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## A Bridge Over Troubled Times



Above: Park District chair Jessica Dias wields scissors to open Cottage Park's new bridge. Ribbon holders are Supervisor Susan Peters (far right) and Park District general manager Mike Grace. Right: Supervisor Susan Peters presents a resolution to retiring Fulton-El Camino Park District General Manager Michael Grace.

**Story and photos  
by Susan Maxwell Skinner**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Strong Ranch Slough trickled silently as Fulton-El Camino Recreation and Park District VIPs last week applauded a new footbridge over the artery. A rarity during COVID months, the real-time celebration featured more masks than at a Phantom of the Opera. The occasion also marked retirement of the district's general manager Michael Grace. His place will be taken by Emily Ballus, who previously led a Stockton children's foundation.

Grace will soon take the executive director job for Sacramento Parks Foundation. He will also serve on the board for Arden Manor Park. He regards the Cottage Park bridge completion as a fitting culmination to his 28 years with Arden-Arcade area parks. "The old bridge served our community for over 50 years," he said. "Our new one provides a path for generations to come."

The overpass replaces a span built in the mid-1960s. Five decades of storms took their toll on abutments and a 2020 deluge created a large sink hole that

closed the beleaguered crossing to traffic. Fortunately, reconstruction was already scheduled; the \$288,890 steel and concrete structure rose during spring. Hundreds of people -- including Kaiser hospital traffic and school kids -- cross the park every day and the new bridge -- plus additional concrete paths -- assure safe passage. Project costs were met from the district's tax and assessment-based funding.

The gathering also celebrated community room improvements. Now remodeled for youth recreation, the facility boasts new restrooms that meet ADA requirements. With outdoor access eliminated, the conveniences are easier for maintenance staff to keep clean.

Through improvements partially funded by a \$25,000 donation from Stingray Swim Team boosters, the park's pool complex now has additional showers and better water drainage.



County Supervisor Susan Peters congratulated the district on its improvement projects. "Despite (COVID) restrictions, park districts continue to provide recreational opportunities that people can enjoy while practicing social distancing," she approved. Peters noted her first after-college job was managing the Fulton El Camino District's swimming pool in nearby Seely Park. When offered a lifeguard job to fill her own imminent retirement, the supervisor gracefully demurred: "Working in a cool pool sounds appealing," she agreed. "But I think my days dedicated to rescuing swimmers are over."

Cottage Park is located at 3097 Cottage Way, Sacramento. ★

## Scammers Targeting SMUD Customers

**SMUD News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - SMUD urges customers to be on the lookout for scammers claiming to represent SMUD and threatening disconnection if immediate payments are not made.

A common scam currently being used works like this:

Scammers contact a customer -- sometimes from a phone number that appears to be SMUD's customer service number -- and threaten disconnection if a payment is not made immediately via a pre-paid debit card, often at a pay station such as CVS or Safeway stores (not authorized SMUD pay stations). Some scammers have even asked for a cash payment to be made in person at a public location;

Then the scammer demands that the customer call back a non-SMUD number with payment details; When the customer calls the number, it is answered with a recording of SMUD's phone-based customer service menu; When the customer chooses a menu option, the call will go to voicemail or will be answered by a scammer posing as a SMUD employee.

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If customers receive a suspicious call, SMUD asks them to ask for a name and number, then hang up and call SMUD at one of the following published numbers:

Residential customers: 1-888-742-SMUD (7683)

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Customers can also email SMUD at [scamreporting@smud.org](mailto:scamreporting@smud.org) with the same information.

To learn more about how to protect yourself from fraud, visit [SMUD.org/Scam](http://SMUD.org/Scam). ★

## California Capital Airshow Cancels

**Special Release from CCA**

After more than a year of planning the 2020 California Capital Airshow, presented by Sacramento County in partnership with the City of Rancho Cordova, it is with heavy hearts that we announce the cancellation of this year's event scheduled for October 3-4.

The safety of our guests, performers, exhibitors and volunteers is always our top priority. This is demonstrated by the safe and successful airshows we have hosted for the past 14 years.

We explored numerous options with our partners to provide a highly modified and socially distant event that would also work within established COVID-19 public health parameters.



The California Capital Airshow looks to the future after cancelling the 2020 event. Photo courtesy CCA

Unfortunately, we are not fully confident we can minimize the coronavirus risk to a level that meets our standards for health and safety. Please know we did not want to let you down - but ultimately, it is the right call for the safety of everyone.

The California Capital

Airshow Board of Directors would like to thank ALL our partners at the state, county and local levels for helping us do everything possible to deliver a safe and responsible event. We all put in many hours towards a workable solution, and we are all deeply and equally

saddened.

Despite this disappointing news, plans are well underway for the 2021 California Capital Airshow, which is scheduled for September 25-26 featuring the world-famous United States Air Force Thunderbirds!

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# California's Crisis of Competence



By Dan Walters, Cal Matters

Year by year and article by article, Ralph Vartabedian has revealed to Californians the woeful shortcomings of the state's largest public works project, a north-south bullet train.

Vartabedian, a writer for the Los Angeles Times, has made a virtual career of uncovering the project's managerial, financial and political failings, lending factual credence to the conclusion that the wisest course would be to cut our losses and give it up.

Although the project enjoyed strong personal support from two previous governors, Arnold Schwarzenegger and Jerry Brown, Gov. Gavin Newsom came very close to calling it quits when he took office 19 months ago — then backtracked and proposed a modified version that's still unrealistic.

Vartabedian's latest revelation in the Times underscores that fact, describing that "a series of errors by contractors and consultants on the California bullet train venture caused support cables to fail on a massive bridge, triggering an order to stop work that further delayed a project already years behind schedule..."

"Hundreds of pages of documents obtained by the Times under a public

records request show the steel supports snapped as a result of neglect, work damage, miscommunications and possible design problems."

"High-strength steel strands supporting the 636-foot-long structure began to snap on Oct. 22, one after another," Vartabedian wrote. "Ultimately, 23 of the strands, which are composed of seven individual wires each, broke unexpectedly, according to rail authority documents and officials. The order to stop work was issued Nov. 4.

"A forensic engineering analysis, obtained by the Times, found that the strands corroded from rainwater that had leaked into the internal structure of the bridge and then broke."

Vartabedian quotes Robert Bea, emeritus professor of civil engineering at UC Berkeley and co-founder of its Center for Catastrophic Risk Management, as calling it "a horrible sequence of mistakes."

Vartabedian's article not only once again demonstrates that the bullet train is a multi-billion-dollar boondoggle, but exemplifies why a vigorous and unshackled press is invaluable in overseeing the conduct of public officials.

Unfortunately, the failings of the bullet train that Vartabedian has so consistently and thoroughly revealed are also emblematic of a larger malaise: the erosion of competence in a state government that once prided itself on doing big things well.

California once built highways, bridges, university campuses, dams, canals and other public works quickly and efficiently. It even dispatched its crack highway

engineers to other nations to provide can-do advice.

Those days are long gone. For example, it took two decades, with huge cost overruns, to replace one-third of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge even though building the entire bridge originally took just four years in the 1930s.

The bullet train's managerial shortcomings are also reflected in recent meltdowns in the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Employment Development Department, largely due to managerial neglect of their outmoded information technology systems, a condition that plagues numerous other state agencies.

The underlying syndrome is the obsession among bureaucrats and their political overseers with short-term actions to get public attention while ignoring consequences and long-term issues.

The bullet train is a prime example. It was launched without a well-thought-out plan, without complete financing, without an effective organizational structure — and without a valid factual need. The folks in charge have been making it up as they go along and the result has been a disaster.

It's something to ponder every time a politician proposes some grand scheme, such as the universal health care system that Newsom often touts. Why should we believe it would be any more functional than the DMV, EDD or the bullet train?

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

# California Capital Airshow Cancels

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Until then, as a nonprofit organization, we will turn our attention back to the mission of inspiring the next generation through free educational programs and scholarships, as well as honoring our region's rich aviation heritage.

We are tremendously grateful for your patience, support and encouragement during these trying times. Although we will

miss our big and crazy airshow family, our team will use this time to make next year better than ever before. Can't wait to see you in 2021 - be ready to celebrate!

Stay safe,  
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For more information: California Capital Airshow, see: CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com ★

# We Invite You to Join the District LCAP PAC

San Juan Unified School District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The San Juan Unified School District Local Control Accountability Plan Parent Advisory Council (LCAP PAC) is looking for new members.

Being part of this council is important to ensure we, as a district, are meeting the needs of all students

— especially English language learners, foster and homeless youth, and low-income students. As a member, you will have important responsibilities such as:

Providing feedback and input to the Board of Education regarding our district's progress towards meeting its goals outlined in our Local Control Accountability Plan

(LCAP); Gathering information from other parents/guardians, community members, and students; Attending a monthly Thursday evening meeting to work with other members and district staff.

To apply to be a committee member please visit our LCAP website <https://www.sanjuan.edu/Page/31379> and fill out the adult/community member application. ★

# Join the Facilities Committee!

Share Your Voice by Joining a District Committee

San Juan Unified School District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - San Juan Unified is a large school district serving a diverse community and individual learner needs. A variety of committees are convened each year to help review and advise both staff and the Board of Education on critical issues.

We are actively recruiting interested

community members and parents/guardians for an opening on the Facilities Committee, which reviews and advises the Board of Education on areas related to school facilities. The committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month. The application for the Facilities Committee is available online.

For information about all of San Juan Unified's committees, visit [www.sanjuan.edu/committees](http://www.sanjuan.edu/committees). ★

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# Two Duplex Fire in Carmichael



The morning hours show the damage caused by the fire at the Carmichael duplexes. Photo by Patrick Larenas

By Patrick Larenas

**CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG)** - During the late hours of August 11, Metro Fire responded to a residential fire at a pair of Carmichael duplexes on the corner lot of Root Avenue and Douvan Court.

Dispatched firefighters responded to the two-alarm blaze during which the conflagration enveloped the whole of the four units

under heavy fire conditions. Although it is not determined what caused the fire, some noted a gas leak as the possible point of origin during the investigation. The fire damage also extended to several vehicles which were parked outside the residences as well.

Fortunately, all the habitants of the units were able to evacuate their respective housings without injuries.

Source: Sac Metro Fire

# Speaker is Sent Letter for Oversight Hearing and Investigation of COVID-19 "Data Glitch"



Kevin Kiley

By Joshua Hoover, Office of Assemblymember Kevin Kiley

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Assemblyman Kevin Kiley (R-Rocklin) submitted a letter to Assembly

Speaker Anthony Rendon calling for an immediate joint oversight hearing and investigation of the recent COVID-19 "data glitch."

The letter requests that a hearing include testimony from Governor Gavin Newsom himself, as well as former Public Health Director Sonia Angell, who resigned from her position Sunday evening.

"Oversight is a vital role of the Legislature, never more so than in the wake of a failure by the Executive branch that could impact the lives and livelihoods of 40 million Californians," Kiley

said. "To restore public confidence, it is critical that the Legislature determine the full extent of the state's COVID-19 'data glitch' and receive a full account of the steps taken to assure we now have accurate data to guide decision-making."

Assemblyman Kevin Kiley represents the 6th Assembly District, which includes the Sacramento, Placer, and El Dorado County communities of Cameron Park, El Dorado Hills, Fair Oaks, Folsom, Granite Bay, Lincoln, Loomis, Orangevale, Penryn, Rocklin, Roseville, and Sheridan. ★

# Meal Service Launches at 44 School Sites

San Juan Unified School District

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - On Thursday, August 13, Nutrition Services began distributing curbside meals at 44 school sites throughout the district. Meal service will be Monday – Friday, from 7:00 – 8:30 a.m., not including holidays and non-instructional days. Meals for same-day consumption will include breakfast and lunch for SJUSD enrolled students. Meals cannot be consumed

on site and social distancing protocols must be followed at all times.

Each student, parent or guardian must provide Nutrition Services staff with the student name and district issued ID number. Meals will be charged based on the status of each student; free, reduced-price, or full pay. Meal applications must be completed for the current school year. Applications can be completed online (preferred method) at <https://mealapps.sanjuan.edu>. Paper applications

can be obtained at any meal pickup site and returned to any meal pickup site. Reduced-price and full pay students paying by cash or check: payment must be in a sealed envelope, with the student(s) name and ID number written on top of the envelope. The full amount will be applied to the student account – change will not be given.

Questions may be directed to Nutrition Services at 916-979-8966 or [NutritionServices@sanjuan.edu](mailto:NutritionServices@sanjuan.edu). ★



The Carmichael Recreation and Park District is committed to ensuring that community members have helpful resources they can use to maintain healthy lives, have fun from home, and continue to develop and grow while we all deal with the changes to our routines.

Visit us online and see a collection of ideas and resources we have put together for you:

[carmichaelpark.com/virtual-recreation](http://carmichaelpark.com/virtual-recreation)



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5244 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael | \$1,295,000

This custom 5,500 square-foot estate is a fusion of stunning architectural design and functionality. A private gate entrance and extensive landscaping ensure total privacy. Inside, you will find a welcoming foyer and expansive family room with soaring ceilings and clerestory windows. Highlights include light maple flooring, a grand sweeping staircase and gorgeous crown molding. The open-concept kitchen features granite countertops, custom cabinetry, pantry, and modern appliances. A generous floor plan offers 5 or 6 spacious bedrooms with 2 downstairs masters (a large office w/ its own bathroom and direct outdoor access and one upstairs master), 4.5 baths, game/media room, and formal living/dining rooms. Separate bonus room not included in square footage is perfect for home gym. Backyard features beautiful landscaping and citrus/fruit trees. Centrally located to Highways 50/80, The American River, parks, cycling/running trails, and excellent schools. Adjacent .42 acre parcel in the compound is available for sale separately.



6634 Whittett Drive, North Highlands | \$339,500

This stunning single-story home has been completely renovated. Enjoy a spacious floor plan with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. Step inside to a bright and airy kitchen and great room with stainless steel Samsung appliances, gorgeous granite countertops, an island and plenty of storage space! Add your personal touches to the roomy backyard with a covered patio and plenty of space for entertaining. Highlights include a beautiful fireplace in the great room, newer flooring throughout, updated baths, newer roof and dual pane windows. Great schools, shopping and restaurants nearby.



4341 Garden Oak Court, Sacramento | \$595,000

This beautiful 4 bedroom and 3 bath Mediterranean-style home was built in 2007 and is tucked away in a quiet, tree-lined subdivision. Enjoy an open-concept floor plan with impressive 10-foot ceilings and spacious living areas. The kitchen features upgraded LG stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, and a kitchen island with seating. Separate formal dining room and family room. Enjoy the utmost in privacy, with three en suite bedrooms at opposite ends of the house and a 4th bedroom that is currently being used as an exercise room. Master bedroom has an oversized bathroom, HUGE walk-in closet and access to the backyard. Large backyard with covered patio, low maintenance landscaping and RV access on both sides! 3-car garage.



115 E Street, Rio Linda | \$459,900

This lovingly maintained 3 bedroom and 1 bath home is situated on .63 acres and is the perfect for a buyer who needs a large workshop and plenty of storage rooms/spaces for their hobbies. The backyard is well-maintained with highlights including a 10X10 ft. enclosed storage building, a 20X50 ft. breezeway with a clear height of 11 ft. (complete with power, water & lighting for your projects), and a 25X35 ft. enclosed garage with all new lighting and exhaust fans. Multiple storage rooms with shelving for all of your hobbies. Fully enclosed chicken coop. Zen shack with a covered deck and built-in covered pad for your hot tub, and covered patio. Beautiful garden with herb beds, sprinklers, a planting table, and an 8x8 seed shack/greenhouse.



10112-10114 Satow Drive, Sacramento | \$479,000

Unbelievably upgraded duplex owned and occupied by contractor. The entire exterior has been redone with new siding, fresh paint, and all new dual pane windows. The owner's side (\$1,650 market rent) has been totally remodeled. Enjoy beautiful wood tone tile, a completely remodeled kitchen with new cabinets, granite counter tops, and high-end appliances. Rent for the other side is \$1150...market rent is \$1500. Both units have 2-car garages. Yard is fully landscaped and located on a corner lot with plenty of room to pull in a trailer/boat. Must see!

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# SMF's Runway Renovation Wins Regional Recognition

By **Samantha Mott, Sacramento County**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - A major runway renovation project at Sacramento International Airport was recognized by Engineering News Record - California (ENR-CA) as one of the 2020 Regional Best Project Winners in the Airports/Transit division. The honor was based on a variety of criteria, including overcoming challenges and teamwork, safety, innovation and quality.

"The incredible teamwork with all our partners throughout the process made this project a success," says Cindy Nichol, Sacramento County Airports Director. "The team overcame several unforeseen challenges. Thanks to the continued collaboration among the Airport staff, FAA, County Construction and Inspection, Granite Construction and the AECOM design team, the project was successfully completed safely and on time."

The modernization project required the removal of the existing Runway 16R-34L, which was then reconstructed into a finished runway pavement surface designed for minimal maintenance and a 20-year pavement life. The new design included a subsurface drainage system, a stabilized base course, and a concrete surface pavement.

The project team faced numerous unexpected challenges during the construction process: an existing electrical conduit comprised of asbestos cement; other severely damaged conduits; large areas of unsuitable subgrade; and existing blast pads that needed to be rebuilt in full instead of the planned overlay. These unforeseen conditions added \$4 million to the budget, but the quick-thinking team was able to overcome these obstacles and complete the project on schedule and without injuries.

The October due date was imperative in order

to not disrupt air traffic. Runway 16R-34L is the only runway at the airport that offers the Category III (CAT III) Instrument Landing System (ILS) that allows pilots to land in the adverse foggy conditions which Sacramento is prone to in the late fall through early spring.

The Sacramento County Department of Airports worked with Sacramento County Construction and Inspection Division, FAA, the AECOM design team, Granite Construction and many subcontractors and material suppliers. The team worked cohesively using a Project First mentality throughout the duration of the project resulting in an on-time, high-quality project.

ENR-CA is a leading construction industry publication that provides engineering and construction news, analysis and data. The publication, which dates back to 1874, connects the industry through information about design, technology, safety, environment and more. ★

# Ninth Circuit Court Rules on 10 Plus Firearm Magazines



By **Dave McCulloch, Capitol Media**

**WASHINGTON, DC (MPG)** - The California Rifle & Pistol Association received the much-anticipated ruling in the long-fought Second Amendment case *Duncan v. Becerra*. This is the same case that led to "Freedom Week" where thousands of Californians were able to lawfully purchase standard capacity magazines much like the rest of the country.

CRPA has been fighting this case since the 30,000+ member-driven organization filed it in 2017, and has led the fight through the courts with the assistance of the National Rifle Association.

Initially won through a positive ruling by the United States District Court in San Diego, the state quickly appealed — and Judge Benitez was forced to stay his ruling to allow the purchase of magazines holding more than 10 rounds of ammunition until the appeal was made to the Ninth Circuit. CRPA's legal team quickly answered the State's appeal and presented oral arguments.

"Today's decision in *Duncan v. Becerra* is a major victory for the Second Amendment, both in California and across the country," said Chuck Michel, president and General Counsel of the California Rifle & Pistol Association.

In its case, CRPA demonstrated how prohibiting law-abiding citizens from manufacturing, obtaining, selling, transferring,

or even possessing standard-issue magazines for firearms violates the constitution.

"After years of fighting, the Court decided in favor of our plaintiffs' challenge against the state's ban on standard capacity magazines that hold more than 10 rounds," said Michel.

The court noted that the state's efforts to ban these magazines does not pass the strict scrutiny or intermediate scrutiny tests and is a heavy burden on the Second Amendment rights of Californians.

"This is a huge win specifically for the right to possess these valuable self-defense tools. But more generally, this case may present the Supreme Court with an opportunity to set things straight on the underlying issue of what the standard of review test should be when considering any Second Amendment challenge," Michel said. "The Supreme Court seems inclined to do away with the complicated subjective tests that many courts have wrongly applied in Second Amendment cases, in favor of a clearer more objective "originalist" approach that considers the text, history and tradition of a law to determine what infringements might be tolerated," he concluded.

CRPA continues to fight in nearly a dozen major court battles to protect and defend the Second Amendment in California.

Founded in 1875, the California Rifle & Pistol Association provides training in the safe, responsible, and enjoyable use of firearms; sanctions competitive shooting state championships; and fights for the Constitutional right to keep and bear arms for those who choose to own a gun in California for sport, hunting, or self-defense. For more information, visit [crpa.org](http://crpa.org). ★

# Heroes of Human Services Award Nominations

By **Andrea Sandoval, Sacramento County**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Heroes of Human Service Awards recognition was created to honor those who have touched the lives of others through their advocacy, dedication, service and support throughout Sacramento County.

We are looking for individuals/groups who have demonstrated outstanding involvement and commitment to human services. Human services are broadly defined as community services that support and protect individuals and families. Examples include efforts not limited to:

Social work; Mental health care; Dependent care; Job training; Shelter services; Health programs; Mentoring; Financial assistance; After school programs; Nutrition services; Substance abuse services; Legal and criminal justice services; Recreation services.

A person/group may be nominated for extraordinary efforts exhibited by commitment, dedication and dependability over a period of time OR a person/group may be nominated for a one-time specific situation or incident that exhibited extraordinary effort. ALL nominations will be considered.

**Who is Eligible?**

Nominees must have demonstrated a commitment to human services through efforts to provide residents of Sacramento

County with the resources, services, supports, or opportunities needed to enhance quality of life and social functioning.

Nominees may be from a volunteer organization/ club or committee: Examples should be reflective of efforts that go beyond the scope of their regular employment.

Nominees may be from a place of employment: Examples should be reflective of extra-ordinary work that they do at their place of employment that is beyond performing their regular work duties

**Selection and Notification**

A panel representing the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors and the Human Services Coordinating Council will make the selection of honorees and those selected will be notified by their respective County Supervisor's office.

**How do I Nominate?**

Fill out the nomination form and return it to the Human Services Coordinating Council by the deadline. You may attach extra pages if needed to answer questions. Please only nominate one person or group per form. Submission deadline is Sep. 4, 2020.

Submission form

For questions regarding the nomination process please contact:

Gloria Bedford  
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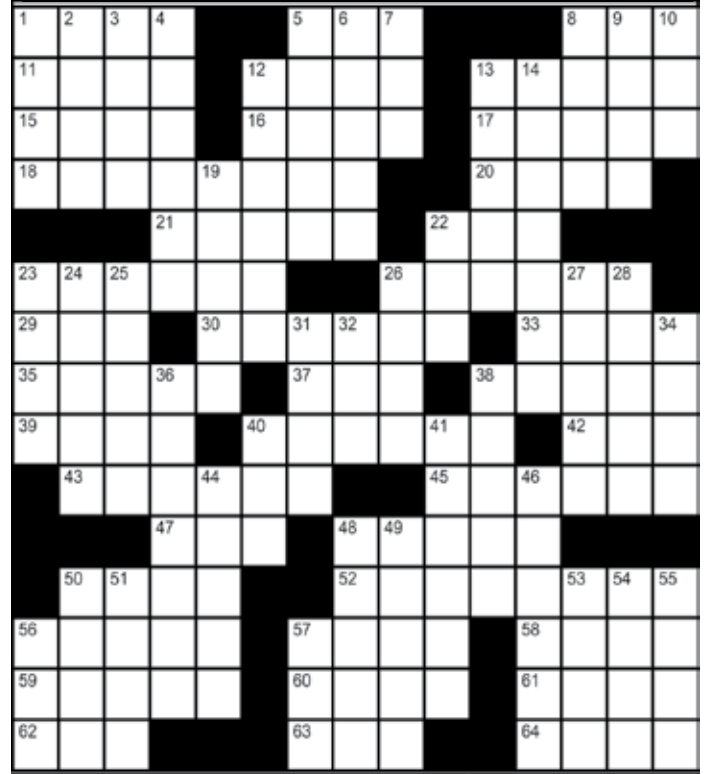
**ACROSS**

1. Delivery org.
5. \*U.N. workers' grp.
8. Pressure unit
11. Prune, previously
12. Congregation's echo
13. Lusitania's destroyer
15. Samoan money
16. Enthusiastic review
17. Police informers
18. \*More than 40 hours
20. First Nation nation
21. Not these
22. Paper or plastic?
23. Lads' girlfriends
26. Meal
29. Morsel
30. \*Labor Day, always
33. International Civil Aviation Org.
35. She turned to stone, Greek mythology
37. Quaker grain
38. Same as gnaris
39. Toothy wheel
40. Capital of Canada
42. Homer Simpson exclamation
43. Russia's plain
45. Zoroastrian archives
47. Simon & Garfunkel member
48. Sheik's bevy
50. Goes with sushi
52. \*Part of labor force
56. Jewish folklore creature
57. European sea eagle
58. Millimeter of mercury
59. Impolite dinner sound
60. "Dark" movie
61. Armor chest plate
62. Cupid's action
63. Type of evidence
64. "By \_\_\_ of" or "by means of"

**DOWN**

1. "\_\_\_ no good"
2. Bohemian, e.g.
3. Whimper
4. "That \_\_\_!" and hurts
5. Mosque officials
6. Don McLean: "Drove my chevy to the \_\_\_"
7. Comes before first Mississippi
8. Minute opening
9. "For Pete's \_\_\_!"
10. Belonging to it
12. Not aria nor recitative
13. Open a beer bottle
14. \*Union responsibility
19. \*Labor Day is this puzzle's \_\_\_
22. Beyoncé, a.k.a. Queen \_\_\_
23. \*Like Labor Day weekend
24. Ovine sign of the zodiac
25. Type of weasel
26. "Pro" follower
27. Oodles
28. Fortune-teller's card
31. Sol, or la, or ti
32. Digital audiotape, acr.
34. \*Health and safety org.
36. \*Strike \_\_\_
38. Courtroom silencer
40. Choose
41. One who bends out of shape
44. Groom one's feathers
46. Used an emoji, technically
48. Long-necked wader
49. Embryo sacs
50. One-pilot flight, pl.
51. Reunion attendee
53. Jellystone Park denizen
54. Joanie of "Happy Days"
55. At a previous time, archaic
56. Geological Society of America
57. \*Unofficial \_\_\_ of summer

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7	6	3	9	5	1	8	2	4
1	3	6	5	7	2	9	4	8
8	5	2	4	9	3	1	6	7
4	9	7	1	8	6	2	5	3
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**ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#34-2020-00282721

Sylvester Lara Quevedo has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sylvester Lara Quevedo to Sylvester Wyatt Rohdis-Knittel.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30 p.m. on September 29, 2020, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: August 3, 2020  
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#34-2020-00282965

Kelly Ann Gomes has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kelly Ann Gomes to Kelly Ann Miller Gomes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30 p.m. on September 29, 2020, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: August 3, 2020  
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
CHANGE OF NAME  
#34-2020-00282943

Trang Anh Huynh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Trang Anh Huynh to Amber Anh Chin.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30 p.m. on September 29, 2020, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: August 7, 2020  
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**

ESTATE OF STANFORD JAMES TOMPKINS  
CASE No. 34-2020-00277470

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of Stanford James Tompkins, deceased: A Petition for Probate has been filed by Deepak Sharma, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Deepak Sharma, be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests that the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have

consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows September 9, 2020 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129 at Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento 3341 Power Inn Road Sacramento, CA 95826. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner is: Deepak Sharma 1017 L Street Suite 678 Sacramento, CA 95814 415-654-6211 Publish: August 21, 28, and September 4, 2020 TOMPKINS 170622 9-4-20

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**11335 SUNRISE GOLD CIRCLE—PROJECT No. 9980—ADMINISTRATIVE USE PERMIT:**

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**OWNER:** 11335 Sunrise Gold Circle LLC  
11335 Sunrise Gold Circle  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

**APPLICANT:** 11335 Sunrise Gold Circle LLC  
11335 Sunrise Gold Circle  
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**LOCATION/APN:** 11335 Sunrise Gold Circle; APN: 072-0430-060-0000  
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**ENVIRONMENTAL:** Exempt per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per section 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures  
**PROJECT PLANNER:** Nicholas Sosa, Associate Planner

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to the City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department at (916) 851-8750.

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# Enough Subsidies for Electric Vehicles

**Commentary by Robert L. Bradley Jr.**

Americans are naturally wary of electric vehicles (EVs). Salespeople may pitch battery-powered cars as the future, but most drivers see them as an expensive, chancy alternative to petroleum-fueled automobiles. This has been true for more than a century.

Electric cars once stood on their own. "In the late 1890s, at the dawn of the automobile era, steam, gasoline, and electric cars all competed to become the dominant automotive technology," wrote David Kirsch in *The Electric Vehicle and the Burden of History*. "By the early 1900s, the battle was over, and internal combustion was poised to become the prime mover of the twentieth century."

In 1896, in fact, when a young Henry Ford asked Thomas Edison about electricity for his horseless carriage, Edison banged the table with a "no," citing reduced driving range from a heavy battery and

inconvenient recharging.

Today, government policies have put EVs back into the market – for the elite. There are federal write-offs of \$7,500 per vehicle and 30 percent for EV refueling stations. Car dealers use EV credits to average down regular SUVs to meet Corporate Average Fuel Economy (CAFE) standards too.

Still, range is poor and recharging time-consuming for EVs, not to mention searching for scarce refueling stations. And far from emission-free, EVs are "elsewhere emission" vehicles since nearly two-thirds of U.S. electricity is generated from natural gas and coal.

Throwing good money after bad, states are handing out subsidies to EV buyers. New Jersey recently instituted rebates of up to \$5,000 per car. California offers up to \$7,000 in electric vehicle rebates, while Oregon provides \$2,500.

Will this change true ways of driving? New Jersey officials believe their

plan will increase electric vehicles to 330,000 in just five years. By 2040, lawmakers hope that electric motors will power 85 percent of light vehicles sold or leased in the Garden State.

That's fantasy. Electric vehicles only accounted for 2 percent of new vehicle sales nationwide in 2019 even with a host of tax bribes. In fact, EV sales have stagnated; California, which provides the strongest incentives for purchasing electric vehicles, saw sales decline in 2019.

It should be no mystery. While gas-powered cars can travel up to 500 miles on a single tank, electric vehicles get a mere 100 to 300 miles per battery charge. Winter heating and summer cooling drain batteries, leading to "range anxiety" wherein drivers fear the engine might die before reaching its destination.

Future battery costs are unsettling to buyers. The Nissan Leaf, for example, requires a new battery every 10 years at a cost of as much as \$8,500. This is

one reason why the average new EV loses more than half of its value in just three years, with some losing almost 70 percent. By comparison, the average three-year depreciation for all vehicles is just 38 percent.

Inexpensive gasoline and diesel have made traditional cars even more desirable. Advances in drilling and other technologies were behind gasoline's drop to below \$3 a gallon. Today, regular unleaded averages below \$2 per gallon nationally.

Post-pandemic, when oil demand returns to normal levels, gasoline will remain far below \$4 a gallon price in the summer of 2008, thanks to the shale-oil revolution. Car emissions, too, have significantly declined since the 1970s.

Environmentally conscious regulators and prudent lawmakers can let Americans buy regular cars. Taxpayers will be thankful too.

*Robert L. Bradley Jr. is the founder and CEO of the Institute for Energy Research. ★*

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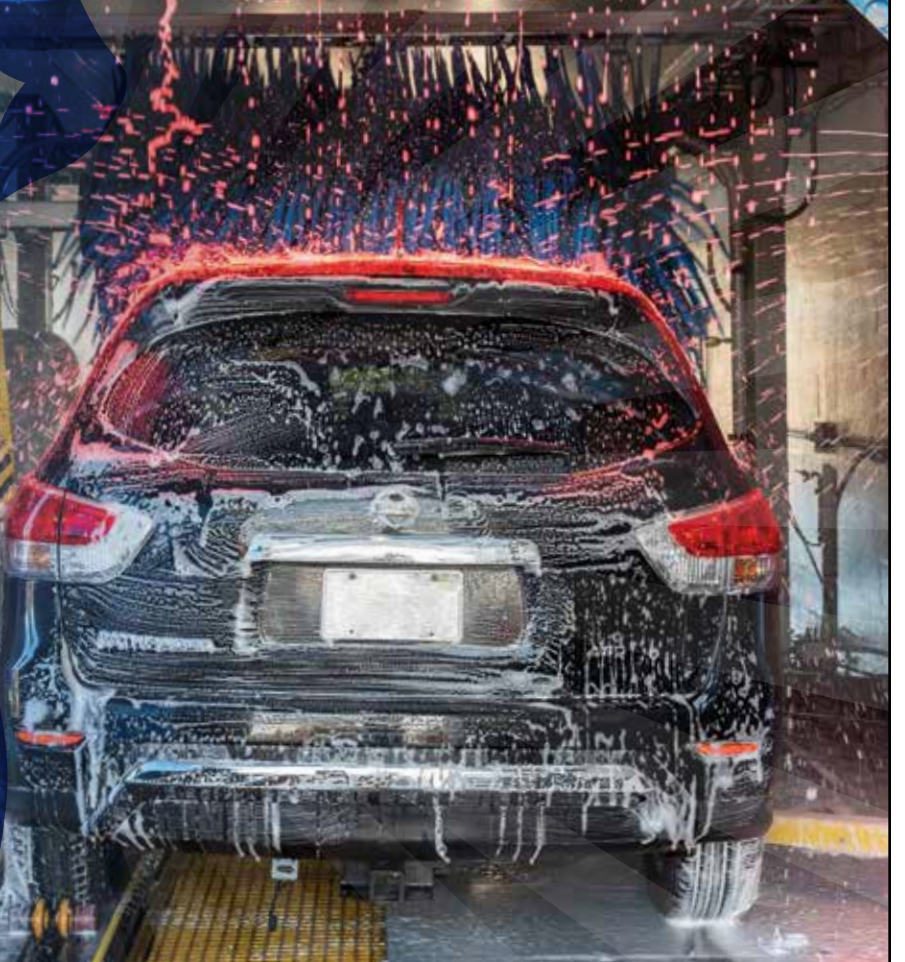
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 FBNF2020-05220 Akash Anand, 5830 Rightnow Way Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "R&A Trans Logistics" 5830 Rightnow Way Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 7, 2020 Publish: August 14, 21, 28, and September 4, 2020 R&A 180201 9-4-20

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 FBNF2020-04938 Thomas R Martin and Alyc M Martin, 7644 Gingerblossom Drive Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Investors Choice Property Management, ICPM, ICPM Co" 7644 Gingerblossom Drive Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 28, 2020 Publish: August 14, 21, 28, and September 4, 2020 INVESTORS 180201 9-4-20

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 FBNF2020-04730 Alexander Paul Elbeck, 6145 Fair Oaks Boulevard Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Barber and Beauty Supply" 6145 Fair Oaks Boulevard Unit 123 Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 20, 2020 Publish: August 14, 21, 28, and September 4, 2020 SACRAMENTO 180201 9-4-20

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 FBNF2020-05402 Chris Crittenton, 7663 Velaga Court Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Law Office of Chris Crittenton" 1104 Corporate Way Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 14, 2020 Publish: August 21, 28, September 4, and 11, 2020 LAW 180201 9-11-20

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 FBNF2020-05262 Saif Almosuli, 5441 Mona Way Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Looks Empire" 5441 Mona Way Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 11, 2020 Publish: August 21, 28, September 4, and 11, 2020 LOCKS 180201 9-11-20

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 FBNF2020-05259 Carlin Daley Reaume, 250 40th Street Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Supported Mama, Supported Mama Wellness" 250 40th Street Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 11, 2020 Publish: August 21, 28, September 4, and 11, 2020 SUPPORT 180201 9-11-20

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**By County Supervisor Susan Peters**

Through the generosity of The Carmichael Times this column serves to provide an update about matters affecting the unincorporated communities of Arden Arcade and Carmichael.

**COVID-19 CANCELS COMMUNITY MEETINGS**

Typically August and September are busy active months but the COVID-19 pandemic has changed all that.

In September I had planned to resume holding three community meetings featuring the County Transportation Director to provide any update on road paving but public health concerns due to COVID-19 prevent me from hosting any special group sessions open to the public. As a result, I have to cancel my Community Coffee Meeting originally scheduled for the morning of September 2 in Fair Oaks and the two evening community meetings in Carmichael and Arden Arcade that were planned respectively at the Mission Oaks Community Center in Gibbons Park on September 15 and at the Swanston Park Community Center on

**CARMICHAEL COMMUNITY UPDATE**

September 29. Hopefully, conditions will improve to allow me to hold those meetings later in the fall.

During August I usually visited with residents during the annual National Night Out celebration as they would gather together to build neighborhood camaraderie, facilitate a safer and more caring community, enhance the relationship they have with law enforcement – and most importantly – send a message to criminals that their neighborhoods are organized and on alert to report suspicious activity and crime. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 outbreak necessitated moving the event now to October 6 according to the national organization’s website at natw.org. Hopefully, safe conditions will prevail to allow me along with Sheriff Deputies, Metro Fire responders and CHP Officers to stop by at a number of gatherings if the later date materializes.

**PARKWAY ALCOHOL BAN**

During the upcoming Labor Day holiday weekend there will be a complete ban on alcohol consumption and possession both on land and in the water within the American River Parkway between Hazel and Watt avenues. An exception exists for Ancil Hoffman Golf Course.

In past years summer holidays had become major problems along the American River making the parkway less of a family friendly outing because of fights, public nudity,

profanity and littering. The Board of Supervisors restored decorum beginning with the 2006 Labor Day weekend and the ban is also applicable for Memorial Day weekend and the Fourth of July.

Since the restriction has taken effect, families I have talked to have expressed appreciation for making these holidays once again a time for everyone to enjoy the American River Parkway.

**SIGNAGE TO AVOID TRAIL TROUBLES**

The Department of Regional Parks has been partnering with the Sacramento Regional Conservation Corps stenciling signals on the American River Bike Trail’s pavement about trail etiquette to avoid conflict among users.

Phase 1 involved efforts to about mile marker 11 with Phase 2 to extend up through mile maker 22, which is the end of the county-operated portion of the trail.

Regional Parks is also using its social media platforms to help educate people about trail etiquette, which is not enforced through any actual ordinance nor can tickets be issued. However, public education can go a long way so please be courteous and responsible to ensure everyone’s enjoyment when out on the bike trail.

Susan Peters represents the Third District on the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. She can be reached at susanpeters@saccounty.net. ★



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**Enrolled in Medicare Part B ...**

**NOW I’m Receiving a Part D Penalty ... Why?**



**Toni King**

Hello Toni:

Turned 65 in August 2018, continued to work full-time with company benefits, until I was laid off on May 10th and that is when my employer benefits ended. I have enrolled in a Medicare supplement plan G and a Part D prescription drug plan with a September 1 st start date because that is when my Medicare Part B starts.

Now my troubles are beginning because I have received a notice from CMS (Medicare) saying they do not have record of me having prescription drug coverage that “met Medicare’s minimum standards from 8/1/2018 when my Medicare Part A started to 9/1/2020 and I am receiving a Part D late enrollment penalty.

I do not understand why I am receiving a Medicare Part D penalty. I thought applying for Part B keep me from a Medicare penalty. What is the 63-day window that the Part D prescription drug plan is talking about?

I have been quarantined due to contracting coronavirus and was not able to explore my Medicare options. Is there a way that I can appeal this Part D penalty due to COVID-19 issues?

~ Thank You, Sydney from St. Louis, MO

Sydney:

Generally, when there are Medicare special enrollment problems due to weather issues, Medicare will give extra time for enrollment periods such as Medicare Annual Enrollment in October. My advice to you is to call Medicare at 1/800-633-4227 or the Medicare Part D plan which you have enrolled in and explain that you have been in quarantine due begin exposed to coronavirus. IRS extended the April 15 tax filing date due to COVID-19, so I would ask for an appeal to the penalty due to being unable to take care of your personal Medicare business because of being in quarantined.

Taking the “Request for Employment Information” form to Social Security to avoid the “famous” Medicare Part B penalty informs Medicare that you have had employer benefits since turning 65. The form does NOT inform Medicare that you had “creditable” prescription drug coverage. The Medicare & You handbook states: “Creditable prescription drug coverage could include drug coverage from a current or former employer or union, TRICARE, Indian Health Service, the VA or health insurance coverage. Your plan must tell you each year if your drug coverage is “creditable coverage.” Keep this information because you may need it when or if you join a Medicare drug plan late.

Creditable drug coverage should “meet or exceed” what Medicare’s Part D plan minimums are for that

current year.

Medicare does not regard discount prescription drug cards or low-cost generics programs such as GoodRX as “creditable coverage”. These types of plans cannot keep you from the Late Enrollment Penalty.

Your Late Enrollment Period (LEP) does not begin from the day you lose or leave your company health plan, BUT from the month you turned 65 or began your Medicare or is based on when Part A of Medicare begins not Part B.

This LEP (Late Enrollment Period) penalty can be because:

- 1) You waited past 63 days without “creditable” prescription drug coverage when you are leaving company benefits and you are older than 65 years old and 90 days. (which technically is what you did, Sydney) Do not wait past 63 days to get Part D when leaving company health plans.
- 2) Your company prescription drug benefits (not health benefits) are not “creditable” as Medicare declares.
- 3) You simply never enrolled in Medicare Part D when you were first eligible and want to enroll.

Toni King, author of the Medicare Survival Guide® is giving a \$5 discount on the Medicare Survival Guide® Advanced book and bundle packages for the Toni Says® newspaper article readers at www.tonisays.com. Email info@tonisays.com for Medicare questions. ★

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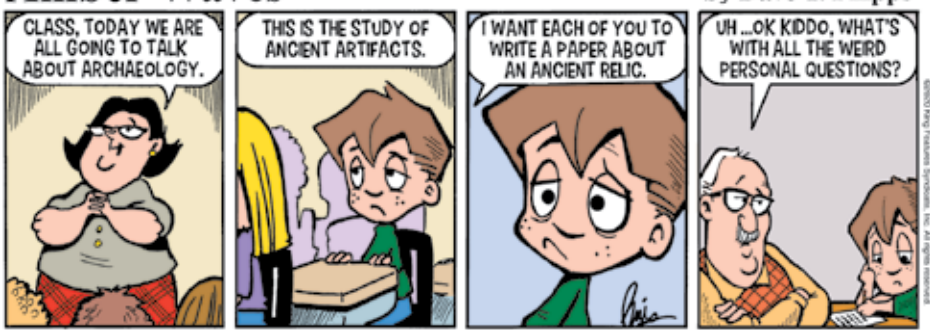
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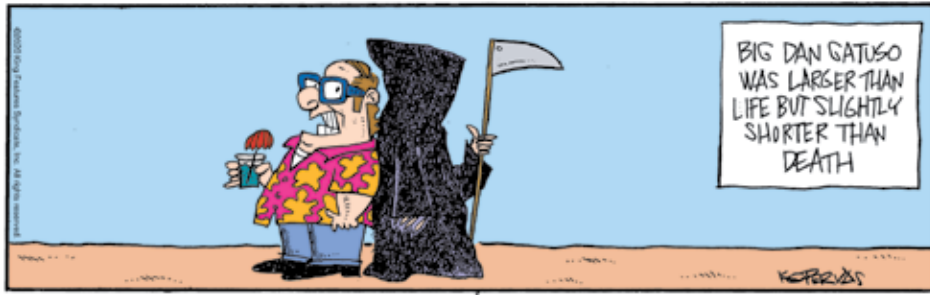
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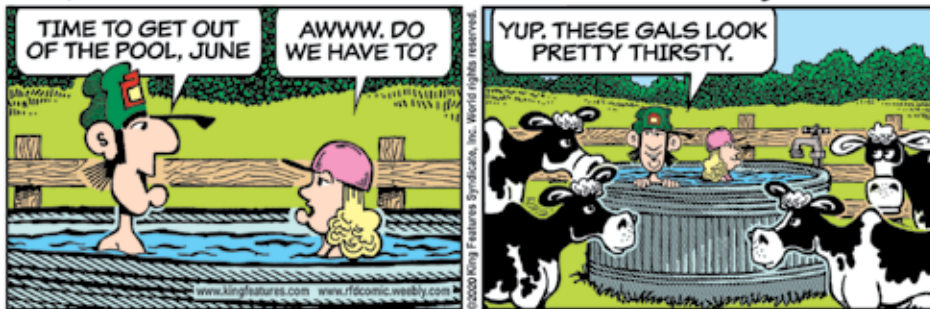
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"Can you hold a moment? I have another annoying call on the other line."

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"You're broke before taxes and I'm broke after taxes!"

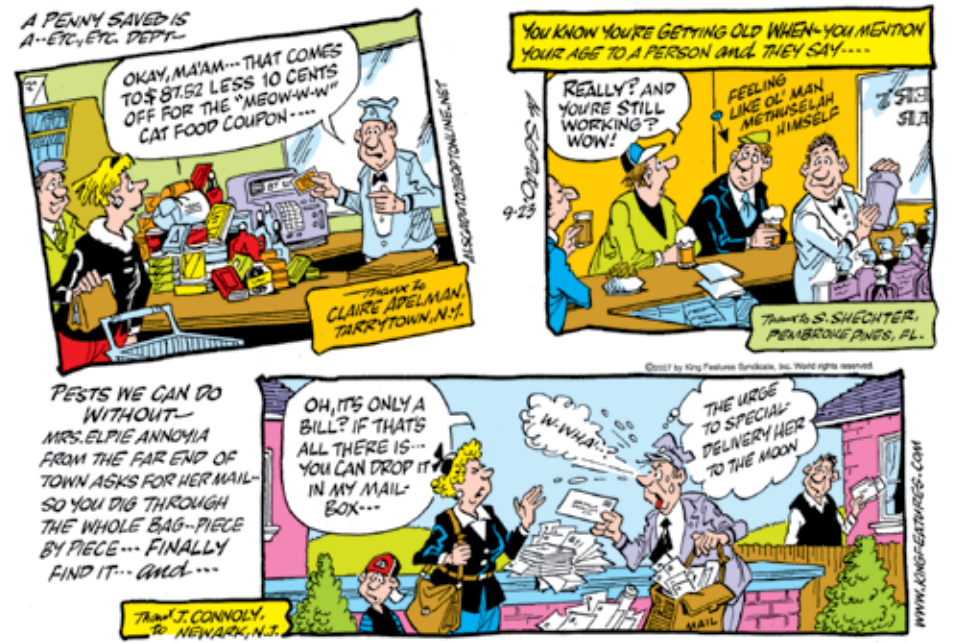
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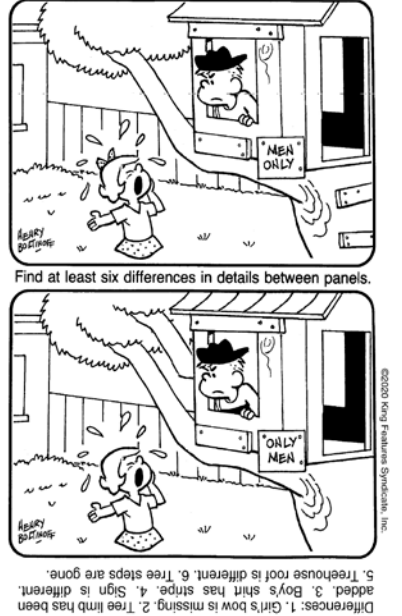
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by Dave T. Phipps



## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTHOFF



Differences: 1. Girl's bow is missing, 2. Tree limb has been added, 3. Boy's shirt has stripe, 4. Sign is different, 5. Trenchhouse roof is different, 6. Tree steps are gone.

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