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Wishing Corner Delivers FUN!



Florist Shana Roles and Nubia McCormick show off some of the fun kits that the Wishing Corner has available for delivery or curb-side pick-up. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Gridley's floral and gift shop, The Wishing Corner, has responded to requests from parents and bored children wanting to home during the lock-down.

within the store and from the community. She tells of having craft supplies in storage from the store's previous incarnations as a craft and art supply store that normally don't garner any interest from the public and how she decided they should do something with them. "They (kids and parents) can't go anywhere, Michaels is closed... I have it sitting here... and I said, "Let's do this!"

So, The Wishing Corner has assembled everything a crafter

would need, including rainbow stacks of felt, glittery buttons and beads, poofs and more for their "Felt Flower Kit." Fellow community members and parents also pitched the idea of live floral kits, includdo something creative while stuck at ing a glass vase, decorative ribbon, Owner Becky Harr says that the florists get to pick the color of their idea for the kits came both from flowers (carnations are standard) and ribbon, then assemble them into an arrangement. Harr laughs and says, "It gives them something to

The response from kids and parents has been fantastic. Nicki Kent, mother to budding florists Daniel and Nickolas Kent says, "A BIG shout out to Becky and the rest of the Wishing Corner gang for putting together this amazing flower project for the children of our community. Worth the \$15. Thumbs up ladies."

Employee Nubia McCormick says that they have been asked to do something "a little more for boys" for their next project. When asked when that will be, Harr says to watch their Facebook page. They are hoping to continue the crafting 3 carnations and greens. Amateur and floral fun with more projects planned for future and are open to suggestions from the community on what activities they'd like to see.

The fresh floral kits start at \$15 each but can run more if you'd like to pick other flowers to work with besides the standard carnations the felt floral kits are just \$13. Best yet is that The Wishing Corner can deliver the fun directly to your door! Call ahead and the ladies will walk you through what color flower sand ribbon are available, take your payment and get you crafting. To get yours, call 530-846-0869

DMV Offices to Continue Serving the **Public during COVID Outbreak**

Department of Motor **Vehicles**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is moving to offer Californians essential services online starting next week to continue processing critical transactions during the COVID-19 pandemic. Field offices will be temporarily closed to the public statewide beginning March 27 and reopen, virtually, on April 2. All in-office appointments at this time will be canceled. Customers are encouraged to check the dmv.ca.gov website for future appointment availability.

DMV online services will continue to be available at dmv.ca.gov. Customers can also take care of many tasks at the hundreds of kiosks throughout the state or through available local business partners. DMV's customer service centers will continue to operate during normal business hours at 1-800-777-0133 or connecting via the live chat feature on the DMV website.

DMV field office employees will return on Wednesday, April 1 to process transactions and begin training on the DMV Virtual Field Office, which began in a limited pilot March 23. The Virtual Field Office gives customers the capability to take care of transactions that previously required an in-person office visit by virtually interacting with DMV staff. Beginning April 2, customers initially can complete vehicle title transfers and complex vehicle registration renewals by visiting virtual. dmv.ca.gov. The DMV will gradually add more transactions to continue to provide alternatives to an in-person office visit.

The DMV is concerned about the health and safety of its customers, including seniors and those at risk for COVID-19. Following deep cleaning of the offices, expansion of virtual services and development of new protocols, DMV will offer in-person services in each region. More updates on how DMV is addressing the needs of its customers will be announced soon on its website.

Californians who do not have an urgent need to go to a DMV field office should delay their visit, including those interested in applying for a REAL ID. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security has announced that the REAL ID enforcement date is October 1, 2021, and customers who want a REAL ID will have an opportunity to apply at a later date.

School Spirits Remain High in Biggs!

By Seti Long

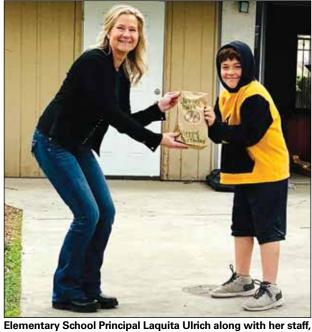
BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Students at Biggs Unified School District might not be on campus anymore, but the faculty and staff are going above and beyond to make sure that their school spirits remain as high as their academic achievement.

According to GUSD Superintendent, Doug Kaelin, grades K-12 are using google Docs and Zoom to hold classes electronically through the shelter-in-place order, and teachers are holding class meetings weekly with the technology. He says that teachers are actively checking in with students and making sure their

educational needs are met and parents have the support that they need in turn.

To help with the electronic coursework and instruction, BUSD has assessed the need of their students and have subsequently gotten clearance for the districts chrome books to be released to families for home use. Superintendent Kaelin expects that families will have access to the chrome books as early as next week.

In addition to furthering their student's education, Biggs faculty is doing some pretty amazing extracurriculars. Superintendent Kaelin said that earlier this week, Continued on page 3



pay special visits to their students with birthdays in the month of March, delivering goody bags filled with treats. Left to right: Principal Ulrich and birthday boy Jovani Soria. Photo provided by

The New Pi-Line



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

Before joining NASA, Al Worden was a test pilot, instructor, and colonel in the US Air Force. He became an astronaut in 1966, his NASA biography says. While his fellow Apollo 15 crewmen roamed the lunar surface, Major Worden spent three days in orbit operating a pair of cameras to map the moon's terrain. He passed away on March 18th in Texas. Going to the moon was a big deal.

People sometimes reach a point of great consternation about seeing their name in the paper in an unfavorable light. In regards to such, I received this quote from a friend "Once a man who had been slandered by a newspaper came to Edward Everett asking what to do about it. Said Everett, "Do nothing! Half the people who bought the paper never saw the article. Half of those who saw it, did not read it. Half of those who read it, did not understand it. Half of those who understood it, did not believe it. Half of those who believed it are of no account anyway" ("Sunny Side of the Street," Nov. 1989; Zig Ziglar, Staying Up, Up, Up in a Down, Down World 2000, 174). I doubt the cute quote above will help soothe the feelings funding approval by the of the moms whose chil- California Transportation dren appear in the Police and Sheriff's Department at their March 25th updates printed in the Commission meetnewspaper. The details ing. BCAG has been of the Police Blotter working with the lished the Gridley Herald sometimes sound very CTC, Caltrans, Yuba much like the plot out- County, Sutter County, lines of the telenovelas and the Sacramento

Private Christian Graveside service was held on Friday, March

20, 2020 at Sacramento Memorial

Lawn in Sacramento, CA for Mary

F. Cesco who died on Monday,

March 16, 2020 at Marian Extended

Care Center in Santa Maria, Ca. at

Mary was born on November 15. 1911 in Napa, CA to immigrants of

the Azore Islands, Francisco Jose

Terra and Florence Martin. The family moved to Gridley, CA where

Mary lived most of her growing up years. After her parents separated,

Mary made her home with her God-parents the A.T. Mattos family in Biggs, CA. Mary only went to the 3rd grade, but

at loyrs, old, she became a self-taught accordion player who

In 1929, Mary married Tony Vierra of Gridley, and they

A few years later, Mary met Milo (Mick) White at a

dance, they married and moved to West Sacramento, CA.

Mary worked at Kendall's Dress Shop for many years,

as a salesperson and she did all the window decorating and some modeling for the shop. Her husband owned

& onerated Mick's Barber Shop. They were both very

involved with the Moose Club in West Sacramento. Mary

After Mick's passing, Mary moved to Hollister, CA

to be closer to her daughter. After several years of living alone, she joined a social dance group where she met and

held their highest office and traveled to Moose Heart.

had 2 daughters, Bernice & Mary. After 20yrs. of marriage

could play anything after hearing it only once.

the age of 108.

they divorced.

daytime dramas featured Area Association of on the Univision Channel and the Young and the Restless soap opera series.

On Interstate 5, there was road construction in which I was required to drive 55 MPH for some many miles. I nearly lost my composure; it felt like I was going 15 miles an hour. In this unrelaxed state of driving, I remembered that for almost two decades, that was how fast we were allowed to go. As an emergency response to the 1973 oil crisis, on November 26th, 1973, President Richard Nixon proposed a national 50 mph speed limit for passenger cars and a 55 mph speed limit for trucks and buses. A federal limit was passed into law in 1974. Congress repealed the nationally mandated speed limit in 1995, giving authority back to the individual states to set the number. It was one of the things Newt Gingrich and the Republicans promised to do, and they did it. Our Congressman Wally Herger voted for it as he represented a district that went from Oregon to East Nicolaus, and he was always in a hurry to get home to his wife and kids. I know I was working for

Speaking of Highway traffic safety...Recently re-elected (by a landslide) Butte County Supervisor "Wild" Bill Connelly sent out a glowingly positive electronic update about Highway 70. "After 30 years of planning, project development, and transportation investment, the final two projects to complete the four-lane widening of State Route 70 between Chico and Sacramento received Commission (CTC)

Governments (SACOG) since 1988 to widen Highway 70 to four lanes between Chico and Sacramento. Butte County has been the largest county in the State not served by a continuous four-lane highway. When the SR 70/99 Corridor Study was adopted in 1990, it served as the blueprint for future transportation investments by BCAG, SACOG, Caltrans, and the CTC through the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Since 1990, fifteen major projects have been funded between Sacramento and Chico with a total investment of over \$1 billion dollars. Butte County has two remaining projects on State Route 70 to be constructed. Both are fully funded. Caltrans will start construction on the segment from Palermo Road to Cox Lane in Spring 2020, and the segment from East Gridley Highway to the Butte County line will be under construction in 2021. At their March 25th meeting, the CTC approved \$32 million in funding for the last two corridor projects in Yuba County from Laurellen Road to the Butte/Yuba County line. This funding will allow Caltrans to widen these last two segments to four-lanes with a center left turn lane, with construction starting in 2022." - Bill has been passionate about fixing Hwy. 70 for many years - affected by the deaths of too many good people on a less than good road. At some point, if Bill Connelly gets re-elected over and over, does he somehow get upgraded

W.D. Burleson pubfor 50 years. Josh F.W. Cook is a public administrator and educator.

in the County Charter

from County Supervisor

to County SuperDuper-

visor? I think he should.

DWR Awards \$47 Million in Grants for Groundwater Sustainability



Dead grass gets a makeover of bark mulch by Applied Landscape Materials on a median near Folsom High School in Folsom, Calif. on July 1st. 2015. Photo: Kelly M. Grow/California Department of

By Akiela Moses, Department of Water Resources

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -The Department of Water Resources (DWR) awarded \$47 million in grant funding

to 53 applicants to support local agencies in developgroundwater basins for longterm sustainability. These grants will support various projects including facilitating community outreach efforts, preparing feasibility studies for proposed actions to restore groundwater supplies, and installing monitoring wells to oversee groundwater levels.

This funding will provide important assistance in successful local implementation of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), which establishes a framework for managing the state's groundwater resources.

"Sustainable management of our groundwater basins is a critical aspect of making age year, often serves as a learn more.

our communities more resilient" said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. "The investments we make today will ensure that groundwater, such a critical resource for our state, continues to be a part of California's water portfolio long into the future."

The grants were awarded ment of plans to manage to nearly 30 groundwater sustainability agencies for the installation of monitoring wells to better evaluate the needs of the groundwater basins in their area. Five other grant recipients will conduct aerial electromagnetic surveys to map aquifer conditions to better assess groundwater quality and storage conditions and to identify opportunities for recharge. These are just a few of the actions supported by this round of grant funding to further assist in developing groundwater sustainability plans.

> Groundwater, which provides approximately 40 percent of California's total water supply during an aver

buffer in critically-dry years by providing a supplemental, clean water source when surface water resources are diminished. In the last decade, groundwater overdraft has severely depleted this valuable water source, impacting communities statewide.

Funding for these awards was made possible by Proposition 68, from which \$46.25 million was made available for competitive grants, and an additional \$1.2 million of Proposition 1 funds. DWR will begin working with grantees immediately to develop and execute grant agreements.

In 2022, DWR anticipates the launch of a competitive grant solicitation process to provide at least \$88 million in grant funding for plan implementation and projects that support local water supply and groundwater resiliency investments.

Visit the Sustainable Groundwater Management Grant Program webpage to

Crime Reports



Gridley- Biggs Police Report

March 18th - March 27th

03/18/20: At 10:23 pm on the 900 block of Laurel St. in Gridley, Kevin Ralph Cox, 62, was arrested for outside agency misdemeanor warrant (O/W MISD) and booked into Butte County Jail.

03/21/20: At 7:08 am on the 200 block of C St. in Biggs, Donald Bond Mackabee, 29, was arrested for outside agency felony warrant (O/W FEI) and booked into Butte County Jail.

03/22/20: at 5:41 pm at Spruce St. and Washington St. in Gridley, Samantha Ann Mendoza, 27, was cited for misdemeanor local bench warrant (B/W-MISD).

3-23-2020: At 2:08 pm on the 800 block of Hazel St., Gridley, CA, Craig Thomas Ortiz, 59, was cited for vandalism (602 (o) PC) and released.

3-25-2020: At 7:00 am on the 1600 block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Craig Thomas Ortiz, 59, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S) and booked into Butte County Jail.

3-25-2020: At 4:17 pm on the 1500 block of Hwy 99, Gridley, CA, Marshal James Hollingsworth, 29, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S), and for two local misdemeanor bench warrants and booked into Butte County Jail.

3-27-2020: At 6:31 am on 8 th and B streets in Biggs, CA, Katherine Adeline Davis, 41, was arrested for attempted burglary (644/459 PC), vandalism/destroying property \$400+ (594 (b)(1) PC), possession of a controlled substance in prison (4573.6 PC), misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance (11377 (a) H&S), possession of drug paraphernalia (11364 (a) H&S) and was booked into Butte County Jail.

MEMORIAL NOTICE

Mary Frances Cesco November 15, 1911 to March 16, 2020



her to Los Alamos, CA, to be near her Daughter Mary and family. She lived in a small house on her Granddaughter, Susette & husband Al's property, which she loved, and always said "I am happy that I made the decision to move here. I like my

Mary lived alone in her home. doing her own cooking & getting herself into trouble doing things she shouldn't be doing, and still able to walk faster than most of us. In Sept. 2018 at the age of 106, Mary was

chosen by the Los Alamos Valley Men's Club to be their Grand Marshal of the annual Old Days Celebration and parade.

Late December she entered the hospital with an infection, then extended care and passed quietly in her sleep.

A member of St. Anthony Catholic Church in Los Alamos, she was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Tony, Mick & Everett, Sisters, Aggie Lawrence, Helen Elmore, Eva Mattos & Brother Clarence Mattos. Sons in laws, Tom Galdos & Bill Caldera, sister-in-laws Jewel Mattos & Clara Mattos, brother-in-laws Thurmon Elmore & Victor Lawrence and her daughter Bernice Galdos.

She is survived by daughter Mary Caldera, Los Alamos, CA, sisters Frances (Jim) Alley, Oroville, CA, Lucille (Bill) Townsend, Redding, CA, brothers, Frank (Judy) Terry, Biggs, CA, John (Bunny) Terry, Biggs, CA, and Bill Mattos, West Sacramento, CA. Stepsons Craig (Liz) Cesco, Fremont, CA, Trent (Rebecca) Cesco Livermore, CA. 5 Grandchildren, 10 Great Grandchildren, 15 Great-Great Grandchildren, 3 Step Grandchildren and many nieces & nephews as well as extended family Sharon (John) Muir, Sacramento, CA. Wayne (Ginger) Clerk, San Rafael, CA and caregiver Carmen (John) Avalos, Santa Maria, CA.

soon married, Everett Cesco. Everett encouraged Mary to try Oil Painting, which she did and did very well. Her knowledge of how light emerges through rays of sun take some artists decades to perfect, and this she did strikingly well. After Il yrs. of marriage, Everett became sick and passed away leaving Mary alone again. Almost 3 yrs ago, Mary's family decided to move

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Heart Hunters



Lex Alcantar fills her world with hearts! She says that she thinks the Heart Hunters project is "really clever" and that it's "really nice to show kindness." Photo by Brandi Macfarlane

By: Naomie Webster

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG8) - Quarantined parents, children and kind-hearted neighbors alike, have found a way to create togetherness and unity while also safely maintaining distance and solitude.

Originating in Illinois, "Heart Hunters" has now reached Gridley, CA with colorful and clever creations of hearts and other various feel-good images displayed in windows. It has begun to trend on Facebook as communities across the nation join in the fun, aiding Isolated and confused children conquer boredom. Paper cut-outs, window paints and colorful balloons are just a few of the examples beginning to pop-up throughout our small community.

Other variations include Christmas

lights, lawn décor and even cute stuffed animals! Families can venture on leisurely walks or car rides throughout town and count the hearts they see, on windows of homes, businesses and even vehicles. It is a fun gesture to get creative and share good vibes with others (at a safe distance). You post pictures of your creations on their Facebook page, "Heart Hunters", and see what others have done as well.

In this unexpected and shocking pandemic, it is important practice safety and social distancing but show our support for our fellow neighbors and hard-working community members who put themselves on the front lines for the rest of us. Let us encourage each other to breathe, stop to smell the roses, and keep our hearts full and heads up - who knows, you just may see something to brighten your day.

Butte County Sheriff's Office Conducting Homicide Investigation

Butte County Sheriff's Office

MAGALIA, CA (MPG) - On March 26, 2020, at approximately 11:50 a.m., the Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) received a call from a resident in the 14000 block of Carnegie Road, Magalia. The resident reported a neighbor entered their residence and assaulted two of the homeowners. BCSO deputies arrived on scene and contacted the residents. Two of the residents were injured and one was later transported to a local hospital by BCSO. While clearing the inside of the residence, deputies located an unresponsive male subject. Medical personnel immediately responded and provided first aid to the unresponsive male subject. Medical personnel and deputies eventually determined the male subject was deceased. Deputies determined the deceased subject was the neighbor who entered the residence without permission.

Detectives arrived on scene and obtained a search warrant for the residence. The homeowners have been cooperative with detectives and are currently being interviewed at the Sheriff's Office. Based on the initial investigation, detectives determined the aforementioned unidentified male subject entered the homeowner's residence without consent and a struggle ensued. Detectives are still in the process of interviewing witnesses and processing evidence.

The identification of the deceased subject will be released once his next of kin is located. This is an ongoing investigation. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with information about this investigation to contact Detective Joe Hooks at 530-538-7671.

School Spirits Remain High in Biggs!

Continued from page 1 grade English teacher, Mrs. Smith, History/ Economics teacher, Principal, Mr. Rutledge, visited the home of each Junior and Senior in the spirits. He says, "The Kids were so excited. They couldn't believe how much the teachers care about them!"

students are not alone in Kaelin shares what all of his High School 11-12th this, even though they are not in school. Many students have received side-walk chalk notes and Mrs. Garcia and future candies left on their doorsteps. Last Friday, the staff from Biggs Elementary School got together and district, leaving bags of formed a caravan of cars candy to brighten their decked out in signs and messages of "We love you" and "We miss you." Families were notified through the all-call system students lining the street Faculty throughout the to wave to their teachers district have really made as they paraded through an effort to show that their town. Superintendent

Biggs and BUSD already knows, "We miss them (students) and they miss

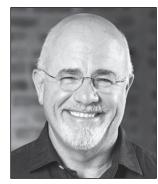
Superintendent Kaelin wants to remind everyone that they are serving meals in front of the Elementary School, either by walk-up or drive-thru from 11am-12 pm Mon-Fri. Kids do not need to be present. He also urges parent that have questions or concerns to contact him at dkaelin@ biggs.org or to call the district at 530-868-1281 Mon-Thrs.











Bridging the Gap

Dear Dave,

In light of recent events in our country, do you have suggestions for things people should think about and plan for if they get laid off from their jobs?

– Sam

Dear Sam,

It's no secret that things are shutting down all across the world. If your workplace has closed its doors and isn't offering pay, then it's time to regroup and get some things in order. The thought of being without a paycheck can be overwhelming, but a little thought and planning can help you get though times like these.

Start living on a budget, if you aren't doing so already. Making a monthly budget will show you exactly where your money is going. Without it, you can't use every dollar to its fullest potential, because you don't even know how much money you have to work with. Plus, your budget will show places where you can cut back and save money.

If you don't have any income right now, make a

Dave Ramsey Says

budget based on the amount it. But the Four Walls come of money on hand. If you have \$600 left to your name, budget out exactly where each of those dollars will go. It's time to squeeze every last penny out of what you've got. If you still have cash coming in from a spouse's job or some other source, then adjust your budget to reflect that. Maybe the two of you usually bring in a combined \$5,000 a month. Adjust your budget to live off that one income for the time

When the going gets tough, you need to focus on the things you really need to survive—food, utilities, shelter, and transportation. I call these the Four Walls. If there's any money left over after you take care of the Four Walls, make a list of what else you need to pay, and tackle those in order of importance. Reach out to anyone you can't pay, and explain the situation. They might be able to work something out, but they can't help if they don't know. Be up front with them, and pray for the best.

When you're just trying to make it to another day, you don't need to pay extra on debt. Instead, focus on piling up cash. Once life gets back to normal and everything is okay, you can pick up where you left off with your debt snowball. If it's within your budget to keep making minimum payments on your debt, go for DaveRamsey.

first. This is also the time to sell anything and everything you don't need to make some extra cash. With so much being shut down right now, there might not be as many traditional ways to make extra money. So, look into driving for Amazon, delivering takeout food, or dropping off grocery orders. Even if one of those doesn't work out, you can still take up odd jobs around your neighborhood. Be on the lookout for opportunities that will add a few extra bucks to your pocket. Don't forget to cut back on unnecessary expenses, either. Stop or pause your subscriptions. Call your cable, internet, and cellular providers to see if there's anything they'll do to work with you.

Finally, in times of real need, don't be too proud to ask for a helping hand. Many churches and community groups in your area exist for situations just like

God bless you all!

- Dave

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Refunding Tickets for Cancelled School of the Arts Events

By Shelby Casey, CSU Chico

CHICO, CA (MPG) - CSU, Chico's School of the Arts (SOA) is cancelling events through June 2020 due to concerns about the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The cancelled events include: Jazz X-Press: The Smell of Jazz (April 4); Symphonic Winds: Acclamations (April 11); Spring Choral Concert: Poetry in Song (April 18); Sundays at Two: From the Other Side of the Danube (April 19); Jazz II and Concert Band: A Serenade or Two (April 22); Low Brass Concert: À La the Golden Age (April 25); Spring Musical: In the Heights (April 30-May 3); Guitar Ensemble Concert: Strums and Plucks (May 8); Sundays at Two: An Afternoon of Jazz (May 10)

Beginning March 20, the University Box Office will be closed and the staff will be working remotely. Anyone who has purchased a ticket to a cancelled SOA event and would like a refund please call 530-898-6333 and leave a message.

Please leave your name and phone number and someone from the University Box Office staff will return your call.

There is an option for patrons who wish to donate the value of their ticket(s) to the School of the Arts. This would be considered a tax deduction and the University would send out a tax deduction receipt at a later date. The University Box Office has created a Google Forms website for donations. It can be accessed through a link on the Box Office's home page, www.chicostatetickets.com. The option to donate is available through March 29.

Starting March 30, refunds will automatically be sent to patrons who purchased tickets online. Patrons that purchased tickets by phone or at the University Box Office will have their account credited with a gift certificate equal to the amount spent on tickets.

More information is available at the University Box Office website, www.chicostatetickets.com.

Butte County Sheriff's Office Announces Arrest of Palermo Resident for Unlawful Sexual Contact with a Minor

Butte County Sheriff's Office

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) -The Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) announced

the arrest of Jagvir Singh, of Palermo, age 23. The arrest was the culmination of an investigation that began in September at an unknown location. 2019. On October 8, 2019, Detectives immediately Singh was placed under arrest in Sacramento by the Butte County Sheriff's Office. After the arrest, Singh admitted to traveling to Chico, meeting with a minor victim, and having unlawful sexual intercourse with the minor victim.

Singh was arrested for three felony counts of unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor, and an additional three felony counts of contacting a minor with the intent to have unlawful sexual intercourse. On the evening indicated Singh was planof October 8, 2019, Butte County Sheriff's detectives booked Singh into the

order preventing Singh from contacting the aforementioned minor victim.

On March 25, 2020, detectives received information Singh had contacted the aforementioned minor victim, and was with the minor victim obtained an arrest warrant for Singh and began looking for Singh and the minor victim. Detectives located Singh and the minor victim in the Paradise area on March 25. Detectives determined Singh had taken the minor victim to a local motel and had unlawful sexual contact with the minor victim. At the time of his arrest, Singh was in possession of approximately \$19,000 and stolen identification cards. During the investigation detectives located evidence which ning on leaving California with the minor victim.

Butte County Jail. Singh arrest for the following Butte County Superior with the minor, one felony

Court Judge issued an count of meeting a minor with the intent to have sex with the minor, one felony count of oral copulation on a minor, one felony count of committing a felony while released on bail, one felony count of child endangerment, and one misdemeanor count of violation of a court order.

During the investigation detectives determined Singh had moved to the Palermo area and had been residing at a residence in the 7000 block of Lincoln Blvd. for the past few months. On March 27 detectives served a search warrant at the aforementioned residence and located additional evidence.

A Butte County Superior Court Judge reviewed a declaration documenting Singh's March 26 arrest and set Singh's bail status as no bail until Singh attends further court proceedings. This investigation Singh was placed under is ongoing. The Sheriff's Office is asking anylater posted bail and was charges: One felony count one with additional released from jail. During of contacting a minor information to contact the court proceedings, a with the intent to have sex Detective Brian Parsons at 530-538-7671.

Thoughts to Ponder



by Kathy Neal

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Blessed is the coming of our father David: Hosanna in the highest!" and He entered Jerusalem. (Luke

The first coming of Christ was done in the darkness shepherds and a few men to whom God had given a sign. The final entrance of Jesus into the city of Jerusalem was one of great jubilation. The waving of palm leaves, the shouting of praise, and the glorification of a king. The leaving of this same man from His earthly rule was one of pain, sin, and darkness of death. The whole world felt His leaving as His soul left His earthly body.

The renewal of life was again done quietly to a few people who within the next forty days spread the news throughout the kingdom. Some 2,000 years later, the birth, life, and death of this one man has so changed the existence of mankind that we no longer have to suffer the pain of sinful death.

Whether with palm leaves, of a stable to animals and shouts of joy, or whispers of love, the entrance of Christ into or lives as the risen Savior makes for a joyous renewal. As we journey through Holy Week and reexperience the last earthly days of Jesus, may we also journey through a death and resurrection of our own.

Normally at this point I would invite you to join us for our Palm Sunday service this Sunday. However, our church like many others has closed our services to help

combat the spread of the coronavirus. We have also canceled our monthly breakfast on the 2 nd Saturday. However, our Blessing Box with food for those in need remains open. I will invite you to join us in prayer, for all, during this time of stress. Remember He is with us in our times of need giving us strength to get through these times.

We will probably be closed for Easter also. Just remember this is a time of renewal and resurrection for us all thanks to Jesus. When this coronavirus crisis is over there can be a renewal for us all. During this time take time to pray for others, do what you can to help others, and show others how people of Christ, through Him, handle tough times with grace and



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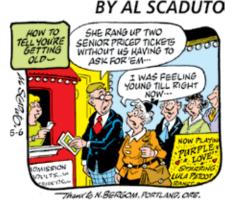
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by Gary Kopervas NO, LARRY, YOU SIT ... OR 1999A









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ANS. OH, YEAH. THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BE TAKING THEIR EVENING EXERCISE WALK, THAT'S WHAT!



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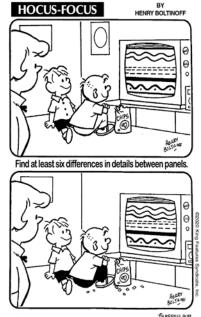
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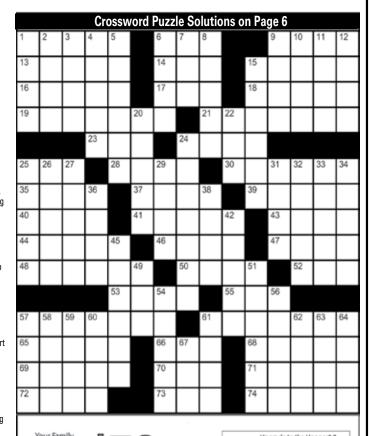
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- revived 15. Paralyzing disease 16. Mulled wine
- 17. Egg cells 18. A do-nothing
- 19. *"Alphabet Series" detective novels author 21. *"It's close to midnight, and something evil's lurking
- 23. Second mo. 24. Fabricca Italiana Automobili Torino
- 25. Not don'ts 28. Popular Japanese soup
- 30. *Agatha Christie's famous sleuth
- 35. Wood sorrels 37. "Through" in text
- 39. Give sheep a haircut
- 40. Raise the roof 41. Wall or pedestal support 43. Cogito,
- 44. Drink like a cat, two words
- 46. Be inclined 47 Commotions
- 48. Bewitch or bequile 50. Jack and Jill's water jug 52. Put to work
- 53. *James Patterson's the Girls'
- 55. "Jack and the Beanstalk" Giant's disapproval 57. *Hitchcock classic
- 61. *Poe's "Tales of_
- Imagination" 65. In the know 66. *Subject of Roswell's
- mystery 68. Cocoon dwellers 69. King Julien XIII of "Madagascar," e.g. 70. Bubble source
- 71. Possible allergic reaction 72. Gaelic tonque 73. Store posting, for short

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- 2. Maple genus 3. Capital on the Baltic Sea 4. Blindman's
- 5. International 6. In a little while, old-fashioned
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- 9. *The Demon Barber
- 10. Spanish earthen pot 11. Coffin stand
- 12. *New _, setting of "The
- Alienist" 15. Michelangelo's famous Vatican statue and others like it, e.g.
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- 57. Wide river valley
- 58. Water carrier 59. L.A. footballers 60. *HB0's " Detective' 61. *Pamela Voorhees and Norma
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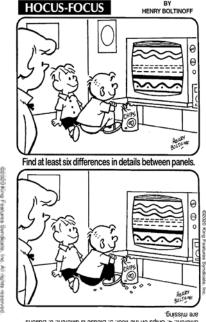
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Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

The world has shifted on its axis or so it feels during week two of sheltering in place. I've been spending a lot of time painting bright colors onto bricks to hold large potted plants in the back yard. I believe in creative acts being important to balance and mental health.

moments as the changes in life increase with the cold or lack of oxygen." expansion of Covid19.

When I've felt blue, I became curious so I looked up where the meaning of blue equals sadness might have originated. There was a custom among many old deepwater sailing ships. If the captain or any of the officers were lost during the voyage, a blue flag would fly and a blue band painted along the entire hull as it returned to port. In 1385, poet Geoffrey Chaucer wrote, "Wyth teres blewe and with a wounded herte." Not to be outdone the Oxford Dictionary states "the word could be a derivation from "the word 'blow.' A blow to your else when you can.

Still there have been blue body would generally turn you blue. So, will extreme

> The other side of the coin is the color blue can also make you feel safe and relaxed. Seeing thecolor blue causes the body to create chemicals that are calming so said some study. This might explainwhy I'm painting bright blue around the yard. I also love blue to purple flowers. So being fickle in nature I can decide from moment to moment if blue is making me happy or sad. Gardening alwaysmakes me feel happy. It creates space for nurturing love. My garden is my haven of health. May you all be surrounded by joy and love. Help someone

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world is dark, and there

isn't yet a hint of pink over

the eastern mountains, it's

very good. We can relax.

No one is expecting any-

thing from us right now.

cup.

Come to us, Daylight

time off, and we can listen to music or work a crossword puzzle or turn on the TV and watch the weather go dark on us again and guy discuss millibars and troughs.

Soon enough, we'll have to be out there living for others: our bosses, our customers, our animals, our fields. But right now no one needs us except the dog, and she does well on kibbles and an ear rumple.

We can look out the window at the eastern glow and wonder what will happen in the hours until our world turns dark again. People will be born and people will die. People will win honors and people will go to jail. People will create things today that live past them and people will disappear forever. Some people will tion for broadcast times. *

Our guilt can take some write about these things and other people will read about these things.

> And then the world will we'll think about what happened in our tiny portion of this huge moving amalgam and hopefully we'll sleep easily tonight. Then, when we arise tomorrow and head for the coffee pot, we can think about what happened today, and how it has made us slightly different for taking on the next tomorrow.

> Come to us, Daylight. Bring us the new day. But do it gently, please, and slowly enough for one more

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Dear Dietitian

Coronavirus Pandemic



Commentary by Leanne McCrate

Dear Readers,

These are uncertain times, and if you're like me, uncertainty is not one of your favorite topics. We have not yet reached the peak of the coronavirus pandemic. Unfortunately, some people have lost their jobs, and many of the lucky ones are working from home. Times like these can trigger emotions of anxiety and grief, and when we are experiencing difficult feelings, we may try to push those feelings down with extra food. You've heard of it, maybe participated in it; it's called emotional eating.

These are ways to help prevent overeating during stressful times:

- 1. Keep your eating times structured: three meals a day and planned snacks (if part of your routine).
- 2. Plan meals ahead of time. Most things in life run more smoothly with a plan.
- 3. Keep a food journal. Write down the everything you eat. This will help you identify trouble areas.
- 4. Drink lots of water or non-caffeinated beverages.
- 5. Pay attention to your body's signals. Know when you are physically hungry and stop eating when you are full.
- 6. Eat nutritious foods. The simplest way to do this is to follow the five-aday rule: eat at least five servings of fruits and vegetables every day. Limit fried foods and sweets. When your body is nourished, you are less likely

to reach for junk food.

- 7. Avoid mindless eating. This may occur in front of the tv or computer or while reading a book. In this situation, you are likely to consume more calories than you realize.
 - 8. Avoid eating while cooking and during clean-up. Keep your mouth busy with a piece of sugarless gum during these times to prevent nibbling.
- 9. Exercise.
- 10. Find effective ways of dealing with stress. Try yoga, meditation, or journaling.
- 11. If you have tried the above and the cupboards are still calling your name, find a healthy distraction. Paint, go for a walk, clean a closet, read a book, call a friend, or reconcile your checkbook.
- 12. If you have an episode of emotional eating, forgive and forget because beating up on yourself only makes things worse. You can start fresh the next day, or as I like to say, "When you fall off the horse, get back in the saddle."

Finally, ask yourself if you have a food compulsion/addiction. This occurs when there is a strong urge to eat a certain food, and when you start, it is difficult to stop. You may feel out of control. If this is the case, it is better to avoid that food altogether. After all, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of

Until next time, be healthy! Dear Dietitian

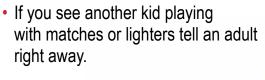
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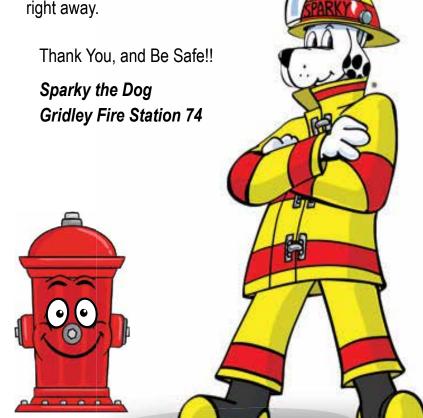


Playing with Matches

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

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





Butte County Superior Court Suspends Evictions in Butte County

Butte County Superior Court

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - On March 23rd 2020, based upon an application from Butte County Sheriff Kory Honea, the Butte County Superior Court issued an order suspending the execution of all Writs of Possession for real propwhich directs the Sheriff to restore real property to the landlord or lawful owner – this action is commonly referred to an eviction or lockout.

to apply for such an order in light not cease making future living

of the Federal, State and locally declared State of Emergency, extremely limited access to the Butte County courts, the interests of public health and safety, along with the Governor's Executive

The stay order does not explicitly waive any duty to erty through May 31st 2020. A pay rent. Tenants facing evic-Writ of Possession is the order tion should seek competent legal advice regarding their duty to pay rent and any financial liability they may incur by their actions. Tenants facing eviction should note that the stay is The Sheriff made the decision only temporary and they should

arrangements and/or communicating with landlords or property owners.

It should be noted that the stay does not affect the service or processing of unlawful detainer actions - this order only temporarily suspends the physical enforcement of evictions. Any eviction service packets received by the Sheriff will be processed and scheduled in the order they were received, upon the stay being lifted.

The Sheriff specifically requested the court to consider issuing exemption orders on a case-by-case basis for tenants causing substantial property damage or in situations constituting a public safety and health hazard. Furthermore, restraining orders, domestic violence prevention orders, elder abuse prevention orders and any associated "immediate move-out orders" are unaffected by this stay and will be enforced.

For further information, please refer to the order issued by the Butte County Superior Court on March 23rd 2020.

Due to this order being signed today by the Butte County Superior Court, item 4.03 (Resolution Imposing Substantive

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CASE NUMBER: 19CV03703

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FILE NO. 2020-0000242

5181 Lower Wyandotte Road Oroville, CA 95966 A.T. Inc, 3100 Claremont Drive Oroville, CA 95966 Date Filed in Butte County: February 28, 2020

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE #20CV00565

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

Present name

Proposed name

2. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing April 29, 2020 9:00 a.m. Department TBA, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928 Publish: March 20, 27, April 3, and 10, 2020 (The Gridley Herald)

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The purpose of the hearing is to confirm or revise the proposed maintenance and operation work program and budget submitted to the CVFPB by the Department of Water Resources for fiscal year 2020-2021. The CVFPB will receive evidence or program of work, the necessity for such work, or the estimated cost thereof.

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NRA & Other Groups Sue California

File Federal Lawsuit against Los Angeles Sheriff Villanueva, California Gov. Gavin Newsom Over Constitutional Violations

National Rifle Association Special Press Release

FAIRFAX, VA (MPG) - The National Rifle Association (NRA) joined individuals, retailers, and other gun rights groups in filing a federal lawsuit challenging state and local policies and enforcement practices that violate Second and Fourteenth Amendment rights. The gun rights groups includes the Second Amendment Foundation (SAF), the California Gun Rights Foundation (CGF), and the Firearms Policy Coalition (FPC).

"Municipalities who target lawful gun stores for closure aren't promoting safety –by weaponizing their politics to disarm you and your loved ones, these shameless partisans are recklessly promoting a gun-control agenda that suffocates your self-defense rights when you need them most," said NRA-ILA Executive Director, Jason Ouimet. "NRA members recognize these unlawful power-grabs for what they are, and the National Rifle Association is proud to stand and fight alongside fellow Second Amendment groups who recognize it, as well."

"California's attack on fundamental rights in times of emergency must be stopped in its tracks," observed SAF founder and Executive Vice President, Alan Gottlieb. "This case is part of our mission to win firearms freedom one lawsuit at a time. And more, the lawsuits we are filing across the country are making a large number of other states, counties, and cities think twice before closing down essential gun stores."

"Twenty-eight years ago, the LAPD had to withdraw their officers to protect their safety. We hope that the stay-home orders will mean that our public servants will not become infected in this pandemic, but the Constitution guarantees that everyone has a right to acquire arms and defend themselves should law enforcement not be able to respond before it's too late," remarked CGF Chairman, Gene Hoffman. "No petty autocrat can be allowed to suspend the Bill of Rights."

"Especially due to the restrictive nature of California's Byzantine gun laws that require the use of licensed dealers to buy and transfer both firearms and ammunition, the defendants' orders and actions challenged individually and collectively violate the Constitution and individuals' fundamental rights to keep and bear arms and due process of law," explained attorney and FPC Director of Legal Strategy,

Adam Kraut. "These irrational and outrageous fiat restrictions cannot withstand constitutional scrutiny and must be enjoined from enforcement."

"California's State and local governments cannot simply suspend the Constitution," FPC President Brandon Combs said. "This case is one of many actions FPC is taking around the United States to fight for liberty and freedom. The entire FPC team has been and will remain all-hands-on-deck, working around the clock on important efforts to safeguard the People's individual liberties and property, especially the rights to keep and bear arms, free speech, privacy, and due process. FPC is fully committed to uniting the advocacy space and partnering with organizations and law firms around the country to fight government abuses and defend the People's right to defend their lives and homes. We especially wish to recognize and thank our incredible members and supporters who make all of our legal action, research, and grassroots activism programs possible."

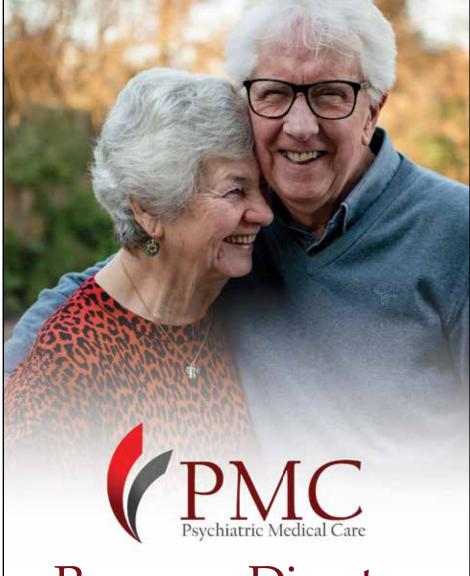
Individual arms applicants/purchasers and retailers affected by 'stay-home' or shutdown orders can report potential civil rights violations to the NRA-ILA COVID-19. See https://www.nraila.org/coronavirus

Second Amendment Foundation (www.saf.org) is the nation's oldest and largest tax-exempt education, research, publishing, and legal action group focusing on the Constitutional right and heritage to privately own and possess firearms. Founded in 1974, The Foundation has grown to more than 650,000 members and supporters and conducts many programs designed to better inform the public about the consequences of gun control.

California Gun Rights Foundation (www. cagunrights.org) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that serves its members, supporters, and the public through educational, cultural, and judicial efforts to advance Second Amendment and related civil rights.

Firearms Policy Coalition (www.firearmspolicy.org) is a 501(c)4 grassroots nonprofit organization. FPC's mission is to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, especially the fundamental, individual Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms, advance individual liberty, and restore freedom.

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