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# Did Somebody Say "Party"?



Under century-old oaks in Carmichael Park, chums Madeline Benson, Ryan Ioanidis and Kennedy Champayne survive Founder's Day heat by staying cool from the inside out. Photo by Susan Maxwell Skinner.

Carmichael - Saturday, September 25th will mark Carmichael's 101st Founders' Day Celebration. Carmichael Recreation and Park District is putting together a party you won't want to miss. From classic cars to arts & crafts to power horns and carnival games, the event will have a little something for everyone.

A rousing march through the park at 10:30am by the El Camino High School Pep Band will set a festive mood and kick off opening ceremonies at 11am. Immediately following, the Sacramento Symphonic Winds will precede the event's headlining act, On Air – a Sacramento based band that covers Motown, classic rock and all of it with a little extra

pizzazz of power horns. Their rendition of "Saturday in the Park" is sure to be a memorable favorite.

Founders' Day is always hosted as a family friendly event so be sure to bring your children or grandchildren out so they can enjoy our Kids' Zone! There will be a mini carnival, face painting, arts & crafts, clowns and more – all free! Rumor has it that the Rivercats Mascot, Dinger will even stop by for a special visit.

While the kids are whooping it up in the safe and staff controlled Kids' Zone take some time to browse the many vendors joining us this year. Information booths, arts and crafts vendors, non-profit agencies and of course food vendors will be scattered

around the Carmichael Park Band Shell to tempt you into shopping, eating and enjoying the day. You might even want to try out one of the free Yoga classes that will be offered in the park at 12pm, 1pm or 2pm courtesy of the Saha Wellness Center or visit the Picture People's photo booth and get your family's picture taken.

Let's not forget that Founders' Day honors the time old tradition of the Classic Car Show – this year's is once again sponsored by the Cappuccino Cruisers. Registration is from 7:30-9am with the actual show starting at 10am. There will be prizes, a raffle, vendors and awards. The vehicle entry fee is \$15 and the

first 75 entries will receive a goody bag and dash plaque. For information call Ray or Chris at 916-988-6376.

For more information on Founders' Day please call the Carmichael Recreation and Park District at 485-5322 or 483-7826 or visit us online at www.carmichaelpark.com. The Carmichael Park Band Shell is located in the back of Carmichael Park at 5750 Grant Avenue and both parking and admission are free. We hope to see you there!

Be sure to get to the Founder's Day Celebrations early to get the best parking spot! Bring your family and enjoy the great food.

# SJSD Board Urges Reconsideration on Electronic Bingo Ban

Board Joins Sac County Board of Supervisors in Call to Protect Charitable Bingo

Sacramento – The San Juan Unified School District Board unanimously adopted a resolution Tuesday night, September 14th, urging the California State Legislature to reconsider its ban on electronic bingo games and approve an acceptable electronic alternative that will help charities raise critically needed funds.

The School Board resolution comes seven months after the federal courts implemented a ban on electronic bingo, which was passed by the State Legislature in 2008. Board member, Larry Miles presented the resolution, citing the dramatic drop in revenue to San Juan School District booster clubs since the electronic bingo ban took effect February 1, 2010. The ban was passed in 10 days at the behest of powerful tribal gaming interests, devastating high school sports, clubs and other charities that rely on charity bingo fundraising. Bingo revenue for charities dropped nearly 50% as a result of the electronic bingo ban at a time when school budgets are strained and facing rising deficits. Seven San Juan School District high schools depend on charity bingo to sustain sports programs and academic clubs.

"Our San Juan School District is facing a possible \$54 Million deficit over the next few years, making our reliance on charitable bingo even more critical," said Larry Miles, a San Juan Unified School District Board member. "Our legislative leaders simply must do the right thing and vote for high school athletics and band over corporate gaming interests and political contributions."

"Charity bingo has provided funding for sports and other activities that keep our kids safe, off the streets, and in school," said Joe Gomez, President of the California Charity Bingo Association and a long-time high school coach. "It is ironic that while the Legislature considers legalizing online gambling for private corporate interests, they have outlawed charitable electronic bingo."

The resolution calls on the



Banning electronic Bingo has angered senior citizens and charitable organizations

California State Legislature to reconsider the electronic bingo ban to help preserve a "safety net" in light of decreased funding for public schools. The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors passed a similar resolution 4-1 on August 10, 2010.

California voters amended the State Constitution in 1976 to legalize bingo games for charitable purposes. Since then, bingo has raised hundreds of millions of dollars for important charities across California, helping thousands of students, athletes, homeless children, seniors, veterans and the disabled.

The California State Legislature voted to ban electronic forms of bingo in 2008 with the passage of SB 1369. The ban became law on January 1, 2009, but became officially effective February 1, 2010, following a federal court challenge.

California Charity Bingo Association (CCBA) is a non-profit organization representing community-based charities, volunteers, and bingo halls. CCBA's mission is to preserve and promote fun and successful bingo games that provide desperately needed funding to important charities throughout California.



# Off-Duty CHP Officer & Citizens Receive Award for their Life Saving Efforts

By Officer Lizz Dutton, Public Information Officer

Sacramento – On November 17th, 2009 at approximately 7:56 a.m., Joshua Raver, a 16 year old from Orangevale, and his 11 year old brother Joey, were riding their bicycles on Pershing Avenue east of Hazel Avenue. As Joshua was riding he fell off his bicycle and landed into the westbound lane of Pershing Avenue. A citizen, Mrs. Laura Gerard, stopped her vehicle in the westbound lane to protect Joshua from being struck by

other vehicles. Off-Duty CHP Officer, Martin McQueen, stopped at the scene and was advised by Joey that Joshua had an existing medical condition. A citizen, Mrs. Pam Elliott, also stopped at the scene to render aid to Joshua. Both Officer McQueen and Mrs. Elliott observed that Joshua was unresponsive and began CPR until Sacramento Metro Firefighters arrived on scene and continued CPR efforts.

Joshua was transported to Mercy San Juan Medical Center. He was then transported via air ambulance to a San

Francisco hospital where he underwent successful open heart surgery and is recovering at this time.

The California Highway Patrol is proud to present awards to recognize Officer McQueen, Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Gerard for their heroic efforts. North Sacramento Area Commander, Captain Cary McGagin stated "Without their valiant efforts and quick decisive action, Joshua would not be here today. I am proud of their actions and the service they provided to the Sacramento community."

L-R: Joey Raver, Laura Gerard, Pam Elliott, Joshua Raver and Officer Martin McQueen at the CHP award ceremony.

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# **Carmichael Times and eVoter Announce Partnership** to Link Voters to Election Day Information

Carmichael - The Carmichael Times and eVoter (www.evoter.com) announced today, September 21st, 2010, a partnership that connects local area voters to polling place locations, election information, candidate profiles and endorsements prior to Election Day on November 2nd.

eVoter is a non-partisan website that allows voters to directly interact with candidates and access accurate, up-to-date information to make informed decisions on Election Day. From statewide races to local county and municipal races, eVoter provides voters with a list of every candidate on their ballot.

The Carmichael Times has launched an online service that directs voters to their personalized sample ballot information, powered by eVoter, at www.CarmichaelTimes.

"Our readers are politically active in the Carmichael area. They are motivated to vote and are using the Internet to search for information on

By Pastor Cary Duckett

Within 45 minutes I had received

three phone calls each being from a

person who was experiencing a crisis

in their life. One person had lost

their job, the next was losing their

marriage, and the last was dealing

with a defiant family member who

was wreaking havoc. Earlier that

morning—before even coming to the

office—I had read this verse: "The

Lord reigns, let the earth be glad; let

the distant shores rejoice." (Psalm

97:1)



local elections," said Paul V. Scholl, publisher of the Carmichael Times and the Messenger Publishing Group. "eVoter is a unique resource that they will be able to use and appreciate."

"We're pleased to announce this partnership that allows us to serve the Carmichael Times and its sophisticated and inquisitive readership," said Adam Kravitz, CEO of Political Technologies LLC, owner of eVoter. "eVoter will help them get information to make informed decisions on Election Day."

eVoter allows voters to locate their polling place, generate and

after reviewing candidate profiles and organizational endorsements. In order to reach these motivated voters who are actively looking for information, candidates can purchase a customizable profile at a low cost and organizations can publicize their endorsements for free.

Candidates or organizations that are interested in creating a profile should visit CarmichaelTimes.com and click on "Visit eVoter.com" in the eVoter search box or call (866)

eVoter is the unbiased, non-partisan election information site where voters can generate a personalized sample ballot instantly, view candidate profiles, make contributions, view organizational endorsements, find polling places, and more. Owned by Political Technologies LLC, eVoter is designed to provide voters with concise unbiased information on every candidate and measure on their

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What Stole Your "Glad"?

our world. It touches the lives of great and small alike on our continent, in Europe, Asia, and even the smallest island nations. So....with all this evil taking place around us, in us and to us; how can we be glad? If the Lord reigns why is there so much suffering? And how can we possibly be glad when the God in charge seems to be

is linked to the character of God-not the events of our life. If one does not know and trust the character of the Person in charge, then it becomes impossible to remain "glad" in times of pain. It is similar to trusting a doctor when the pain of surgery is prescribed so that a cure might be possible. The pain of surgery does not prove the doctor is incompetent. In fact, it proves just the opposite.

way for the cure. Someone once said it this way, "To walk away from God because of unanswered questions about evil is to walk into a storm of unanswered questions about good."

If your "glad" is being stolen from your life, now is not the time to question the competency of God. Now is the time to get to know and trust the character of God...and your "glad" will go no where. Not necessarily because the events in your life have improved, but because your assurance of Who is in charge of

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**Saber Cadet Shines in Poland** 

Photo courtesy of Cindy Bent Findlay US Fencing Media Relations.

Sacramento Region - The Cadet (Under-17) season opened with a bang for USA Fencing at a Cadet International Cup in Konin, Poland September 10th through the 12th as John Hallsten of Sacramento, and Hristov-Csikany Fencers brought home the gold and two more U.S. Cadets reached the top eight in stiff international competition. There were 108 competitors overall in the men's

Hallsten squeaked by Balint Kossuth of Hungary 15-13 in the quarterfinals and then beat Andrey Korobko of Russia in the semifinals. He sealed the gold with a resounding victory over Alexander Trushakov of Russia 15-7. USA Fencing teammate Eli Dershwitz from Dover, Massachusettes and Zeta Fencing fell to Korobko in the quarterfinals, losing

Last year Hallsten finished 11th.

He is currently a Junior in Christian Brothers high school. He is ranked 1st in the United States and is ranked 5th in the World in the Cadet category. His coaches are Mihaly Csikany and Kristiyan Hristov. The club was represented with to other local fencers Kaito Streets (25th) and Isaac Buchwald (34th). For more info on where to fence please visit www. hcfencers.com.

On the women's side, 2010 World Cadet Team member Skyla Powers of Decatur, Georgia reached the quarterfinals before being narrowly defeated by Angelika Wator of Poland 15-13.

USA Fencing is the recognized NGB for the sport of fencing in the United States. USA Fencing changed its name from the U.S. Fencing Association in July, 2010. The USFA was founded in 1891 as the Amateur Fencers League of America (AFLA) by a group of New

York fencers seeking independence from the Amateur Athletic Union. The AFLA changed its name to the United States Fencing Association in 1981. The USFA is affiliated with the Féderation Internationale d'Escrime (FIE), the international federation for fencing founded in Paris in 1913. The USFA was incorporated as a nonprofit corporation in Pennsylvania in 1964 and in Colorado in 1993 in compliance with the Amateur Sports Act and opened its national office at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. in August of 1982. For more visit www.usfencing.org, www.facebook.com/usfencing or www.twitter.com/usfencing. Complete results, including pool and elimination bout scores, can be found http://pzszerm.ehost.pl/index.

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# Carmichael **Chamber of Commerce**

#### **Eskaton Village Mixer a Success**

Linda Neal and Lucy Ward of Eskaton Village hosted the Carmichael Chamber's September mixer last night, and it was a great success. Guests enjoyed jumbo shrimp, brie, aspargus, wine, and so much more. New members, as well as long- standing members networked, won raffle prizes and were informed about the senior care provided by Eskaton. Raffle ticket purchasers even got complimentary tickets to Capitol Airshow, courtesy of Paul Scholl of the Carmichael Times.

Be sure to attend our Halloween mixer on Wednesday, October 13 at Lind Brothers Funeral Home, 4221 Manzanita Avenue in Carmichael. Hosted by Lind Brothers and Fair Oaks Cemetery District, the mixer will be held from 5:30–7:30 pm. The evening will include delicious Chinese food, networking, and a raffle.

Costumes are optional. We will be collecting canned food to donate to a local food closet for the holidays. Be sure to bring a raffle prize and plenty of business cards.

#### Past President To Speak

Joyce Arredondo, of the Juvenile Parole Board and a past president of the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce will be the guest speaker at the next Chamber business meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, September 28. The event, held at Cypress Avenue Baptist Church, 5709 Cypress Avenue in Carmichael, The luncheon will be held from 11:30 am - 1:15 pm. Members are \$15, nonmembers \$20. Be sure to make your reservations by Thursday, September 23 online at carmichaelchamber. com, or call the Chamber office at 916-481-1002 or linda@carmichaelchamber.com.

#### **Boulevard Brush Up**

Join the Carmichael Chamber on Sunday, October 24 to help clean up Fair Oaks Blvd. Participants should meet at 9 am at Carmichael Park by the tennis courts off Grant Avenue. Coffee and donuts will be provided. Remember to wear a hat and bring a pair of gloves. Other event sponsors include Carmichael Creek Neighborhood Association, Carmichael Colony Neighborhood Association, and the County of Sacramento. For more information or to sign up to help, contact Anne Berner at 916-944-1042.

#### Dog Park Master Plan

The Carmichael Recreation and Park District has scheduled three workshops to help create a Master Plan for the Carmichael Dog Park. The plan will identify needs and create ideas that will chart a course of action for the District to follow. Ideas and suggestions are welcome. The meetings will be held at the Carmichael Park Clubhouse, 5750 Grant Avenue on Wednesday, September 15, Tuesday, October 12, or Tuesday, November 16 from 6 - 8 pm. For further information, contact Lee Ann Yarber at 916-485-5322, ext. 24 or LeeAnn@carmichaelpark.

#### **Elections**

Just a few more days to get your application in for those interested in running for the Honorary Mayor of Carmichael. This is a great opportunity to get exposure for you and your business. Check out our website at carmichaelchamber.com to see the rules for entering and the video by our current Mayor, Peter Tateishi.

#### **Honorary Mayor**

The Carmichael Chamber will be holding Board elections at their Tuesday, November 16th Business Meeting and Luncheon. If you are interested in running for the Board or want to nominate someone, please contact Linda Melody at the Chamber office at 916-481-1002 by Thursday, September 30th..

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CalSPRA is a nationally recognized leader in school communications. The annual CalSPRA Excellence in Communication Competition recognizes outstanding achievement in communications and public relations for K-16 educational professionals and institutions throughout the state. Entries were judged this year by a panel comprised of business communications professionals in the Bay Area.

The SCOE Communications Office won awards for the following projects and categories:

Promotion/Awareness Package · SCOE Teacher of the Year

Recruitment (Award of Excellence)

Internet/Intranet Web Site

- SCOE Web Site (Award of Excellence)
- SCOE Web Site "Programs & Services" (Award of Excellence)
- · Opinion-Editorial (Award of Excellence)
- Special Event or Program · Student Art Show Reception
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- Multimedia Communication
- SCOE End of the Year Report 2008-2009: Year of Meeting
- Challenges (Award of Merit) · Sacramento County Academic Decathlon Awards Banquet Video (Award of Merit)

• Sacramento County Academic Bowl (Promotional DVD) (Award of Merit)

Calendar

• ARTESCAPES 2010 Juvenile Court & Community Schools Student Artwork Calendar (Award of Merit)

The SCOE Communications team consists of Tim Herrera, Communications Director; Cathy Sapunor, Special Events Coordinator; Beth Flory, Program Analyst; and John Woodward, Multimedia Design Specialist.

The SCOE Communications Office provides communication services to support SCOE's programs and services. It assists school districts in Sacramento County with strategic communications and media outreach and serves as a key disseminator of information to educators and community leaders county-wide.

# Photography Workshop with Lewis Kemper

### October 22, 23 at Effie Yeaw Nature Center

Carmichael - Do you own a digital After a light breakfast, participants camera? Do you like to photograph nature and wildlife? Do you want to support the Effie Yeaw Nature Center's educational programs? Join internationally recognized nature photographer, Lewis Kemper, for this two-part Nature Photograpy Workshop this fall.

Begin in the Center's Assembly Building with a two-hour evening presentation on composition and light. Instruction will continue the following morning in the Nature Preserve with a sunrise field session.

will choose their best shots from the morning for group critique and

This is a fundraising event. Proceeds will be donated to ARNHA for the programs of the Effie Yeaw Nature Center.

When: Friday, October 22, 2010 7pm – 9 pm and Saturday, October 23, 2010 6:30 am - 12 pm Effie Yeaw Nature Center

Who: Anyone age 12 and up with a digital camera Cost: \$120 if registration received by

September 22; \$140 registration after September 22

Registration: With credit card by calling the Nature Center at (916) 489-4918. Or send check marked Photography Workshop to ARNHA, P.O. Box 241, Carmichael CA 95609. Or drop by the Effie Yeaw Nature Center during open hours to register. The Center is open during the summer on Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM; Friday thru Sunday, 9:00 to 5:00PM

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A Film Review by Tim Riley THE TOWN (Rated R)

Until now, I've never really warmed up to actor Ben Affleck, as I found him annoying, though not on the scale of Barbra Streisand, who is insufferable and irritating in the extreme. "The Town," a compelling crime drama suffused with nuanced shadings and palpable tension, is an artistic trifecta for Affleck, as he stars in and directs this film for which he is also credited as one of the screenwriters. Affleck's conflicted Boston bank robber has such an air of authenticity that his career as an actor looks almost as promising for the future as his current upward trajectory as a gifted director. Meanwhile, I can imagine no circumstance in which Streisand will ever appear in something worth seeing, at least

from my jaundiced point of view. "The Town" is much more than just a dramatic thriller about cops and robbers. Though filled with plenty of action, the film is about friendship and betrayal, love and hope, and escaping a past that has no future. The story takes place in the Boston working-class Irish community of Charlestown, which is duly noted in a prologue to be a one-square mile neighborhood that has produced more bank and armored car robbers than anywhere in the United States. As part of this fine tradition, Affleck's Doug MacRay, who once had a chance as a hockey player for the success

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TENSE, EXCITING CRIME THRILLER MAKES "THE TOWN" A WINNER

that would allow him to escape following his father's criminal footsteps, is the leader of a crew of ruthless bank robbers.

Doug's right-hand man and partner in crime, James "Jem" Coughlin (Jeremy Renner), has a dangerous, hair-trigger temper that often results in unnecessary violence. Doug and Jem, using two other Irish lugs as cohorts, are accustomed to pulling off efficient, if unsettling, bank jobs. The film begins with one such assignment underway at a local bank, where the crew, disguised in ape masks, scores a big haul while the hotheaded Jem viciously beats a man he suspects of triggering an alarm. For insurance, Jem decides to take bank manager Claire (Rebecca Hall) hostage as they make their getaway. Hours later, the blindfolded Claire, who sees only one notable tattoo but not their unmasked faces, is released unharmed by the robbers at a nearby beach.

When the robbers discover that Claire lives in Charlestown, Jem gets nervous and wants to check out what she might have seen. Knowing that his buddy is capable of unpredictable brutality, Doug takes charge and assures the gang that he can handle the matter. Doug finagles a chance encounter at a laundromat, and Claire is soon taken with this charming stranger who had terrorized her only days before. For his part, Doug is still trying to extricate himself from a relationship with Jem's sister, the grungy Krista (Blake Lively), a drug-dealing lowlife. Claire is a breath of fresh air for the smitten criminal, who now takes great pains to play the

ultimate gentleman caller.

While Claire gets cozy with Doug, the Feds, led by FBI agent Frawley ("Mad Men" star Jon Hamm), are closing in because they finger Doug's crew as the likely culprits. Frawley is the type of gung-ho agent who hopes to use Claire to ensnare his suspects. More threatening than the Feds is the real tension-filled moment when Jem discovers Doug and Claire getting cozy at a local park, and Jem inserts himself into the conversation in a manner suggesting true menace. It's likely the edgiest and most apprehensive situation, followed closely by Doug's meeting with sadistic crime lord Fergie (Pete Postlethwaite) when he expresses his desire to quit the

Even while romancing Claire and contemplating his future outside the dead-end crime world bequeathed to him by his imprisoned father (Chris Cooper), Doug and his crew, mostly at the fanatical urging of the volatile Jem, stage a couple more daring robberies, the first of which involves them disguised as nuns and making a frantic getaway through the narrow streets of Boston while eluding numerous squad cars. The climactic robbery involves a big heist at iconic Fenway Park, which results in the explosion of machine gun battles that sates the appetite for film's target audience of action

In the final analysis, as good as Ben Affleck performs his role of the bank robber, his best days ahead may parallel those of Clint Eastwood, namely as a director. Affleck proved his behind-thecamera gift when directing "Gone Baby Gone" and "The Town" serves as an affirmation that the once preening, smirking actor has considerably matured over time. His real test may come when he directs a film outside the comfort zone of Boston and its surround-Meanwhile, enjoy "The Town" for the exciting crime

# The Public Employee Union Scam

Commentary by Jarrett Skorup

Under the National Labor Relations Act, private-sector unions are allowed to extract dues and fees from workers if the employer agrees. The NLRA, passed in 1935 during Franklin Roosevelt's first term, does not, however, apply to public-sector employees-including state and federal workers—because the thinking was that this would over-politicize government and cause a conflict of interest between unions and politicians. In a Weekly Standard piece by professors Fred Siegel and Dan DiSalvo titled, "The New Tammany Hall," this problem is described:

Unlike private sector unions, the sheer number of workers represented is not the linchpin of [the public sector unions] influence. Private sector unions have a natural adversary in the owners of the companies with whom they negotiate. But public sector unions have no such natural counterweight. They are a classic case of "client politics," where an interest group's concentrated efforts to secure rewards impose diffused costs on the mass of unorganized taxpayers.

In the 1960s, many states began chipping away at the wall of separation between unions and public workers. In 1965, the Michigan Legislature revised the Public Employment Relations Act (PERA) to establish mandatory collective bargaining and exclusive representation for state and municipal government workers. This has caused the number of public-sector union employees to skyrocket.

A conflict of interest would be as follows: First, a government union elects politicians by funding their campaigns and organizing a massive get-out-the-vote drive; second, the politicians support employee pay increases, generous pensions, and condition of employment; third, the union takes dues (read: taxpayer money) and starts the cycle all over

again for selected politicians.

At both the state and national level, public-sector union support for many Democrats has been well documented. One of the largest public-sector unions in the country, the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) has given over \$40 million to politicians since 1990, with more than 98 percent of that going to Democrats. The SEIU, AFL-CIO, and United Steel Workers have all promised big help in the coming election. In return, the Democratic Party has voted nearly lockstep with these unions' demands.

But political cronyism knows no party lines, and many Republicans likewise have been guilty here in Michigan.

In just the past year, the state has had several such instances. Last fall, nine Michigan Education Association-supported Republicans nixed a 3 percent costsaving plan for the school aid budget. In April, MEA-supported Senate Republicans watered down a modest bill that would "increase state and school employee payroll contributions to their pension system by 3 percent, cap pension 'service credits' at 30 years, and create a somewhat less generous defined benefit system for new school employees." At the same time, a union subsidiary of the SEIU pushed GOP Senators into coming up short on a vote that would have opened a prison to competitive bidding and privatized it, if privatization promised to save money.

Last August, one Republican state senator came under fire for introducing a bill that would have forced some 42,000 in-home health care workers into a union, sending approximately \$6.6 million in taxpayers' money to the SEIU in the form of "dues."

Unfortunately, what has happened in Michigan has taken place elsewhere in America.

The end game for these types of relationships is already happening in our country's most public unionfriendly states: in California, where budget gridlock has forced the government to issue IOUs and minimumwage salaries to public officials, and in Illinois, where the governor has promised massive tax hikes combined with severe cuts to education. Both states have some of the highest tax rates in the county, and yet both face pension obligations that they cannot ever hope to pay.

These types of political dealings and financing may not be illegal, but they're still an offense to the political process. Politicians can take money from government-employee unions and then vote on legislation that directly improves the financial wellbeing of these entities. A possible quid pro quo exists that would not if public-sector unions were restricted from giving money to politicians.

Politicians granting unsustainable government-employee salaries, benefits, and pensions is a problem everywhere, but the states with the strongest public-sector unions will have the hardest time correcting the problem. More broadly, as long as these incestuous relationships between government unions and the political class remain in place and unchallenged, the size and scope of government will continue to grow.

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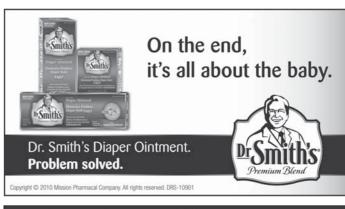
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00804 9-15-10 BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #1006935. Carmichael Overhead Door, Inc., 4045 California Ave. #A, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "Carmichael Garage Doors; Placer Garage Doors" at 4045 California Ave. #A, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on Aug. 3, 2010. Publish: August 25, September 1, 8, 15, 2010. CARGAR

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2010-00084711

WHEREAS, Marcos Robert Denda has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Marcos Robert Denda to Willie Kent. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter annear before this court at 9 a m. on Sept. 21, 2010 in Dept. 54, located at 800 9th St., Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper

of General Circulation printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: Aug. 10, 2010. Shelleyanne W.L. Chang Publish: August 25, September 1, 8, KENT

00804 9-15-10 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #204892

WHEREAS, Irene Lucyndia Dinkins has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Irene Lucyndia Dinkins to Danifa Edna Renia Grigsby. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 21, 2010 in the Family Relations Courthouse, Dept. 130 located at 3341 Power Inn Rd., Sacramento, CA 95826 and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper of General Circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks nrior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: Aug. 17, 2010. Publish: August 25, September 1, 8,

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court is: Superior Court of California County of Sacramento, 3341 Power Inn Rd., Sacramento, CA 95826. The name, address, and telephone number of petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: Navjeet Kaur, petitioner in pro per, 2585 Millcreek Dr. #105, Sacramento, CA 95833; 916-929-3211.

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Guerrera, 449 Trowbridge Ct.,
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under the Fictitious Business under the Fictitious Business Name "Roma's Pizza & Pasta" at 6530 Fair Oaks Blvd., Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on July 19, 2010. Publish: September 1, 8, 15, 22, **ROMASP** 00901 9-22-10

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2010-00085986

WHEREAS, Veanna Irene Gales has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names of Jesse Emileo Aragon to Jesse Emileo Gales; and Jaeden Michael Smith-Gales to Jaeden Michael Gales. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on Oct. 5, 2010 in Dept. 53, located at 800 9th St., Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper of General Circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: Aug. 24, 2010. Kevin R. Culhane

Publish: September 1, 8, 15, 22, GALES 00901 9-22-10 SUPERIOR COURT OF

Judge of the Superior Court

CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2010-0008

WHEREAS, Colby Tyler Sayles has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Colby Tyler Sayles to Colby Tyler Black. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on Oct. 13, 2010 in Dept. 53, located at 800 9th St., Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper of General Circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: Aug. 30, 2010. Kevin R. Culhane

Judge of the Superior Court Publish: September 8, 15, 22, 29, **BLACK** 00902

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

#34-2010-00086507 WHEREAS, Kymberly M. Wright has filed a petition with this court for decree changing name of Chase Wright Wilson to Chase Charles Wright-Wilson. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on Oct. 13, 2010 in Dept. 53, located at 800 9th St. Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814 and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper of General Circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: Sept. 1, 2010. Kevin R. Culhane Judge of the Superior Court

WRIGHT 00902 9-29-10 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2010-00085702 WHEREAS, Aza Sanducci and Ray Sanducci have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names of Aytaj M. Sandugi to Aitaj

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petition for change of name should not be granted. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order to Show Cause be published in the Carmichael Times, a Newspaper of General Circulation, printed in Sacramento County, California, once a week for four consecutive weeks

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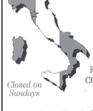
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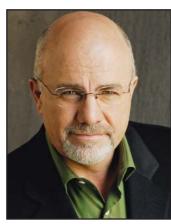
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# Dave Says



Ramsey is a personal management popular national personality and the author of three New York Times bestsellers - The Total Money Makeover, Financial Peace Revisited and More Than Enough. In them, Ramsey exemplifies his life's work of teaching others how to be financially responsible, so they can acquire enough wealth to take care of loved ones, live prosperously into old age, and give generously to others.

#### The Car Rule

Dear Dave,

What's your rule of thumb about how much your car should

be worth in comparison with your income?

- Madea

Dear Madea.

Great question! My rule of thumb is that all of your vehicles— I'm talking about cars, trucks, boats and their Sea-Doo sisters. motorcycles, and anything else like this-should not total more than half your annual income.

Why? It's because all of these kinds of things go down in value. You never want half of your income going into things whose value is dropping like a rock. You don't need a \$20,000 car if you're making \$30,000 a year. That's just stupid. Think about it this way. If you're making that kind of money, and I walk up and tell you I've got an investment opportunity that will turn \$20,000 of your hard-earned income into \$12,000 in just three or four years, are you going to take me up on the offer? If you've got a brain in your head, the answer's

Now, I'm okay with it if you make \$300,000 a year and buy a \$20,000 car if you pay cash. That's like most people running out and buying a Happy Meal. It's just not a big deal!

Do Rich People Need the Envelope System?

Dear Dave,

Do you ever reach a point in your plan where you stop budgeting or using the envelope system?

- Craig

I've been fortunate enough to build a net worth of several million dollars, and my wife and I never stopped doing either one. We still sit down together every month and plan out a written budget. Every dollar is spent on paper before the next month begins, and we follow it exactly. And I can promise that were you to look in my wife's purse, you'd find one of our deluxe envelope systems, just like we sell in our office bookstore. She carries it with her everywhere!

We do these things because we're responsible spiritually for handling that money well. Those of us who are Christians call that "stewardship." We feel like we're called to be good stewards-good managers-of God's money. It's not a freaky thing. It's just a matter of following God's good advice and common sense.

I want that money to behave, and these things are some of the best ways I've found to make it do what it's supposed to do!

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# **International Placement Agency Picks** Sacramento as U.S. Headquarters

Internships Down Under" sees Opportunity with Sacramento-Area College Students



New Zealand Sunset. Photo by Felicity Wood, in New Zealand.

Sacramento – Internships Down Under, which has been placing European students in internships in New Zealand and Australia for three years, has established its U.S. Headquarters in Sacramento.

Many people are working to stop poverty, pollution, over-population, racism, crime, war, disease, and the other social ills that plague mankind, but the problems are never ending. This is because the root cause of the problems, division, is never resolved. The solution is to unite people with

The Institute of Ultimate Truth is a non-profit organization formed and run by young people who are fed up with the lies and deception that millions of people are saying is the truth. "They are destroying the world and stealing our future. We are sick of the lies from our political leaders, businessmen, clergy, lawyers and other people in power that will sell our future in exchange for their shortsighted benefit. All the glad-handing, back-slapping, platitudes, and empty promises make us sick."-Founders, Institute of Ultimate Truth

Many people believe in old myths that contradict other beliefs and scientific evidence, and this causes division. Religious dogmas and myths were created before people had the benefit of modern science. Science attempts to objectively discover how life works, and religion attempts to subjectively find a way to live in harmony with life, so they both have pieces to the same puzzle. The organization's main project, Truth Contest, aims to combine the objective and the subjective to find and define the underlying truth in everything, thereby uniting science and religion toward a common goal. For the first time, we will know and understand how life works so that we can live completely in harmony with it. This will present a solid, certain morality which will serve as the foundation for a united world.

The truth does not take sides; it is the same for everyone!

The top entry at Truth Contest is the most complete and accurate explanation of the ultimate truth in the history of mankind. Anyone who does not agree can submit an entry that they think is better. In this way, we will work together to evaluate, update and refine the entries on the main page. The contest is really not a competition with a winner, because it is a collective effort towards truth. Anyone who participates is helping to find, define and spread the truth. With this platform for honesty, open minds, an open exchange of ideas, good will and the power of the Internet, we will find and spread the truth to stop the lies and deception once and for all.

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Carmichael Library History Book Club mixes fact and fiction for a clearer picture of what has happened in world history. The adult book club meets at 6:30 p.m., on the first Tuesday of each month, at Carmichael Library, 5605 Marconi Avenue, Carmichael.

Attendees are encouraged to bring snacks to share with other book club members. For more information on the following book discussions, please telephone the Sacramento Public Library at (916) 264-2920 or visit saclibrary.org.

October 5: The Spartacus War, by Barry S. Strauss The Skystone, by Jack Whyte November 2: December 7: The Bridges at Toko-ri, by James Michener The Things They Carried, January 4:

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By Douglas E. Schoen

We're nearly three years into the recession — and our economy still shows few signs of life. The Department of Labor just announced that the country shed 131,000 jobs in July. Unemployment now stands at 9.5 percent.

It's not surprising that Democrats and Republicans agree that something must be done — soon — to stem the loss of jobs. Neither side, though, has offered a creative or comprehensive jobs strategy to turn the economy around. There is one strategy that could create jobs and generate support from both sides of the aisle: Biotech Innovation.

"Over the long run, few issues are as important to a nation's long-term economic security and global standing as being a leader in moving life sciences forward," says Lawrence Summers, director of the White House's National Economic Council.

He's right. Innovation in biotechnology is the engine that could get our economy back on track. Yet neither party has forcefully championed this idea, even though it's one of the few ideas that would elicit bipartisan support.

Enacting policies that will help this industry thrive is a painless way to create the jobs Americans desperately need. It's also a strategy on which lawmakers on both sides of the aisle can cooperate.

Biotechnology is racing along while the rest of the economy sputters. During the first year of the current recession, private-sector employment decreased by 0.7 percent.

# A Jobs Strategy that Both Parties can Agree on

Employment in the biosciences, however, increased by 1.4 percent.

It's not just PhDs who are finding jobs in the industry. Research, testing, and medicals labs employed 2.1 percent more people in that time. The medical devices and equipment sector increased its workforce by 2.4 percent. The area of agricultural feedstock and chemicals did even better — employment increased there by 4.6 percent from 2007 to 2008.

All told, the biotechnology industry employs more than 700,000 Americans. These aren't just scientists-the industry depends on administrative assistants, business managers, computer professionals, groundskeepers, and engineers. Even better, the industry creates a powerful ripple effect. Biotech firms utilize construction workers, accountants, IT workers, daycare operators, and others.

These people are transforming the world. The cutting-edge medicines that the sector develops are making our lives better and longer - pharmaceuticals have reduced heart attack mortality by more than half. Agricultural biotech is increasing crop yields, bringing down food costs, and reducing disease. These technologies help millions-across the world.

So what can lawmakers do to foster innovation?

First, Congress could make the R&D tax credit permanent. This provision was included in the president's budget last year, but didn't make it through. This is something on which Democrats and Republicans see eyeto-eye - politicians from both parties have voted regularly to extend the temporary tax. Making it permanent would provide a long-term incentive for investors to put more money into the sector. An already-growing industry could explode.

Lawmakers should also enact

a payroll tax holiday. This would encourage private-sector employers in the biotech community to make new hires and retain current employees.

Long term, we must ensure the industry can fill the jobs thus created. We need to foster the next generation of scientific researchers — perhaps the ones who will discover a cure for cancer — by improving math and science education in our nation's

The National Center for Education Statistics compared 15-year-olds around the world last year, and discovered that American students were below average in math and science. Students in other countries are improving their performance in these crucial subjects, while ours simply stay steady. American high school students are in the bottom quarter in math, trailing the rising China.

In future years, our country's thriving industry of innovation could find itself increasingly competing for investment dollars headed to Asia. Between 1986 and 2003, the U.S. share of global R&D investment declined from 46 percent to 37 percent. Even more striking — our share of scientific researchers fell from 41 percent to just 29 percent. We must stay competitive in the arena we've dominated up to now.

Biotechnology is the future of the American economy. Other industries are innovating, too, of course. But biotech is a rare bright spot in this gloomy recession. Passing consensusdriven, bipartisan policies to boost what might be our fastest growing sector will create jobs and save lives.

Douglas E. Schoen was a campaign consultant for more than 30 years and is the author of "Declaring Independence: The Beginning of the End of the Two-Party System.

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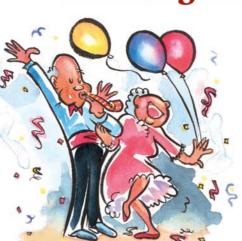
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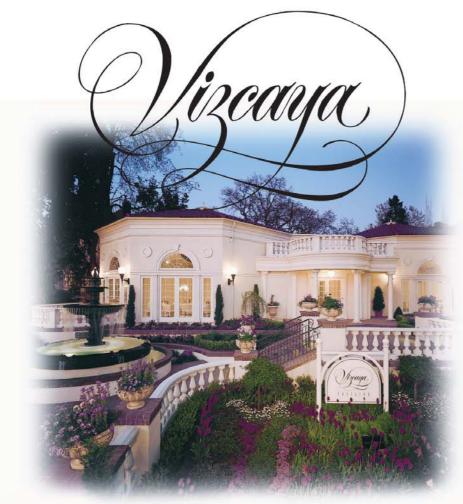
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