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Lions Combat the Tag



Graffiti Eradication Department Chairman, Lion Vern Hartman with removal expert, granddaughter Audrey Morgan, cleaning up the graffiti at Gridley's 7-Eleven. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Every once in a while, our beautiful little town gets some not-so-pretty additions to our buildings and public areas in the form of graffiti and tagging.

To combat the unsightly markings, Gridley Lions International Group formed Graffiti Eradication Department. Currently chaired by Lion Vern Hartman, the group works with Gridley Police Department and local businesses to clean up and remove graffiti of all nature. Many of the vandalism calls the Lions responds to can be covered with spray paint, but a specialized trailer bearing the Lions logo and housing necessary paint supplies is kept at the ready

for some of the larger "tagging" that occurs.

Recently, Gridley broke out in a rash of black tags scrawled with spray paint. Locations tagged included the 7-Eleven as well as locations along the railroad tracks and the east side of the Masonic Hall, located across from Sycamore and Wilson Schools. The largest tag, defacing the side of the Masonic Hall, was nearly 7 ft tall in parts and over 15 ft long.

Hartman, who has been involved in the graffiti removal project for the last 9 years, says, "When I first started, it was all over town." He attributes the majority of the graffiti he sees now to people passing through town, but in the past much of the marking was by rival gangs. Hartman suspects that the

recent occurrences are the workings of passers through but doesn't discount local mischief either.

It was a Lions team effort to get things cleaned up this time around. Hartman enlisted the help of his granddaughters Audrey and Georgia Morgan to cover the tagging at 7-Eleven, while Lions Hal Stoner and Bill Soliday deployed the graffiti removal trailer to tackle the large project on the side of the Masonic Lodge. Lion Mike Dahl took care of the locations along the tracks.

If you are aware of any graffiti that needs to be removed, large or small, please contact the Gridley Police Department at (530) 846- 5670 and they will alert the Lions Graffiti Eradication Department. ★

**Local Leaders
Ask Governor
to Lift Stay-At-
Home Order in
Rural Counties**

By Curtis Grima,
Office of Assemblyman
James Gallagher

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - A bi-partisan group of legislators, county officials and mayors sent a letter to the Governor asking him to allow six Northern California counties to come out of the statewide stay-at-home order, in accordance with their respective local and regional plans. Signers of the letter requested the ability to initiate a thoughtful and science-based reopening of local economies, that is also consistent with state and national guidelines. In total 14 Mayors and 6 County Board of Supervisor Chairs made the request.

The letter notes that infection rates have remained low in these six counties (Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Glenn, Tehama, and Colusa), which have a combined population of more than 500,000 residents. As of Friday, April 24th, 69 individuals had tested positive for COVID-19 in these six counties, 50 of those who tested positive are now fully recovered. There was only one confirmed COVID-19 patient in the ICU.

Senator Jim Nielsen (R-Tehama) said, "California is weathering this pandemic well. In the North State, we have even fewer infections than those in other regions of the state. We must re-open our economy so Californians can get back to work. Families need to put food on the table and pay their rent and mortgage. Put simply, Californians need to continue living their best lives."

"We all appreciate the quick action taken to flatten the curve of this virus," said Assemblyman James Gallagher (R-Yuba City). "That effort has been successfully implemented, but it has not been without great cost to our people and our future ability to provide for the health and prosperity of our communities. It is time to begin a re-opening. Our cases are low, our healthcare capabilities have been beefed up, and we are ready to get our economy moving again." ★

Gridley LDS Ladies Sew to Save Lives

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Local seamstresses from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints responded to the call of Orchard Hospital for donation of personal protective equipment during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Kathy Sannar, working with Connie Voss and Ilene Payne, says that the group was inspired to help after they heard of a fellow group of LDS ladies sewing masks and donating them to their local hospital. The group set their goal at 100 masks and met the mark in just under a week and a half.

The group met with Orchard Hospital CEO Steve Stark and Marketing/Outreach Director Lyndi Little-Wallace Tuesday, April 14th to donate the cloth masks. Orchard plans to use the cloth masks for patients being seen at their clinics or being discharged that do not have signs of COVID-19. Stark explained that "the



Kathy Sannar donates the fruit of her labors to Orchard CEO Steve Stark. Photo By Seti Long

CDC has given us guidelines and said that they're great (fabric masks) due to the shortage of personal protective equipment. However, they are not 100 percent effective against the virus," so they won't

be used by hospital staff at this point. They are still great options for those that have nothing else to protect themselves with or layered over surgical masks. Regardless, Stark was immensely thankful.

"We're getting them out as soon as we get them. There's still a lot of community members that don't have any masks at all."

Orchard Hospital has been overwhelmed by

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The New Pi-Line



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

One of the more interesting and useful Executive Orders by Governor Gavin Newsom (and the Federal Highway Administration) was a rule change, Caltrans is allowing temporary operation of food trucks in highway rest areas during the COVID-19 public health emergency armageddon zombie latter-day apocalypse pandemic. They say it will “help provide access to food for highway truck drivers and motorists and provide opportunities to food truck operators” in the official press release. I think the real reason is some nutritionists are worried we may lose more people to truck stop gas station food and rest area vending machine food than we do the virus – so good news. Common sense prevailed, and people driving up and down I-5 can get real food and some family with a food truck avoids going bankrupt. There are 86 state highway test areas in California.

If any of you have children or grandchildren and they have been quarantined with you, there is a high likelihood you have

had some great learning experiences, I know I have. Some highlights from the child development laboratory; the goldfish crackers go about 54% wasted. For some reason, kids love the cheddar crackers that were initially designed as a salad topping. But at the same time, the goldfish always go for the carpet. I was emptying the vacuum cleaner; an orange tinge of the goldfish overshadowed the dirty grey clomp one usually finds in the dust bin. I cannot put together how so many get wasted when the kids eat all of them we buy?

Next observation, the idea that television is a mind-numbing time consuming all-powerful device that traps children and keeps them mesmerized for hours is just not real. Even with 4376 channels available on the various streaming tv services, my grandkids are interested in cartoons no more than 17 minutes a day. After that, they look at me like-hey, what’s next? So the wife and I have done sewing, gardening, cooking lessons, family history research, filling out the census, paying bills, moving furniture, having small dramatic productions, poetry, scripture study, board games, tree climbing, first aid, hide and go seek, follow the garbage truck around the neighborhood, and every other activity imaginable (that’s just this week). If there is ever a cruise ship industry again, we are set to be activity coordinators. The grandkids also do really well on work-related video conference calls. The kids

love work phone calls and time-sensitive projects as well. So make sure to catalog your most fabulous lockdown learning experiences as they say we are living through a historical event.

The Gridley-Biggs Police Chief has gone back to retirement. Compliments to Chief Byers, he did an excellent job and will be missed. All of you retired people, look at what you can do when you un-retire, let Chief Byers inspire you back into the job market (no one is going to do that).

Even when gas gets down to the lowest levels ever in the history of recorded oil prices, Live Oak gas is still more expensive than Gridley. Gas at Fastrip on the corner of Spruce and HWY 99 was \$1.89 today, and there was a line of cars.

Lots of woes in the work of Healthcare. Too many people are putting off elective procedures. This is causing hospitals to be all ramped up for service and no people to treat. So as soon as the order to stay away from each other is rescinded, go get your mammogram, heart procedure, test, scan, scope, or exam to support your local healthcare operation. Even procedures that are called “elective” are life-saving.

W.D. Burleson published the Gridley Herald for 50 years. Josh F.W. Cook was born in Gridley. ★

Let’s Find a Reasoned, Scientific Approach for Lifting Restrictions

By James Gallagher

We all know the question everyone is asking: When is this nightmare going to be over?

Over the course of the past few weeks, I have been insistently discussing this with state and local officials. After asking the tough questions and deciphering the information, I wanted to share with the public what I have discovered as clearly as possible.

A lot of the discussion is around “predictive modeling.” These ‘models’ are being used to estimate how many cases we will have and when the spread of the virus will peak. These estimates are important because they are being used to make decisions of how best to bolster our health facilities and how restrictive the stay at home orders should be.

The problem is that the models are really best estimates and they differ greatly depending upon assumptions and inputs made. For instance, the University of Washington IHME model shows that California will have a need for 470 ICU beds statewide. This estimate is well below our current capacity of ICU beds, which is a good thing. This model also shows cases of coronavirus peaking this week, and then declining.

However, state modeling done by the CA Department of Public Health (CDPH) is projecting a much greater number of ICU beds needed through the month of May. But their range is also all over the map. For instance, for

Butte County the 25th quartile of the modeling shows 18 ICU beds needed – and the 75th quartile shows a need for 407 ICU beds! The median number of beds needed is 99. The difference in the “range” of this model is so wide as to almost tell us nothing. To make things even more convoluted, the state says this model will continue to change.

Some respected public health doctors say that we should be looking closer at what is actually happening on the ground. These include Dr. Jeffrey Klausner, an epidemiology specialist at the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health and Dr. Rajiv Bhatia, a physician and health scientist who earned his MD at the Stanford University School of Medicine. They say it would be better to base decisions using real time trends in hospitalization data, rather than predictive modeling.

I can tell you that as of Friday, there are no confirmed COVID-19 patients in an ICU bed in the six-county Assembly District I represent. Acute hospital admissions are down about 40% at Rideout in Marysville. The Enloe daily census is hovering around 135, which is far below normal. These figures also call into question the accuracy of the state’s modeling projections.

I agree there is risk to opening up too early, but there is also risk of opening too late. It is not a “safe” bet to stay locked down. In addition to the economic havoc, there are increases in cases of domestic violence, child

abuse, suicide, etc. Lost jobs and poverty are linked to health declines, drug addiction, and death.

Then there is the impact to health care. Many doctors have had to close down their regular practices. Hospitals have cut themselves to only essential emergency medical services. This has cost them millions of dollars in revenue. They will not be able to sustain this hit for a long period of time. Our rural hospitals are especially struggling and may not recover. And we cannot get through this crisis without a sustainable healthcare network.

There remains no consensus in the public health world for how exactly we should open up our economy.

Dr. Klausner and Dr. Bhatia have recommended opening up rural areas like ours that have a low number of cases and hospitalizations. Their strategy would ramp up restrictions only if we see higher hospitalization rates or if testing indicates a spread of the virus. The Governor and CDPH appear to favor a slower phased process of opening up.

No matter what, the implications of this pandemic and our response will be with us for years to come. So it’s important that we get this right.

Bottom line: we need a reasoned, scientific approach to opening up that balances the real public health threats on both sides of the stay at home orders. In order to do that, we need to be making decisions with good data. ★

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Investigation of Child Abuse Case Involves a Three-Year-Old Child

Butte County Sheriff's Office

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) deputies were dispatched to assist CAL FIRE with a medical call involving a three-year-old child. Deputies arrived at the intersection of Oroville-Bangor Highway and Swedes Flat Road and contacted CAL FIRE personnel and Joseph Webb of Bangor, 42. Webb told deputies his three-year-old step-child had ingested methamphetamine water. Deputies determined Webb resided with Alisha Crandell of Bangor, 38, in the 300 block of North Stony Oaks Loop, Bangor.

The child was transported to Oroville Hospital and then was flown by helicopter to a hospital in the Sacramento area. Initial tests conducted by medical staff indicated the child had ingested methamphetamine. The child is currently receiving medical care at the Sacramento area hospital.

Deputies determined Webb, Crandell, and their children were residing in a travel trailer at the aforementioned property. Detectives and deputies responded to Webb's residence and contacted several people to include Crandell and Anita Morgan of Bangor, 49, and two children. Morgan was contacted in a stolen vehicle and was placed under arrest for felony vehicle theft. The overall condition of the property was deplorable.

A search warrant was obtained for the property and detectives interviewed Webb

and Crandell. Webb and Crandell both admitted their three-year-old child ingested methamphetamine water that Webb and Crandell had removed from their “water bong,” which Webb and Crandell were using to smoke methamphetamine.

After the child ingested the methamphetamine, Webb admitted he did not immediately summon medical aid. Instead Webb and Crandell spent approximately 15 minutes attempting to get the child to vomit. The child eventually began having what Webb described as a seizure. Webb then placed the child in a pond located on his property. Webb told detectives he was attempting to “cool down” the child. After removing the child from the pond, Webb then summoned medical aid. All three children were detained by detectives.

During a search of the property detectives from the Felony Investigations Unit and the Butte Interagency Narcotics Task Force located numerous evidence items to include methamphetamine pipes and methamphetamine “water bongs.” Webb and Crandell were both placed under arrest for three felony counts of child endangerment. Webb and Crandell's bail was set at \$500,000. Their arraignment in Butte County Superior Court was set for April 20, 2020.

The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information to contact Detective Brian Mollath or Detective Tristan Harper at 530-538-7671. ★

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DAR's Feather River Chapter Responds to the Nationwide COVID-19 Health Crisis

Daughters of the American Revolution Press Release

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Feather River Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) is lending a helping hand to healthcare and other essential workers on the front lines of the pandemic. The Feather River Chapter responded to the medical mask shortage by hand-sewing masks to donate to essential workers in the most need.

As of April 22, 2020, the Feather River Chapter of Oroville, California has sewn and donated 90 masks to two organizations.

"While we are each doing our part to slow the spread of the virus by staying at home, the DAR members in our chapter wanted to do more to give back to those working hard to keep communities healthy and safe," said Alma Roots of the Feather River Chapter. "We know these are tough times for everyone and wanted to do whatever we could to spread a little sunshine and help."

40 masks have been sent to a medical facility in Memphis, Tennessee; 50 masks to cover N95 masks have been sent to a medical practice in Lewisville,



Daughter of the Revolution, Alma Roots, shows off the hard work of mask-making. Photo provided by Alma Roots

Texas through the sponsorship of the Woodard Volunteer Mask Force; One member is working on the front line at a hospital in the area.

Nationwide, DAR chapters from all 50 states have been participating in the organization's Service to America *From Home* initiative with more than 160,000 masks already being donated and tens of thousands more produced every day to be distributed in local communities.

"I am exceptionally

proud of what DAR members are accomplishing as part of a proud tradition of service that dates to our 1890 founding," said Denise Doring VanBuren, DAR President General. "In difficult times like these, we know that it is not the emergency that defines us, but how we respond to it."

For DAR membership inquiries and other questions about the Feather River Chapter, contact Chapter Regent Dorothy Welton at 530 533-2826. ★

Gridley LDS Ladies Sew to Save Lives

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support from individuals and organizations wishing to help, receiving donations of intubation supplies, masks and more. To the LDS ladies and all others that have been donating to the hospital Stark says, "We appreciate the generosity of our

community!" and Little-Wallace adds, "Thank you for helping to protect our community!"

Currently, Orchard is requesting donations for small N95 masks. Please contact the hospital at 530-846-9000 if you would like to help. ★

Butte Resource Advisory Committee Outreach Extended for Federal Advisory Committee Member

By Lee Anne Schramel, Plumas National Forest

QUINCY, CA (MPG) - Plumas National Forest (PNF) officials are seeking to fill numerous seats on an existing federal resource advisory committee (RAC) responsible for recommending selected projects on national forest land within Butte County. The application deadline has been extended until May 15, 2020.

Applicants must represent 9 interests within 3 categories legislated by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (SRS). "We need 9 qualified people to fill our 15 member committee," said PNF Supervisor Chris Carlton. By law, seated committee members must include people representing: federal grazing or other land use permit holder or a non-industrial private land owner, organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester group, commercial timber interest, regionally recognized environmental organization, local elected official, teacher/school administrator, American Indian tribes and public at large.

Applicants must submit a cover letter noting their qualifications to represent a particular interest slot, interest form and an FBI background check form to the Forest Service prior to being considered for the committee. Information about the Secure Rural Schools Act, RAC committee make-up & function, and application materials may be found at:

www.fs.usda.gov/plumas.

RACs were established as a provision of the SRS. The four-year term, 15-member committee is composed of a wide representation of national forest interests organized into the three categories.

RAC projects must have broad community-based support with objectives that may include, but are not limited to, road, trail and infrastructure maintenance or obliteration; soil productivity improvements; improvements in forest ecosystem health; watershed restoration and maintenance; restoration, maintenance and improvement of wildlife and fish habitat; control of noxious and exotic weeds; hazardous fuels reduction; and reintroduction of native species. Project outreach will take place once a committee has been approved and seated by the Secretary of Agriculture, hopefully later this year.

In early spring 2021, the RAC will review projects to recommend for funding consideration by Supervisor Carlton. Approximately \$100,000 is available for projects to be initiated no later than September 30, 2022 and funding obligated by September 30, 2023.

Contact Lee Anne Schramel, Plumas National Forest Public Affairs Officer & RAC Coordinator at (530) 283-7850 or elizabeth.schramel@usda.gov with questions.

For more information about the Plumas National Forest see <http://www.facebook.com/usfsplumas> or <http://www.fs.usda.gov/plumas>. ★

Burn Permits Now Required in Butte County Starting May 1

CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Residents in all unincorporated areas of Butte County, and the cities of Biggs and Gridley, will be required to have a burn permit beginning Friday, May 1st to burn dooryard debris. Burn permits are free, and can be obtained online at burnpermit.fire.ca.gov.

Due to travel and contact restrictions, CAL FIRE/Butte County Fire Department is asking residents to acquire their burn permits online rather than visiting their local fire station as in previous years.

Paradise residents wishing to burn may do so on permissive burn days and with a valid burn permit through May 31st. For burning regulations, and to purchase a burn permit online, go to

www.townofparadise.com and click "Online Permits" or contact the Paradise Fire Department at (530) 872-6264. Again, due to current public access restrictions, please place phone calls to the fire department, do not show up in person.

"Pile burning is an effective tool for removing dead and down vegetation from your property. Eliminating fire fuel is a critical part of every home's Defensible Space strategy," says CAL FIRE Butte Unit Chief David Hawks.

Rules and regulations for dooryard

burning can be found at buttecounty.net/fire under the "Can I Burn Today" tab. As always, before lighting a burn pile, you must check with the Butte County Air Quality Management District at beaamd.org to ensure Burn Day status.

The Following are burning permit requirements:

For burning debris in small 4-foot x 4-foot piles:

Maximum pile size 4 foot in diameter; Clear all flammable material and vegetation within 10-feet of the outer edge of pile; Keep a water supply close to the burning site; An adult should be in attendance with a shovel until the fire is out; No burning shall be undertaken unless weather conditions (particularly wind) are such that burning can be considered safe.

No household trash or garbage can be burned outdoors at residences. Dry, natural vegetation, grown on the property can still be burned outdoors in open piles, unless prohibited by local ordinances. Burning can only be done on permissive burn days. Burn permits are only valid on "Permissive Burn Days" as determined by the State Air Resources Board or the local Air Pollution Control District (ACPD).

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Virtual Worship by Local Churches Strengthens Members

By Cindy Scott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Faith plays a critical role for many people, especially during times of crisis. A crisis can be personal, or, as we are seeing now, it can be worldwide. By using available technology, leaders, volunteers, and members of our area churches have rallied to continue worshipping together. For some faiths, the transition to virtual worship was seamless. For other faiths, it was an unexpected learning experience.

Jose Villalobos leads the First Presbyterian Church of Gridley. On Thursday March 19, Pastor Jose posted a video on their church's Facebook page, explaining that church volunteer Steve Allard had helped Pastor Jose set up a three-camera video broadcasting and recording system in their sanctuary. Pastor Jose announced that, for the upcoming Sunday, the chairs would be set up for small groups of two and three, separated for social distancing. For the high-risk demographic that would be watching from home, there would be a live stream of the services.

Governor Newsom's stay-at-home order was issued that night. The next day, Pastor Jose posted a follow-up video, explaining that the service would be posted to the church's new YouTube Channel and be made available on DVD for those without internet. Standing in front of the church, he said, "This is just a building, but we're going to continue praising God and worshipping together."

Since that day, Pastor Jose has posted a weekly sermon to their YouTube channel, complete with prayer, his sermon, and worship music recorded by their youth worship team before self-isolation began. He offers grocery pick-up and other services to his congregation and encourages members to participate in weekly Bible study, which is done by Facetime.

Pastor Jose shared that, "It was stressful at first, helping people figure out the links and how to watch the videos. Now that people are on a roll, the challenge for me is getting used to preaching to a camera. The feedback is delayed." He added that church members are finding comfort in the recorded sermons, where they are reminded of the fellowship that existed and will return someday soon.

Pastor Brad Roberts, of Calvary Chapel of Gridley, began streaming their services over three years ago through their website. When Bill Gallagher, Assistant Pastor, came on board, he expanded streaming services. Currently, the church streams live on their



Abundant Life - Biggs' worship team participates in a drive-in Easter Sunday service from their church balcony. L to R: Darius Phillips, Ashley Crook, Caleb Scribner, Chelsea Thompson.
Photo: Amanda Scribner

media outlets, including their Facebook page, YouTube channel, website, and app.

For the moment, the worship team, Pastor Brad, and three technical crew members are the only ones in the sanctuary on Sundays, and they are appropriately distanced. For the technical aspects, Alan Murray runs the audio within the building, Holly Gallagher runs the Power Point scriptures that accompany the sermon, and Bill Gallagher broadcasts the service to their outlets using Wirecast.

Speaking of the challenge of preaching to 215 empty chairs, Pastor Brad shared, "Second Timothy 4:2 states, 'Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not.' My responsibility to my Lord is to teach the Word of God, whether the people are in the building or at home. I trust the Holy Spirit is touching the hearts of the people."

Pastor Brad receives feedback when church members comment while watching on Facebook, and some text him afterward. He explained that this is a very difficult time for people, and people need to know that God cares for them, "If God is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31)

Pastor Rick Scribner provided a unique "drive-in" Easter service for his congregation at the Abundant Life - Biggs Church. One of their church buildings includes a balcony, which provided the perfect socially-distanced platform for their worship team and Pastor Rick to deliver his sermon. Church members parked in the parking lot and on the street, rolling down their car windows to participate in the singing and preaching.

Caleb Scribner, Associate Pastor, said that Pastor Rick suggested the drive-in service when talk of restricting gatherings first began.

Rainy forecasts delayed the idea, but Easter Sunday brought beautiful weather and their first outdoor service. Scribner added, "We are excited and love every opportunity to spread the Word of Jesus."

The Sikh community's focus has long been humanitarian service. With the current worldwide crisis, efforts have grown to serve those experiencing personal economic hardship. Ravie Aujla, a local business owner and member of the Live Oak Sikh Temple, explained, "All temples are still cooking meals, and their kitchens all over the world are open to anyone that needs a meal."

Aujla said that, in the Sikh religion, they don't have weekly services per se. Their worship is based on a calendar of events, and families often sponsor prayer services in their homes as they need, whether for joy or sorrow. Food is an integral part of these home-based prayer services. Prayers are also live-streamed from temples all over the world.

Aujla further explained that, "The church is encouraging social distancing and home prayers during this time, but also emphasizes service for those in need. A large group of Sikh women are sewing masks nonstop, with several thousand delivered to the Yuba-Sutter and Oroville hospitals."

Members of the local Sacred Heart Catholic Church have the opportunity to participate in live streaming of Mass from surrounding parishes. For example, St. Isidore's Catholic Church in Yuba City streams Mass almost every day.

As for local virtual worship services, Adam Bowers, a candidate for Permanent Diaconate, is hosting Lauds (morning prayer) and Vespers (evening prayer) by Zoom. Adam and his

wife, Maralee, were already praying Lauds and Vespers every day, sometimes together or as a family. However, when the stay-at-home order was issued, Bowers took the suggestion of a friend who is a priest and began conducting the prayers by Zoom for local congregants interested in participating.

Those in the Zoom meeting sing, recite, and pray in unison. Bowers said, "There are moments of joy, just to see parish members and to have an opportunity to interact. For me, it's huge, I love that opportunity. Zoom is giving us the chance to pray together." Bowers is grateful for the opportunity to continue to grow his faith and be together with other believers during this time.

Pastor Julie Raridan, of the Biggs United Methodist Church, freely confessed, "I don't have a technical bone in my body." Even so, she and her gifted volunteers are creating a YouTube video for each Sunday service, complete with announcements, birthday recognition, joys and concerns, hymns, and a sermon.

Pastor Julie's volunteers choose the hymns and create the PowerPoint presentation. She herself records her sermon on her phone. She carefully places a ladder in the center of the sanctuary and props up her phone with a Bible. When all of the pieces have been recorded, her 15-year daughter, Alyson Raridan, edits and combines it into a seamless, inspiring service and posts it to Facebook and YouTube.

Pastor Julie remembers California's stay-at-home order, "It came between Sundays. I didn't see it coming." She is relying on God's help and the expertise of her volunteers to use available technology to continue to serve her congregation.

Pastor Julie sees God working throughout the current crisis, and she is eager to continue serving church members. She explains, "Some of our members grew up in this building. They love coming here." In her latest recorded service, the video pans the inside of the sanctuary, while she reminds church members of the beauty in it, and says, "I will walk you through our house. See that door? That door--we will be coming through soon."

Churches in our area have shown conscientiousness, flexibility, and a willingness to learn and use available technology to continue worship. What they are learning may allow them a broader reach that will continue beyond the current restrictions. Area congregants of all faiths will rejoice when the stay-at-home directives are lifted and they can begin to come through the door again. ★

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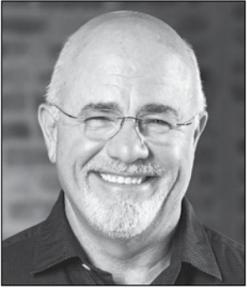


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Dave Ramsey Says Social Security Matters

Can My Husband Get A Spouse Benefit from Me?

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Dear Dave,

I'm debt-free except for my home, and it is all because I started following your plan four years ago. I'm even on track to pay off my mortgage in eight years. With all the scary economic news out there, I'd love to talk to my family about following your advice, too. Do you have any suggestions for doing this without sounding like a know-it-all or that I am bragging?

— Lacey

Dear Lacey,

It's been my experience that when it comes to family, words don't always do the trick. There's an old saying that goes, "Those convinced against their will are of the same opinion still." Some people

have been brainwashed into believing credit cards and debt are an unavoidable part of life. They're stuck in their ways, and nothing anyone can say or do is going to change that.

I've been fortunate enough to help millions of people change their lives, get out of debt, and take control of their finances. But there are millions more who will never listen. They'll just keep going deeper and deeper into debt, and never realize the real problem is the person they see in the mirror every morning.

The truth is, you can make irrefutable arguments against credit cards. People who use them spend more than those who use cash or debit cards. Research has proven this. You don't need one to rent a car, get a hotel room, or buy airline tickets. A debit card will do all those things without piling up debt. For an emergency fund, you can simply save up cash. It takes some discipline and hard work, but relying on credit when things go wrong is a really

bad idea. It's a trap.

If they won't listen to all these truths, try telling them your story. Let them know you understand from experience how hard breaking old habits can be. Emphasize how amazing your life has been since you made the decision to actively control your money, instead allowing a lack of money to control you.

Congratulations, Lacey. I'm proud of you for working so hard and being disciplined. I hope you can be an influence on others in your family, and help lead them to a place of financial peace, too!

— 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 14 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. ★



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I'm wondering if my husband can submit a "restricted application for spousal benefits only." He is 76 years old, has been receiving his benefit since 2005. His present benefit is \$263.50. I am 74 years old, receiving my benefit since 2007. My present benefit is \$931. Am I to understand that he could be receiving half of my amount rather than his smaller amount? **Signed: Inquiring Wife**

Dear Inquiring Wife: Your husband isn't eligible to file a "restricted application for spousal benefits only" because he is already collecting his own Social Security benefits and because he is past 70 years of age. But he should probably be receiving a spousal benefit from you because his benefit is so much lower than yours. From what you've written, you both claimed your Social Security benefits when you were 62 years of age. That means you both took a 25% cut in benefits from what you would have gotten at your full retirement age (FRA) of 66.



Spousal benefits are based upon FRA benefit amounts, even if you claimed benefits earlier. So, since your FRA benefit amount would have been about \$1164 and your husband's FRA benefit would have been about \$330, by my calculations he should now be receiving a spousal benefit of about \$516 instead of his benefit of \$263.50. The computation for that is: Take half of your FRA benefit amount (\$582) minus your husband's FRA benefit amount (\$330); the difference (\$252) is added to his own current benefit (\$264) to get \$516 as his possible spousal benefit (note the actual numbers from SS may vary somewhat). This probably means that when you claimed your benefit two years after your husband claimed his, your husband didn't apply for his spousal benefit (and it wasn't awarded automatically by SS).

I suggest your husband contact Social Security as soon as possible and make an appointment to apply for his spousal benefits. Since he has been entitled to that benefit for some time now, he can also request 6 months of retroactive spousal benefits which they will pay in a lump-sum and adjust his monthly benefit to what he is entitled to as your spouse.

There is also a possibility that, when you filed, SS failed to notify your husband he was eligible for a spouse benefit, in which case he may be able to collect his spouse benefit back to the date he became eligible. Your husband should contact Social Security directly at either 1.800.772-1213, or at your local office (find it at www.ssa.gov/locator) to make an appointment to apply for his spousal benefit from you. And, usually, this application can be accomplished over the phone.

Please note that all of the above assumes that your husband's current benefit isn't being reduced due to a non-covered pension which causes the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) to lower his benefit amount, and which would cause the Government Pension Offset (GPO) to severely alter, or even eliminate, his spousal benefit.

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Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal



"The secret of success is to be like a duck – smooth and unruffled on top, but paddling furiously underneath," (Anonymous) Do you feel like this, calm, cool, collected as an outward mask, hiding you inner workings that are being pushed to the limit by every day stress and bugs of life?

Meeting the needs of your family, paying the mortgage, trying to save for the days ahead, or just trying to keep the utilities on, push and pull us as we face, day by day the rigors of life.

We try to keep a good appearance for others to see, but soon the wrinkles of worry creep across our faces and clog our minds. Hours get longer, paychecks smaller and pain harder to endure as we reap the responsibility of life.

In the book of life, the Word of God, we are reassured that there is help beyond reason for all our troubles. "For I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content I can do all things through Christ which strengthens

me." (Philippians 4:11, 13) "So don't be anxious about tomorrow, God will take care of your tomorrow to Live on day at a time." (ref. Matt 6:34)

The hardest thing to learn in or religious lives is to give over our worries and problems to a Power we can't see, fee, or touch. We must depend upon faith and belief in God, so that when we ask for help, it will be there. As it says on our money, "In God We Trust". Do we, really? Trust means believing above all else until death itself. Even the Son of Man trusted the course of life God had planned for Him. Are we not in the same need of a helping hand when facing our crosses?

We can accomplish more in one hour with God than one lifetime without Him. Matthew 19:26 assures us of this when he states, "with God all things are possible". This does not mean picking all six Lotto numbers, beating the odds at Bingo, or winning the grand prize at the ATM give-a-way. It does mean facing problems of peer pressure, career choices or family woes with great hope and confidence. It means, by trusting in God's overall plan for the world, middle-aged parents can think about retirement,

educating their children, and even such extremes as daily threats to world peace or unknow viruses like COVID-19. It means those persons in the winter of their lives can look forward to a heavenly rest in the arms of a loving Father.

Some are trying to walk the paths of live alone with a great deal of detours to alter the journey. If only we would walk beside our Guide with honor and trust. Just like the duck, we keep paddling trying to keep going when all it takes is a trust in the Power above. Why not put your hand in the hand of God, who stills the waves of trouble, and tread water without the fear of sinking?

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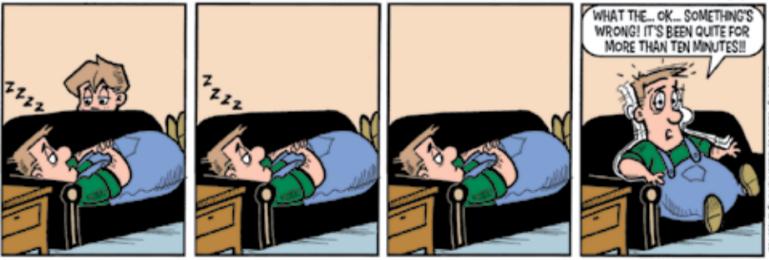
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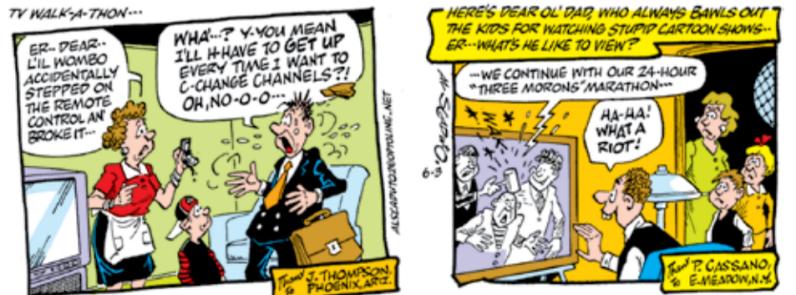
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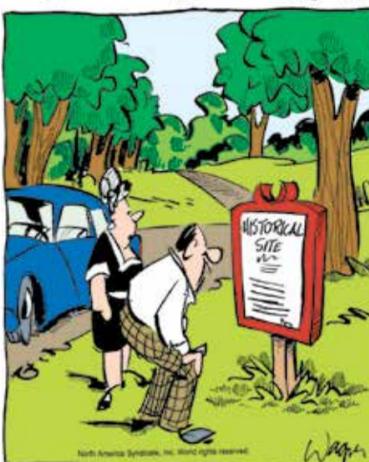


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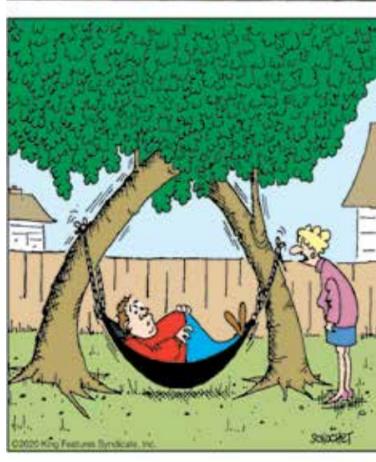
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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The Kniphofia is blooming! I love Red Hot Pokers. The pokers I have are hot red-orange with yellow tops. One plant has a dozen blooms. It is a wonderful cheery, dramatic show of wonder in the garden. Next to it is a spectacular yellow Iris.

They are blooming at the same time and the “pow” of color and energy is uplifting every time I see it, which is regularly all day long. Needless to say, it brings joy into my world and helps fulfill my goal of seeking the good, the beautiful and the true.

The aphids seem to be out in force right now. Fortunately, they seem to be sitting around on plants that are not in the vegetable garden. For some reason some of my Iris are covered with aphids.

These Iris are not watered so maybe they are stressed and make for easy aphid victims. These Iris tend to bloom quickly then I cut them back so no harm as far as I can see. If these

aphids, which are in the front yard get taken to the back yard by their friends the ants then we have another thing happening.

The sticky traps will go up and war will be waged by my husband in his pursuit of the perfect vegetable garden. I blast them with water and knock them off of plants I don't want them on. Simple and sweet.

Of course, then you have to do that almost every day. Whenever I see a lot of aphids, I start hunting ants. Most of the time if the ants are controlled then the aphids are no longer around. I'm beginning to see snail trails... snail hunting season in the garden is coming. ★

Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



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And he decided what he needed was to see how the rest of the world was handling a nice dose of spring, so he drove in from the ranch for the evening. Sarah was just locking up and visited with Bob for a few minutes before heading home for supper. Bob leaned against the wall and kept his eye on the square across the street. Two kids were playing with the cannon, shooting invisible invaders and making the world safe for suppertime in a small American town.

Dud Campbell and his wife, Anita, were walking across the square, not talking, but just being with each other. Their hands were touching, but there was more there. They were touching each other in a silent way, sharing love and promises silently. Across the way, Doc and Mrs. Doc stood together,

looking in the window of the now-closed hardware store. They looked tired tonight, Bob thought. Neither was that young any more.

Seeing these two couples made Bob a little sorry he wasn't married, but he'd tried that once and it hadn't worked out too well. She lived in the city now and was married to another fellow and had three kids.

Oh, he knew it had all happened for the best. He knew it. So he patted the cow dog in the back of his pickup and headed back down the road to the Mule Barn. He would order the special tonight. Maybe some pie, too.

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Dear Dietitian

Hypoglycemia



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Dietitian,

I was just diagnosed with reactive hypoglycemia. What should I do about my diet? Will I never be able to have dessert again? Please help. – Megan

Dear Megan,

A new diagnosis can sometimes be overwhelming, but as you learn how to manage it and you feel better, it will become a part of your routine. As far as having sugar, I “never say never” because I believe any meal plan should be livable. With careful planning, you will be able to enjoy a healthy, satisfying diet.

For readers who aren't familiar with hypoglycemia, or low blood sugar, it is a rare condition in which a person's blood sugar (glucose) levels are too low to carry out normal activities. Glucose is your body's main energy source. Hypoglycemia is usually defined as less than 70 mg/dl, but the number may vary a little. This condition is normally associated with diabetic patients, but it also occurs in people who do not have diabetes.

There are two types of non-diabetic hypoglycemia. There is reactive, which occurs after a meal, and fasting, or non-reactive. Symptoms of hypoglycemia include hunger, dizziness, sweating, pale skin, fatigue, or feeling like you may faint.

Non-reactive hypoglycemia typically has an underlying cause which needs to be evaluated by a physician. Some possible causes include certain medications, a hormonal imbalance, or a tumor on the pancreas that interferes with its proper functioning.

Under normal circumstances, as food is being digested, the pancreas secretes insulin, which in turn takes glucose to our cells. There is a very tight “checks and balances” activity going on throughout the body to get

the right amount of insulin into the bloodstream. In this way, our cells get the energy they need, and our blood sugar levels remain stable.

As in your case, Megan, reactive hypoglycemia usually occurs 3-4 hours after eating a meal. In this situation, the pancreas releases too much insulin, which results in low blood sugar. The cause of reactive hypoglycemia isn't well understood, but it is manageable. Following these guidelines will help:

1. Eat a well-balanced diet of lean proteins, whole grains, fruits and vegetables, and unsaturated fats. Eat at the same time each day.

2. Avoid high-sugar foods, like candy, desserts, sugar-sweetened drinks, fruit juice, and sugar-sweetened cereal. If you feel like you can't go another day without dessert, enjoy a reasonable amount with your meal and monitor blood sugar levels closely afterwards.

3. Instead of refined carbohydrates (think white), choose high-fiber, complex carbs, like whole wheat bread, high fiber cereal, and whole wheat pasta.

4. If you drink alcohol, avoid sugary drinks, like margaritas, piña colodas, and screwdrivers. You should always eat when drinking alcohol.

5. Eat 3 moderate-sized meals plus 2-3 snacks throughout the day.

6. Keep glucose tablets or sugar-sweetened gum with you in the event your blood sugar drops and you don't have a snack immediately available.

7. A healthy snack should consist of about 15 grams of carbohydrate and 1-2 oz protein. This could be 1/4 cup of almonds + 2 tablespoons of raisins; a half-sandwich, or an apple with 1 tablespoon of peanut butter.

Finally, give yourself at least six weeks to get adjusted to your new meal plan. It won't happen overnight, so try to be patient. And remember to follow-up with your doctor on a regular basis.

Until next time, be healthy!

Dear Dietitian

Leanne McCrate, RDN, LD, CNSC, is an award-winning dietitian based in Missouri. Her mission is to educate consumers on sound, scientifically-based nutrition. Do you have a nutrition question? Email her today at deardietitian411@gmail.com. Dear Dietitian does not endorse any products, health programs, or diet plans. ★

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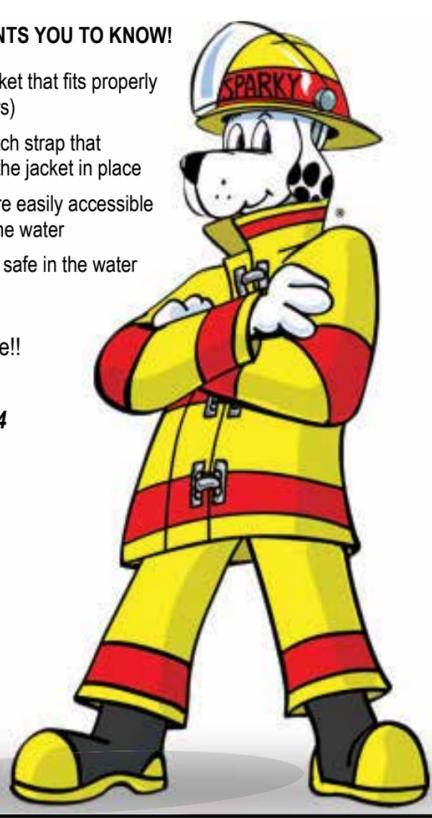


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BCSO Announces Arrest of Live Oak Resident for Illegal Sexual Contact with a Minor

Butte County Sheriff's Office

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) announced the arrest of Dominick Kelly of Live Oak, 25. In April of 2020, BCSO received information Kelly had an illegal sexual relationship with a minor victim in the Oroville area. Detectives conducted follow-up and obtained an

arrest warrant for Kelly. On April 22, 2020, detectives received information Kelly was at a residence located near the 100 block of Dack Way, Palermo. Detectives responded to the residence and located Kelly sitting in a vehicle that was parked in the driveway of the residence. Kelly fled on foot and eventually ran into a residence. After a brief foot pursuit, detectives placed

Kelly under arrest without incident. During an interview incident to Kelly's arrest, Kelly admitted to sexually abusing the minor victim. Kelly also admitted to using multiple illegal drugs to include ecstasy and allowing two minor victims to use ecstasy. Kelly was subsequently booked into the Butte County Jail for two felony counts of unlawful

sexual intercourse with a minor victim, two felony counts of penetration with a foreign object on a minor victim, and four felony counts of oral copulation on a minor victim. Kelly's bail was set at \$600,000. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with information about this investigation to contact Detective Mariah Smith at 530-538-7671. ★



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Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 57,137.86
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, 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, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE:
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Web site <http://www.altisource.com/MortgageServices/DefaultManagement/TrusteeServices.aspx> using the file number assigned to this case 2019-01443-CA. 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: April 7, 2020 Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/o 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 237 Ventura, CA 93003 Sale Information Line: (866)

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000313

The following persons are doing business as: CREATIVE IMAGING CENTER, CREATIVE LIGHT
2061 Montgomery Street Oroville, CA 95965
Dean Robert Gurr and Monique Lynce Malotte Gurr, 2061 Montgomery Street Oroville, CA 95965
Date Filed in Butte County: March 16, 2020
The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is Conducted by: A Married Couple

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Publish: April 10, 17, 24, and May 1, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000252

The following persons are doing business as: J AND C HOME REPAIR
1001 Washington Apt #42 Gridley, CA 95948
Justin Wade Webster, 1001 Washington Apt #42 Gridley, CA 95948
Date Filed in Butte County: March 2, 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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Publish: April 17, 24, May 1, and 8, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2020-0000346

The following persons are doing business as: Ayzer Environmental LLC
4288 State Hwy 70 Oroville, CA 95965
P31 Enterprises Inc, 4288 State Hwy 70 Oroville, CA 95965
Date Filed in Butte County: April 6, 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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Publish: April 24, May 1, 8, and 15, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Interested subcontractors must submit bids on or before May 15, 2020 at 2PM, to Landmark Construction via fax at 916-663-1867 or frontdesk@landmarkconst.net. Contract Documents are available for download at www.landmarkconst.net/plan-room/.

Questions regarding this bid must be directed to frontdesk@landmarkconst.net.

The Gridley Herald May 1 and 8, 2020

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED STATEWIDE SUCTION DREDGE MINING GENERAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will hold a public hearing for the proposed Statewide National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit for Suction Dredge Mining in California. The public hearing will be on **Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.** The public hearing will be a video and teleconference meeting only. Please see forthcoming agenda at https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/board_info/calendar/ for the June 2, 2020 Board Meeting. The State Water Board issued a Draft Permit for public comments. The Draft Permit and associated documents are located at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/npdes/suction_dredge_mining.html. During the public hearing the State Water Board will hear oral comments regarding the Draft Permit. Written comments must be submitted to the State Water Board no later than **12:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2020.** Written comment letters must be either: (1) mailed to: Jeanine Townsend, Clerk to the Board, State Water Resources Control Board, P.O. Box 100, Sacramento, CA 95812-2000; or (2) emailed in PDF text format (if less than 15 megabytes in total size) to: commentletters@waterboards.ca.gov. Please include "Suction Dredge Mining Permit" in the email subject line.

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California Screamin'



It has been ten years since this capitol rally photo and the same tired politicians are still trying to control your lives. MPG archived photo/Rowen

Commentary by Paul Scholl

People in California are screaming to be allowed to go back to work and open their businesses. The governor remains tone deaf. The pure science says our state should reopen. Unless, of course, those scientists you are listening to are somehow on the government payroll.

Most small businesses are owned by conservatives. Small businesses were booming and their success was raising millions of poorer Americans out of poverty with new jobs and off the government assistance programs. They were getting control of their own lives back. We were all winning.

This disease is no laughing matter. It can be really serious for many, even life-threatening to certain populations. So as a society, we all adapt while keeping our freedoms. We don't crush our society entirely. Unless there is a motive where "they" want to control it.

We are all in this together? NOT! You could solve the shutdown in 14 days (one payroll cycle) if you layoff all the government workers, all the union workers, and all the big media. Then they would be screaming too.

When I was raised with ten brothers and sisters we were told to wash our hands, cover your mouth when you coughed or sneezed, eat well, drink a lot of water, go to bed on time, go play outside, and stay home if you are sick. Measles, Mumps, Chicken Pox, you name it, but no one died. Common sense.

An overwhelming number of doctors are now speaking out about "herd immunity". The information about the disease changes daily. But what do "they" tell us? You may have to stay home for up to one and a half years until we find a vaccine we can over-charge you for on your already far-too expensive health insurance. Sorry about your business, bro!

Newsom is crippling our state financially. A balanced budget? Yeah, right. Not now. Don't bother including items that show the state is real trouble. But who is going to be getting their full pensions? Who will be getting raises to offset the rate of inflation? Not you. Newsome is giving millions to illegal aliens before he does anything for you. He doesn't fix the border problem, rather he files lawsuits against Trump over the issue. He doesn't fix the homeless problem. He just files another lawsuit. And you just have to keep paying for it all.

Now, with the pending economic doom looming over everyone in this state, they are going to try to eliminate the original Prop 13 and destroy home ownership in California. They will say "but we need the tax money now that we have suffered so greatly from the COVID-19 crisis." Never let a good crisis go to waste they say. Lose your business, lose your income, lose your home, your taxes are increased again, your health insurance is unaffordable, and so on. But aren't the beaches great!

A legal option every business owner may have would be to sue the state for their losses. With United States Attorney General William Barr considering suing states over their "shelter in place" orders and that their mandates are unconstitutional, there just might be an opening. Consider what it would be like if thousands of small businesses sued governor Newsome and the State of California. I'm not an attorney, but it is a thought. Talk about overwhelming the system!

There is one small change in the media dialogue we should all hope to see. It isn't the good people of China responsible for this Wuhan virus. It should be stated from now forward that the Chinese Communist Party is to blame, not just "China." But

governments that want control don't put a spotlight on governments that have control. Do you ever hear Leftists talk about the millions of slaves in China? But they do talk about reparations for people who were never slaves. The same people who were finally really benefiting from the great economy prior to the virus outbreak.

If you want to solve the problems we face in California then just let all the Leftists donate all their money, all of it, to the cause. That's when you will find out just how much they believe in the

cause. Instead, they just want all of your money to solve their mismanagement problems.

There is a rally on May 1st at the Capitol to Re-Open California. Are you tired of this government control over your life yet? Be there. Bring a sign. Bring your vote. Be heard.

If we are loud enough maybe they will experience our "Heard Immunity" to government control.

We need to make this a Common Sense State. Red or Blue. See you at the capitol. ★

Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

April 19th - April 23rd

4-19-20: At 11:42 am on 5 th and B streets, Biggs, CA, Joseph Maywood Scott, 34, was arrested for carrying a concealed weapon -dirk or dagger – (21310 PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

4-19-20: At 12:46 pm on the 1500 block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Galen Latrell Hall, 42, was cited for trespassing after police admonishment (602 (o) PC).

4-20-20: At 5:35 pm on the 100 block of E. Hazel St., Gridley, CA, Branden Michael Thurston, 23, was arrested on an outside agency felony warrant and booked into Butte County Jail.

4-20-20: At 1:24 am on Hwy 99 and Hollis Lane, Gridley, CA, Osvaldo Javier Rodriguez, 18, was arrested for driving under the influence of drugs (23152 (F) CVC), reckless driving (23103 (a) CVC), driving with a suspended license (14601.1. (a) CVC), possession of an open container of marijuana (11362.3 (4) H&S) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

4-22-20: On the 300 block of Idaho St., Gridley, CA, Rebecca Gwyn Davenport, 46, was arrested for public intoxication (647 (f) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.

4-23-20: On the 1500 block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Michael Roy Wright, 53, was arrested for indecent exposure (314.1 PC) and booked into the Butte County Jail.

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