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



## BY AL SCADUTO

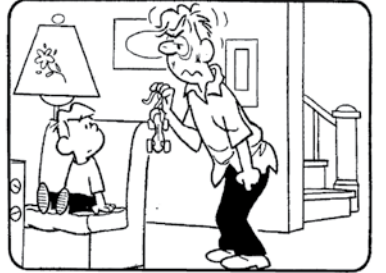


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by Dave T. Phipps

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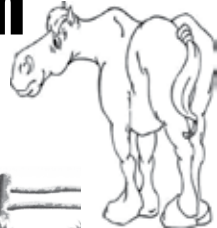
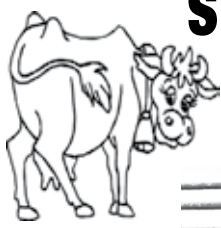
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# SPORTS

## Carr Cousins Shine in Varsity Football Season Opener

By Joshua Porcayo

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Boneyard had been a quiet place since November 8, 2019; the last time the Bulldogs varsity football team took the field at Gridley High School. A 35-22 victory over the Wheatland Pirates ended the Bulldogs 5-5 season. And this special group of football players have been chomping at the bits since that day.

On Friday, March 26, 2021, senior quarterback Cameron Carr and cousin, junior defensive free safety Shay Carr, led the Bulldogs to their season opener victory with a 43-14 win over the Wheatland Pirates. A packed house at the Boneyard, with an electric Dawg Squad cheering and chanting in full effect, life felt like a typical fall Friday night at Gridley High School.

C. Carr got the scoring started for the Bulldogs offense with a 53-yard run up the middle for the score and 2-point conversion. On the ensuing kickoff, senior Chance Nicolson, recovered the loose ball for the Bulldogs, leading to another C. Carr touchdown with a 20-yard run for the score.

In the second quarter, Wheatland answered with a strong drive and touchdown of their own to keep the game close 15-8. But that didn't shake the senior quarterback and the Bulldogs offense. With huge holes to run through provided by his offensive line, C. Carr broke a 70-yard touchdown for his third score of the game to increase the lead 22-8. On the ensuing kickoff, Wheatland returned the ball 80+ yards for the score to make it a 22-15 game.



Gridley High School varsity football quarterback, Cameron Carr (#12), eludes the entire Wheatland Pirate defense for the touchdown during the Gridley Bulldogs season opener at the Boneyard. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

Shay Carr and the Bulldogs defense really came alive in the second half keeping the Pirates scoreless. Bulldog senior, Greyson Sannar, recovered the opening kickoff to start the second half to give the Bulldogs offense great field position. C. Carr and the offense kept the momentum going when he once again broke free up the middle for a 31-yard run, getting dragged down at the 1-yard line. Junior running back, Ryan Smith, punched it in for the 1-yard score to give the Bulldogs the 29-14 lead. S. Carr started to get to work with his first interception of the game on the ensuing Pirates possession. On the same

drive, C. Carr connected with S. Carr for the 30-yard touchdown pass to increase the lead 36-14. Later in the quarter, S. Carr intercepted another Pirates pass in the end zone and returned it 15-yards to give the Bulldogs long field position. On the very next play, C. Carr broke another run up the middle for an 85-yard touchdown increasing the lead 43-14.

The Bulldog defense finished the game strong, ending any threats the Pirates made. S. Carr again intercepted another pass from the Pirates quarterback completing the hat-trick. Senior linebacker, Christopher Richins, was a force to be reckoned with on defense

with 6 solo tackles and 3 assists. Other notable defensive players were senior Jordan Bischoff (4 solo tackles, 2 assists), senior defensive end Elias Counihan (3 tackles, 2 assists, 1 tackle for a loss, and 1 forced fumble), senior defensive end Dakota Dewsnup (2 tackles, 2 assists, 1 tackle for a loss), and senior Julian Ramos (1 forced fumble).

C. Carr led the Bulldogs offense with 339 rushing yards on 18 carries with 4 rushing touchdowns, and 53 passing yards with 1 passing touchdown. S. Carr finished with 43 receiving yards with 1 touchdown and 49 rushing yards. S. Carr also had 4 solo tackles, 2 assists, and 3 interceptions on defense. Ryan Smith finished the game with 11 carries for 43 yards and 1 touchdown. Junior kicker, Sammy Ceja, finished the game with a perfect 5-for-5 in points after touchdown.

When asked how he felt after the game, C. Carr said, "I feel great right now, honestly. My legs are a little sore, but I mean, we did what we expected. We got it done and that's all that matters. On to the next one." C. Carr had nothing but praise to give to his offensive line for the holes they created for him throughout the game.

Cameron and cousin Shay have been playing football together since they were little boys. Shay, who looks up to his cousin in the most humble of ways, when asked how it felt to intercept a pass that resulted in an 85-yard touchdown run by Cameron on the next offensive play, said, "It felt great! Cause I love Cam and I love to see him succeed. It's his senior year and hopefully he continues to do great the rest of the season." ★

## Game, Set, Match! LOHS Girls Tennis Season 4-0



Junior at Live Oak High, Paige Eccles, launches a nice serve over the net. Eccles played at the #1 position on the ladder for the majority of the season's matches. Photo provided by Ryan Clemensen

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Although it was a short season for the Live Oak High School girls tennis team, it was a successful one!

The 2021 Lady Lions varsity girls tennis team, coached by Ryan Clemensen was comprised of Elizabeth Eller, Paige Eccles, Quinn Vrablick, Averyn Jansen, Maddie Engelmann, Jena Emerson, Marlene Medina, Jaskaran Nagra, Yasmine Duenas and Kirit Pamma.

The Girls kicked off the tennis season February 25th, hosting Sutter High School girl's tennis in an un-scored warm-up match.

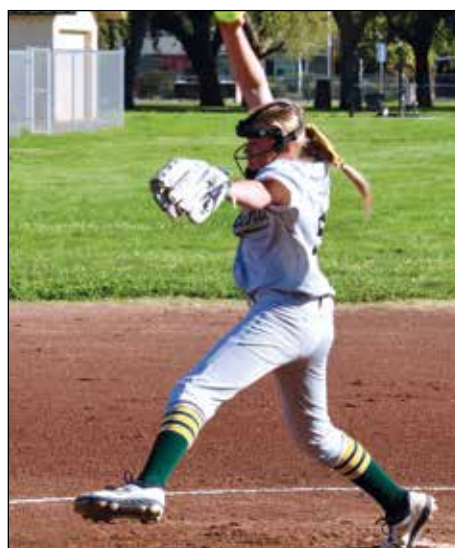
Due to COVID restrictions no doubles play was allowed, and winners were decided by singles matches. The following day marked the official start of competition, as the Lions hosted Paradise High School girls tennis. Live Oak would clench the win against Paradise, 5-2. The LOHS Lions would then travel to Colusa High School, where they would take their second win 3 - 1 (1 tie), in a contest decided by 5 singles. The Lions continued their winning streak, overtaking Wheatland High on March 11th, with a win of 5-4, and logged yet another win March 16th over Paradise girls tennis with the score

8-1 in Live Oaks' favor.

Suffering from a reduced roster of only 5 players, the Lionesses powered into their last match of the season on March 23rd, at Colusa High School undefeated. After a heated match up and volley, the Lions clenched the win, with the final score of 3-2, putting a solid season in the books.

Coach Ryan Clemensen said, "This was my first season coaching the Live Oak girls and it was fantastic. We have a group of very positive and dedicated girls who all steadily improved throughout the season. Playing tennis was the first taste of normality many of the athletes got this year despite the fact that it was an abbreviated season. Also, I am proud of the fact that all of the girls on the team this season had the opportunity to play on the ladder in a real match. We ended our season 4-0 in the Sacramento Valley League and 6-1 overall. The success we experienced this season amidst all the bad news circulating during the pandemic was truly refreshing and invigorating, and we are looking forward to a great next season in the fall." ★

## Biggs/Richvale Little League Opens with A's All Around



Biggs/Richvale Little Leaguer, Gracie Sheppard, delivers a pitch during Opening Day games. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

By Joshua Porcayo

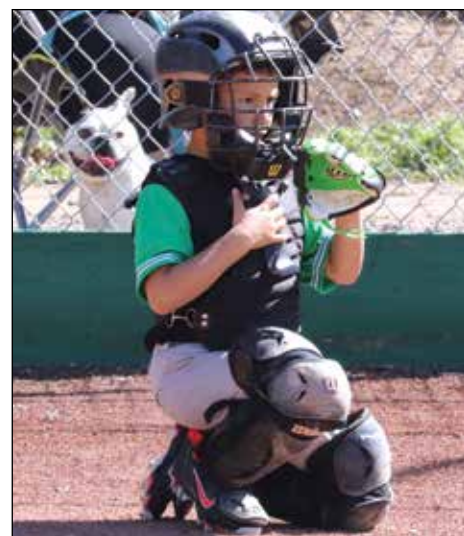
GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - It was another beautiful day at the ballpark for some baseball and softball seasons to get started. Sponsors by the Major League Baseball organization



Biggs/Richvale Little Leaguer, Kaydenze Tuttle, throws out the runner at first base during Opening Day games. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

Oakland Athletics, Biggs/Richvale Little League opened their season on Saturday, March 27, 2021 with A's baseball and softball players everywhere. Parents, grandparents, friends, and family packed Rio Bonito Park to see their favorite ball player play the games they have missed out on playing for over a year. With last season getting canceled, everyone was so happy and grateful to be out once again for some live action sports.

The Farm division got things started with back to back games, while t-ball players took the field for an always joyous game to watch. The Minors baseball Black A's took on the Yellow A's and pulled off the 18-6 victory. The Majors baseball Green A's hosted the Gridley Giants and won 11-1. The Minors softball A's fell to the Gridley Marlins 17-7. And the Majors softball A's won over the Gridley Braves 6-3. ★



A Biggs/Richvale Little Leaguer squats in catchers gear ready for the pitch during Opening Day games. Photo Courtesy of Joshua Porcayo

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Bareback winner at the 2019 Stonyford Rodeo, Jacob Lees. Photo credit Roy Stewart

By Roy Stewart,  
Stonyford Rodeo

## COLUSA COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Mark your calendar for a fun-filled weekend in Stonyford. Following a year's absence because of the Pandemic--which broke a continuous run of 76 years--the professional rodeo will run on Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1, 2021. Amateur events will run on Sunday, May 2, 2021. The arena gates will open at 3 p.m. on Friday and the events will begin at 5 p.m. On Saturday, the gates will open at 10 a.m. and the events will kick off at 1

p.m. On Sunday, the gates will open at 10 a.m. and the amateur events will start at 12 noon.

You can count on seeing a top-flight professional rodeo on Friday and Saturday. You will see top-rated cowboys competing in bareback, saddle-bronc, and bull riding events. Cowboys will compete in team roping, tie-down roping, and steer wrestling; top-ranked women will compete in barrel racing and break-away roping. Additionally, funnyman J J Harrison will return as our clown and barrelman. J J worked our 2018 and

2019 rodeos. Announcer Don Jesser has retired, after working our rodeos for the past 28 years. We will be interviewing for his replacement. The Bridwell Rodeo Company will be supplying the stock, as they have in the past. We are keeping our rodeo on track and looking forward to a great rodeo weekend.

Go to [www.stonycreek-horsemen.org](http://www.stonycreek-horsemen.org) for online tickets, parade entries, amateur entries and information as it becomes available. Keep in mind things may change as we proceed through our planning process. ★

# Stretch of Lower Yuba River Closing to Watercraft

By Alex Boesch,  
Yuba Water Agency

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - More than one mile of the north channel of the lower Yuba River will be closed to all watercraft starting April 1 through early December for habitat enhancement work as part of Yuba Water Agency's Hallwood Side Channel and Floodplain Restoration Project.

The north channel of the river will be closed from Daguerre Point Dam to 6,000 feet downstream until December 1, 2021. Signs will be placed at popular entry points along the river, alerting boaters of the closure. The south channel will remain open to shallow-draft watercraft.

"We understand that the closure is inconvenient for people who enjoy fishing and recreating on the Yuba River, but it is crucial for everyone's safety and critical for the work we are doing to improve salmon and steelhead habitat to have the intended impact," said Jeff Mathews, Yuba Water's habitat enhancement project manager who is helping lead the effort.

The Hallwood Side Channel and Floodplain Restoration Project is designed to enhance the lower Yuba River ecosystem by increasing available juvenile salmon habitat to improve the natural production of Chinook salmon and Central Valley steelhead. Both are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Enhancing the habitat will give young salmon and steelhead areas to hide from predators, so that

they're able to eat and grow in preparation for their journey out to the ocean. The project will also reduce flood risk through lower water surface elevations and velocities during flood events.

The first phase of the project recently wrapped up and includes 89 acres of juvenile floodplain rearing habitat, providing 1.7 miles of perennial side channels and 3.7 miles of seasonal side channels, alcoves and swales. The second phase of work will begin on April 1, 2021.

When the entire project is complete, the lower Yuba River will have up to 157 enhanced acres of seasonally inundated riparian floodplain, approximately 1.7 miles of perennial side channels, and approximately 7 miles of seasonally inundated side channels, alcoves and swales. Enhancements will be made through land surface changes, riparian planting and placement of large woody material embedded to simulate a more natural river at key locations. The total project cost is estimated to be \$12 million. Funding has been provided by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Proposition 68 grant program and Yuba Water.

The Hallwood Side Channel and Floodplain Restoration Project is a collaborative effort among many different organizations, including USFWS, cbec eco engineering, South Yuba River Citizens League, Cramer Fish Sciences, Teichert, Western Aggregates and Yuba Water.

Learn more at [yubawater.org](http://yubawater.org). ★

# Attempted Homicide is Under Investigation

Yuba County Sheriff's  
Department

## OREGON HOUSE, CA (MPG)

- Yuba County Sheriff Detectives are investigating an attempted homicide reported to the Sheriff's office at approximately 9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 22, 2021. One of two known victims arrived at the Sheriff's headquarters in Marysville to

report an alleged shooting that had occurred overnight off Begonia Way and Saagannah Trail in Oregon House. The female victim had a gunshot wound to the arm and was transported to a local area hospital where she was treated and released for her injury. That victim reported that she believed a second victim remained at the residence from which she had fled.

The SWAT team was dispatched to the vicinity where the incident was reported and located the second victim. There were no suspects located at the scene.

This is an active and ongoing investigation. Anyone with further information is encouraged to contact the Yuba County Investigations Unit at 530-749-7777. ★



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