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## Women Veterans Honored



Veterans gather in support of their "sisters in arms" at Colusa Veterans Memorial Park. Seen here standing by one of the park's relief sculptures, featuring images of World War One. Pictured left to right: Mike Jones, Joe Bowers, Peter Adams, Dennis Sanders, Bill Tanner, Cheyenne Bart, Vicki Bateman, and Saxon Ross. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

**COLUSA, CA (MPG)** - Colusa's Veterans Memorial Park got a historic update just in time for Veterans Day.

The park is home to a beautiful memorial complex begun in 2014 by the Colusa VFW 2441 and supported by gracious community donations. An archway featuring the seals of all military service branches welcomes visitors to the park and directs them to the heart of the park – a cluster of 8 walls comprised of bricks featuring the names of service members from Colusa County. The walls with nearly 1,000 names of service are backed with specially designed relief sculptures.

Dennis Sanders, former Commander of Colusa VFW 2441 says that the sculptures "depict all of

the wars and conflicts that we've had from World War One to Afghanistan." Each relief has been carefully carved by artist Peter Adams from a concrete mixture and features images of servicemen in battle and identifying title plaque.

On Friday, October 30th, the seventh sculpture was placed at the memorial, specifically honoring women in the military. The relief features images of women serving in each branch of the military in official uniform of each branch, and two large images of women in active combat gear.

Adams, the artist behind the sculptures at the Colusa Veterans Memorial Park, met with Colusa VFW and women veterans for their input during the design process. He said that this particular piece was "a very

challenging panel, partly because there wasn't a theme, like a given conflict" but more so a "theory to express...that we have the support of women throughout the whole aspect of the military." He says, "I was very pleased with how it turned out," and shares that it has been a privilege for him to "honor the heroic work of military men and women."

Among those Veterans in attendance at the installation were women veterans, Cheyenne Bart and Vickie Bateman. Bart, former Gridley VFW Commander and Navy vet said that it was "past due" and spoke about the roles of women in military service. "When we think of veterans, people then to think of men." Bart says, "Now that women enter conflicts, combat and hostile situations,

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## No Turkey for You!



By Mat Staver,  
Founder and Chairman  
Liberty Council

It wasn't enough for CA Gov. Gavin Newsom to ban ALL WORSHIP in churches and private homes for much of California. Now he's dictating how people will be allowed to celebrate Thanksgiving – the one day each year we set aside to give special thanks to God for our freedom, family and nation.

Now Gov. Newsom wants Californians to keep a "list" of all Thanksgiving celebration attendees' names, addresses and contact information, to be surrendered to the government upon demand.

It is becoming increasingly clear that Gov. Newsom wants to eradicate both faith and freedom. Newsom's unconstitutional lockdowns have nothing to do with COVID and everything to do with CONTROL.

**CA's Outrageous Thanksgiving Restrictions**

In addition to Gov. Newsom's unconstitutional orders that discriminate against churches and places of worship, he has now released onerous government restrictions on Thanksgiving gatherings.

The mandatory restrictions for Thanksgiving gatherings include:

- No more than three households, including hosts and guests.
- The names and contact information of guests must be recorded so they can be "contact traced."
- Must be held outside.
- No more than two hours.
- Guests may use restrooms only if they are sanitized between use.
- Six-foot distancing in all directions.
- Everyone should frequently wash their hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer which must, of course, be done outside.
- Food and drink must be in single-serve disposable containers.
- No food or drink on the table other than your plate and cup.
- Masks must be worn and removed only briefly to eat or drink.
- Masks can also be removed for urgent medical needs (an asthma inhaler, medication or

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## Court Declares Governor's Abuse Unconstitutional

By Curtis Grima,  
Office of Assemblyman  
James Gallagher

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - A State Superior Court judge tentatively ruled in favor of Assemblymembers James Gallagher (R-Yuba City) and Kevin Kiley (R-Rocklin) in their abuse of power lawsuit against Governor Gavin Newsom.

In the tentative ruling, Judge Sarah Heckman declared the Governor's recent Executive Order N-67-20 unconstitutional. More importantly, Judge Heckman's tentative ruling places a permanent injunction against the Governor which prevents him from unilaterally making or changing state law moving forward.

Click here to read the tentative ruling issued in Sutter County Superior Court.

Assemblymembers Gallagher and Kiley said, "We have been arguing that the California Emergency



Assemblymembers Kevin Kiley (R-Rocklin)(right) and James Gallagher (R-Yuba City) stand speaking outside of the California State Superior Court in Yuba City, California. Image courtesy of Office of Assemblyman James Gallagher

Services Act does not provide for one-man rule. Today, the Court agreed with us."

"This is a victory for separation of powers. The Governor has continued to create and change state law without public input and without the deliberative process provided by the Legislature. The judicial

branch again gave him the check that was needed and that the Constitution requires."

"Nobody disputes that there are actions that should be taken to keep people safe during an emergency. But that doesn't mean that we put our Constitution and free society on hold by centralizing all power in the hands

of one man," Gallagher and Kiley concluded.

The Court's decision does not impact any of the election protocols for the 2020 election.

Assemblyman James Gallagher represents the 3rd Assembly District. Assemblyman Kevin Kiley represents the 6th Assembly District. ★



# ELECTION RESULTS 2020 VOTE

Not all results are final. Numbers reflect available data at press time.

Source: BUTTE, SUTTER and YUBA County Election website, State of California Election website

## VOTES PERCENT President of the United States

Donald J Trump (REP) ..... 67,438,495 ..... 214  
Joe Biden (DEM) ..... 70,244,872 ..... 238  
Too close to call.  
Declared winners are all the lawyers.

## U S Representative District 1

Doug LaMalfa (REP) ... 142,742 .. 55.0  
Audrey Denney (DEM) .. 116,985 .. 45.0

## U S Representative District 3

John Garamendi (DEM) 123,527 ... 58.1  
Tamika Hamilton (REP) .. 89,220 ... 41.9

## State Assembly District 1

Megan Dahle (REP) ..... 96,629 .. 57.6  
Elizabeth Betancourt (DEM) 71,126 ... 42.4

## State Assembly District 3

James Gallagher (REP)..... 90,478 ... 60.5  
James Henson (DEM)..... 59,034 ... 39.5

## Gridley City Council (3 elected)

Michael Farr ..... 990 .. 18.70  
Catalina Sanchez ..... 900 .. 17.00  
J Angel Calderon ..... 879 .. 16.60  
Raymond Borges ..... 771 .. 14.56  
Jessica Ramos-McElroy . 766 .. 14.47  
Chris Williams ..... 741 .. 14.00  
Quintin Crye ..... 247 ... 4.67

## Gridley Unified School District, Board of Trustees

Cheryl Argetsinger .... 2,274 .. 60.62  
Lena Sannar ..... 1,477 .. 39.38

## Biggs City Council (2 elected)

John Busch ..... 372 .. 41.29  
Jerome Squires ..... 329 .. 36.51  
Stephen Sherlock ..... 200 .. 22.20

## Yuba Co. Supervisor, Dist 2

Don Blaser ..... 1,653 .. 56.47  
Stephen Heter ..... 1,274 .. 43.53

## Mayor City of Marysville

Chris Branscum ..... 1,109 .. 39.37  
Stephanie McKenzie ... 1,040 .. 36.92  
Ricky Samoya ..... 668 .. 23.71

## Marysville City Council (2 elected)

John Dominique Belza. . 1,430 .. 40.63  
Stuart Gilchrist ..... 1,394 .. 39.60  
Michael Ferrini ..... 696 .. 19.77

## Marysville Joint Unified - Area 2

Gary Criddle ..... 1,750 .. 52.74  
Susan E. Scott ..... 1,588 .. 47.26

## Marysville Joint Unified - Area 3

Alisan Hastey ..... 1,879 .. 48.54  
Jim Flurry ..... 1,578 .. 40.76  
Margie Evangelista ..... 414 .. 10.69

## Marysville Joint Unified - Area 4

Doug Criddle ..... 1,799 .. 37.75  
Monica Oakes ..... 1,653 .. 34.68  
Paul Allison ..... 1,314 .. 27.57

## Browns Villy Irrig Dist - Div 5

Joseph Maslan ..... 1,058 .. 63.47  
Nathan Sokoloski ..... 609 .. 36.53

## North Yuba Water Dir - Div 1

Andrew Hill ..... 99 .. 54.10  
Douglas Neilson ..... 84 .. 45.90

## North Yuba Water Dir - Div 2

Fred Mitchell ..... 149 .. 55.60  
Bruce Helft ..... 119 .. 44.40

## North Yuba Water Dir - Div 3

Gary Hawthorne ..... 181 .. 54.03  
Charles Sharp ..... 154 .. 45.97

## City of Marysville Measure N

Yes ..... 1,721 ... 63.41  
No ..... 993 ... 36.59

## Yuba City Council (2 elected)

Wade Kirchner ..... 9,086 .. 31.21  
Shon Harris ..... 8,996 .. 30.90  
Manny Cardoza ..... 7,359 .. 25.28  
Gerry Mains ..... 3,668 .. 12.60

## Live Oak City Council (2 elected)

Nancy Santana ..... 617 .. 21.74  
Lakhvir Ghag ..... 509 .. 17.94  
Aleks Tica ..... 453 .. 15.96  
Jeremy Chapedelaine ... 407 .. 14.34  
Dale Carlson ..... 328 .. 11.56  
Cruz Mora ..... 273 .. 9.62  
Johnny Ceballos ..... 251 ... 8.84

## Sutter County Supervisor - Dist 4

Karm Bains ..... 3,821 .. 62.10  
Tej Maan ..... 2,332 .. 37.90

## Sutter County Supervisor - Dist 5

Mat Conant ..... 3,159 .. 61.39  
Sarb Thiara ..... 1,987 .. 38.61

## Measure C - Yuba CommCollege Dist

Yes ..... 487 ... 51.10  
No ..... 466 ... 48.90

## State Prop 14 - Bonds for Stem Cell Research

Yes ..... 5,819,217 ... 51.1  
No ..... 5,577,459 ... 48.9

## State Prop 15 - Taxes on Commercial Property

Yes ..... 5,592,154 ... 48.3  
No ..... 5,991,994 ... 51.7

## State Prop 16 - Allow Affirmative Action in Govt Decisions

Yes ..... 5,020,657 ... 43.9  
No ..... 6,409,405 ... 56.1

## State Prop 17 - Voting Rights for People on Parole

Yes ..... 6,815,887 ... 59.0  
No ..... 4,732,949 ... 41.0

## State Prop 18 - Voting Rights for 17-year Olds

Yes ..... 5,192,183 ... 41.9  
No ..... 6,380,915 ... 55.1

## State Prop 19 - Changes Property Tax Rules

Yes ..... 5,848,922 ... 51.5  
No ..... 5,499,454 ... 48.5

## State Prop 20 - Restricts Parole, Authorizes Felony Sentences

Yes ..... 4,259,578 ... 37.7  
No ..... 7,045,167 ... 62.3

## State Prop 21 - More Govt on Rent Control

Yes ..... 4,592,383 ... 40.2  
No ..... 6,840,341 ... 59.8

## State Prop 22 - Exempts Rideshare and Delivery Drivers

Yes ..... 6,718,739 ... 56.4  
No ..... 4,770,073 ... 41.6

## State Prop 23 - Kidney Dialysis State Requirements

Yes ..... 4,110,191 ... 36.0  
No ..... 7,314,447 ... 64.0

## State Prop 24 - Amends Consumer Privacy

Yes ..... 6,346,607 ... 56.1  
No ..... 4,968,969 ... 43.9

## State Prop 25 - Overturns 2018 Law on Bail System

Yes ..... 5,020,810 ... 44.6  
No ..... 6,241,048 ... 55.4



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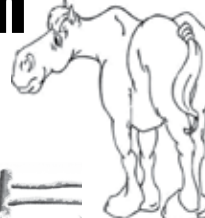
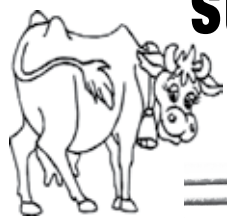
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## IMPORTANT SOCCER ANNOUNCEMENT

I am so sad to inform the public that in accordance with State and Local health mandates, we will not be having a Fall Soccer Season. My heart is broken for our youth and families who love this sport. As Gridley Recreation, our first concern is your health and safety.

All registration payments have been held and will be available to pick up and sign out at City Hall.

YOU WILL RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT BACK IN FULL.





# Bishop’s Pumpkin Farm is Top Pick!



"Three generations enjoy Bishop's Pumpkin Patch". Left to right: Max Walters, Maxwell & Lindsey Myers. Photo by Kendall Carrell

By Seti Long

WHEATLAND, CA (MPG) - A favorite for 47 years, Bishop's Pumpkin Patch in Wheatland is home to the quintessential harvest season experience. And after a year of COVID lockdowns, Bishop's proves to be a refreshing escape for families all over northern California.

ile most in the crowds of people were masked, social distancing was enforced and hand sanitizing stations were available throughout the park, it almost felt like the world had gone back to normal. The park was full of visitors enjoying themselves. Children played on the giant slides, giggled as they circled round on Charlie's Carousel, fed the animals at Weeland Petting Zoo or took the tour on the BPF Line train. The more adventurous

visitors got lost in the corn maze or flew fast and high down the zip line.

As always, the Cider Mill was a popular spot for pressed apple cider, caramel apples and popcorn balls, and the bakery satisfied with home-made cakes and pies. Hay-filled tractor rides shuttled families out to the fields dotted with hundreds of pumpkins to hunt for the perfect pick, be it orange, white, green or speckled, large or small. Pumpkin carts are available for those with larger picks to haul to the pumpkin weigh station for final purchase.

For those who haven't been to Bishop's Pumpkin Patch, it is truly a must and it's not too late! The farm is open to the public until November 9th, and is located 1415 Pumpkin Lane, in Wheatland CA. Visit [Bishopspumpkinfarm.com](http://Bishopspumpkinfarm.com) for more info. ★

# Gridley Young Man Completes Covid-Interrupted Mission

By Cindy Scott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Tyler Little had served in the Chile Concepción Mission of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints for 18 months when, along with thousands of other Latter-day Saint missionaries, he was forced home by the pandemic. Little spent three months at home, finally receiving a reassignment to the Texas Houston Mission, where he served his last several months. In both missions, Little was able to participate in humanitarian and community service.

Little's parents shared that he served the Lord with all his heart, becoming



Tyler Little is pictured here with his missionary companion Elder Villegas and the Muñoz Family in Labranza, Chile.

lost in the work, and loved those whom he served. Little's plans for the future are to play collegiate sports while working toward his bachelor's degree, and then work as a fifth-generation farmer on his family's ranch. Little is a member of the Liberty 1st Ward, and his parents are Matt and Melanie Little and Amie and Adam Zimmerman. ★

# Destination Portugal for Live Oak Young Woman Missionary

By Cindy Scott


GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Meliah Eller is preparing to serve as a full-time missionary in the Portugal Lisbon Mission of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She will serve for 18 months. Portugal is located in Western Europe, and the mission also includes the Azores and Madeira, islands in the Atlantic. For the first six weeks of her mission, Eller will participate in at-home, virtual missionary training, where she will begin learning the Portuguese language and methods for teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



Meliah Eller has begun her full-time mission with at-home training, studying the Portuguese language for eventual service in Portugal. Photo by Michelle Eller


Eller is a member of her parents are Aaron and the Liberty 1st Ward and Michelle Eller. ★

MEMORIAL NOTICE



**Garald F. Pettersen**

July 21, 1925 to October 8, 2020



A family graveside service was held on Tuesday, October 13, at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery for Garald Pettersen, who died unexpectedly of natural causes on October 8th in Gridley.

Gary was born on July 21, 1925 and grew up in Los Angeles. When he finished high school the United States was engaged in World War II, and he enlisted in the Merchant Marine. He served in the Pacific theater delivering munitions and troops. Upon discharge he attended California State Polytechnic College, majoring in agriculture and he received his teaching credential.


He first taught in Maxwell, California where he met and married his wife Doris. He later taught briefly at Marysville High School and then moved on to Oroville where he taught biology at Las Plumas High School for almost thirty years and was head of the science department.

Since 1963 the family has lived on a small farm west of Gridley where he raised chickens, sheep, and cattle and had a small orchard.

Gary was an active Boy Scout leader while his sons were growing up and was for many years a docent and led tours on weekends at Gray Lodge Wildlife Refuge. He was an avid fisherman and made many trips to Alaska, often joined by one or more of his children.


He is survived by his wife Doris, five children – Nancy Montgomery (Lyle), Karen Cornell, Erik, Mark, and Steve (Rebecca) Pettersen and grandchildren Ryan (Kari), Patrick and Evan Montgomery, Matthew Pettersen, Jennifer (Jeff) Bohner, Alex Cornell, Terence Jow (Bonnie), Sarah Snedigar (Joshua), Shelby Coppock (James), Cameron Pettersen, and eight great grandchildren. He was predeceased by an infant son Christian.

MEMORIAL NOTICE



**Frances Meagher**

December 21, 1926 to October 16, 2020



Born in Downieville, CA the middle child of Clyde Bair and Gladys Brooke, Frances was preceded in death by her brothers William and Clyde and eldest son Michael.

Frances was the adored mother of Patrick, Shelley (Stephen), Dennis (Sheila), Paul (Cathy) and Mark (Kathryn) and was greatly blessed with 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. She was the devoted companion of 12 years to her faithful schnoodle Sammie Siegfried. Frances led a full life celebrating the home as the hearth, devoted to her family. A single mother, she nonetheless through her unceasing labor strived to model for her children core values of honesty, perseverance, loyalty, faith and hard work as well as working tirelessly to provide for their physical needs. Her broad interests included politics, religion, reading, music, art, gardening, animals, nature and travel at every available opportunity.


Her father, Clyde Bair, was a gold miner who later purchased an almond ranch in Pennington where Frances and her brothers were raised and near her beloved grandmother, Mary Brooke, who had a farm in Biggs. Growing up she was surrounded by a large, extended family of aunts, uncles and cousins.

After graduating high school, Frances moved to Sacramento where she lived with her paternal grandmother while attending Sacramento Junior College. She later moved to San Francisco where she graduated with a degree in Sociology from San Francisco State College.

Frances had a career that spanned over 40 years in the home health care industry managing the needs of the home bound elderly and disabled and brought the same care and dedication to the care of her clients as she did to her own family.

Frances passed peacefully at home on October 16.

Services will be privately held at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery.



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# Yellow Fever Mosquito Detected In Oroville

By **Maritza Sandoval,**  
**Butte County MVCD**

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) detected an invasive (non-native) species of mosquito on Wednesday, October 28th, 2020. The *Aedes aegypti*, commonly known as the yellow fever mosquito, was found in west Oroville, in the area of Oroville Dam Boulevard and Feather River Boulevard. The California Department of Public Health confirmed the invasive species detection.

"The District is working to evaluate the extent of the infestation and we plan to do everything we can to eradicate this mosquito and to protect our residents from the potential disease risk of these invasive mosquitoes," said Matt Ball, District Manager. "Our goal is to control and eliminate this species of mosquito so that it does not become established in our community."

The District utilizes a science-based, data-driven approach to mosquito control. This Integrated Vector Management approach will include immature surveillance and control that includes door to door inspections, as well as adult surveillance and control, which will include ultra-low volume spraying, barrier treatments and a variety of live mosquito trapping.

The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito has been detected previously in Chico (Butte County) and other areas of California, but never in Oroville. *Aedes aegypti* have the potential to transmit viruses such as chikungunya, dengue, yellow fever, and Zika, that are not known to be transmitted by Butte County's native mosquitoes.

The public plays a critical role in helping to control the spread of this mosquito population. "*Aedes aegypti* love to breed in small water-holding containers and prefer being in and around our homes. A breeding ground

for this mosquito can be as small as a water bottle cap. Eliminating all standing water regardless of size is essential to effective control," says Matt Ball.

Prevent *Aedes aegypti* development in your yard:

Inspect your yard for standing water sources and drain water that may have collected under potted plants, in bird baths, discarded tires, and any other items that could collect water; Check your rain gutters and lawn drains to make sure they aren't holding water and debris; Check and clean any new containers that you bring home that may contain water. *Aedes aegypti* eggs can remain viable under dry conditions for months.

As with all mosquito issues, native and non-native, the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District staff urges residents to take precautions to avoid mosquito bites by implementing the 4 Ds of protection:

Drain any standing water that may produce

mosquitoes, this includes flowerpots, old tires, and buckets. Some species of mosquitoes can lay their eggs in very small sources of water, like a bottle cap; Defend yourself and your home by using an effective insect repellent and making sure screens on doors and windows are in good condition; Dusk or Dawn, avoid outside activities; Dress in long sleeves and pants when mosquitoes are active.

For information about invasive mosquitoes in California

[www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/pages/Aedes-aegypti-and-Aedes-albopictus-mosquitoes.aspx](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/pages/Aedes-aegypti-and-Aedes-albopictus-mosquitoes.aspx)

For more information about the District's services, invasive mosquitoes, West Nile virus, or new emerging mosquito-borne diseases, contact the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District at (530) 533-6038 or visit [www.ButteMosquito.com](http://www.ButteMosquito.com) ★

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# AMERICAN PICKERS to Film in California

# The New Pi-Line



**The new Pi-Line  
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W.D. Burleson  
By Josh F.W. Cook**

There will be four editions of the newspaper printed and distributed in November. The most notable event in November is not the national elections; indeed, November's significant event is Thanksgiving. I have decided to dedicate each column this month to giving thanks and being grateful. To get ready for Thanksgiving, I thought it best to re-introduce some history that may not be as widely known as it used to be. Borrowing some salient points in the timeline from the History Channel - We go back to 1620 and the first brutal winter in America. Most of the Mayflower colonists remained on board their ship; there, they suffered from exposure, scurvy, and outbreaks of contagious disease. Only half of the Mayflower's original passengers and crew lived to see their first New England spring. In March, the remaining settlers moved ashore, where they received an astonishing visit from an Abenaki Indian who greeted them in English. Several days later, he returned with another Native American, Squanto, a member of the Pawtuxet tribe kidnapped by an English sea

captain and sold into slavery before escaping to London and returning to his homeland an exploratory expedition. Squanto taught the Pilgrims, weakened by malnutrition and illness, how to cultivate corn, extract sap from maple trees, catch fish in the rivers and avoid poisonous plants. He then proceeded to help the pilgrims negotiate a peace treaty with the Wampanoag Tribe upon whose land they had set up their settlement. Sometime in November 1621, after the Pilgrims' first corn harvest proved successful, Governor William Bradford organized a celebratory feast and invited a group of the fledgling colony's Native American allies, including the Wampanoag Chief (they called him King) Massasoit. Contrary to modern custom, they did not eat Turkey; they ate Deer. During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress designated one or more days of Thanksgiving a year. In 1789 President George Washington issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation by the national government of the United States; in it, he called upon Americans to express their gratitude for the happy conclusion to the country's war of independence and the successful ratification of the U.S. Constitution. Similarly named festival holidays occur in Germany and Japan. Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the fourth Thursday of November in the United States and Brazil (I bet that is a giant party).

One gives thanks when they feel gratitude. Imagine

for a moment if you were freezing cold and starving in a strange land clear across a massive ocean and out of the forest walks and Indian who somehow had learned English and wanted to help you learn how to eat in his territory. Would you not be amazed? Can you imagine the letters that these people wrote home to their family members trying to describe their suffering, how half the friends that came with them had died in the first year, and the absolute miracle that somehow, a kind English speaking Indian happened to be where you landed? Recognizing that Pilgrims were in North America at this point in history was because they were fleeing religious conflict they clearly saw in this peculiar series of events, the hand of God helping them. They felt as if they were delivered from death and that their prayers were being answered. To the Pilgrims, they looked at the odds of such a miracle as another example of God intervening to help them out. Because of this, they were filled with gratitude to God and declared a day of celebration, a day to give thanks to God for delivering them. So as we prepare for large scale Turkey dinners, football games, time off, and hopefully time with family, we might want to reconnect to the core function of Thanksgiving - being grateful and giving thanks. The Pi Line columns for November will be focused on understanding and applying gratitude.

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*Josh F.W. Cook served as a Staff Sergeant, Chaplain Assistant, in the California State Guard.*



Mike & Frank of American Pickers to film in California! Photos: By Cineflix

**By Kourtney Myers,  
Cineflix**

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are excited to return to Texas! They plan to film episodes of the hit series American Pickers throughout your area in December. We understand that with the proliferation of COVID-19, we are all facing very uncertain times. We at American Pickers are taking the pandemic very seriously and will be following all guidelines and protocols for safe filming as outlined by the state and CDC. While we plan to be in California this December, we will continue to re-schedule if conditions change for the worse. Regardless, we are excited to continue to reach the many collectors in the

area to discuss their years of picking! AMERICAN PICKERS is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on History. The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them. As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, Mike and Frank are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or

two about America's past along the way. Mike and Frank have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them. AMERICAN PICKERS is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques that the Pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send us your name, phone number, location and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cineflix.com or call 855-OLD-RUST. facebook: @GotAPick ★

# BCSO Announces Child Endangerment Arrests

**Butte County Sheriff's Office**

**MAGALIA, CA (MPG)** - On the evening of October 9, 2020, Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) deputies and detectives were contacted by a local hospital regarding a possible child abuse victim. Deputies and detectives responded to the hospital and determined a sixteen month old victim had been brought to the emergency room with severe burns. After receiving emergency treatment, the victim was transferred to a children's hospital in the Sacramento area. The victim is in stable condition and is expected to recover from his injuries. Deputies and detectives identified the victim's parents as Jennelle Laye, age 39, and Jeremy Laye, age 47. Detectives determined Jennelle, Jeremy, and their three children reside in Magalia. Detectives conducted an extensive investigation. Detectives determined Jennelle and Jeremy left their children at their residence with a juvenile babysitter on the evening of October 8. Based on the investigation, detectives believe the child was

burned as a result of a spill sometime during the evening hours on October 8. Detectives located evidence Jennelle and Jeremy returned to their residence in the early morning hours on October 9. Detectives located further evidence that despite being aware of the life-threatening injuries the victim sustained, Jeremy and Jennelle intentionally waited approximately 14 hours to take the victim to the hospital. Doctors and medical staff concluded the failure to provide the victim with immediate medical attention caused additional harm to the victim. Doctors also concluded the aforementioned subjected the victim to additional pain and suffering. On October 20, detectives arrested Jennelle and Jeremy. Jennelle and Jeremy were booked into the Butte County Jail for a felony count of child abuse. Jennelle and Jeremy are scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on Thursday, October 22, at 3 PM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detective Mary Barker or Detective Zach Price at 530-538-7671. ★

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# Does More Money Mean Better Schools?



By Dan Walters  
CALMatters

It's by no means certain that California voters will pass Proposition 15, but if they do, it would be the largest tax increase in the state's history.

That said, it would provide a relatively small down payment on the long-standing desire of the state's educational establishment for a massive increase in spending that's needed, advocates say, to improve California's rather dismal K-12 educational outcomes.

Proposition 15, largely sponsored by the California Teachers Association and other public employee unions, would increase property taxes on some commercial real estate, such as office buildings and hotels, by requiring their taxable values to be upgraded more often. Estimates of its effects vary somewhat, but generally are in the \$10 billion to \$12 billion per year range, with schools getting about 40% of the proceeds.

Those are big numbers, but the few billion extra dollars that would flow to schools are a fraction of the \$25 billion to \$30 billion more per year that unions and other educational groups have been touting. The increase is needed, they say, to make

a real difference in academic test scores, high school graduation rates and other measures of academic attainment.

The number derives from a 2018 report from a multi-university team of academic researchers saying that California should spend 38% more, or about \$4,000 per pupil per year, to raise overall achievement and close the "achievement gap" that separates poor and/or English-learner students from their more advantaged peers.

The 2018 report and much other academic drumbeating for higher education spending comes from Policy Analysis for California Education (PACE), a consortium of the state's major university schools of education.

As the campaign over Proposition 15 – basically a duel between public worker unions and business interests – entered its final stages, PACE issued another report to reinforce its advocacy for a big increase in school financing.

Its core is a series of charts comparing education spending in California to that of other major states and tracing what it says is a relative decline in California's commitment to schools.

Citing the global size of California's economy, the report laments that "California school funding – even before COVID-19 – was insufficient to meet educational goals and address the needs of students, particularly given the state's high cost of living. How can that be true? Why is education funding so low in California, despite its wealth and comparatively

high tax revenues?"

The report's charts appear to be accurate as far as they go. But they don't go far enough because they are confined to financial comparisons on the questionable assumption, also reflected in the 2018 study, that money automatically equates to educational achievement.

If PACE and other advocates of big increases in school spending were intellectually honest, they would not only compare spending levels to other states, but also compare how well they are faring vis-à-vis California in national academic testing results and other measures of attainment.

New York, for instance, is spending at least 50% more per pupil than California but its scores on the last batch of National Assessment of Educational Progress tests were virtually identical to California's – both being subpar. Meanwhile, many states that spend much less than California routinely score higher.

Regardless of Proposition 15's outcome, the never-ending debate on California education will continue, but it should be a debate about more than money. Some of the academic resources being devoted to persuading Californians to raise taxes for schools should be spent on exploring why outcomes elsewhere bear little or no relationship to how much money other states are spending.

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

## Yuba City Man Sentenced to Prison for Receipt of Child Pornography

Department of Justice,  
U.S. Attorney's Office

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Stephen Gordon Wood, 41, of Yuba City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge John A. Mendez to five years in prison to be followed by 10 years of supervised release for receipt of child pornography, U.S. Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced.

According to court documents, in 2012, federal agents discovered that Wood had made available thousands of images of suspected child pornography on a peer-to-peer file-sharing network that operated over the internet. Agents later searched Wood's home and laptop computer pursuant to a search warrant. A forensic review of Wood's laptop uncovered at least 792 images and 59 videos of child pornography, including images of prepubescent children being sexually exploited that had been deleted. Wood later admitted to searching for, downloading, and viewing child pornography for at least a year prior to his arrest in 2013.

This case was the product of an investigation by Homeland Security Investigations (HSI). Assistant U.S. Attorney Matthew C. Thuesen and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert J. Artuz prosecuted the case.

Wood was ordered to surrender to the Bureau of Prisons or the U.S. Marshals Service on Jan. 11, 2021, to begin serving his sentence.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section, Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state, and local resources to locate, apprehend, and prosecute those who sexually exploit children, and to identify and rescue victims.

For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.usdoj.gov/psc](http://www.usdoj.gov/psc). Click on the "resources" tab for information about internet-safety education. ★

## 'Walnut-Buying Period' Announced in Yuba-Sutter Counties

By Rachel Rosenbaum,  
Yuba County

**YUBA-SUTTER COUNTIES, CA (MPG)** - Sutter and Yuba County Agricultural Commissioners Lisa Herbert and Stephen Scheer announced today the walnut-buying period will begin Monday, Nov. 2, beginning a window period that will end April 30, 2021, pursuant to the County's Walnut Theft Prevention ordinance.

The ordinances were established to deter thefts from commercial walnut growers by creating a timeframe for walnut purchases, as well as the use of documentation to identify walnut growers.

Walnuts are the second-highest valued agricultural

commodity in both Yuba and Sutter Counties. According to the Sutter County 2018 Crop Report\* there were 37,841 harvested acres in Sutter County with a market value of \$85,956,000. The Yuba County 2019 Crop Report reported 16,767 harvested acres with a market value of \$54,326,000.

"The Walnut Theft Prevention ordinances are intended to deter theft, and proof of ownership is a mandatory requirement of the ordinances," stated Herbert.

The walnut-buying period is the declared conclusion of harvest of the Chandler variety of walnuts by the Agricultural Commissioner, after consultation with walnut growers, during which

non-processing walnut buying operations within Sutter and Yuba County may lawfully purchase and receive walnuts that have not been dried or processed.

For more information or to access a proof of ownership form approved by these offices please see the Agricultural Commissioner's website: (Sutter County - <https://bit.ly/2G7wsja>) (Yuba County - <https://bit.ly/2HAXNKW>).

There are similar ordinances in place in Butte, Tehama, and Glenn counties, and in several counties to the south.

*\*Due to COVID-19, the Sutter County 2019 Crop Report has not been published. It is scheduled to be out in the next couple of weeks.* ★

# CLG NEWS UPDATES

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**U.S. Loses \$19 Billion in Afghanistan Reconstruction Funds to Fraud, Waste, Abuse** | 29 Oct 2020 | A staggering \$19 billion spent by the U.S. government to reconstruct Afghanistan has been lost to fraud, waste, and abuse in the last decade and that only includes a portion of the money allocated by Congress for the cause. In 90% of the cases examined in a new federal audit, the money was blown "carelessly, extravagantly, or to no purpose." This month the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction (SIGAR) published a troubling report that analyzes less than half of the U.S. budget for the initiative, \$63 billion in projects. As of December 2019, Congress has appropriated \$134 billion for Afghanistan reconstruction, which began roughly a year after the U.S. invaded the Islamic nation to destroy Al-Qaeda [al-CIA-duh] and eradicate the Taliban. **Afghanistan reconstruction has been a huge and well-chronicled debacle that continues fleecing American taxpayers nearly two decades after its inception.**

**FBI conducting criminal investigation into Hunter Biden and associates days ahead of 2020 election - report** | 29 Oct 2020 | The FBI reportedly has an active criminal investigation into Hunter Biden, the son of Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden, and his associates. James Rosen, a reporter with the Sinclair Broadcast Group, tweeted on Thursday, less than a week until Election Day, that the bureau opened the inquiry into allegations of money laundering in 2019. "EXCLUSIVE: A @TheJusticeDept official confirms that in 2019, the @FBI opened up a criminal investigation into 'Hunter Biden and his associates,' focused on allegations of money-laundering, and that it remains open and active today," he said. Rosen followed up by posting a short TV report to his Twitter account.

**'They literally stole my vote': Investigation underway after voters claim they received ballots that were filled out in Fayette County** | 30 Oct 2020 | (Fayette County, PA) Fayette County prosecutors are investigating reports of at least four incidents of voter fraud, according to Fayette County District Attorney Rich Bower. Bower said two voters received mail-in ballots that were already filled out and two ballots were found at the election bureau already opened. "The secrecy envelope was missing and the ballot was missing out of those envelopes," said Bower. Bower said the ballots that were already filled out and arrived at homes 40 miles apart, which he says means **they are not isolated incidents**. "They literally stole my vote," said Delmas Fike. **Fike said when his mail-in ballot arrived, each Democrat was already selected.**

**Judicial Watch finds 1.8 million 'ghost voters' in 29 states, warns of 'dirty elections'** | 20 Oct 2020 | Judicial Watch has released a comparison study of Census Bureau population statistics and state voter registration data to reveal a notable disparity. The watch dog group is now warning of potential voter fraud and "dirty" voter rolls. The study found that 352 U.S. counties in 29 states managed to have 1.8 million more registered voters than eligible voting-age citizens. "In other words, the registration rates of those counties exceeded 100% of eligible voters. The study found eight states showing state-wide registration rates exceeding 100%: Alaska, Colorado, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Vermont," reported Tom Fitton, president of the watchdog group. Some of that excess ran as high as 187% in Texas, 177% in New Mexico and 171% in South Dakota.

**Wisconsin GOP says hackers stole \$2.3M from Trump reelection fund** –The party noticed the suspicious activity on Oct. 22. | 29 Oct 2020 | Hackers stole \$2.3 million from the Wisconsin Republican Party's account that was being used to help reelect President Donald Trump in the key battleground state, the party's chairman told The Associated Press on Thursday. The party noticed the suspicious activity on Oct. 22 and contacted the FBI on Friday, said Republican Party Chairman Andrew Hitt. Hitt said the FBI is investigating. Hitt said the hackers were able to manipulate invoices from four vendors who were being paid to send out direct mail for Trump's reelection efforts and to provide pro-Trump material such as hats that could be handed out to supporters. ★

## Crime Reports



### Gridley- Biggs Police Report

#### October 26<sup>th</sup> - November 1<sup>st</sup>

**10-26-20:** At 12:21 pm on the 1500 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Suzanne Jesse Alemgesed, 39, was arrested for public intoxication (647 (f) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

**10-27-20:** At 3:41 am on W. Liberty Rd, Gridley CA, Elizabeth Rae Allen, 27, was cited for possession of a narcotic controlled substance (11350 (a) H&S), possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), and possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S).

**10-28-20:** At 1:02 am on Independence Place, Gridley CA, Forester Lee Allen, 25, was arrested on an outside agency felony warrant and booked into Butte County Jail.

**10-28-20:** At 3:13 am on the 1600 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Cesar Alejandro Navarro, 37, was cited for possession of a narcotic controlled substance (11350 (a) H&S), and drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S).

**10-28-20:** At 1:48 pm on SR-99 and Archer Ave., Gridley CA, Robert Clyde Wells, 55, was cited on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant, possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), possession of stun gun by a felon (22610 (a) PC), possession of an open container (23222 (a) VC), driving with a suspended license (14601.1 (a) VC), and no proof of insurance (16028 (a) VC).

**10-28-20:** At 9:43 pm on the 1500 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Shasta Amanda Thomas, 46, was cited for possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S) and driving with a suspended license (14601.5 (a) VC).

**10-29-20:** At 3:07 am on SR-99 and Ord Ranch Rd., Gridley CA, Tiffany Anne Paul, 29, was cited for possession of a controlled substance without a prescription (11375 (b)(2) H&S), driving with a suspended license (14601.1 (a) VC) and no proof of insurance (16028 (a) VC).

**11-1-20:** At 1:57 am on the 1400 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Alfonso Robles, 34, was cited on an outside agency misdemeanor warrant.

**11-1-20:** At 2:51 am on the 1400 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, William Dean Tull, 37, was cited for felony possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S).

**11-1-20:** At 2:51 am on the 1400 block of SR-99, Gridley CA, Alfonso Robles, 34, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance while armed (11370.1 (a) H&S), felony possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), possession of a controlled substance for sale (11378 H&S), transporting a controlled substance (11379 (a) H&S), possession of a firearm without identification marks (23920 PC) and carrying a loaded firearm in person/public view (25850 (a) PC). Subject was booked into Butte County Jail.

**11-1-20:** At 4:43 pm on the 100 block of Virginia St., Gridley CA, Gildardo Menchaca Rodarte, 28, was cited on two local misdemeanor bench warrants.

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# How PG&E is improving Public Safety Power Shutoffs in 2020.



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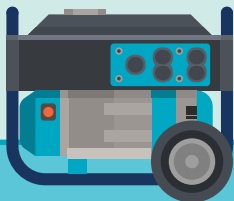
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## BCSO Detectives Arrest Three Individuals for Two Murders that Occurred in the Oroville Area

By Butte County Sheriff's Office

**OROVILLE, CA (MPG)** - On the evening of October 21, 2020, the Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) was contacted by family members of Jerry Bonds, age 39 and Randy Bonds, age 33, of Florida. The family members reported Jerry and Randy had flown from Florida to Los Angeles, rented a vehicle, and traveled to the Butte County area. The family members were concerned because they lost contact with Jerry and Randy after they arrived in the Butte County area. BCSO deputies and detectives immediately began conducting an investigation.

During the investigation that followed, BCSO detectives, Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force detectives, BCSO Special Enforcement Unit detectives, Designated Area deputies, and Agents from the Chico FBI Office worked together and developed information that led them to believe Jerry and Randy were last in the area of Pondersoa Way, Forbestown. During a search of the aforementioned area, detectives located the bodies of Jerry and Randy in a wooded area. Detectives determined Jerry and Randy had both been shot.

Detectives worked with the Reno Police Department and located the vehicle Jerry and Randy had rented in the area of Boomtown, Nevada. Detectives traveled to Reno, worked with the Reno Police Department, and executed a search warrant at a residence in Reno. Detectives located additional evidence related to the murders

of Jerry and Randy in the Reno area.

Based on information obtained during the investigation, detectives identified Michael Griff, age 21, Austin Hogan, age 21, and Kyle Smith, age 24, as the individuals who murdered Jerry and Randy. Detectives determined Griff, Hogan, and Smith were residing at a residence on Coho Court, Oroville.

On October 22, deputies and detectives contacted Hogan and Smith during a traffic enforcement stop in the Kelly Ridge area of Oroville. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the Coho Court address, and an arrest warrant for Griff. On the afternoon of October 22, deputies with the BCSO SWAT team executed the search warrant. During the execution of the search warrant, Griff was contacted and placed under arrest. During a search of the Coho Court residence, detectives located additional evidence showing Griff, Hogan, and Smith were the individuals responsible for the murders of Randy and Jerry. Detectives are currently following-up on additional information regarding the circumstances of the murders.

On October 22, Griff, Hogan, and Smith were booked into the Butte County Jail. Griff, Hogan, and Smith were each booked for two counts of first degree murder. Griff, Hogan, and Smith are scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on Monday, October 26, at 3 PM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about this investigation to contact Detective Tristan Harper or Detective Zach Price at 530-538-7671. ★

## Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

It feels like a waiting game in the garden at this time. The days continue to be warm in the low 80s while nights are dipping into the 50s. The waiting is for it to cool off enough to get the leaves on the trees to start turning colors and falling from the trees. I keep

wanting to cut perennial plants back but they are in full bloom and attracting many bees still. The number of bees and other pollinators present on the plants makes it very hard to cut plants back. So, I continue to enjoy the flowers and wait to cut things back.

I have started cleaning out the green house, getting it ready for tender plants once the nights drop into the 40s. Many potted plants can withstand temperatures in the high 30s. Most of them will winter over outside. But there are some tender plants that do better when protected. It is amazing how much a two to four degree difference can make in the success or failure of plant survival. Many of the

succulents turn darker colors when they get cold. This signals to start giving them less water, with the exception of the Aeoniums. They like cooler weather and do fine outside with some protection from the patio cover. The fancy leaf begonias do not like it in unprotected cold. The green house is not that much warmer on cold nights. I use electric seedling pads to warm the more delicate plants. I have an electric heater that I use on below 32 nights but it is too expensive to use on hobby plants regularly. It turns on about 35. All of this is simply talk at this time because the temperatures are still mild. Come on cold weather you can do this. ★

## Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

Old Jasper Blankenship went out to hunt deer the other day, the same way he's done for decades now. Deer season has changed a lot for Jasper over the many years he's been at it. As a kid, he couldn't wait until he was old enough to get a license, because he wanted to bring a buck home to show his family. Not just any buck, either, but a big one.

As a young man, he wanted to see how many hunting seasons he could have in one year: duck,

### There is something

goose, quail, pheasant, deer, about anything that moved. As a middle-aged man, he turned to the technology of hunting and wanted to learn about the newest gizmo that would make you quiet, make you invisible, make you irresistible to deer.

But things are different these days. Oh, Jasper still enjoys going through all the outdoor magazines and orders catalogs, and each year he buys some new gizmo that guarantees to bring home the meat. But he just chuckles at them, even as he orders them. Hunting, to him, means a reattachment to nature, a return to his roots.

It is a time to see if his personal skills are still adequate. It is also a time

to sit on a ridge and look around and appreciate what is there. And if what isn't there happens to be a deer, well, that's all right, too.

Venison isn't getting any easier to pack back to camp after all these many seasons, either. But there is something in the hunt, something in being allowed to silently stalk the nameless essence of fall, something in moving in near invisibility.

There is *something*.

Sometimes it's just nice to go out there and see what happens.

*Brought to you by The Backpocket Guide to Hunting Elk, by Slim Randles. Practical advice from a registered guide, at www.amazon.com.* ★

## No Turkey for You!

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light-headedness).

•Singing, chanting and shouting are strongly discouraged, but if they occur, a face covering must be worn. And the singing should be quiet.

•Instrumental music is allowed but no wind instruments.

For some families, Thanksgiving will not include grandma and the children or siblings due to the three-family limitation. Imagine family members traveling for hours only to be restricted to a two-hour outdoor gathering without physical contact! What if it's hot or rains? Under these rules, the host must bear the weight of the entire meal because family cannot be inside to help.

For Gov. Newsom to think he has authority to micromanage a private family Thanksgiving dinner is the height of hubris. These restrictions are ludicrous.

Liberty Counsel is suing Gov. Newsom, who has banned ALL WORSHIP in much of California, on behalf of over 165 client churches. Our case is pending at the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. We have asked for the entire panel of judges to hear the case.

The court has now ordered Newsom to respond.

Pastor Ché Ahn, Harvest Rock Church, the staff and parishioners face daily criminal threats and huge fines every time they enter the church. Each criminal charge carries up to one year in prison. It is shocking to read the letter from the Pasadena Criminal Prosecutor to Pastor Ahn.

That pastors and Christians would face prison and fines for attending church sounds like something from North Korea. Yet, discrimination has now crossed over to persecution right here in America!

I frequently pray for our brothers and sisters who face criminal threats and fines for attending church, and even conducting Bible studies and worship in their private homes. California is not the only state in which this outrageous assault on the church and freedom to worship is occurring.

The fight for religious liberty is reaching new extremes. California's absurd worship and Thanksgiving restrictions are an example of how extreme the illegal, unconstitutional edicts from power-mad governors have become.

For more information see LC.org ★

## Women Veterans Honored


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it's time they get the recognition." She adds, "I'm not one that thinks any less of my brother, but we're brothers AND sisters in arms." Bateman, who served in the Army for 20 years said, "It's about time we get the recognition. Not just for me, but all the women that served. For all that they did, for all that they gave up and weren't allowed to have-like families. This is in honor of them. If it weren't for them, we

wouldn't be able to do what we're doing."

Sanders, who has worked on the project from the onset says that the placement of the "Women of the Military" Sculpture meant a lot. "This whole process...just makes you very proud." He said.

The Colusa VFW plans to have a socially distanced ceremony on Veterans Day, November 11th, to dedicate the historic sculpture while honoring all that served. ★



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ESTATE OF DONALD PAUL BATTIN  
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DONALD BATTIN  
CASE No. 20PR00334

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Donald Paul Battin aka Donald P. Battin aka Donald Battin, deceased

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Linda S. Battin, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Linda S. Battin, be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows November 10, 2020 9:00 a.m. in Dept C-10.

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.

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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  
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ESTATE OF JOHN W. BUTLER  
CASE No. 20PR00333

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A Petition for Probate has been filed by John A. Butler, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting John A. Butler, be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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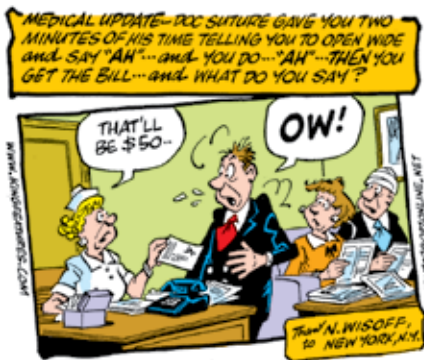
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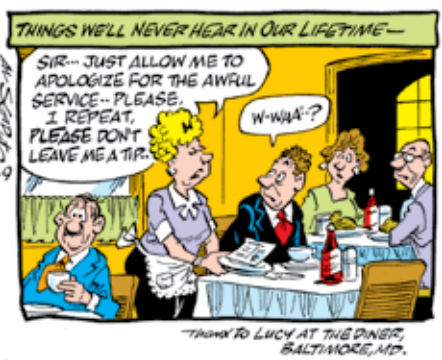


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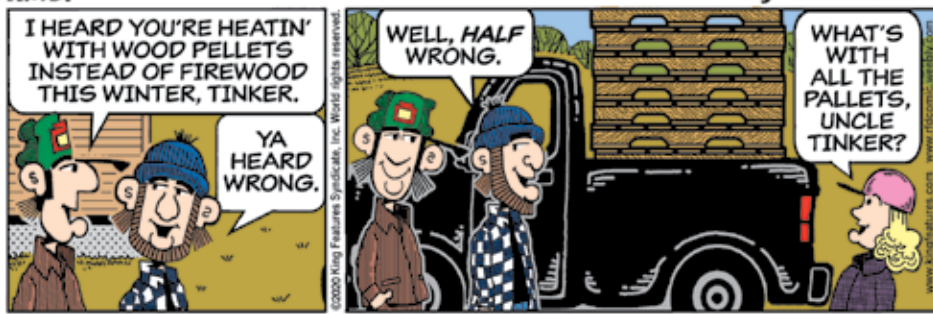
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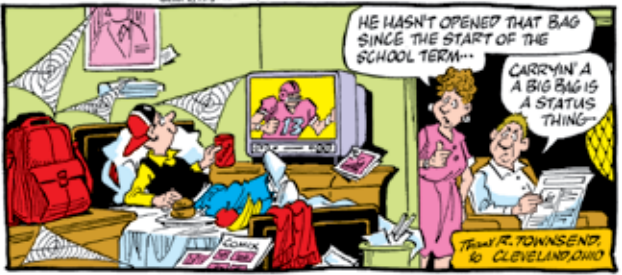
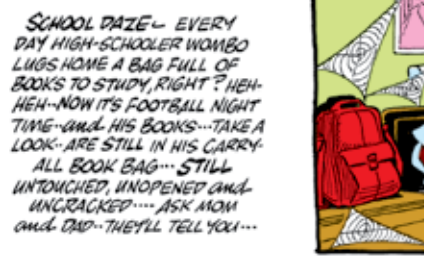
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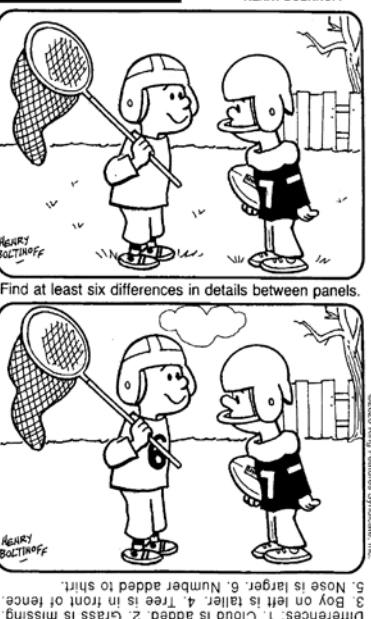
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### TRUSTEE SALE NOTICES

APN: 007-190-022-000 TS No: CA07000897-20-1 TO No: 200256575-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d) (1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED December 9, 2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On December 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM, At the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on December 18, 2008 as Instrument No. 2008-0009205, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, executed by ROBERT V. KILE, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor(s), in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 6900 DIAMOND MOUNTAIN RD, GREENVILLE, CA 95947 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession,

or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$425,871.44 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all

liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site

address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA07000897-20-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 10/20/2020 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA07000897-20-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Dalaysia Ramirez, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. NPP0371860 To: GRIDLEY HERALD - PLUMAS 10/30/2020, 11/06/2020, 11/13/2020 NPP#0371860 11/13/20

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001073

The following persons are doing business as: FOUR LOGISTICS  
584 W Evans Reimer Road Gridley, CA 95948  
Four LLC, 584 W Evans Reimer Road Gridley, CA 95948  
Date Filed in Butte County: October 20, 2020  
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A  
This Business is Conducted by: Limited Liability Company

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0001051

The following persons are doing business as: THE COPPER POT  
1139 Salem Street Chico, CA 95928  
Renee Rashell Perrin, 1139 Salem Street Chico, CA 95928  
Date Filed in Butte County: October 20, 2020  
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A  
This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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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, November 18, 2020 at 6:00 P.M.** in Gridley City Hall Council Chambers, 685 Kentucky Street, Gridley. All interested persons are invited to attend or submit comments in writing.

**Variance 2-20;** John Casalong, Applicant; An application for a variance from the lot coverage development standards to reduce the required side yard setback from 5 ft to 3 ft, and to reduce the allowable distance between a primary and accessory structure from 6 ft to 3 ft located at 1150 Vermont Street in the Single Family Residential District/Mixed Use Combining District 1 (R-1/MUCZ-1) and Residential, Low Density General Plan land use designation. (APN 009-013-011 )

**General Plan Amendment GPA 3-20, Rezone RZ 3-20, and Tentative Parcel Map 3-20; Mitigated Negative Declaration 3-20;** Sandeep Dhami, Applicant; Application for a proposed General Plan Amendment, Rezone, Tentative Parcel Map, and Mitigated Negative Declaration of approximately 1 acre. The applicant proposes to subdivide the property into two parcels; one having 0.3 acre and one 0.6 acre parcel. The project proposes to maintain the existing single-family residence and to create a 0.6 acre parcel for the development of a multi-family residential development. The property division will amend the General Plan land use designation of Commercial to Commercial and High Density Residential 1, and rezone the property from Commercial to Commercial and High Density Residential. The property is located at 1296 Highway 99. (024-270-001)

**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.

The Gridley Herald 11-6-2020



# First Commercial Shipment of U.S. Rice Unloads in China

By Michael Klein,  
USA Rice Federation

**XIAMEN, CHINA (MPG)** - Earlier today the first ever commercial shipment of U.S.-grown rice was unloaded in China, following more than a decade of regulatory and political effort by USA Rice to establish a two-way trading relationship with the nation.

The premium, medium grain Calrose rice was grown in California and sold by ADM Rice, Inc. to a private importer under the 'Sungiven' brand for retail distribution.

China is the world's largest rice producer and consumer, and only second to the Philippines in global rice imports. Last month, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report projected that China would consume more than 146 million MT of rice this year, dwarfing the 4.6 million MT estimated for consumption by Americans.

"As seasoned exporters, this small shipment of California milled rice sounded routine at the outset, but the many logistical challenges of exporting to this new market proved to be one of our most complex transactions to date," said Buzz Burich, Vice President, ADM Rice.

Burich added that, "This shipment would not have been possible without the teamwork of all involved at Arbuckle, California-based ADM Rice, the USA Rice Federation, U.S. Department of Agriculture officials, and our esteemed customer, Sungiven, a retail



USA Rice is the global advocate for the U.S. rice industry, representing every segment of the industry in all six rice-producing states. Photo USA Rice Federation

chain in China. We hope this initial collaborative effort will lead to increased sales of U.S. rice to China and contribute to stronger trade relations between both nations."

"We are pleased to see the first shipment to China of U.S.-grown rice take place following the U.S.-China Phase One Agreement in January, calling for U.S. commodity purchases, including rice," said Bobby Hanks, chair of both USA Rice and the USA Rice International Trade Policy Committee. "We hope to see more buyers, both private and government, step forward to purchase U.S. rice. As a reliable supplier

with high quality long, medium, and short grain, the U.S. is well positioned to help fill some of the import demand in China moving forward."

Hanks added, "USA Rice has spent many years working cooperatively with the U.S. and Chinese governments to get us to the point that sales and shipments were possible, we have also invested significant promotional funds into the market for more than 15 years to establish relationships with importers and start developing demand for our products. Our recent reverse trade missions have confirmed that the Chinese buyers visiting our U.S. rice farming and milling

operations are interested in our crop and those efforts have now begun to materialize into sales."

A reverse trade mission for Chinese importers hosted by USA Rice that visited Arkansas, Louisiana, and California in December 2019 helped lead to this sale and eventual shipment. China's rice market has a demand for all types of U.S. rice, so all the U.S. rice growing regions stand to benefit. China's neighboring countries currently provide the bulk of their needed rice, but access to U.S.-grown rice brings another premium option to the market for more high-end hotel, foodservice, and retail channels and consumers who prioritize sustainability and strong food safety practices.

Under the terms of the phytosanitary agreement reached between the U.S. and Chinese governments, all rice entering China must be milled and packaged according to specifications and originate from a pre-approved export facility. There are currently 32 approved export facilities spread across the six major rice-growing states.

U.S. rice entering China under their tariff rate quota faces a 1 percent in-quota duty in addition to a 25 percent retaliatory duty. In most cases, importers in China may apply to waive the retaliatory duty.

USA Rice recently asked the U.S. Embassy to invite the purchaser of the rice to the Embassy "Constitution Day" celebration, where he met with Ambassador Branstad (see accompanying picture). ★

# Wildfire Survivors Can Apply for Federal Aid Even if Insured

Governor's Office  
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**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - If you suffered personal or business losses in the devastating wildfires that broke out in August and you're waiting for your insurance settlement before you register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, don't delay any longer. Disaster assistance may be able to fill insurance gaps or provide help if you've been waiting more than 30 days on a homeowner's claim. Another reason not to delay: the deadline for registering with FEMA is Nov. 23, 2020.

By law, FEMA cannot duplicate insurance or other benefits. However, it may be able to help with uninsured or underinsured losses if the insurance settlement is delayed.

FEMA may also be able to help:

If you have received the settlement from the insurance company but you still have unmet needs; If you have exhausted the settlement for Additional Living Expenses (ALE for loss of use) and you need disaster-related temporary housing; If your settlement does not cover disaster-related needs such as medical, dental and funeral costs, emergency home repairs and other disaster-related expenses.

Register with FEMA: Online, by visiting

www.disasterassistance.gov; By downloading the FEMA app to a smartphone or tablet; Or by calling the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585). Multilingual operators are available. The toll-free lines are open 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. PDT daily. Helpline operators are also available to answer questions about applications already submitted.

The registration process includes your providing a phone number so FEMA can contact you and set up a virtual home inspection. If you use a relay service such as a video-phone, Innocaption or CapTel, you should provide FEMA your specific number assigned to that service.

If your settlement has been delayed longer than 30 days, you may write FEMA to explain your situation. Provide insurance documentation to prove you've submitted your claim, including the claim number, the date you applied and how long you estimate it will take for the company to settle, and mail your letter to:

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