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Blowin' the House Down



Brave 6-year-old Daisy Gonzales shares the details of her traumatic night after a large tree falls, just missing their home. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - As the first major winter storm to hit California tore through our area, many awoke to a chaotic scene outside last Tuesday morning. Winds clocked at 43 mph and higher raged through the north state, downed tree limbs, fences, even snapped street signs and power poles.

One family's harrowing experience left 6-year-old Daisy Gonzales so terrified, she was unable to sleep throughout the night. During the early evening hours of Tuesday, January 26th as the storm really began to beat down on our community, the Gonzales home got a shock.

Daisy's mother, who requested to remain anonymous, recounts the evening's scare.

She says their home was shaking and rattling violently because of the storm. At about 8:30 pm, just after she and her daughter had gone to bed frightened by the noise of the storm, a deafening crash shook the house so hard it felt like it jumped off its foundations. She says, "Like an earthquake!"

Luck had been with them that night. A tree that stood outside the corner of their home had fallen - literally snapped off at the base, right next to where they had been laying. Daisy and her mother had tucked-in for the evening in the front

bedroom when branches of the tree came crashing into the front of the house and slammed into the ground outside. The tree lay parallel to the front of their home, blocking entrance to their front door, across their walkway and most of their front yard. If it had fallen almost any other way, it could have crushed the roof of the home and injured one of the seven family members inside. Daisy, says her mother, was inconsolable, shaking, crying, and repeating "I don't want to die, I don't want to die..."

The home sustained some damage from where the tree struck the front porch and gutters, but luckily, no one was hurt. Just a little shook-up. ★

Historic Gavel Has Gridley Roots

By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - In a nod to a predecessor, Butte County Board of Supervisors put a piece of history to work at the Tuesday, February 26th meeting.

A 100-year-old gavel belonging to Gridley's David H. Evans was used to open and close the most recent board meeting. The gavel in question was bestowed to former Butte County Supervisor, D.H. Evans who served two terms as Supervisor from 1912 to 1921.

Supervisor Bill Connelly used the gavel to call the meeting to order and turned the floor over to Supervisor Todd Kimmelshue, who presented the gavel to the sitting board, along with a brief history on Evans and his service. He read aloud the engraved plaque that encircles the wooden gavel: "Presented to D.H. Evans, Chairman, by his fellow Supervisors, C. E. Porter, F.L. Roar, E.P. Hilborn



Larry Evans holds his look-alike great-grandfather's picture. Photo by Seti Long

and H.W. White. January 3rd, 1921."

Mr. Evans was born in Northern Wales, May 13th, 1857. At 25, he immigrated to the United States and in 1883, settled in Gridley. He worked in levee and railroad construction for 7 years and then started farming, where he eventually had a dairy

and grain operation based in Gridley. He was nominated and elected to office in 1912 on the Republican ticket, and when the primary law came into effect, campaigned strongly for a second term. A mention of Evans in the book History of Butte County, says, "Once empowered with the authority of office, he

used his influence and experience in the cause of good roads, and few sections of the state have highways in better condition than those of the district in which he resides."

Supervisors Evans' great-grandson, Lawrence Evans, attended the meeting and thanked the Board of Supervisors for recognizing the historical importance of the gavel and the man that it served. Kimmelshue thanked Evans saying, "Butte County has a wonderful history, and I am glad we were able to do that 100 years later." ★



This piece of Gridley/Butte County history was used to open and close last Tuesday's Butte County Board of Supervisors meeting. Photo provided by Lawrence Evans

Gridley Parks and Rec Gets Green Light

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - After much preparation, planning and multiple study sessions, the Gridley Parks & Recreation Department and City Engineer brought the proposed Revitalization Masterplan for Vierra to Gridley's City Council.

The deadline for applicants to submit their proposals for the Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program that falls under the umbrella of Prop 68 is March 12th, 2021. Thus, explains Gridley's haste to conduct study sessions with the community and finalize the project design in the last 3 months' order to meet the application deadline. This is the final round of funding available under Prop 68 and due to its grant amount range, \$200,000-\$8,500,00, Gridley is setting its request at the sweet spot of \$4,500,000.

Gridley's City Engineer, Dave Harden, says, "This is our dream" as he presented the master plan for the park alongside Gridley Parks and Recreation Director, Trina Leishman. Of course, the dream is somewhat constrained by the space available at the park.

If awarded the grant for renovations, the future Vierra Park would see the installation of a pedestrian/bike path around and through the park of .55 miles, the addition of a centralized amphitheater, snack bar, renovated tennis courts into multi-sports courts, additional bathrooms that are safely located, an expanded water play area, along with new play equipment for both play areas. More inclusive play structures and ADA compliant facilities would invite persons of all abilities to enjoy the park. Additional picnic tables, park benches, seating and BBQ pits are also on the docket. All new amenities take into account the current landscaping of the park and work with the hill playground area, along with preserving open green-space and the shade canopy throughout the park.

The council voted to approve the application. The Statewide Park Development and Community Revitalization Program has about a 25 percent award rate. If Gridley is awarded the grant, the community can expect some extremely exciting additions that will succeed in making Vierra Park a destination for families throughout our area.

To view the PowerPoint presentation brought to City Council along with a clear version of the proposed Master Plan Map for the Vierra Parks Grant Application, please go to Gridley.ca.us and download the agenda. ★

The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, known to many as “food stamps,” cost nearly \$90 billion in fiscal 2020, USDA released that news last week. That’s a jump from just over \$60 billion in 2019. The massive increase is a result of two major factors: 8 million more Americans are getting aid, and benefit levels were increased by Congress on an emergency basis last spring to help ameliorate the effects of business and school shut downs. Wow.

Trends in automation have accelerated during this time of COVID difficulty. We hear from FedEx that new warehouse robots can pick up 1,300 packages an hour. For those of you who took math from Mr. Jensen at Gridley High you have probably already said to yourself “that’s 21 packages a minute”. FedEx claims workers are freed up to do more complex work, such as correcting addresses and dealing with delays. With this, Denton Scott becomes the Gridley High School outstanding alumni of the week because he was smart enough to see this coming and has a job working for

Target in Woodland tending to robots and conveyor belts.

I was driving through town and noticed the fence went up around the Red Barn Grumpy’s Burger. I commented to my passenger that it was sad that the restaurant had closed just like Jerry’s. She pointed out to me that Grumpy’s was actually Habanero’s and that Jerry’s had been a place called the “Black Bear Diner” before it closed. I felt so dumb I didn’t dare to ask her on a date to the Furrows, or if I could get a Burger at the Bronze Que. What I was trying to say is many of us are hoping some new restaurants take the place of a couple of restaurants that have closed; and I believe in restaurant revivals because Sylvio’s is back in business and we have a pizza place downtown again, right in our hometown.

Kirkland Lake Gold is a gold mining company with operations in Canada and Australia. The firm produced 974,615 ounces of gold in 2019 and has a market cap of U.S. \$11 billion dollars as of 2020. Rumors are that they have purchased Live Oak and are opening the largest open pit mine in the world along Hwy 99. Any legitimate road construction, even a gas pipeline operation, would have been done a year ago. I suspect Canadians (no offense to Dale Leishman or the guy who married Kim Harris), I just know of no other country that digs as many

holes as we see in Live Oak month after month.

Speaking of road construction in Live Oak, sometimes (everyday around 5:00) it’s just better to stop at Betty’s Mexican restaurant and eat instead of waiting in your car in traffic for an hour.

Still no manager for the City of Gridley. Seems like it’s a job someone would like. Maybe put an ad in the paper? Better yet just hire Seti Long.

For those of you who follow the Air Force they have just renewed their contract to retrofit the B-52. The B-52 was designed in 1948 by guys who used slide rules and not computers. The Air Force is retrofitting 76 of them that will fly until at least 2050. The last Chinook helicopter I flew in was brand new and it was very reassuring, we flew from Mather to Camp Roberts (Camp Robert is special because it is where my Grandfather William N. Cook went to qualify as a sharpshooter when he was in the CA National Guard). The Cal Fire helicopter I flew in the time before that made me nervous because on the airframe it was stamped 1964, 4 years before I was born, and that just did not seem right to me, flying things should be younger than I am. So I guess just like 80 is the new 50 for human beings, 60 is the new 20 for aircraft.

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

Public Health Announces Online Vaccine Appointments for Residents 75+

BCPH Press Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Butte County Public Health (BCPH) announced that residents who are ages 75 or older can now schedule their COVID-19 vaccination appointment online. Residents in the 75+ age group who have previously registered with BCPH to receive a vaccine eligibility notification DO NOT need to wait to receive their notification – they can schedule themselves an appointment now.

How to schedule a COVID-19 vaccination appointment for persons 75 and older: Appointments can be schedule by visiting Butte County COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic sign-up portal: tinyurl.com/COVIDvax75;

Sign-ups are first come, first serve. If residents are unable to register for a slot, this means the slots are full for the day and time indicated. More slots will be added as more clinics are scheduled;

Residents who do not have internet access may call the Butte County COVID-19 Call Center for assistance, Monday through Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm: 530-552-3050;

Proof of age and ID is required at time of appointment – residents who do not meet the criteria for this age group will be turned away;

Is transportation to the vaccine clinic

available for persons 75+?

Yes. Transportation is available through the B-Line’s Paratransit service, which offers door-to-door rides for persons 70 and older. An application must be completed in advance of the first ride. Applications can be requested over the phone, in-person, or downloaded from the internet. A one-way ride on the Paratransit is \$3.50.

Contact B-Line Paratransit: 530-809-4614 (option 1) or download the B-Line Paratransit Dial-a-Ride application: tinyurl.com/ButteParatransit

When will the Vaccine be available to persons 65+?

While 65 and older has been moved to phase 1b, tier 1, due to vaccine supply and distribution, groups in this tier must be sub-prioritized. BCPH will keep the public informed and open it to persons 65 and older as quickly as possible.

When will the vaccine be prioritized for persons with underlying health conditions?

BCPH continues to follow a phases and prioritized approach that has been outlined by the state. Currently, the state only provides priority vaccine instruction based on age, regardless of underlying health conditions. If the state makes changes to age groups to include underlying health conditions, BCPH will follow any new prioritization. ★

Public Health to Pivot Away from COVID Vaccine Notification

BCDPH Press Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

Now that COVID vaccine appointment scheduling is available online, Butte County Public Health (BCPH) will stop taking registration for the COVID vaccine e-mail notification. Residents who have previously registered will continue to receive an e-mail notification when they are eligible to get the COVID vaccination. For the week of February 1-5, all available vaccine clinics in Chico have been filled.

Moving forward, COVID vaccination clinics will be announced to the public for online self-scheduling. These appointments will be on a first come, first serve basis. Announcements will be made through the local media, on the BCPH COVID vaccine website and on social media. Residents who do not have access to the internet, may call the COVID call center for assistance scheduling their vaccination appointment.

While the vaccine

remains highly prioritized, proof of age and ID will be required for age specific vaccination clinics. As Butte County is allocated more doses of the vaccine, more clinics will be scheduled. It’s important to understand that while a specific group may be eligible for the vaccine, that does not mean that there are enough doses available to vaccinate every person in that group right away.

For more information about COVID Vaccine Clinics, visit: www.butte-county.net/COVIDvaccine ★

FEMA Releases Additional Reimbursement Funds for Oroville Spillways

Department of Water Resources Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has received notification that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has released an additional \$308 million in requested funds for the Oroville Dam spillways reconstruction and emergency response. These funds are in addition to the \$260 million that FEMA has already committed to for repairs to the lower portion of the main spillway and other work conducted in response to the emergency.

The \$308 million in additional funding was initially rejected by FEMA but was subsequently approved last year following appeal from DWR.

“We appreciate the continued hard work of our partners at FEMA and the California Office of Emergency Services, as well as our representatives in Congress, to ensure California received these funds,” said Ted Craddock, DWR Deputy Director of the State Water Project.

DWR continues to work with Cal OES and FEMA to secure additional reimbursement funds for work on the emergency spillway.

FEMA’s Public Assistance program reimburses applicants up to 75 percent of eligible costs associated with a federally declared disaster.

In total, DWR expects to be reimbursed for \$630 million of the \$1.2 billion cost of the spillways incident through the public assistance program. ★

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Anton Mardesich

January 10, 1941 to January 24, 2021

Anton Richard Mardesich, 80, our beloved husband, father, and Papa, passed away January 24, 2021 in his home with his family by his side.

He was born on January 10, 1941 in Everett, WA to Peter and Winifred Mardesich.

When he was 3 years old his father died in a tragic accident. His mother then moved he and his sister to the home of his grandparents in Cupertino, CA. Anton attended Riordan High School in San Francisco, CA.

After gradation he attended Monterey JC for 2 years and then enlisted into the Navy.

After he returned home, he met the love of his life, Joan Garcia. They were married in 1963.

They moved to Gridley, CA. where he farmed with his family for 58 years.

Anton was an active member in Live Oak Lions, Gridley Rotary Club, Gridley Loyal Order of the Moose, and a member of Peach Tree Country Club.

As his grandchildren would say, this is how I REMEMBER MY PAPA:

Maddi: What’s up smiley

Mason: Sorry for all the holes in your office



Hayden: I love that kid’s smile

Alex: Loved flying with you Papa

Davis: Papa where are my donuts

Parker: You want some of this

Caroline: Pack a lunch little girl you want a knuckle sandwich.

Ally: Thanks for always making me think I was your favorite

Elizabeth: Hey shortstack

Anton is survived by his wife of 58 years Joan Mardesich. Children: Antonine Brosious (Chris), Jeff Mardesich (Brooke), Jill Stephens (Danny). Grandchildren: Hayden and Parker Brosious; Madison, Mason, Davis, and Ally Mardesich; Alexandra, Caroline, and Elizabeth Stephen. As well as his sister Helen Schoen.

He was preceded in death by his grandson Hudson Brosious.

Cefrina, Jackie and Crystal (Care Givers), your genuine care and support was invaluable.

Thank you so much,

Donations may be made to St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital in care of the Brusie Funeral Home.

No public services will be held.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Shirley Jane Underhill

May 1, 1935 to January 20, 2021

Shirley Jane Underhill, a longtime Yuba City resident, passed away unexpectedly January 20, 2021. She was born May 1, 1935 in Live Oak, CA to Lundy and Leona Lewis. Shirley was a devoted wife to her husband for 67 years, a caring mom to her children, and a huge supporter of her grandchildren. After graduating from Yuba City High School with honors in 1953, she married her high school sweetheart James Underhill. The adventure began when they eloped to Reno. With little money to their names and a tank of gas these two embarked on a life journey together that would have a positive impact on those they met along the way. Settling into life together Shirley went to work as a secretary so they could afford to put Jim through college.

Shirley loved her family and raised her children in a way that instilled family values that would serve them well as they grew up and started their own families. She supported her grandchildren by being present at so many of their activities. Holidays were a special time where the family would gather and mom/grandma was always there with her loving smile and huge heart to make sure everyone realized the importance of family.

Shirley was always available to lend a helping hand to those in need. She was a great listener and often shared her wisdom with those in need. She built deep relationships with those she met throughout her life. Many of those friends thought of her as their 2nd mom or grandma.

Shirley loved to travel with her husband Jim to visit with



friends and family. The trips took them to most of the United States, including Hawaii and many countries in Europe. When not in their Yuba City home or traveling she and Jim spent a lot of time at their second home at Lake Almanor.

Shirley loved life and never let life’s obstacles change her attitude. She believed that no matter what the day would bring she would make the most of it. Shirley was a giver. She rarely asked for much but instead would make sacrifices for others.

Shirley was an inspiration to all that met her. Over the years, she had many medical challenges but never complained or questioned “why me?”. Instead, she held her head high and was the first to say she would get through it. We will miss her smile, sense of humor, but most of all her deep love for her family and friends.

Shirley was predeceased by her son David Underhill, and her sister Betty Parr.

She is survived by her husband of 67 years, James Underhill; sister, Peggy Miller (Roy); sons Steve Underhill (Nella); Craig Underhill (Karol); and Gary Underhill (Jill); six grandchildren: Jennifer Permenter (Kevin); Michael Underhill; Alden Underhill (Bethany); Austin Underhill (Jaelin); Caitlin Hurtado (Ricky); Spencer Underhill; and eight great grandchildren. She also leaves many other family members and friends who will sadly miss her.

No services will be held. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St Jude Children’s Hospital or Shriners Hospital for Children.



GPD Seeks Public Assistance on Catalytic Converters Thefts

Gridley Police Department

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Police Department is reaching out to the public for assistance and awareness of recent catalytic converter thefts that have occurred over the last month. The targeted areas thus far have been the northwest and southwest areas of the city. Targeted vehicles have been early to mid-2000 model Toyota cars, trucks and 2000 model Hondas. The Gridley Police Department have taken reports of stolen license plates,

and vehicle burglaries. We are asking for everyone to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity. When reporting criminal or suspicious activity, keep an eye out for associated vehicle descriptions (damage, color, stickers, etc.), to include license plate numbers. When identifying suspects, be sure to include, how many suspects involved, clothing worn, hair style, and any scars, marks, or tattoos. Anyone with information regarding crimes and/or observed suspicious activity are encouraged to report it to the Gridley Police Department, (530) 846- 5670. ★

A Sure-Fire Goodbye



A landmark building in the Gridley community, the old barn-style building located on the highway, is now fenced off, awaiting its fire-y-fate. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A Gridley landmark will soon be no more. CAL FIRE and Butte County Fire Department has announced plans to use the building on the corner of Hwy 99 and Ford Street in Gridley, formerly the home to Grumpy’s, El Tamborazo Mexican Restaurant, and most recently, Habanero Fish and Taco’s, for a Live Fire training exercise and demolition.

In a press release from January 30, 2020, CAL FIRE says it has contracted with the county and the property owner to conduct the exercise wherein fire-fighters will train and gain valuable insight on multiple facets of rescue, containment and cleanup including: Realistic search-and-rescue scenarios, incident size-up, hose-lays and interior

attack, fire behavior analysis, mitigating demolition and cleanup impacts to the community, and in this instance, the removal of an empty building from the main route through town.

Battalion Chief for CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department Sean Norman says, “The training our fire-fighters get from a structure like this is invaluable.” He continues, “They can take the lessons learned here and apply them directly to saving lives and property.”

This is the second live fire training exercise that the department has held in the last month. Properties used for training must have an applicable training value and property owners must go through a detailed process to qualify for a live fire training exercise, including procuring a demolition permit, prepping the building in accordance with CAL

FIRE standards, and signing over liability to CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department.

The Fire Department apparently took possession of the property last week and is using the building and surrounding area for various training scenarios before the scheduled burn and demolition, Thursday, February 4th. Businesses in the area or that share the block with the building may be closed, such as Gridley Country Ford and CAL FIRE will post training signs along the highway to alert traffic of the exercise.

Community members should be prepared for smoke, potentially heavy, between the hours of 9:00-11:00 am. Those that have sensitivities and live in the direct area may want to take precautions and the public is asked to avoid the area where possible. ★

Upcoming Lane Closures Highway 99

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Live Oak 99 Streetscape and Pavement Project News has announced upcoming lane closures for the week of February 1st until February 6th, along with long-term closures that will be in effect until Summer of 2021. According to www.Liveoak99.com, which updates the community on closures, delays, or other notifications, motorist should expect lane restrictions, and be aware of crews working alongside the

shoulders along State Route 99 between Elm Street and Nevada Street (north) during the hours of 6 am to 6 pm, Monday, Feb. 1st through Saturday, Feb 6th. Construction crews will be installing curb, gutter and sidewalk, while also working on underground waterline and drainage systems.

Live Oak residents can also expect Walker Way to be closed at State Highway 99 through summer for construction. Ash Street and Archer Avenue are available for motorist to use as alternate routes. ★

Yuba/Sutter, Butte Narcotics Agencies Help Bust Drug Trafficking Ring

Sourced from U.S. Attorney’s Office

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Unites States Attorney McGregor Scott announced January 28th, 2021 that a Federal Grand Jury has indicted 10 members of a drug trafficking ring with charges of fentanyl trafficking, conspiracy to distribute and more.

The indictments come after a joint investigation with the Yuba-Sutter Narcotic and Gang Enforcement Task Force and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) resulted in the arrest of the 10 suspects, one Jose Lopez-Zamora, 26, considered to be the U.S.-based leader of a drug trafficking organization responsible for importing tens of thousands of fentanyl-laced counterfeit oxycodone (M-30) pills, cocaine, and methamphetamine into the U.S. from Mexico.

NET-5, a joint narcotics task force, Commander, Michael Johnson, says that in 2020, Net-5 became aware of a large amount of Fentanyl laced pills circulating in the Yuba/Sutter area. Their investigation into the illegal and dangerous drugs discovered the source to be the Sacramento area, by way of Mexico. Commander Johnson shares that NET-5 was asked to join a DEA investigation already in progress, in which they assisted in providing local surveillance, intelligence and the service of search and arrest warrants. Commander Johnson says, “Even though the main suspects were from out of this area, their product was finding its way into our communities. Ultimately, this case slowed the volume of dangerous fentanyl laced pills entering the Yuba/Sutter area and broke up a large illegal pill and distribution network in the North State.”

Jose Lopez-Zamora, 26; Leonardo Flores Beltran, 29; Christian Anthony Romero, 25; Joaquin Sotelo Valdez, 24; Sandro Escobedo, 32; Erika Zamora Rojo, 45; and Alejandro Tello, 22; all of Sacramento and Jason lee, 48, of Sparks, Nevada and Rudi Flores, 27 of Manteca have been charged with conspiracy to distribute fentanyl, cocaine and methamphetamine as well as either fentanyl distribution or possession with intent to distribute. Jose Aguilar Saucedo, 22 of Sacramento, is charged with three counts of fentanyl distribution. If convicted, Aguilar Saucedo faces up to 40 years in prison, the rest of the defendants face maximum sentences.

Law enforcement reportedly seized over 20,000 pills during the investigation and wiretapped calls appear to show that the suspects were aware that their product had been responsible for multiple overdoses and deaths in the area.

Contributing agencies to this investigation include the DEA, Homeland Security Investigations, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the U.S. Marshalls Service, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, the Yuba-Sutter Narcotics and Gang Enforcement Task Force (NET-5), California Highway Patrol, the Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force (BINTF), the Tri-County Drug Enforcement Team (TRIDENT) the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Department, the Sacramento Police Department, the Roseville Police Department, the Manteca Police Department, the Yuba City Police Department, and the West Sacramento Police Department. U.S. Attorney David W. Spencer is prosecuting. ★

The Manzanita Elementary School District

Is now registering children who will be turning 5 years old on or before September 1, 2021 for its 2021-2022 Kindergarten class.

We are also accepting names of students who will be turning 5 between September 2, 2021 and December 2, 2021 who qualify to participate in a possible Transitional Kindergarten program.

If you live within the Manzanita Elementary School Boundaries, please call Mrs. Cahoon at 846-5594 to register your child.

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Defendant Sentenced for Vehicular Manslaughter

Office of Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Chico man was sentenced in the Butte County Superior Court for a tragic vehicle collision in which the defendant's inattention to the roadway and driving conditions resulted in the death of Victoria Nystrom, 36, of Paradise. Victoria was a mother of three and beloved by many, as evidenced by the nine family members and friends who spoke at the sentencing hearing despite the current health crisis of COVID-19.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey announced Jackson Bassow, 21, of Chico, was sentenced by Judge Corie Caraway to 180 days jail as part of a one-year term of formal probation and remanded to the county jail from court. The terms of his probation included restitution to the family of the victim and conditions to address substance abuse issues. The judge additionally ordered Bassow to do 200 hours of community service.

During an interview with a probation officer, Bassow acknowledged an addiction to several recreational controlled substances and claimed responsibility for the inattention that caused the collision which resulted in the death of Victoria Nystrom. Bassow and his wife were also severely injured in the collision.

Bassow was sentenced after entering a no contest plea to one count of vehicular manslaughter without gross negligence.

If Bassow violates his probation he will face up to one year in the county jail.

Ramsey said on the afternoon of March 14, 2020 the California Highway Patrol

was called to the scene of a two vehicle collision on Highway 99 just south of Hamilton Nord Cana Highway. When officers of the California Highway Patrol arrived at the location, they found Bassow on a gurney being treated by emergency medical personnel and located Victoria Nystrom in the driver's seat of her vehicle with fatal injuries.

Upon a later review of Bassow's medical records, it was revealed that Bassow's urine had traces of four different drugs: MDMA, cocaine base, cannabinoids, and benzodiazepine. Additionally, Bassow and his wife had stayed up very late the night before and woke up after only a few hours of sleep before driving to Redding and back.

The conjunction of recent drug use and lack of sleep caused Bassow to take his attention from the roadway and drift into oncoming traffic. Bassow told officers that his wife was asleep as a passenger in his car and he turned his attention to her when she spoke out from an apparent dream. When Bassow noticed that he was in the lane of oncoming traffic, he swerved back into his own lane, then overcorrected and drove into oncoming traffic once again, colliding head on with the vehicle being driven by Victoria Nystrom, killing her.

Ramsey said even though the evidence was insufficient to show Bassow was impaired by the drugs in his system, it was clear the combination of a lack of sleep and the drugs was sufficient to bring a criminal vehicular manslaughter charge. Ramsey also noted the probation time of only one year came under a new law passed by the legislature for this year reducing probation time from three years to one year. ★

Chico Man Sentenced for Hate Crimes

Office of Butte County District Attorney, Michael Ramsey

CHICO, CA (MPG) - In Butte County Superior Court, a Chico man was sentenced to prison for several convictions of vandalism and hate crimes within the city of Chico.

On October 21, 2020, Thomas Bona, 35, pled no contest in Butte County Superior Court to felony vandalism with a hate crime allegation and four additional misdemeanor counts of vandalism with two counts of violating civil rights. On Wednesday, Bona was sentenced to the upper term of six years state prison for those crimes.

His felony conviction stemmed from a June 12, 2019 incident where Bona approached a man in a vehicle yelling racial slurs at the man and kicking the driver's side of the man's vehicle leaving a large dent. Using a knife, Bona then carved a white supremacy symbol into the hood of the vehicle.

His misdemeanor convictions involved two incidents from April 9, 2019 when Bona was seen on surveillance at a minority-owned Chico gas station using a black marker to mark walls and a door with white power statements. A black marker was found on Bona when arrested. On the same day,

Bona broke a window of a local minority-owned food truck when his payment card was refused. And on May 6, 2019, he was seen marking a wall of a Chico building on Orange Street with symbols of unknown meaning.

On April 8, 2020, upon request of his defense attorney and over the objection of the prosecutor, a local judge released Bona from custody. On June 2, 2020, Bona was recorded marking multiple white supremacy symbols (swastikas) at the Chico City Plaza, where numerous people had gathered in response to the death of George Floyd. Bona was arrested a few days later and returned to custody.

Throughout the pendency of his cases, Bona's mental health had been an issue. Bona was twice declared incompetent to stand trial and proceedings were suspended. At Wednesday's sentencing, when sentencing Bona to the upper term, Judge Kimberly Merrifield acknowledged Bona's mental health issues, but also noted Bona posed a significant risk to public safety if not imprisoned.

The judge noted that Bona will have access to mental health services while serving his prison term and would be subject to earlier release if he actively engages with treatment. ★

Live Oak Man Arrested in Connection to Child Molestation Investigation

By Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - A Live Oak man has been taken into custody due to his involvement in a child molestation investigation. According to Sutter County Sheriff's Office, 46- year-old Heriberto "Eddie" Ramirez, of Live Oak, is facing several charges in

connection to a child molestation investigation. Ramirez was arrested January 29th and is being held on \$50,000 bail. Detectives have been on the case since December 12, of 2020 and have located evidence that resulted in probable cause for the arrest of Ramirez. Ramirez was scheduled to appear in court February 1st. ★

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The following persons are doing business as: CE PROPERTY AND APPRAISALS
12 Feathervale Drive Oroville, CA 95966
Curtis Daniel Engen, 12 Feathervale Drive Oroville, CA 95966
Date Filed in Butte County: January 28, 2021
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #21CV00119

- Petitioner Cassandra Jo Klein filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name	Proposed name
Cassandra Jo Klein	Charlotte Marie Galway
- THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing March 17, 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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Ramiro Rodriguez Medrano, 6754 Citrus Avenue Oroville, CA 95966
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY OF GRIDLEY PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Gridley will hold a public hearing on the projects described below. The hearing before the Planning Commission will be held at a regular meeting scheduled **Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.** in Gridley City Hall Council Chambers, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. All interested persons are invited to submit comments in writing up to 12:00 noon of the scheduled meeting. Due to the City of Gridley offices continued closure, attendance is limited to remote call-in for citizens by teleconference:

- Dial 1-888-204-5987
- Enter the Access Code 5767603#

Site Development Plan Review 2-21: Midha Family Trust; Proposed development of approximately 0.42-acre site for a two-story commercial/residential mixed-use project creating approximately 5,000 square feet of medical office space on the first floor, a 644 square foot residential unit on the first floor, and four, two-bedroom apartments consisting of approximately 958 square feet per unit; the site will provide 17 parking spaces. The General Plan land use designation is Commercial and zoned Restricted Commercial (C-1) located on the southeast corner of East Gridley Road and Fairview Drive. (024-260-093)

Conditional Use Permit 1-21: Midha Family Trust; Application for a conditional use permit to allow a mixed-use development with residential use in the Restricted Commercial (C-1) zoning district and to allow the use and calculation of 6 parking spaces on the street to meet the development requirements for a mixed-use project. The General Plan land use designation is Commercial and zoned Restricted Commercial (C-1) located on the southeast corner of East Gridley Road and Fairview Drive. (024-260-093)

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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California's Unemployment Insurance Mess Laid Bare



Commentary
by Dan Walters
CALMatters

The juxtaposition of events this week regarding California's woebegone Employment Development Department (EDD) could not be more ironic.

On Monday, Julie Su, a veteran labor union leader who heads the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency, publicly acknowledged that EDD, one of the line departments she oversees, had failed miserably to stop rampant fraud in the distribution of pandemic-related unemployment insurance (UI) benefits.

"There is no sugarcoating the reality," Su told a news conference. "California did not have enough security measures in place."

At least 10% of the \$100-plus billion in state and federal benefits EDD paid out were fraudulent, she said, adding that the final total could be much higher. She laid some of the blame on shoddy rule-making by federal officials but said those failings "do not excuse EDD for being under-prepared."

Organized crime rings and prison inmates filed thousands of fraudulent claims for benefits that EDD readily paid. One reason: EDD had cancelled a contract with a firm that

flagged suspicious claims, then rehired the contractor only after the rampant fraud became apparent.

As Su spoke, political media reported that President Joe Biden has chosen her for the No. 2 spot in the U.S. Department of Labor. They also predicted rough sledding in her Senate confirmation hearings due to the fraud scandal and EDD's truly monumental failures in processing legitimate unemployment insurance claims and causing needless stress to jobless workers and their families.

On Tuesday, State Auditor Elaine Howle issued a damning report on the EDD's failings, while pointing out that they had been evident for many years.

"In mid-March 2020, (unemployment insurance) claims surged to unprecedented levels, and elevated claim levels persisted through October 2020," Howle told Gov. Gavin Newsom and legislators. "Although it would be unreasonable to have expected a flawless response to such an historic event, EDD's inefficient processes and lack of advanced planning led to significant delays in its payment of UI claims."

One passage of Howle's letter was directed at Su. "In spring of 2020," it said, "the secretary of the Labor and Workforce Development Agency directed EDD to pay certain claimants UI benefits without making key eligibility determinations and to temporarily stop collecting biweekly eligibility certifications. Although both directives were designed to provide Californians with benefit payments as quickly as possible, the U.S.

Department of Labor has not waived these requirements and, consequently, EDD now faces a very large impending workload of eligibility certifications that threatens its ability to operate effectively."

"Moreover," Howle said, "EDD struggled to provide claimants assistance with their claims. At the beginning of the claim surge, EDD's call center answered less than 1% of the calls it received. EDD quadrupled its available call center staff to more than 5,600 people in response to its call center problems, but these staff were often unable to assist callers and only marginally improved the percentage of calls it answered."

Howle's report did not delve into the fraud scandal but she will issue another report this week on that aspect and it's not likely to pull any punches.

Su may not be the only political figure tarnished by the auditor's twin reports. They generate more ammunition for the nascent recall campaign against Newsom that's centered on his handling of the pandemic response.

Recall backers, mostly Republican Party leaders and would-be Newsom successors, say they are very close to having enough signatures on petitions to force a recall election. He would be forced to defend why EDD plummeted off the rails, handing out billions of taxpayer dollars to crooks while failing to quickly process legitimate claims.

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

All Taxpayers Now Eligible for Identity Protection PINS

By Internal Revenue Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG)

The Internal Revenue Service expanded the Identity Protection PIN Opt-In Program to all taxpayers who can verify their identities.

The Identity Protection PIN (IP PIN) is a six-digit code known only to the taxpayer and to the IRS. It helps prevent identity thieves from filing fraudulent tax returns using a taxpayers' personally identifiable information.

"This is a way to, in essence, lock your tax account, and the IP PIN serves as the key to opening that account," said IRS Commissioner Chuck Rettig. "Electronic returns that do not contain the correct IP PIN will be rejected, and paper returns will go through additional scrutiny for fraud."

The IRS launched the IP PIN program nearly a decade ago to protect confirmed identity theft victims from ongoing tax-related fraud. In recent years, the IRS expanded the program to specific states where taxpayers could voluntarily opt into the IP PIN program. Now, the voluntary program is going nationwide.

About the IP PIN Opt-In Program

Here are a few key things to know about the IP PIN Opt-In program: This is a voluntary program. You must pass a rigorous identity verification process. Spouses and dependents are eligible for an IP PIN if they can verify their identities. An IP PIN is valid for a calendar year. You must obtain a new IP PIN each filing season. The online IP PIN tool is offline between November

and mid-January each year. Correct IP PINs must be entered on electronic and paper tax returns to avoid rejections and delays. Never share your IP PIN with anyone but your trusted tax provider. The IRS will never call, text or email requesting your IP PIN. Beware of scams to steal your IP PIN. There currently is no opt-out option but the IRS is working on one for 2022.

How to get an IP PIN

Taxpayers who want an IP PIN for 2021 should go to [IRS.gov/IPPIN](https://irs.gov/IPPIN) and use the Get an IP PIN tool. This online process will require taxpayers to verify their identities using the Secure Access authentication process if they do not already have an IRS account. See [IRS.gov/SecureAccess](https://irs.gov/SecureAccess) for what information you need to be successful. There is no need to file a Form 14039, an Identity Theft Affidavit, to opt into the program

Once taxpayers have authenticated their identities, their 2021 IP PIN immediately will be revealed to them. Once in the program, this PIN must be used when prompted by electronic tax returns or entered by hand near the signature line on paper tax returns.

All taxpayers are encouraged to first use the online IP PIN tool to obtain their IP PIN. Taxpayers who cannot verify their identities online do have options.

Taxpayers whose adjusted gross income is \$72,000 or less may complete Form 15227, Application for an Identity Protection Personal Identification Number, and mail or fax to the IRS. An IRS customer service representative will contact the taxpayer and verify their identities by phone.

Taxpayers should have their prior year tax return at hand for the verification process.

Taxpayers who verify their identities through this process will have an IP PIN mailed to them the following tax year. This is for security reasons. Once in the program, the IP PIN will be mailed to these taxpayers each year.

Taxpayers who cannot verify their identities online or by phone and who are ineligible for file Form 15227 can contact the IRS and make an appointment at a Taxpayer Assistance Center to verify their identities in person. Taxpayers should bring two forms of identification, including one government-issued picture identification.

Taxpayers who verify their identities through the in-person process will have an IP PIN mailed to them within three weeks. Once in the program, the IP PIN will be mailed to these taxpayers each year.

No change for confirmed identity theft victims

Taxpayers who are confirmed identity theft victims or who have filed an identity theft affidavit because of suspected stolen identity refund fraud will automatically receive an IP PIN via mail once their cases are resolved. Current tax-related identity theft victims who have been receiving IP PINs via mail will experience no change.

See [IRS.gov/IPPIN](https://irs.gov/IPPIN) for additional details.

The IRS also encourages tax professionals and employers to share information with taxpayers about the availability of the IP PIN. Tax professionals and employers can print or email Publication 5367 or share IRS social media/e-poster products. ★

CLG NEWS UPDATES

Provided by Citizens for Legitimate Government (CLG) See legitgov.org

51 percent of Americans would refuse or delay COVID vaccine, survey finds | 01 Feb 2021 | More than half of Americans say they would still either refuse or delay getting a COVID-19 vaccine, a new survey shows. While the number of US residents who want the immunization has crept up since December, 51 percent remain either hesitant or down-right opposed to getting their shots, according to the poll by the Kaiser Family Foundation. Of that defiant group, 31 percent say they want to see further results about the vaccine's effectiveness and side effects before making up their minds, 13 percent are refusing to take it, and another 7 percent claim they only will if required. "Those who have not yet been vaccinated for COVID-19 have many concerns and information needs related to the new vaccines," the pollsters said in a release.

Colleges investigate community members for attending pro-Trump protest | 29 Jan 2021 | College community members are subjects of internal and even federal probes for their presence at "Stop the Steal" protests on Jan. 6. It's largely unclear if the identified participants committed acts of violence at the U.S. Capitol or simply showed up to peacefully protest the Senate's confirmation of Electoral College votes. Yet their alleged attendance – and in one case, online rhetoric – was enough to spawn investigations by their colleges and, in another case, the feds. The FBI is investigating a University of South Carolina student for allegedly entering the Capitol building, a university media representative told The College Fix in an email last week. A former Pennsylvania state lawmaker, Rick Saccone, resigned from his adjunct faculty position at Saint Vincent College near Pittsburgh as a result of the Catholic institution's investigation, college officials told TribLive.

Biden Kills Trump Order Expanding Access to Opioid Abuse Treatment | 31 Jan 2021 | President Donald Trump was the first US President in modern history to oversee a decline in heroin deaths. But immediately after his inauguration, Joe Biden rescinded President Trump's order expanding access to opioid abuse treatment. Freedom Wire states: "According to anonymous sources reported by the Washington Post, Biden's impending move will reinstate the rule requiring practitioners to obtain the 'X-waiver' before prescribing Buprenorphine. The X-waiver is described by Addiction Center as 'a federal license that permits clinicians to prescribe buprenorphine for Opioid addiction treatment'"

Unity: Biden White House Fired Trump Officials in Pentagon Who Were Out on Maternity and Paternity Leave | 31 Jan 2021 | On Sunday morning, Rep. Devin Nunes (R-CA) and former deputy assistant to President Trump, Kash Patel, joined Maria Bartiromo on Sunday Morning Futures. Nunes and Kash Patel were asked about the double-standard in the US justice system today. This comes after former FBI lawyer Kevin Clinesmith was sentenced to probation for falsifying documents that led to the Trump Spygate scandal, the greatest political scandal in US history next to the 2020 election. During their discussion, Patel told Bartiromo that the Biden White House is even firing Trump officials in the Pentagon who are out on maternity and paternity leave.

Twitter permanently bans My Pillow CEO | 26 Jan 2021 | Twitter has permanently banned My Pillow CEO Mike Lindell's account after he continued to perpetuate the baseless claim that Donald Trump won the 2020 U.S. presidential election. Twitter decided to ban Lindell, who founded bedding company My Pillow, due to "repeated violations" of its [so-called] civic integrity policy, a spokesperson said in a statement. It was not immediately clear which posts by Lindell on Twitter triggered the suspension of his account... Major retailers such as Bed Bath & Beyond and Kohl's have said that they would stop carrying My Pillow's products, Lindell previously said.

Second California patient dies soon after COVID-19 vaccination, investigations underway | 27 Jan 2021 | The widow of a California health care worker who died after receiving the second dose of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine says her late husband "believed in vaccines." X-ray technician Tim Zook's health went into a sharp decline after receiving the second shot and he was eventually transferred to the University of California, Irvine Medical Center where he died Jan. 9. An investigation was underway into Zook's death after he allegedly developed an onslaught of medical issues following the second dose of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine. The Orange County Coroner confirmed it was investigating Zook's death in a statement emailed to Fox News. ★

Paradise Resident Arrested for Possession of Child Pornography

Butte County Sheriff's Office Press Release

PARADISE, CA (MPG)

In 2020, Butte County Sheriff's Office detectives began investigating Alex Rozycki, age 29, of Paradise. During the investigation detectives located evidence indicating Rozycki was downloading child pornography. On December 23, 2020 detectives served a search warrant at Rozycki's residence, which is located in the 6000 block of Tyden Way, Paradise.

During the service of the search warrant detectives seized multiple electronic devices that belonged to Rozycki. Detectives later conducted forensic searches of the electronic devices and located multiple images of child pornography. Detectives also located evidence indicating Rozycki was the individual who downloaded the child pornography. On January 8, detectives placed Rozycki under arrest for a felony count of possessing over 600

images of child pornography, and for a felony count of possession of child pornography portraying sexual masochism. Rozycki was booked into the Butte County Jail on the evening of January 8. Rozycki later posted bail and is scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on March 26, 2021, at 8:30 AM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detective Mary Barker at 530-538-7671. ★



Farmers Welcome Rain, Worry About Winds

With ground dry and the Sierra snow-pack standing at about 40% of average, most farmers and ranchers will welcome wet weather forecast for California this week. In Southern California, however, farmers will monitor avocado and citrus groves for potential damage from high winds. A windstorm last week caused avocados to blow off trees and led to scarring of lemons buffeted by the storm. Farmers continue to assess the overall impact.

Water, Pandemic Affect Farmers' Planting Plans

The combination of drought and the pandemic has California farmers reassessing their planting plans. The prospect of reduced water supplies has caused some farmers to reduce their planned acreage of field crops, to assure they'll have enough for their orchards and vineyards. Farmers who have grown specialized vegetables and herbs for restaurants may concentrate instead on crops intended for home use, as restaurants remain limited by pandemic guidelines.

California Tomato Production May Increase

Tomato processors will likely ask farmers to plant more tomatoes this year. A new government estimate indicates processors intend to contract for about 6% more tomatoes than they did in 2020. California dominates domestic production of processing tomatoes, used for tomato sauce, ketchup and other products. The projected contracts could lead to planting of 240,000 acres of processing tomatoes in the state.

Agreement Focuses on Preventing Plant Virus

To prevent a damaging plant virus from taking hold in California, seed companies have agreed to a set of protocols for people and machinery. The Clean Seed Agreement aims to combat cucumber green mottle mosaic virus, which affects cucumbers, watermelons, cantaloupes and similar crops. The virus first appeared in a Sutter County field in 2012. Now, seed companies plant only seed tested to assure it's free of the plant virus. ★

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

Winter has come! It feels like winter for the first time this winter season. I don't want freezing nights but it feels right that they happen. I'm hoping as I write this that it rains steadily but does not flood. I swore I would not wrap up the patio plants with frost cloth. I've gone ahead and wrapped the budding Cymbidium

orchids, tucked in my Agave attenuate, and my Bromeliad "Queen's Tears." I also put one epi full of buds into the greenhouse. I really want to see the many flowers on that plant. All of these were the few things still outdoors that do not go below 40 degrees. They should survive a hard freeze, if it doesn't last for too many hours. My bonsai olive tree also went into the greenhouse. It is my only fully evergreen leafed bonsai and I did not want it damaged. The pot is so shallow with those roots easily exposed to the elements.

Last summer I looked up all of my potted plants and found their low temperature tolerances. This has helped a lot in regard

to which plants can take the colder temperatures.

If you have potted plants, I recommend doing this process as time consuming as it was. If you have the internet this is not hard to accomplish.

My Mandarin has gotten too big to wrap in frost cloth. I'm hoping the nipped leaves drop and the rest of the tree does fine. I'm beginning to think that my plan for eliminating plants by natural selection via freezing temperatures is not working that well, since I'm protecting more plants due to this freeze. There are a few that are borderline that I'm letting be, so maybe a tiny bit of success. It's somewhat like eliminating snails by throwing them into the road. ★

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal



What are you in awe of? A movie star? A famous athlete? A political leader? A TV personality? A religious leader? What makes you gasp in admiration?

What in your life brings "star struck awe"? How about a child's first step? How about a sunset casting rays of brilliant colors only an artist could create?

Creation itself should be reason enough to cause a person to wonder how all of this come to be. Creations so deep in the ocean that they have no color but give off a glow when captured by a camera lens. Stars and planets scattered across the universe that can only be seen through telescopes or

space crafts thousands of miles from earth.

Awesomeness comes to all of us through paintings we see, dances we watch, athletes that sail through the air to score, and breath-taking purple mountains or snow-covered peaks.

More than material things we should be in awe of God's work in our broken world. He didn't break it; we did but he continues to bring to light truth and glory by His power.

We humans are broken. We hate. We distrust. We plot and plan for evil. We kill. We destroy the beauty of the earth. Yet!!! God loves us and wants us to be close to Him, while we are yet sinners. God loves us!!! His proof was the birth, life, and death of His

Son as the final sacrificial lamb for sin and evil.

Jesus was born into a broken world, and died in a broken world. Yet, He asked God's forgiveness for His judge and jury who condemned Him to death.

Look at our broken world today. Push, shove, know down, crush, and destroy what in not in our orbit of reality. What would Jesus do if He was here? Stop! Listen! Rethink His position! Now offer forgiveness!

Forgive the politician that caused you to lose your job. Forgive a friend with an opposite position on a crisis. Now reach out in Jesus' name with love and faith Let's reboot our broken world!!! ★

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

"You know," said Herb, "when this danged virus thingie is over and we all have our shots and are guaranteed to live longer than anyone else wants us to, there is only one thing I'll miss."

Doc, our morning coffee medical expert, put down his cup and looked at Herb, who was *not* our medical expert but a retired pawn shop owner.

"You mean you're going to miss this pandemic, Herb? It's terrible. What on earth will you miss about it?"

Herb glanced around the philosophy counter here at the Mule Barn truck stop and smiled.

"I will slightly miss its contributions to our more colorful swearing."

"Oh ... " said the cowboy, Steve. "because we cursed it so much?"

"Not a bit, Steve. No, it was in the use of new words and phrases. For example, as a cussing epithet, who could outdo someone who says, "I want that virus vaccination now, PANDEMIC!"

We nodded.

"Or ... why don't you just go COVID yourself 19 times!"

Doc nodded. "Good one, Herb."

"I know," said Windy, "how about let's

VIRUSTICATE ourselves over to the bar and have a CORONA?"

"That sounds like fun, Windy," said Doc, "but at my age it'd be just my luck to virusticate myself over to the bar and have a coronary, instead!"

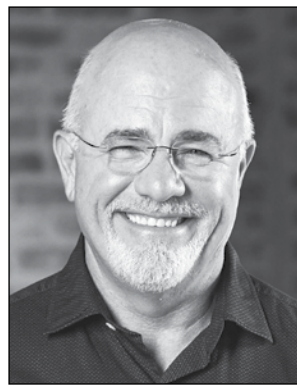
Windy had a quizzical look on his old bearded face. "Well ... how about a Budweiser then?"

"That does sound wiser," Doc said.

Sometimes, there is a danger that expanding the language can create its own problems. That's why we drink coffee here.

Brought to you by Desperate Season, from award-winning author Maryann Miller, a mystery found at Amazon.com. ★

Virusticate



Dave Ramsey Says

Don't Embrace The Wrong Things

Dear Dave,

Your plan has been a lifesaver for us. Why do you think some people are unwilling to listen to good advice, and make changes in their finances?

—Tammi

Dear Tammi,

Thank you so much for all the kind words. I'm really proud of you two for putting in the effort and hard work that goes along changing your financial behaviors and gaining control of your money.

I think there are several reasons why some folks resist making changes in their lives, even when those changes would make things a whole lot better and easier for them. One of those things is often denial.

My dad used to tell

me 90 percent of solving a problem is realizing and admitting a problem exists. I'm convinced that one of the major factors keeping people from winning with money is they don't realize they even have a problem. If you are apathetic because you think things like debt and living paycheck-to-paycheck are okay or just the way things are, you'll be unwilling — or even afraid — to make the big changes necessary to achieve big results. Debt is so ingrained into our culture that most Americans can't envision a car without a payment, or college without student loans. We've been sold on the idea of debt so aggressively that most folks don't believe life without a pile of payments is possible.

Also, change is painful. Most people won't change until the pain of where they are exceeds the pain of change. No matter who you are, where you're at right now financially is, in large part, a sum total of the decisions you've made to this point. If you don't like where you are, you have to acknowledge the fact that things need to change — *you* need to change.

—Dave

Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Dave 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. ★

Sandeep Singh Charged with Identity Theft by Sutter County Sheriff's Office

By Sutter County Sheriff's Office

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - On January 17, 2021 at approximately 2300 hours, Sutter County Sheriff's Office received a call of trespassing in a residence that has been red tagged, in the area of South Lawrence and Franklin Avenue, Yuba

City. Deputies responded and contacted multiple subjects in a trailer behind a residence. One of the subjects was identified as 35-year-old Yuba City resident, Sandeep Singh and had numerous warrants for his arrest. During a search of Singh's person, incident to arrest, numerous bank cards and identifications

not belonging to Singh were located. Singh was on current probation for prior arrest and convictions of identity theft. Sigh was booked into the Sutter County Jail for numerous charges, including identify theft. Singh was released on O.R. with a court date of February 22nd at 2pm. ★

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SPARKY'S CORNER

Scald Emergencies

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

WHAT TO DO

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

WHAT NOT TO DO

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

THE FACTS

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

THE FIX

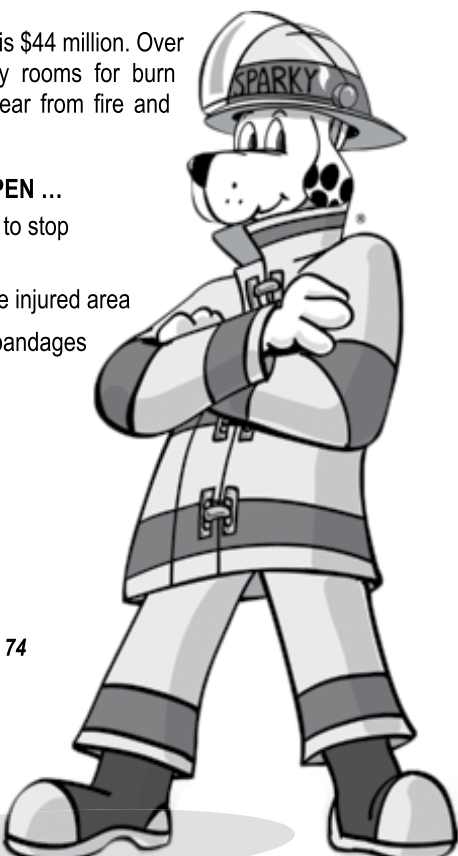
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IF A BURN INJURY DOES HAPPEN ...

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



Thank You,
Sparky the Dog
Gridley Fire Station 74



Dear Dietitian

Smoothies



Commentary
by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian:

I’m trying to lose twenty pounds. I drink a smoothie for breakfast every morning on my way to work. I’ve also been juicing because I’ve read it helps with weight loss. I’ve lost five pounds and feel good about it, but it seems like I’m always hungry! Help!

Laura

Dear Laura,

It is a good idea to eat breakfast when on a weight loss diet. Breakfast anchors your appetite for the remainder of the day and often protects against night-eating. Smoothies are a delicious way to start your day, but are they healthy? Many people use smoothies to increase their fruit and vegetable intake. The frothy drink typically contains fresh fruit, sometimes spinach or kale, fruit juice, cow’s milk or a plant-based alternative, and sometimes honey. It seems pretty healthy, but like everything, calories vary. You can make a smoothie that is less than 100 calories or one that contains several hundred calories.

As the name implies, juicing is the process of squeezing juice from fruit, leaving the fiber, and consuming the juice. Some believe juicing will protect against cancer, boost the immune system, flush toxins from the body, and help with weight loss. One advertisement states it is the juice within the fiber that holds the healthy nutrients. There is no scientific evidence

that juicing will provide any of the health benefits previously stated. In fact, research has found that the fiber in fruit is essential to good health. It’s best to eat the whole fruit.

Juice bars have popped up as the latest “health” trend. These drinks provide extra vitamins, minerals, and often energy-boosting components. They are over-priced, similar to certain coffee drinks that have become so popular. I bought my niece one of these drinks. It was a watermelon-flavored drink that made you feel like you were one step closer to a tropical island, if you believed the advertising. The cost – eight dollars, including the tip! It was a one-time gift.

To lose weight, you simply have to take in fewer calories than you burn. That said, there are disadvantages to drinking your calories instead of eating them. Liquids move out of the stomach almost twice as quickly as solids, which may explain your hunger pangs. You may also need to add about two hundred calories a day to your intake, as your current plan could be too restrictive, which often backfires.

That said, my recommendation is to eat breakfast instead of drinking it. A meal of old-fashioned oatmeal (cooks in 5 minutes) with raisins, a piece of fruit, a slice of toast with peanut butter, and a calcium-containing beverage is delicious, satisfying, and will hold you until lunchtime. Use smoothies occasionally as a fun treat.

Until next time, be healthy!
Dear Dietitian

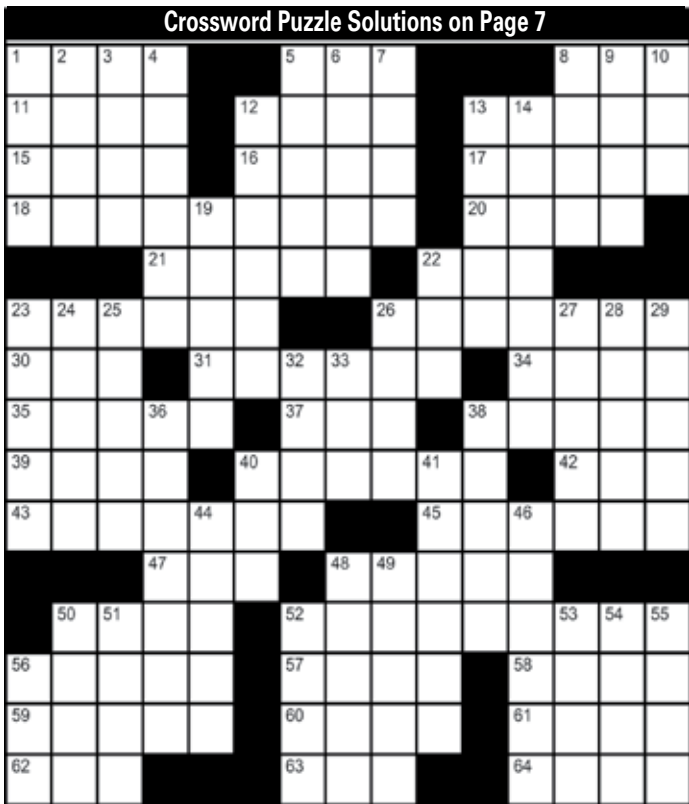
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CLUES

- ACROSS
1. “You’re the ____!”
 5. Horse color
 11. Interesting person, acr.
 11. *Feeling of the heart
 12. Nevada city
 13. City in Belgium
 15. Use a whisk
 16. Greek H’s
 17. *Popular Valentine’s Day delivery, pl.
 18. **Love means never having to say you’re sorry” movie
 20. Ballpark calls
 21. Strong adhesive
 22. Greek letter N, pl.
 23. Lord’s subordinate
 26. Given to drinking
 30. Ovine mom
 31. Old storage medium
 34. Fairy-tale beginning
 35. Politician Pelosi
 37. Tokyo, once
 38. Bone hollows
 39. Sky bear
 40. Fitted with a name tag, e.g.
 42. “Ever” to a poet
 43. With more seeds
 45. Attic
 47. Summer sandwich?
 48. Fraternity letter
 50. Medieval headdress
 52. *Only day more popular than Valentine’s for card giving
 56. Like blue sky
 57. Walk the Pacific Crest Trail, e.g.
 58. Samoan money
 59. *Dionysus’ pipe-playing companion
 60. Affirm
 61. Give off
 62. Plays for pay
 63. *Color of Valentine’s Day
 64. *Lovers’ reunion

- DOWN
1. Cry like a baby
 3. Canyon sound
 3. Convict’s weapon
 4. Conical dwellings
 5. Get on juice diet, e.g.
 6. Opposite of binary
 7. Like a gossipmonger
 8. Exterminator’s target
 9. Change for a five
 10. Part of T.G.I.F.
 12. Like an abridged classic
 13. Tiler’s paste
 14. **“I Will Always Love You” singer
 19. Stupefied
 22. Us, in Mexico
 23. *Cupid’s mother
 24. In the know
 25. Common thing?
 26. Smoke plus fog
 27. Lay to rest
 28. Rocks at mountain base
 29. *Symbol of Valentine’s Day
 32. Infantry’s last row
 33. Roulette bet
 36. *Chocolatier, pioneer of the heart-shaped box
 38. ____ apple
 40. Risk something
 41. Between eggy and eggless
 44. Feeling worse than before
 46. Gave away
 48. Thin piece
 49. Annoyed



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50. Russia’s alternative to caesar
51. Aries or Taurus, e.g.
52. Burn to a crisp
53. MADD member, colloquially
54. Climbed down, as from a carriage
55. Fill beyond full
56. Pharaoh’s cobra



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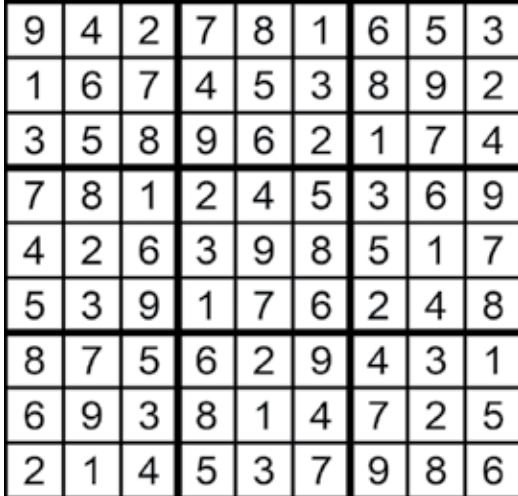
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #20CV02222

1. Petitioner Rosalie Roberta Leaird filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name	Proposed name
Rosalie Roberta Leaird	Rosalie Roberta Harland

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing March 3, 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. 2021-0000045

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0000054

The following persons are doing business as: **EAST BIGGS MINI STORAGE**
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Lana Kay Gonzalez and Sergio Gonzalez, 426 Biggs East Highway Biggs, CA 95917
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #21CV00052

1. Petitioner Elizabeth Anne Russell filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name	Proposed name
Elizabeth Anne Russell	Anne Elizabeth Russell

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing March 10, 2021 9:00 a.m. Department TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
 Publish: January 22, 29 February 5, and 12, 2021 (The Gridley Herald)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0000030

The following persons are doing business as: **BLACKBERRY BUTTE FARMS**
4460 Myvali Drive Butte Valley, CA 95965
Lindsey Carrico and Nicholas Carrico, 4460 Myvali Drive Butte Valley, CA 95965
 Date Filed in Butte County: January 8, 2021
 The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: 1/6/2021
 This Business is Conducted by: A Married Couple

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2021-0000082

The following persons are doing business as: **DON J TRUCKING**
42 Lauren Way Oroville, CA 95965
Don Ellis Miller, 42 Lauren Way Oroville, CA 95965
 Date Filed in Butte County: January 15, 2021
 The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
 This Business is Conducted by: An Individual

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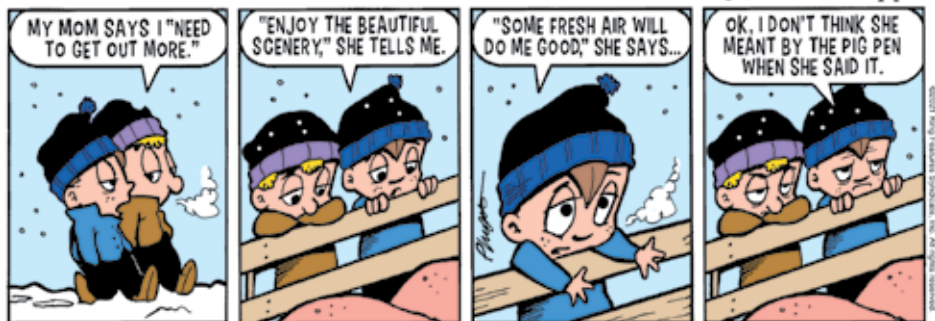
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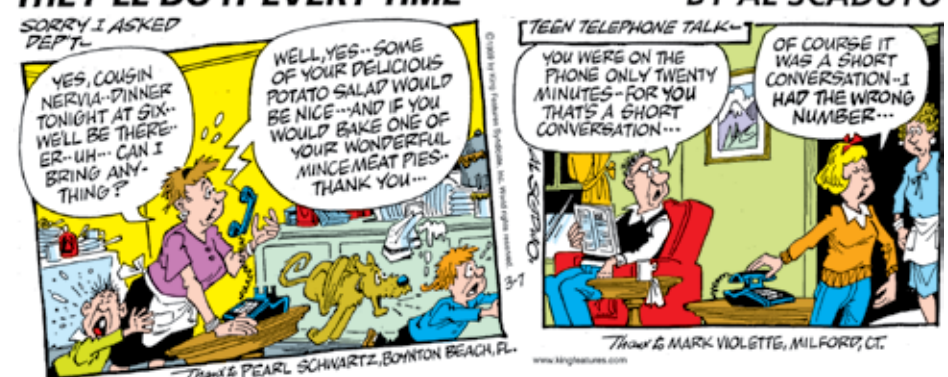
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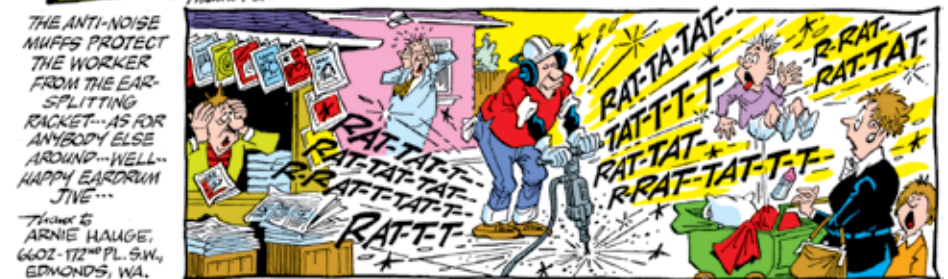


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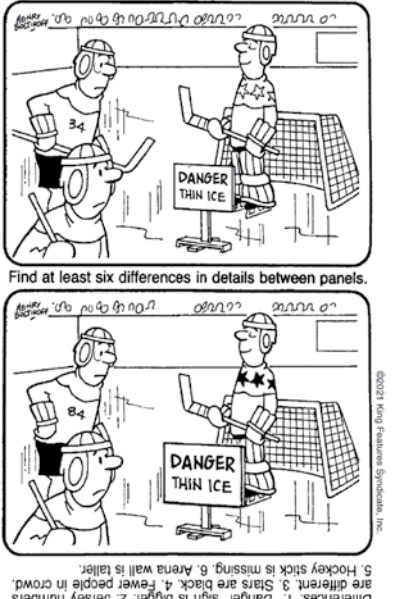
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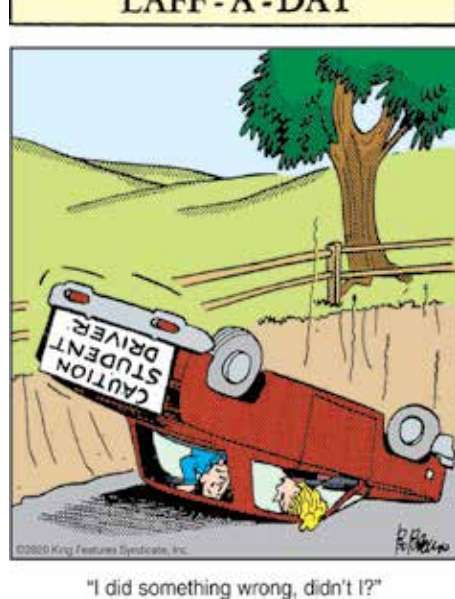
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Five Arrested during Service of Search Warrant

BCSO Press Release

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - On January 28, 2021, Butte County Sheriff's Office detectives, Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force detectives, Butte County Sheriff's Office Special Enforcement detectives, and the Butte County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit served a search warrant in the 1800 block of Fort Wayne Street, Oroville. During a search of the residence and property, detectives located numerous evidence items to include the following items: approximately 153 grams of methamphetamine, approximately 11 grams of heroin, a firearm, ammunition, a butane honey oil manufacturing lab, narcotics paraphernalia, and burglary tools.

During the service of the search warrant the following individuals were contacted and arrested:

Russell Crane, age 30, of Oroville was arrested for felony counts of possession of a narcotic substance for sale, possession of a controlled substance for sale, being armed while committing a felony, and a misdemeanor count of possession of burglary tools.

Michael Gumaer, age 43, of Oroville was arrested for a felony count of manufacturing a controlled substance. Gumaer also had a felony arrest warrant from an unrelated investigation.

Andrea Maestas, age 34, of Oroville was arrested for a felony count of manufacturing a controlled substance, and a misdemeanor count of possession of narcotics paraphernalia.

Lenny Maestas, age 60, of Oroville was arrested for felony counts of being a prohibited person in possession of ammunition, and for committing a felony while being released on bail for a felony charge.

Amanda Pack, age 34, of Oroville was arrested for a felony count of possessing a firearm while being addicted to a narcotic substance, and for a misdemeanor count of possession of a narcotic substance.

All of the individuals who were arrested are scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on Monday, February 1, at 3 PM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detective Vaj Thao at 530-538-7671. ★

Chico Resident Arrested for Possession of Child Pornography

BCSO Press Release

CHICO, CA (MPG) - In 2021, Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) detectives began investigating Laird Easton, age 64, of Chico. During the investigation, the detectives located evidence indicating Easton was downloading child pornography. Detectives determined Easton was employed by California State University, Chico. On January 20, detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Easton. On January 21, detectives served a search warrant at Easton's residence, which is located in the 1900 block of Citrus Avenue, Chico. Detectives and California State

University, Chico Police Department Officers also served a search warrant at Easton's office, which is located on the California State University, Chico campus.

During the service of the search warrant detectives seized a cellular telephone from Easton's person, and multiple electronic devices that belonged to Easton. Detectives are in the process of conducting forensic searches of Easton's electronic devices. During a review of the cellular telephone located on Easton's person, detectives located over 100 images of child pornography. Detectives are still in the process of reviewing the cellular

telephone data and Easton's other electronic devices. Detectives also located evidence indicating Easton was the individual who downloaded the child pornography.

On January 21, detectives placed Easton under arrest for a felony count of possessing child pornography. Easton was booked into the Butte County Jail on January 21. Easton later posted bail and is scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on April 9, 2021 at 8:30 AM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detective Mary Barker at 530-538-7671. ★

Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

January 22nd - January 31th

1-22-21: At 12:26 am on Kentucky and Magnolia Streets, Gridley CA, Miguel Angel Navarro, 22, was arrested on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant, for possession of more than 28.6 grams of marijuana (11357 (b)(2) H&S), driving with a suspended license (14601.5 (a) VC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-22-21: At 12:29 am on Kentucky and Magnolia Streets, Gridley CA, Alexandra Tacalo, 21, was arrested for obstruction of justice (148 (a)(1) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-22-21: At 12:29 am on Kentucky and Magnolia Streets, Gridley CA, Jesus Ramon Gonzalez, 21, was arrested for obstruction of justice (148 (a)(1) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-23-21: At 12:40 am on SR-99 and W. Evans Reimer Rd., Gridley CA, Steven James Squires, 30, was cited for displaying false registration (4462.5 VC), expired registration (4000 (a)(1) VC), and for no proof of insurance (16028 (a) VC).

1-23-21: At 8:40 pm on the 1500 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Julio Cesar Ortiz Orozco, 43, was arrested on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant, for possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), public intoxication (647 (f) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-23-21: At 9:59 am on the 1800 block of Ohio St. (bike path), Gridley CA, Yazmin Guadalupe Gonzalez Villegas, 18, was arrested for inflicting corporal injury upon a victim (273.5 (a) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

1-24-21: At 1:46 pm at Laurel and Washington Streets, Gridley CA, Kathy Ann Malcolm, 56, was cited for driving with a suspended license – DUI (14601.2 (a) VC), no proof of insurance (16028 (a) VC) and expired registration (4000 (a)(1) CVC).

1-25-21: At 10:41 am on Little and Losser Avenues, Gridley CA, Teodoro Valdivia, 31, was arrested for an outside agency misdemeanor warrant, violation of a protective order (273.6 (a) PC), violation of probation (1203.2 (a) PC), driving without a license (12500 (a) VC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-26-21: At 5:56 pm on the 1500 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Jaime Soto Menchaca, 29, was cited on two outside agency misdemeanor warrants, was arrested for obstruction of justice (148 (a)(1) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-28-21: At 6:17 pm on the 400 block of Oregon St., Gridley CA, Jesse Wayne Waterman Reed, 37, was arrested on a local misdemeanor bench warrant, for possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

1-31-21: At 2:43 pm on the 1700 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Timothy Joseph Holeman, 40, was arrested on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant, two outside agency felony warrants and was booked into Butte County Jail.

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