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# **Sustainable Intentions**

Caltrans Repaves Roadway with Recycled Plastic Bottles



The Butte 162 pilot project is the first state highway section to use 100 percent recycled material. Photo: Caltrans

## By Gilbert Mohtes-Chan, Caltrans

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Caltrans will repave a section of Highway 162 in Oroville using recycled asphalt pavement and liquid plastic made with single-use, plastic bottles – the first time the department has paved a road using 100 percent recycled materials. The pilot project features work on three lanes of a 1,000-foot highway segment. The department is testing the material for later use throughout the state. A onethan traditional hot-mixed asphalt pavement. This pilot will be the first test on a state highway.

"California has set ambitious goals for recycling and other environmental priorities, and meeting them requires innovative and cost-effective solutions," said Senator Ben Hueso (D-40), who has advocated for Caltrans to test this material. "Using waste plastic that was otherwise destined for a landfill will not only reduce the cost of road repair and construction, but also mixes the grindings with a liquid plasincrease the strength and durability of

binding agent made of bitumen, a leftover sludge from oil refining. However, the recycled material used in this process is only durable enough to serve as the roadway base. Trucks need to deliver hot-mix asphalt from a production plant miles away and place a final layer over the base.

Using this new technology developed by Technisoil Industrial of Redding, a recycling train of equipment grinds up the top 3 inches of pavement and then tic polymer binder, which comes from a high amount of recycled, singleuse bottles. The new asphalt material is then placed on the top surface of the roadway, eliminating the need for trucks to bring in outside material for a paving operation. By eliminating the need to haul asphalt from the outside, this process can significantly cut greenhouse gas emissions. "We're excited about introducing a new sustainable technology and Continued on page 3

# **First Human West Nile Virus** Infection Confirmed

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# **BCPH Press Release**

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Butte County Department of Public Health Department (BCPH) announced the first confirmed human West Nile Virus (WNV) infection in Butte County. As of July 24, 2020, four human WNV infections have been reported in California, not including the Butte County case.

WNV is active July through October, with August typically being the peak month in Butte County. BCPH would like to remind residents to protect themselves from WNV by reducing mosquitoes on their property and preventing mosquito bites. The infected person is over 65 years of age and is hospitalized with severe west Nile virus illness.

"Mosquitoes capable of transmitting West Nile Virus are here. I urge you to protect yourself and your family by wearing appropriate clothing, using effective repellents and avoiding exposure at dusk and dawn," explained Danette York, Director of Butte County Public Health. WNV is transmitted to humans and animals by the bite of an infected mosquito. Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds. Residents can reduce the risk of infection by practicing the "Three Ds": (1) DEET – Use a proven insect repellent like DEET. Other recommended repellents include: picaradin, lemon eucalyptus oil, paramenthane-diol, or IR3535. Always use according to label instructions. DEET can be used safely on infants and children 2 months of age and older; (2) DAWN AND DUSK - Mosquitoes that transmit WNV bite in the early morning and evening. Wear proper clothing and repellent if outside during these times. Make sure that doors and windows have tightfitting screens to keep mosquitoes out. Repair or replace screens with tears or holes; (3) DRAIN – Mosquitoes lay their eggs on standing water. Eliminate or drain all sources of standing water on your property, including flower pots, old car tires, rain gutters and pet bowls. For standing water that cannot be drained such as fountains, ponds, etc., consider adding "Mosquito Dunks" or mosquito fish, which feed on mosquito larvae. Report unmaintained swimming pools to the local Mosquito Continued on page 3

# NO, I DIDN'T DIE, **BUT I DID FALL!**



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mile segment of pavement using this treatment will recycle 150,000 plastic bottles.

"This pilot project underscores the department's commitment to embracing innovative and cost-effective technologies while advancing sustainability and environmental protection efforts," said Caltrans Director Toks Omishakin.

The "plastic" roadway has been found in previous tests to be more durable and last two to three times longer

our roads. As a leader on environmental justice issues, California is uniquely positioned to transform the transportation industry once again by using this new technology that could revolutionize the way we look at recycled plastic."

Caltrans currently has a cold-in-place asphalt recycling program that uses large machines to remove 3 to 6 inches of roadway surface and grind up the asphalt while mixing it with a foamed

# Gridley Schools to Pursue In-Person Instruction

## By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - This week the California Department of Public Health announced that schools in counties currently on the State COVID-19 monitoring list may apply for a waiver to allow for in-person instruction if public health and safety guidance is met.

On July 17th, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom mandated that schools within counties on the monitoring list over 14 days must conduct distance learning only, canceling Gridley Unified School District's plans for an "Early Back" instructional session set to begin on Monday, August 3rd. The official "first day of school" was then set off to August 31st and the district would revert to distance learning style instruction.

These new recommendations released Monday from the CDPH and the He continues, "The waiver opportunity for schools application will be extento apply for a waiver sive and requires the

could mean that in-person instruction might resume, but only for grades TK - 6.

The CDPH justifies its decision to consider waivers for those grades stating that "based on the current best available scientific evidence, COVID-related risks in schools serving elementary-age students (grades TK-6) are lower than and different from the risks to staff and to students in schools serving older students. In particular, there appears to be lower risk for child-to-child or child-to-adult transmission in children under age 12, and the risk of infection and serious illness in elementary school children is particularly low."

In a letter to parents and guardians, GUSD Superintendent Jordan Reeves states, "Our district will apply for a waiver from the state that would allow for in-person instruction at McKinley and Wilson."

support of certificated and is prepared for the upcomclassified staff as well as ing 20-21 virtual school parent and community support. In order to receive a waiver to reopen McKinley and Wilson for in-person learning, we must receive approval first by Butte Board has approved the County Department of Public Health and then the California Department of Public Health.'

As to be expected, there are many conditions and requirements that must be met for that to become a reality. Butte County Public Health says that the process for submitting the waiver is still being finalized and that they will contact the schools on how to submit. Counties on the monitoring list with 14-day case rates and more than two times the threshold (200 cases per 100,000 residents) should not be considered for the waiver. Butte County case rates are nearing that threshold, reminds BCPH and says schools need to understand that when applying for the waiver.

In the meantime, GUSD face."

year and will continue to provide Chromebooks to families in need to aid in distance learning. Additionally, the School emergency purchase of 125 cellular hotspots and service to meet the needs of Gridley families without internet services. The \$24,000 contract with T-Mobile is covered by special state COVID-19 funding and is hoped to be in place before the planned

Superintendent Reeves reminds parents, "There is a lot of uncertainty in the world today. The current situation regarding our schools remains fluid and is changing daily... I will continue to update you as changes are certain to happen along the way." GUSD plans to send out a second survey to families with "updated questions relevant to the current situation that Gridley schools ★

Aug. 31st start date.

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# **The New Pi-Line**



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

This is the 100th column I have written for the illustrious and historic Gridley Herald. When I first started, I indicated that "I want my column to be positive, interesting, random and entertaining. I hope to cover many topics, and I would also like to reprint from time to time, things that Bill wrote in his columns in the '70s and '80s as a way to share stories that reflect some of our shared histories". The world has changed since that was penned, and having a little newspaper column is no longer a small thing. Research, as of last week, indicates more than 60% of people fear to speak about what they believe. Newspapers, colleges, corporations, and entertainers have had individual singled out for the destruction of their careers because they have written words or uttered thoughts that are then circulated on social media until pressure builds and they are wrecked. John Kass of the Chicago Tribune summed it up with these words...

"America's cultural revolution uses fear to sweep through our civic, corporate, and personal life. It brings with it attempted intimidation, shame, and the usual demands for ceremonies of public groveling." The constitutional idea or principle of freedom of speech has never had a lower level of support in the history of our country. So I ask, do you want to live in a society in which angry masses decide which voices get silenced? Did we not inherit a lot of really gifted immigrants who left their home countries to come here because they dreamed of living in a country that allowed for free speech? As part of my military training, I had to take counterterrorism courses. One thing extremist terrorists have in common is they are immersed in relationships in which they never hear a contrary opinion on the basics of everyday life. When people convene in such a setting, the "group acceptable" ideas only escalate and never modulate. Imagine five guys who meet for breakfast every day at Live Oak Donut. One says, "the doctor costs too much," the next guy says, "yeah, they should reduce premiums." The third guy says, "healthcare should just be free to anyone for anything they need." Never once does cost, distribution, logistics, or financial considerations shape the conversations or thought processes. Extremist actors who finally strap a bomb to

themselves and kill people have almost always been isolated in a social structure in which opposing ideas are shunned. shut down, and blocked; canceled. Again, when grocery stores, corporations, sports teams, and government agencies rush to erase any historical reference to a time in which less informed, less aware people did terrible things, ponder this - will such a purge of history lead to a more aware, more informed society? Writing this column is enjoyable, and my Mom reads it each week. I still find that people in town like to see their name in the paper (as long as it is not the police blotter), and the Herald serves an important role in creating a sense of shared community and affords people local information with which to engage life.

Writing on the second page each week was, for a time, a simple thing. Yet over the course of the last 99 columns, the very premise of being able to write a free flowing public missive each week has become more significant. If Bill Burleson were writing and publishing still, he would have written something to stand up for freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and the rights of all people to have and express - unpopular opinions. So I dedicate this, my 100th Pi Line to him.

Born in Gridley, Josh F.W. Cook is an educator and public administrator.  $\star$ 



#### By Irene Nordstrom

GRIDLEY. CA (MPG) - Dear readers, Did you know that over 25,000 people over the age of 75 have died from falls (2016) and that number is increasing every year?!

Some falls do not cause death but cause extra work and inconvenience for injured senior.

Guess what? I am a senior in that category. No, I didn't die, but I did fall! I slipped on a rug in my bathroom trying to avoid some water I had spilled on the floor. I stepped on the rug and the rug slipped. I was stunned! I hit the eral days before an ankle left side of my left leg. I couldn't move my left knee I have never experienced so, after a while, I somehow managed to turn over to the right side of my body and painfully crawl on my right knee to the front room to get to my phone. I quickly dialed my sishelp me. I was still on the

Gridley. I couldn't stand and we had to call a strong neighbor to lift me into my recliner. My sister immediately put an icepack on my hurt leg.

No, I Didn't Die, But I Did Fall!

The strange thing is that I thought I had only sprained my left foot so I didn't go to the hospital until the next day when the pain was unbearable. My sister had called the doctor who said "Take her to the emergency room." "She needs to get checked for a possible blood clot." At the hospital, the X-rays revealed that I had broken bones on both sides of my left ankle. The nurse put a splint from my hip to the bottom of my everyone connected to the left foot and wrapped it in bandages. I was helpless and in pain. I was given a wheelchair so I could move around. I was taken to my sister's house in Live Oak so she could care for me.

Due to overcrowded conditions at the Enloe hospital in Chico, I had to wait sevspecialist could operate. as much pain as the pain before and after surgery.

I am so grateful to my sisters-Betty, Diane, and Rose for helping me in every way possible. I also want to thank the ter Diane in Live Oak to Advanced Home-health Care Team-the nurses who floor when she arrived in checked my vitals, and the

physical therapists who gave me great exercises to strengthen my foot and my leg. The doctor said it would take about a year to walk normally again. Now, after seven months, I can take several steps without my walker!

I wouldn't want anyone to fall and break any bones! If you have access to a computer, vou can google senior & falls for more complete information on how to prevent falls. Briefly, I will list 7 reasons why seniors fall. I found them on the computer:

(1) A decline in physical fitness. Lack of exercise causes reduced muscle strength; (2) Medications-Some cause dizziness or drowsiness; (3) Chronic Diseases - Such as Parkinson's Disease or diabetes; (4) Surgical Procedures-Hip or knee replacements, for example (5) Environmental Hazards- Such as, rugs that are not anchored to stay put! Poor lighting, Clutter, or slick floors; (6) Impaired vision- Wear proper eyeglasses. (7) Behavioral Hazards- The types of physical activities in which you partake- Outdoor and indoor sports. Examine the facility or outside terrainmake sure it is safe. Obey safety rules!

# **Governor's Minimum Wage Decision** a Case of Continuing Amnesia

## National Federation of Independent Business

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The state's leading small-business association minced no words in slamming Gov. Gavin Newsom's announcement that he would not use his authority to suspend a scheduled Jan. 1, 2021 increase in the state's minimum-wage rate. "It has to be asked if the governor even cares about small business," said John Kabateck, California state director for NFIB. "Small businesses in California are dying, so what is the Golden State doing to stanch the flow of the carnage? It hits them with increased costs in paid family leave programs, increased workers' compensation premiums via rebuttable presumption, zero fixes to a deeply flawed independent contractor law, and now a scheduled increase in minimum wages. We have an official economic policy in California, and it's to completely annihilate small businesses."

Everything the governor and Legislature have done has been for the employee and nothing for the people who have to bring in the money to pay the employee, according to Kabateck. "It's as if they are expecting the COVID-19 crisis to vanish tomorrow," he said. "As someone whose job it is to support the opening and sustaining of small businesses, I never thought I'd be advising small-business owners to do neither. You don't have your state government in your corner."



Face mask/covering is required to donate.

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### **MARYSVILLE/YUBA CITY**

NorCal Asset Solutions Blood Drive Friday, August 14 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Located at 1095 Stafford Way, Suite K, Yuba City

Yuba Sutter Marketplace Blood Drive Sunday, August 16 12 – 4 p.m. Located inside near the food court cross from Free Time Java 1215 Colusa Avenue, Yuba City

South Sutter County Blood Drive Sponsored by Supervisor Mat Conant, District 5 Wednesday, August 26 & Thursday, August 27 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Located at Adventure Church of Yuba City 1100 Garden Hwy., Ste. 400, Yuba City

#### OROVILLE

**Bangor Community Blood Drive** Tuesday, August 18 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. Located at the Community Hall 7500 Oroville Bangor Highway, Bangor

int is now testing blood donations for COVID-19 antibodies. Learn more at vitalant.org/ antibodytest. Starting July 1, Vitalant will perform a "total cholesterol" test on a sample from your successful blood donation.

#### CHICO

Chico Marketplace Blood Drive Sunday, August 23 12 – 4 p.m. Located inside across from American Eagle Oufitters 1950 E. 20th Street, Chico

North Valley Plaza Mall Blood Drive Friday, August 28 2 – 6 p.m. Located on the bloodmobile near Sportsman's Warehouse and CVS 801 East Avenue

#### COLUSA

**Colusa Community Blood Drive** Tuesday, August 25 2 – 6 p.m. Located at the First Presbyterian Church 326 Jay Street

Keep up with the latest on California smallbusiness at www.nfib.com/california

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# **Statewide Computer Glitch Means Undercounting of COVID-19 Cases**

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### By Russ Brown, Yuba County

MARSYVILLE, CA (MPG) -A statewide electronic system used to relay COVID-19 lab results to local public health departments stopped working properly sometime in late July, causing an undercounting of cases. Yuba-Sutter Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu said more concerning than the undercount is that counties did not receive crucial information needed to contact those who tested positive.

In the coming days, counties throughout the state expect to see a brief period in which case counts significantly increase, as they begin receiving the backlog of both positive and negative lab results. It is still unclear when the electronic reporting issues began and how many Yuba-Sutter test results were involved.

"The timely and accurate

crucial to the work our Public Health team does to contact positive cases, advise them to quarantine and work with them to find others who may have been exposed," Dr. Luu said. "I expect our Tracer and Investigation team to be hit with a glut of lab results soon, which they will have to carefully work through."

California officials say that until they get the undercounted lab results to the local health departments, counties will not be added to or taken off the state Monitoring List.

"We saw numbers begin to come down over the past couple of weeks, but sadly a portion of that trend may have been the result of unreported lab results," Dr. Luu said.

Many state labs use a system called Electronic Lab Reporting (ELR) to send results to the California

reporting of lab results is Reportable Disease Information Exchange (CalREDIE), which in turn relays the information to counties. The California Department of Public Health contacted county public health officials late Monday evening to advise them that ELR began having issues communicating with CalREDIE at some point in late July. State officials say they are still trying to determine when the reporting issues began and how many positive and negative cases did not reach county health departments.

"We are working with the state to reset the process and find the best way to get lab results directly to the counties without going through the faulty state reporting system," Dr. Luu said. "I hope our Yuba-Sutter community will bear with us as we figure out how this statewide glitch affected us locally."

# **Game On?**



California Interscholastic Federation announced that the Fall sports season would be delayed until December 2020, or January of 2021. Photo courtesy of Dimitris Vetsikas

#### By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At one moment, the future of youth sports looks grim – the next there is hope for resuming the season.

On July 20, 2020, the California Interscholastic Federation announced that the Fall sports season would be delayed until December 2020, or January of 2021. At that time, Butte County was not yet on the State of California watchlist and because of that, the CIF Northern Section announced its intentions to break with the CIF decision and resume sports as regularly scheduled. The hopes of youth and their parents were dashed just two days later as Butte County was placed on the monitoring list.

On Monday, August 3rd, the California Department of Public Health released new guidance on youth sports, suggesting that youth sports at the school-based, club and

recreational program levels may be able to kick-off as long as certain criteria are met.

Of course, these criteria are incredibly restrictive and do no favors for most sports like football, basketball, or soccer. The new state guidance outlines that outdoor and indoor sporting events, assemblies, and other activities that require close contact or would promote congregating are not permitted at this time. No tournaments, competitions, etc. are allowed. A physical distancing of 6 feet is still required as well as "cohorts" or groups that contain a specific number of members that remain as an isolated unit. Also, face coverings must be worn and activities that require heavy exertion must be conducted outside (wearing a mask).

For more detailed information, visit the CDPH COVID-19 Interim Guidance: Youth Sports release at: https://tinyurl. com/yy6mz63o.

# **Frith is Electric**

## By Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The Northern California Power Agency Commission (NCPA) has recently bestowed a prestigious award on Biggs' own Roger Frith.

Frith, who has served the City of Biggs as a City Councilor, Mayor and Vice Mayor, was awarded the NCPA 2020 Spirit of but by locally elected or Power Award. According to a press release, recipients of the award embody "the underlying principles of public power: a members of the Agency. relentless commitment Because these individuto serving local commuand affordable electric directly accountable for service."

its "policies and values are not set by investors,



Roger Frith, City of Biggs Council Member. Photo: City of Biggs

appointed officials who serve as the energy regulators in their cities, towns and districts that are als live and work in their nities with safe, reliable communities and remain the utility service to their of 16 members, includ-The NCPA states that customers (and neighbors) they provide a knowledgeable, responsive and

effective governing body."

Frith reflects the mission of the NCPA he has been a member of since 2004, which was also when he was elected to Biggs City Council. During the years of his service, the NCPA Commission has dedicated the Lodi Energy Center (2012), added the City of Shasta Lake to its member cities and Frith himself has advocated at the state legislature and in Washington D.C. Frith's dedication has grown as he has climbed through the ranks of the NCPA to become Commission Chair in 2018, a position he holds until his retirement this year.

The NCPA has a total ing: The City of Biggs. Gridley, Ukiah, Redding, and Shasta Lake.

# **Sustainable Intentions**



A recycling train of equipment will grind up the top 3 inches of Butte 162 pavement and then mix the grindings with a liquid plastic polymer binder. Photo: Caltra

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helping pave the way for utilization of recycled plastics throughout the state," said Caltrans District 3 Director Amarjeet S. Benipal. "This process is better for the environment because it keeps plastic bottles out of landfills and helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reliance on fossil fuels."

The \$3.2 million paving project covers a stretch of Highway 162 between the Feather River and Christian Avenue in Oroville. Lamon Construction of Yuba City is the prime contractor.

The construction schedule is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/or materials, and/or construction-related issues.

# **First Human West Nile Virus Infection Confirmed**

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People infected with in 150 people). WNV generally fall into

people); or severe illness People 50 years of age

toms such as encephalitis with diabetes or hyperor meningitis (less than 1 tension, have a higher chance of getting sick and For those who develop are more likely to develop

# MEMORIAL NOTICE Alice Lynn Nuchols December 9, 1936 to August 1, 2020

three categories: no symp- a severe WNV illness, complications. For more toms (8 out of 10 people); symptoms may last several information about WNV, a fever illness with fatigue weeks and some symp- visit Butte County's West and body aches (1 in 5 toms may be permanent. Nile Virus website.

# Vandals at Gridley High

### By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Last week, Gridley High School was the site of some rather crude tagging.

Vandals using black spray paint hit the outside of the snack bar located on the football field and the locker rooms, tagging non-sensical and lewd statements referring to drugs and sex. It is unknown if the

culprits were locals or from out of the area.

Since its discovery, the graffiti has been cleaned up. Allegedly, security cameras have been installed around the campus, specifically at the main entrance, science wing, social science wing, library, and locations known to generate mischief, resulting trouble for the school. Malcontents be advised that future criminal acts will be caught on camera.



Born December 9, 1936 in Memphis Texas to Hilda and Milton Watson, Married Charles H Nuchols on March 11, 1954 in Marysville, CA. Lived in Gridley CA for the past 59 years, where she worked at the Cannery for over 40 years and was active in the Gridley Nazarene Church as a Sunday School Teacher and Member of the Board. Preceded in Death by her Father Milton, Mother Hilda, Husband Charles (Charlie) and Daughter Kathleen (Don) Baumann. Survived by her brother, Gabe

Watson of Oroville CA, son Chuck (Connie) Nuchols of Biggs CA, daughter Karen Nuchols of Biggs CA, daughter Pamela (Robert) Ragan of Magalia CA and many grandkids and great grandkids who she loved dearly. She entered into heaven on August 1, 2020

Alice was a woman who took pride in the simple pleasures of life. Her joy came from teaching the word of God, telling stories to

her grandchildren, making sugar cookies and enchiladas from scratch, reading books, watching her favorite television shows, comforting and praying for those in distress, and mostly from being surrounded by family and friends. Family was her greatest treasure, and she was abundantly blessed.

To her beloved family and friends, she would like to thank each of you for all of the love, care, and support. Her life was richer, and more fulfilled because she was blessed by

you. To her beloved caregiver Maggie, thank you for being her angel and for pouring your heart into every moment you were with her welcome to the Nuchols family. To the many she did not get to see in her final days, she loves each one of you and will be with you alwavs

Donations to St. Jude's in lieu of flowers. Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.



# **Slim Randles'** HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

There is in the splashing of the creek a great spray of diamonds. As each youngster sails like an astronaut out on the tire swing, then releases the hold on the earth to flail, suspended in time and space for that brief second or two, there is a timelessness, a postponement of all things evil and destructive, an affirmation of joy.

The swimming hole in Lewis Creek has been there since Indian times, of course, and the tire swing was probably preceded by simply a rope with knots in it. It is one of the summer lodestones of our existence. Each summer we have to make our pilgrimage in the hot sun to the hole below the little waterfall, to the place were Lewis Creek widens and deepens for the benefit

# The hole in Lewis Creek is an important part of our lives

becoming just a creek again. And in this widening of the creek, this sacred place in our summer lives, we also play witness to the

passage of years. Across the creek from the tree with the tire swing, the gravelly bottom extends gently with almost no current for ten feet or so. This is the baby beach, where squealing tots are allowed to cool off without benefit (or hindrance) of any more covering than the smiles of their parents. As the children grow, they venture farther out into the current of the creek and test their strength against the forces of nature.

By the time a youngster is eight or ten, the seduction of the tire swing becomes overwhelming and the flailing of the arms and legs against the blue of the sky begin. Later still, when gangliness becomes fluidity and sleekness, and we want to make catlike moves to attract the opposite sex, the tire is used

of hot, dry people before as a swinging platform for exquisite dives into the deep part of the creek where the big trout lie in cold holes.

And as we age, and we watch our children come to love the hole in Lewis Creek, and as we sip lemonade in the shade as our grandchildren work their ways up the swimming hole chain of life, we can look at the splashing of the creek and see, with each sleek dive, with each laughing bellyflop, the diamonds of the creek sent skyward, and the laughter stays with us and keeps us strong and makes us feel rich, and fortunate.

It is unnecessary to say the hole in Lewis Creek is an important part of our lives, because it, along with so many other treasures of the years, really is our lives.

Brought to you by Ol' Jimmy Dollar (and his hounds) a children's book now 40% off. See it at lpdpress.com.



## By Barbara Ott

The Garden Wars have begun. Aphids are attacking the black-eyed peas, the squash and the green beans. Stickiness is in abundance. So far, the melons are OK as are the tomatoes. In past years the garden has been treated with a vegetable friendly systemic and the aphids were far less, that did not happen this year. ever saying what does

been sticky traps on posts throughout the garden that helped, that did not happened so far. Happily, the invasion troops of lady bugs and lacewings have arrived!! They take longer to get the job done but they do help when they arrive. So, bugs and water blasters are the current weapons ing the current Garden War.

We have a first-year asparagus bed fully leafed out. It is still producing stems. I think we will pick them just because they are there and so many are leafed out. Hopefully that doesn't disrupt their future growth for more asparagus next year. The usual talk about young asparagus is that you do not pick them for a year. Experts are for-

In past years there have and does not work. I've said some of those things myself when I'm acting like an expert wannabe. The truth of gardening is that there are times you do what makes sense or do something an expert says, or do it because you want to do it. If you want to experience frustration to a high degree always follow a gardening expert's advice. In the long run as a person who has gardened with flowers and vegetables for 51 years, following your intuition and what you know about your garden area works best... along with some scientific learning. We are enjoying both our own bounty and that of our neighbors. May you also receive the bounty of fruits and vegetables.

# **Dear Dietitian**

# **Arthritis**



#### Commentary by Leanne McCrate

#### Dear Readers,

When it comes to physical activities, have you concluded that you're not as young as you used to be? Maybe you were once a runner, and now the knees don't bend like they used to. Or perhaps you were a star athlete in high school, and now your star just isn't as bright. The body has gotten older, the joints stiffer, maybe it's even affecting your everyday life. It's a foe that sometimes rears its ugly head in mid-life; it's arthritis.

In the US, as many as 54 million peo-

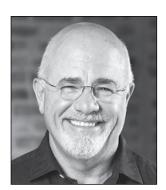
and Integrative Health says the evidence on glucosamine for OA is unclear, and chondroitin isn't helpful. Still, these supplements have not found to be harmful (2).

Another popular remedy for OA is curcumin, the ingredient in turmeric that has anti- inflammatory effects. In another meta-analysis Daily et al. concluded that curcumin, in addition to conventional medicine, may be useful in treating arthritis symptoms (3). In another study, curcumin was found to be as effective in treating arthritis of the knee as the drug diclofenac. However, this study was small and only lasted one month (4).

When it comes to your health, be an informed consumer. A little homework may be necessary before purchasing a supplement for arthritis symptoms. The following websites will help you make a sound decision:

1. www.nccam.nih.gov/health/supplements/wiseuse.htm

2. www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/



# This Lady's **Getting It Done!**

## Dear Dave,

I'm single, and I'll be a pilot in the military for the next 10 years. I'm also debtfree, have a fully funded emergency fund, and I'm saving 15% of my income for retirement. After my military days are over. I plan to work as a commercial pilot. I've done the math, and I have about \$20,000 a year to give, have fun with and build wealth. My question is about wealth building. When it comes to rental properties, I know you don't like the idea of being a long-distance landlord. Since I'm in the military, there's a good chance I'll move around a

# **Dave Ramsey Says**

- bit. What should I do?
  - -Rachel

## Dear Rachel

First, thank you for your service to our country. And, wow! You're in a tremendous position financially and career-wise. You've got a great future ahead of you as a pilot in the military and after, plus you've followed my plan item by item. You've got so many options, and you can make a difference in your com- live and give like no one munity and in the lives else!.

piled up just by the end of your military career. Who knows? You may even be able to buy a nice home with cash when you leave the service. Beyond that, you may be able to settle into some real estate and pay cash for those investments.

You are one cool, smart lady, Rachel. Congratulations on setting yourself up for a wonderful life - one where you can

around you right now by giving.

When it comes to wealth building, I hope you've already taken advantage of the TSP, or Thrift Savings Plan, which is kind of the military version of the 401(k). For wealth building beyond that, I'd get with a good investment pro – one with the heart of a teacher – and dive into some growth stock mutual funds. You could have a lot of money

-Dave

Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 16 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey. com and on Twitter at @ DaveRamsey.

# North Yuba Forest Partnership Releases Its Interactive Story Map

### By Alex Boesch, Yuba Water Agency

NEVADA CITY, CA (MPG) - In November 2019, a diverse group of nine organizations, known as the North Yuba Forest Partnership, announced its commitment to using best available science in planning and implementing forest restoration at an unprecedented pace and scale within the North Yuba River watershed. The group released an online interactive story map highlighting the ecological and human values within the watershed, the risks posed by high-severity wildfire, and the treatments that can be used to restore forest health and resilience and protect communities within this 275,000-acre landscape.

"The purposes of the online interactive story map are community outreach and education," said Bri Tiffany, California Program Associate for the National Forest Foundation. "The scale and complexity of proposed fire resilience and restoration treatments within this large landscape can seem daunting at first. By utilizing the story map, the complexity is broken down into specific GIS-based maps, photos, and text that describes the issues facing our forests and communities, and the kinds of active management that can help protect both. The interactive story map is

designed to facilitate learning about the North Yuba River watershed and the associated restoration effort at your own pace."

In addition to explaining the unique values of the North Yuba River watershed, the story map walks viewers through the importance of returning low- and medium-intensity fire to this watershed. Historically, low- and medium-intensity natural fires maintained a healthy forest by removing overcrowded brush, overstocked trees and the buildup of hazardous fuels.

"In many cases, ecologically-based thinning treatments are a crucial first step for the return of beneficial fire," stated Tiffany. "Research shows that ecologically-based thinning combined with prescribed fire is a powerful combination to restore forest health, reestablish natural resilience to large wildfires, and enhance wildlife habitat and biological diversity."

The story map, available at https:// arcg.is/vDzr5, is also designed to be shared. Please help the North Yuba Forest Partnership by sharing the story map through email, social media platforms or other means.

To learn more and sign up for updates from the North Yuba Forest Partnership, visit www.yubaforests.org.

ple suffer from osteoarthritis (OA). The word comes from the Greek "osteon" meaning bone, and "itis" meaning inflammation. OA is the most common form of arthritis and occurs when the cartilage that cushions bones wears down over time. Joints can become painful, swollen, and difficult to move. The most commonly affected areas are knees, hands, hips, lower back, and neck.

Some supplements claim to ease arthritis pain, but do they work? Glucosamine, chondroitin, and curcumin (found in turmeric) are three dietary supplements we will explore. Glucosamine and chondroitin, often sold in combination, are two of the topselling natural remedies for OA. In a meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials (the gold standard for research), Zhu et al. found that glucosamine was more effective than a sugar pill in alleviating joint stiffness. At the same time, chondroitin was better at improving pain and mobility. The analysis did not find enough studies to draw a conclusion about the combination therapy of the two (1).

In the 2019 treatment guidelines, the Arthritis Foundation and American College of Rheumatology gave a conditional recommendation of chondroitin sulfate for hand OA. However, the National Center for Complementary druginfo/herb\_All.html

3. www.consumerlab.com

Consult your doctor before beginning any dietary supplement.

Until next time, be healthy! Dear Dietitian

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# Man Arrested for Ongoing Sexual Abuse of Children, **Possession of Assault Weapons, and Methamphetamine Lab**



Jason Ashby of Palermo, 38. Photo: BCSO

**Butte County** Sheriff's Office

PALERMO, CA (MPG) - On July 23, 2020, Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) detectives received information and Butte Interagency Jason Ashby of Palermo, Narcotics Task Force numerous evidence items

13-year-old victim. BCSO detectives conducted an investigation and located evidence showing Ashby molested the 13-yearold victim. On July 23, detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Ashby for three felony counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14-years-old. Detectives also obtained a search warrant for Ashby's residence, which is located in the 7600 block of Occidental Avenue,

38, had molested a

Palermo. On the evening of July 23, BCSO detectives



A wide assortment of fire arms were found including classified assault weapons and two short-barreled shotguns. Photo: BCSC

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the search warrant at include a clandestine Ashby's residence. During the service of the search warrant Ashby was contacted and placed under arrest. Detectives located

(BINTF) detectives served at Ashby's residence to methamphetamine laboratory, numerous firearms, three assault weapons, and two short barreled shotguns.

23, detectives located multiple witnesses who previously witnessed Ashby engage in inappropriate behavior with minors. Detectives also located an additional victim who had been sexually abused by Ashby over a five year period when the victim was a minor.

On the evening of July 23, detectives booked Ashby at the Butte County Jail. Ashby was booked for three felony counts of lewd and lascivious acts with a child under 14-years-old, one felony count of forcible rape, three felony counts of oral copulation with a On the evening of July child under the age of 14, 530-538-7671.

one felony count of continuous sexual abuse of a child, two felony counts of possession of a shortbarreled shotgun, three felony counts of possession of an assault weapon, one felony count of manufacturing a controlled substance, and one felony count of child endangerment. Ashby's bail was set at \$1,100,000. Ashby is scheduled to be arraigned at the Butte County Superior Court on Monday, July 27, at 3 PM. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information about Ashby to contact Detective Jason Miller at

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# NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

ESTATE OF THEODORA PARKER ALSO KNOWN AS THEA PARKER, THEADORA PARKER

CASE No. 20PR00203 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Theodora Parker, also known as Thea Parker, Theadora Parker, deceased A Petition for Probate has been filed by Betty J. Reynolds, in the Superior Court of California county of Butte, requesting Betty J. Reynolds be appointed as personal representative to ad-minister the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests that the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examina-tion in the file kept by the court.

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 August 11, 2020 9:00 a.m. in Dept Probate at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section

The Gridley Herald Adjudicated For and By the County of Butte, Adjudication No. 27207–October 29, 1951 claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052

of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc, Esq PO Drawer 111 Oroville, CA 95965 530-533-5661 
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ESTATE OF CAROL LYNN MARTIN LIMASA CASE No. 20PR00230

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Carol Lynn Martin Limasa, deceased

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Heather R. Si-mola, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Heather R. Simola, 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 execu-

Attorney for petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc, Esq PO Drawer 111 Oroville, CA 95965 530-533-5661 Publish: August 7, 14, and 21, LIMASA 170622 8-21-20

and telephone number of the

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### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000765

The following persons are doing business as: SIERRA MOBILE HEALTH 2050 Springfield Drive #317 Chico, CA 95928

58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for petitioner is: Nicole R. Plottel 466 Vallombrosa Avenue Chico, CA 95926 530-893-2882 Publish: July 17, 24, and 31, 2020 170622 PARKER 7-31-20

## ESTATE OF SHERRILL A. CLARK-HEN-DRIX AKA SHERRILL ANN MCKEE CASE No. 20PR00223

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and con-tingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Sherrill A. Clark-Hendrix aka Sherrill Ann McKee, deceased

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Marcel M. Mitchell, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Marcel M. Mitchell, be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests that the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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 ob taining court approval. Éefore 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 August 25, 2020 9:00 a.m. in Dept Probate at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appear ance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your

tor 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 September 1, 2020 9:00 a.m. in Dept C-10 at Superior Court of California, County of Butte 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928.

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

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal represen-tative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attor-ney knowledgeable in California law.

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This Business is Conducted by: Individual

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(The Gridley Herald)

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000784

The following persons are doing business as: SIERRA NEVADA CONNECTIONS 3120 Cohasset Road Suite 1 Chico, CA 95973

Mountain Circle Family Services Incorporated, 3120 Cohasset Road Suite 1 Chico, CA 95973 Date Filed in Butte County: July 29, 2020 The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is Conducted by: Corporation

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### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #20CV01443

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

Present name	
Tobey Lynn Chatham	

Proposed name Hope Celeste Chatham

(The Gridley Herald)

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 September 09, 2020 9:00 a.m. Department TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928 Publish: August 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000526

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# **Thoughts to Ponder**



"Forgiveness is the fragrance that the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it." (Jeneanne Sieck) Forgiving is hard. Forgetting is even harder.

When people are wronged, the can say, "I forgive", but until people can erase and forget the hurt and go on with their lives, the healing process is stalled Jesus and all the followers, disciples, and prophets of Jehovah preached and taught forgiveness and forgetting. . The late Representative John Lewis is a great example of this, all through his life he forgave, forgot and said, "March on." God says that if people

by Kathy Neal ask in true repentance for to live not bury themselves forgiveness of their sins

and transgressions, the slate will be wiped clean, a new beginning. Jesus told Mary Magdalene, "to go sin no more, you are forgiven. Your sins remembered no more." (John 8:11) "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ, God forgave you." (Ephesians 4:32)

Edwin H. Chapin once said, "Never does the human soul appear so strong and noble as when it forgoes revenge and dares to forgive injury.' Forgiveness is good for the soul, the heart, and the stomach. It relieves anxiety, washes away hate lives to show these traits the eats at a person's very being and it relaxes the ting as we move on in our frowns on faces. If people Christian lives showing the can forgive, they can start

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in the darkness of distrust.

Jesus taught love for all people. He wanted to do for others those things that would give people a glimpse of God. People should live their faith so that everyone sees the Lord through them. Sometimes, that is all people know about Christianity.

As people read in the Bible about Jesus' life, they can see God's handiwork. Jesus taught and lived the philosophy of patience of forgiveness for those who were wrong, acceptance for people whether poor or rich, weak or strong, young or old. We need to live our of forgiveness and forgetway to others.

# Legislative Democrats Kill Opportunity to Help Millions of Frustrated Californians

### By Jacqui Nguyen, California Senate Republicans

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Governor's mandated shutdown has left more than six million Californians unemployed and shuttered businesses. Senate Republican Leader Shannon Grove (R-Bakersfield) released the following statement after the Joint Legislative Audit Committee (JLAC) announcing the cancellation of a crucial hearing on August 11, that would have been an opportunity to audit the Employment Development Department (EDD).

Last month, legislative Republicans asked JLAC to audit the EDD after unemployed individuals shared their horror stories about the state agency, including cases of clerical errors that resulted in longer wait times for financial relief and 150 redials with no results. The Los Angeles Times recently published an article on July 11, 2020, "It takes 150 redials': Horror stories from Californians filing unemployment claims, getting no results".

Signed by Republican members from both the Assembly and Senate, the letter to JLAC is a bicameral effort to demand answers from EDD.

"California Democrats killed an opportunity to audit the EDD which would have helped millions of frustrated Californians. This audit would have been an opportunity to get answers instead California Democrats blocked that effort. Republicans will continue to fight for our residents because California deserves better," Senate Republican Leader Shannon Grove (R-Bakersfield).



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- · Principals, teachers or other school staff must inspect all exits daily to ensure that stairways, doors and other exits are working properly and are unblocked.
- On the day of the drill, the emergency drill alarm should be sounded on the school fire alarm system. Make sure that everyone can recognize the sound of the alarm and knows what to do when it sounds.
- Teachers, officials and staff should be familiar with the school's fire protection system, including the location of fire alarm pull stations and sprinklers.
- Every room in the school should have a map posted identifying two ways out. In schools with open floor plans, exit paths should be obvious and kept free of obstruction.
- · On the day of the fire drill, everyone in the school should participate.
- · Students with specific needs should be assigned an adult or a student buddy to assist them. Fire drills are a good opportunity to identify who among the student population requires extra assistance.
- · While it's important to make sure that students leave the building as quickly as possible, order is more important than speed when it comes to conducting a safe fire drill.
- · Once everyone has safely exited the building, they should remain outside at a predetermined location until the 'all clear' has been given to reenter the school.
- · Use rosters to ensure that every student is accounted for.
- Fire drills should be held both at expected and at unexpected times, and under varying conditions in order to simulate the conditions that can occur in an actual emergency.
- School fire drills are a model for students to use in their homes. Encourage students to practice their escape plans at home - just as they do at school.
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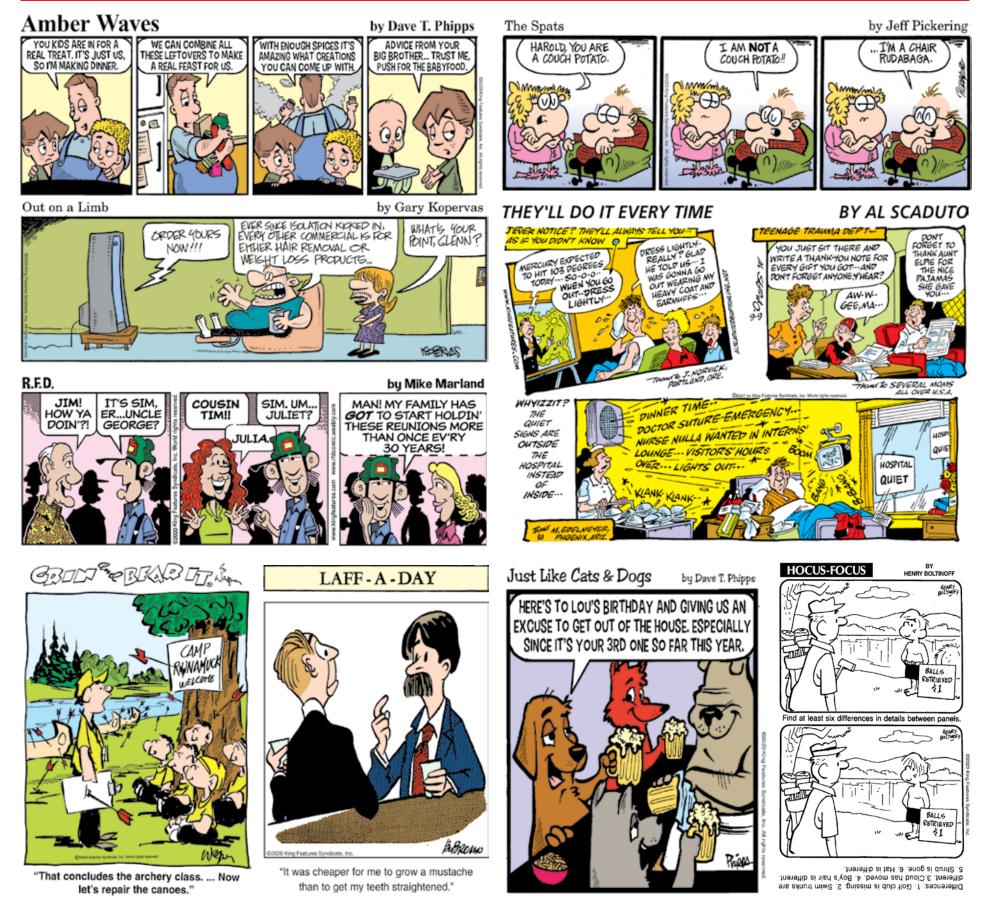
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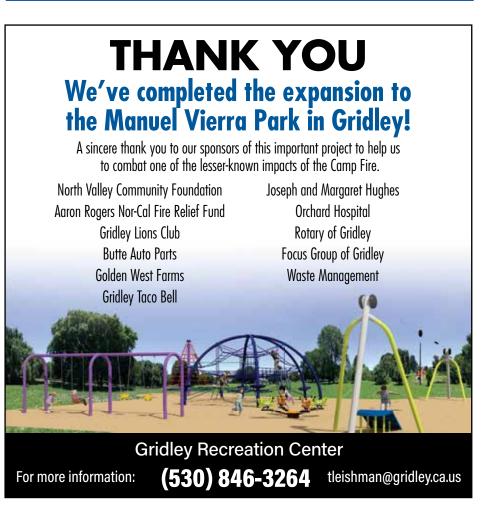
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**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - California Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly announced new plans for COVID-19 testing in California, including updated testing guidance, new requirements for health plans to cover testing, and the new co-chairs of the state's COVID-19 Testing Task Force.

"Testing is a critical tool that helps us diagnose and treat those who become infected by COVID-19. Testing also helps us understand how COVID-19 moves through our communities so we can identify areas where transmission is occurring... We are redoubling our commitment to ensure testing remains a top priority for California," said Dr. Ghaly. "Our testing capacity has increased exponentially in recent months. At the same time, new national supply chain challenges and large volumes of specimens sent to commercial laboratories have resulted in growing delays in processing times. Consequently, it is critical we continue to be deliberate and creative about testing. We must do this so that testing is readily available and affordable to those who need it, especially those communities experiencing the worst impacts of COVID-19 and those who are at the highest risk. Testing is a responsibility of our entire healthcare delivery system. Clinics, doctors, and other care sites should provide convenient testing to their patients who need a test."

# The announcements include: **Testing Prioritization**

The California Department of Public Health released updated testing guidance that focuses on testing hospitalized individuals with signs or symptoms of COVID-19 and people being tested as part of the investigation and management of outbreaks, including contact tracing. The testing guidance also prioritizes individuals who have COVID-19 symptoms and individuals without symptoms who fall into high-risk categories, including people who live and work in nursing homes, homeless shelters and prisons, healthcare workers, and patients in hospitals. The new guidance will ensure that Californians who most need tests get them even if there are limited supplies.

## New Testing Task Force Co-Chairs and Goals

Two new co-chairs will lead California's Testing Task Force, the state's privatepublic partnership that has taken the lead role in expanding both the collection and processing of specimens for COVID-19 testing. Leading the task force starting immediately are Dr. Gilbert Chavez, founding chief of the California Department of Public Health's Center for Infectious Diseases, and Dr. Bechara Choucair, senior vice president and chief health officer for Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc. Chavez, the state's former epidemiologist who has led the response to disease outbreak and emerging health threats, is coming out of retirement to help lead the task force. Dr. Choucair oversees Kaiser's efforts focused on addressing the social health of its 12.4 million members and the 68 million people who live in the communities it serves.

The task force, which was launched in April, created testing locations where there were none, expanded laboratory capability and helped build a testing supply pipeline, scaling up from just 2,000 tests per day to more than 100,000 tests per day. Under the leadership of Chavez and Choucair, the task force will recommend testing priorities, continue to create equitable access to testing and support for state-operated community testing sites, and review options to lower overall testing costs.

## Health Plan Coverage of Testing

To help ensure that testing is widely available to all Californians, the state is working collaboratively with health insurers to provide reimbursement for testing and with private providers to create additional in-office testing capacity. With more providers performing tests in the office rather than referring patients to labs or testing sites, the state would have more resources to focus on underserved and high-risk populations. The state is preparing to file emergency regulations that will classify COVID-19 testing as medically necessary urgent care for essential health workers and people with symptoms of or possible exposure to COVID-19.



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