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## Firefighters Battle Flames with Specialized Aircraft

## Water District Wins Award



SMUD Board Director Bill Slaton presents Steve Nugent of Carmichael Water District with a SMUD Community Energy Award.

The Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) is honoring Carmichael Water District for its overall commitment to implementing energy efficiency measures to reduce energy consumption and promote environmental protection.

The SMUD Community Energy Award honors commercial customers who share SMUD's values of efficiency and environmental sensitivity, and who have turned these beliefs into actions. These customers have controlled their energy usage, improved their bottom line, and reduced the amount of energy that must be generated for our region. This award recognizes the achievement of Carmichael Water District for participation in SMUD's commercial energy efficiency program. Carmichael Water District continues to support and demonstrate the importance of safeguarding the environment.

Its recent efforts have focused on clean and renewable energy usage. The water district installed a solar array that provides electricity for its main office. The 17-kilowatt array is the first of its kind in the SMUD service territory and the first photovoltaic system to be installed by a water purveyor in Sacramento County.

The unique "bifacial" technology of the system allows solar radiation to be collected on the underside of the panels through a reflective canopy mounted on the underside of the structure. This feature improves energy production of the system by 10 percent. It also serves as a carport to shade vehicles on hot days. The expected annual energy production from this innovative solar array is approximately 28,000 kilowatt-hours. It is expected to reduce annual CO2 emissions by 39,000 pounds or the equivalent of planting five acres of trees each year.

Carmichael Water District partnered with SMUD and the California Energy Commission on the project, with both agencies providing funding. SMUD also assisted in the design of the system. "Carmichael Water District is an excellent example of a SMUD customer doing its part to help our community by reducing its energy use," said Bill Slaton, SMUD Ward 7 Director. "Hopefully, more customers will follow The District's lead and take advantage of SMUD programs that can help them save money and benefit the entire community."

The water district's service area spans eight square miles, serving a population of almost 40,000 that is predominantly residential in nature. In 2003, Carmichael Water District was a recipient of a Business Environmental Resource Center Award.

### Special JIC Release

An unprecedented number of aircraft from across the country-civilian and military- have taken to the skies this past week to support firefighters battling the more than 1,400 wildfires in northern California. Firefighting aircraft are as varied as the many tasks they perform to support the firefighting efforts on the ground.

More than 60 helicopters are currently working fires in northern California, ranging from small, light helicopters to large, heavy helicopters. Firefighters use helicopters for a wide variety of support tasks, including precise water and retardant drops on specific problem areas, aerial reconnaissance and transporting firefighters, gear and supplies to areas otherwise difficult to reach.

Fixed-wing air tankers typically drop fire retardant or water mixed with gel or foam. These aircraft are typically used to aid firefighters in building containment lines around an active fire. By June 30, the approximately 20 air

tankers working in California had dropped more than 940,000 gallons of retardant on fires in northern California.

A Martin Mars Water Bomber from Canada arrived Saturday at Shasta Lake in northern California. It's the largest water-scooping aircraft in the world and is one of only two in existence. After making a scooping run, the aircraft can mix a gel or foam into its 7,200-gallons of water, which makes the water more efficient in suppressing fire.

Small, single-engine air tankers (SEATs) are similar to crop dusters and are well-suited to help firefighters keep a smaller fire in check. Heavy air tankers are often called in to larger fires or blazes threatening homes or other structures. Fixed-wing aircraft also deliver smoke jumpers - firefighters who parachute into remote fires. The 40 Redding-based smoke jumpers, plus 100 additional jumpers from Montana, Idaho and Washington, have all been deployed to the northern California wildfires.

If more than one aircraft is working a fire, an "air attack" control plane is also typically in the sky, guiding the aircraft to specific areas, providing air traffic control to the multiple aircraft, and often serving the critical function as the incident commander's eyes in the sky.

The Department of Defense, under the operational control of U.S. Northern Command, deployed 12 aircraft to support local, state and federal emergency response efforts in California. They include Modular Airborne firefighting systems (MAFFS)-capable C-130 H3s - three from U.S. Air Force Reserve Command out of Colorado, three from the 145th Air Wing, North Carolina National Guard, and two from the 153rd Air Wing, Wyoming. They are staging from McClellan Airfield, Calif.

Four U.S. Marine Corps CH-46 heavy-lift helicopters equipped with BAMBI buckets are assisting firefighting efforts in southern California from the Naval Air Station in Lemoore, Calif. In addition fourteen National Guard helicopters have been assisting firefighters in northern California. Eleven are water-drooping helicopters and three are light reconnaissance. A media center has been established and media representatives are encouraged to contact the JIC. A website has been established at [www.jointinformation.com](http://www.jointinformation.com). Members of the public are urged to continue to contact the local information centers for specific area updates.

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# POPPOFF!

with Mary Jane Popp

## FAT TALK

Obesity has become an epidemic in our country. The Surgeon General told us back in 2001 that more than 61% of adults are overweight...31% obese. Obese means 30% over ideal weight. Kids fare no better at 13%. According to research done in 2002, people overweight at 40 are likely to die at least three years sooner than those who are slim and trim. Would you believe being fat at 40 and beyond is just as bad as smoking for your life expectancy? Dr. William Parsons says it's time for "Tough Talk About Fat"... How to Reach and Maintain Your Ideal Weight. 10 pounds or 100 pounds, you can lose it. "Tough Talk" doesn't scold you for being fat. It teaches us how to get rid of it...all of it!

Dr. P says it works like your bank balance. Take out more than you put in, and it goes down. There are some other incredible edible facts like, don't fret about protein vs. carbs or whatever. Calorie control is everything. Then there's the exercise thing. Although important for fitness, exercise plays a

minor role in weight control.

Dr Parsons also put it very bluntly when it comes to books on weight control. There are thousands of ideas out there. According to Dr. P, in the U.S., the weight loss industry is a \$58 Billion business with a 98% failure rate. Encouraging huh!? But Dr P says he is more concerned that obesity is now a major risk factor for Heart Attacks and Diabetes. He added that by wearing out weight-bearing joints, obesity is a major cause of disability. Then there's the big surgery surge movement for morbid surgery. Dr Parsons says it saves lives, but he feels "Tough Talk" can save more.

He gets into a lot of great tips like reducing our eating by 500-700 calories a day can drop 4-5 pounds a month. He goes into tips on how to design your own program to lose weight, along with special strategies for your weight reduction program like:

- 1) Buy small...not the largest banana, apple, melon, other
- 2) Cook smaller amounts.
- 3) No nibbling while cooking
- 4) Use smaller plates



5) Stop eating when you feel satisfied not stuffed

6) Leave some food on your plate... contrary to what mother told you about cleaning your plate

The list goes on and on, and it's pretty simple reading with basics to follow. Dr Parsons even gets into Legislation Congress should pass for a major attack on the epidemic of obesity.

With the July 4th just around the corner, you may want to fortify yourself from the mounds of desserts and taste desires by boning up on "Tough Talk About Fat". You can find all the information you need about Dr Parsons and his books at [www.cholesterolnodiet.com](http://www.cholesterolnodiet.com). Just a bit of tough talk to make a difference in out life. Happy Eating I mean nibbling!!!



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SACRAMENTO, CA  
• 22 Caprice Ct  
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• 220 Main Ave  
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• 2621 Evergreen St  
3BR 1BA 696sf +/- Built 1910. Approx. .11ac lot.  
• 5620 55th St  
2BR 1BA 1,097sf +/- Built 1947. Approx. .16ac lot.  
• 6521 Weatherford Wy  
3BR 1BA 1,012sf +/- Built 1970. Approx. .16ac lot.  
• 6823 Conrad Dr  
3BR 2BA 1,506sf +/- Built 1963. Approx. .17ac lot. Taxes approx \$1747 ('07).

ROSEVILLE, CA - 2613 Waterford Glen  
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# Carmichael Man Wins 2008 F-150 Foose Edition Truck

Chris Weissensee of Carmichael was one of 10 finalists in the 2007 Ford Customer Service Division "When It Fits You Win!" national sweepstakes. It became his lucky day when his key started the grand prize vehicle, a 2008 F-150 Foose Edition Truck, at Homestead-Miami Speedway this past November.

Weissensee's luck became a reality at 10:30 am on June 26th when he received the keys to his new Foose at Downtown Ford in Sacramento. The 2008 Ford F-150 Foose Edition was designed by Chip Foose, star of TV's "Overhaulin".

Weissensee owns an auto repair shop in Sacramento. The new 2008 Foose replaces

his GMC Yukon. "I can't wait to drive it (Foose) and see how fast it is," said Weissensee.

This year's national sweepstakes, the "2008 Summer of Savings", is held exclusively for auto repair and body shop owners around the country. Independent auto repair and auto shops can download valuable rebates electronically and learn more about the sweepstakes at [www.2008SummerofSavings.com](http://www.2008SummerofSavings.com). Prizes include one of five trips for two to the Ford 400 NASCAR Sprint Cup race during Ford Championship Weekend at Homestead-Miami Speedway November 14-16, 2008; or one of 21 trips for two to the Wood Brothers Racing facility in Charlotte, N.C.



General Sales Manager Jeff Beyer giving keys to the Winner.

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Directors of Volunteers in Agencies (DOVIA) will partner with the City of Sacramento, local AmeriCorps\*VISTA members, Volunteer Center of Sacramento, and Hands On Sacramento, to host the 2nd Annual Volunteer Speed Matching event where volunteering meets speed dating. The event will be held from 5-7pm on Tuesday, July 22 at the Pyramid Alehouse, 1029 K Street, Sacramento.

Similar to speed dating, Volunteer Speed Matching allows prospective volunteers to move from table-to-table in fast four-minute intervals, quickly learning about several local non-profit organizations. Prospective volunteers have just enough time to speak with each agency representative about current volunteer opportunities and, hopefully, find "a match."

The Volunteer Speed Matching event will highlight dozens of current volunteer opportunities focusing on helping children, assisting animals, bettering the environment, serving seniors from 15 diverse local non-profit organizations including St. John's Shelter, Sac Co Animal Shelter, Navigators Mentoring Program, Sacramento Tree Foundation and Meals on Wheels.

Registration is free, but potential volunteers must sign up online at [www.handsonsacto.org](http://www.handsonsacto.org) or via phone by calling (916) 264-8659. Registration is on a first come, first served basis.

For more information please contact Daniel Wilson, AmeriCorps\*VISTA at (916) 264-8659 or [dwilson@sfd.cityofsacramento.org](mailto:dwilson@sfd.cityofsacramento.org) or Christine Wallace, Volunteer Center of Sacramento at (916) 567-3100 x106 or [cwallace@volunteersac.org](mailto:cwallace@volunteersac.org). Fall in love with volunteering at the 2nd Annual Volunteer Speed Matching event on July 22!

## Eskaton Senior Connection Class: Your Medical Rights

This free community class will feature a panel discussion with experts from the Office of the Patient Advocate, HICAP, Health Rights Hotline and an elder law attorney. Don't miss this rare opportunity to ask your questions about health care rights, insurance coverage, medical records and billing disputes.

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The comic strip 'Henry' by Don Trachte shows Henry, a bald man in a red shirt, standing by a river. He is holding a sign that says 'DON TRACHTE'. In the panels, he is seen talking to a group of people, including a woman in a pink dress and a man in a suit. The man in the suit says, 'UGH! WHO'D WANT TO BUY SUCH AN UGLY SCENE??!' Henry is holding a picture of the river scene. The comic is signed 'DON TRACHTE' at the bottom.



# Job Demand & Hiring Local Trends Reported

Sacramento companies are expecting to hire more in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. Pacific Staffing has learned that fifty-nine percent (59%) of Sacramento's top companies plan to hire in this Quarter. Twenty-two percent (22%) percent attribute their motivation for hiring to expand their workforce in July, August and September. In direct phone polls of 100 top regional companies, human resource contacts report plans to hire more added workers in Q3 2008 than were hired in the previous quarter (16%), or at this same time last year (14%). Most Third Quarter is still motivated by the need for replacements, forty-one percent (41%) are hiring for expected attrition while eighteen percent (18%) seek workers for seasonal needs.

The expected number of companies planning to reduce their workforce in the upcoming quarter has also fallen since the last Employment Trends Survey in April. Eight percent (8%) of companies polled in June say they will reduce their workforce. Seven percent (7%) say it's slow business prompting the expected layoffs.

Thirteen percent (13%) of those polled say helping employees cope and reducing company costs for gasoline is their primary headache in the near future.

Of the top 100 Sacramento Regional Companies By

Industry 35% are Service, 37% are Manufacturers, 19% are Construction and 9% are Retail

Sacramento employers are seeking qualified technical skills, sales, customer service, manufacturing, warehouse and shipping experience in Third Quarter.

When offered the choice of bonus money, more vacation, a larger office, more staff, a company car or something they might suggest, what did they choose most often?

When asked to 'make a wish' about incentives on the job, HR pros in Sacramento wanted more paid time off! Vacation was selected by twenty-nine percent (29)% of those polled, while another twenty-eight percent (28%) went for bonus money. No one wanted a larger office, but eight percent (8%) of the human resource managers asked for more staff. Three percent (3%) chose the company car.

Most interesting were suggestions offered by those polled. The ability to manage their own work through flextime came up frequently in all industry sectors. Others suggested job security, better recognition for work done well, medical benefits for dependents, 401 K employer matching, and one just wanted a gas card!

For more information & previous workplace hiring surveys go to [www.pacificstaffing.com](http://www.pacificstaffing.com)



## Riley Reviews

By Tim Riley

### FLYING HIGH IN ACTION AND LAUGHS WITH OUTSIZED "HANCOCK"

HANCOCK (Rated PG-13)

You can't go wrong with Will Smith, no matter what role he is playing. To say the least, "Hancock" takes one of our favorite actors in a totally new and unpredictable direction. Believe it or not, in the film's titular role, Will Smith's John Hancock is a very different type of superhero. Disgruntled, sarcastic and misunderstood, Hancock is a homeless alcoholic who just happens to possess superhuman powers, much like Superman or Batman but without the nifty costume. Unlike other superheroes, he doesn't live in a mansion with an underground lair. Normally passed-out drunk, Hancock resides on the most readily available bus bench.

Well-intentioned but careless, Hancock has a nasty habit of wreaking extensive damage while performing a daring rescue. Though his heroics can be appreciated, his antics and mishaps are starting to grate on the citizens of Los Angeles. It doesn't help much that he looks as disheveled and unkempt as any hobo shuffling along Skid Row. When people think of superheroes, they want someone in a crisp, appealing uniform, something polished like the Batsuit or Superman's tights. In a city full of publicists, Hancock is desperately in need of an image makeover. Then he rescues hapless Ray Embrey (Jason Bateman), a public relations executive struggling to make a successful firm.

Stuck in his car on railroad tracks while a train quickly approaches, Ray is saved at the last minute by the heroic Hancock. Again, Hancock causes considerable damage by derailing the train, among other things. Of course, Ray appreciates his savior and seizes upon the opportunity to offer Hancock a way to burnish his image. To show his gratitude, Ray invites Hancock to dinner at his house with his wife Mary (Charlize Theron) and their young son Aaron (Jae Head).

The rehabilitation of Hancock into a more acceptable and decent superhero requires the development of an interesting PR plan. The first thing is a rather basic effort at sobriety and handling anger management. Ray also convinces Hancock that he should serve a brief prison stint to pay back society for some misdeeds. Of course, there are some troubling developments behind the prison walls when other inmates seek retribution. The other side of the coin is that Hancock's incarceration keeps him unavailable for his heroics, and soon his services are in demand once again as the city explodes in crime waves, though now his desire to be more courteous and understanding also results in some unintended problems.

The story of "Hancock" cruises along with much fun generated by the superhero's sarcastic quips, as well as by his maladroitness attempts to do good. There's plenty of action, violence and destruction of property, mostly courtesy of Hancock's exceedingly erratic and reckless behavior. But the genial goofiness of "Hancock" soon gives way to a more abrupt shift in direction and tone. This is the result of a major revelation that is less surprising upon reflection of some of the attitudes on display earlier in the story. Nevertheless, the surprise should not be revealed because it sets up the climactic confrontation.

"Hancock" is the kind of film likely to generate divided opinions. Again, Will Smith can hardly do any wrong, and here his anti-hero is an engaging character well worth rooting for, even in a subdued fashion. And yet, paradoxically, Hancock is not a lovable figure. Still, he entertains because his attitude is devil-may-care. As a film, "Hancock" suffers from its disjointed construction, but this is not a critical failure. As I see it, "Hancock" is far more interesting than the cartoon-like qualities often found in this type of film. If you like Will Smith and trust his instincts, then "Hancock" is definitely worth a look. Moreover, he's supported very ably by Jason Bateman's enthusiasm and Charlize Theron's understated mystery.

# The California State Fair is Going Hollywood!

## 2008 Exhibits Will Help Bring "Big Fun Studios" to Life with Lights, Cameras and Action!

The California State Fair is planning to bring the excitement of Hollywood to Cal Expo this summer. This year, Fair organizers have settled on a number of featured attractions that will focus on Hollywood and how modern day movies and entertainment come to life.

"Hollywood is an integral part of California's culture and economy. Every industry and culture in the State has played a role in making Hollywood what it is today," said Norb Bartosik, State Fair CEO and General Manager. "Our goal is to celebrate those connections and bring some of the Hollywood energy, excitement and diversity to Cal Expo, while still maintaining our time honored State Fair traditions and customs."

In keeping with the theme, the State Fair will also be working with Los Angeles-based artist, Sergio Grisanti, to design its official Fair poster. Grisanti studied with John Alvin, a legendary movie poster artist who worked on such films as Lord of The Rings, E.T. the Extra Terrestrial, Lion King, and Pirate of R.F.D.



the Caribbean. Alvin had originally agreed to design the State Fair poster but died unexpectedly earlier this year. Grisanti has graciously agreed to move forward with the project on his behalf as a tribute to his friend and mentor. The final State Fair poster will be unveiled in July and will be available to the general public after August 15.

Discounted tickets to the 2008 California State Fair are on sale now at [www.bigfun.org](http://www.bigfun.org). Fairgoers can click 'n print their online tickets up until Wednesday, August 13 and get discounts of up to \$35% off general fair admission. The Cal Expo Box Office will also be open on select days.

Visit [www.bigfun.org](http://www.bigfun.org) for box office dates and times.

by Mike Marland





# Consumers, Small Business, Seniors, Renters and the Economy Would Be Hard Hit by Billions in New Taxes

A diverse statewide coalition announced that they will undertake efforts to educate California opinion leaders and the public about the devastating impacts of increased property taxes. Californians Against Higher Property Taxes will provide studies, analysis and other information to raise awareness about how higher property taxes, including the "split roll" tax, burden small business, consumers, seniors, renters, and damage California's overall economy.

"Californians are already being pummeled with the one-two punch of higher energy prices and a collapsing housing market," said Joel Fox, president of the Small Business Action Committee and coalition co-chair. "Higher property taxes will deliver a knockout blow to our economy."

Fox pointed out that as property taxes increase, small businesses will bear the brunt - being forced to lay off workers, cut benefits and/or close their doors. Some businesses will simply move out of state due to the deteriorating business climate. And, businesses, like family-owned restaurants, auto shops and gas stations will be forced to pass these increased costs on to the public, resulting in higher prices for consumers, increased rents, and

a huge burden on seniors living on fixed incomes.

Gilbert Gonzalez, vice president of TGI Catering, Inc. agrees. "Small businesses like mine are already at our breaking point with the high cost of food, gas and benefits. If taxes are raised on our property, we will be forced to cut back on staff or pass our costs on to our customers, or both. Raising property taxes is a really bad idea for everyone."

For tenants of residential properties, higher taxes will directly affect their cost of living. "Residents living in our apartments are feeling the pinch of the economy like everyone else," said Joe Fong, owner of Fong Enterprise. "If we have to raise rents to cover property tax increases, it will place an unfair burden on them and could drive them out of their homes."

The coalition notes that in several recent polls, California voters indicated they do not want to see property taxes go up and support the protections provided by the passage of Proposition 13 in 1978. In fact, a June 2008 Field Poll found that more than twice as many Californians would still support Prop. 13 (57%) today as would oppose it (23%).

Find out more at [www.stophigherpropertytaxes.com](http://www.stophigherpropertytaxes.com).



# Don Flood

## More Car Gadgets

Leonard Nimoy, the man who in a future life will become Mr. Spock, once narrated a documentary called "Destiny in Space."

Mr. Spock made some good points in favor of space travel, but oddly enough left off one hugely negative consideration: the near total lack of space plumbers.

ASTRONAUT: Can you come out and fix our toilet?

PLUMBER: Sure, where are you?

ASTRONAUT: In orbit around the Earth.

PLUMBER: That's gonna cost you.

This nightmare scenario became all too real recently when the space station's toilet broke, resulting in the most Unnecessary Headline of the Year from MSNBC.com, which said, "It's no joke: Astronauts may have to make do until fix is found."

You don't have to tell me it's not a joke. I can get antsy if the sign says, "Next rest area 23 miles." I don't want to think about a sign that says, "Next rest area: maybe never."

So, until they greatly improve the space bathroom situation, most of us will seek travel adventure on Earth, where we can drive cars with nice cup holders.

It's true. The main reason women choose a car, according to some highly accurate research I'm not going to bother looking up, are the cup holders -- which is pretty pathetic.

Men, on the other hand, are rational creatures who buy vehicles that will help them deal with real-life driving situations, such the alarming and increasing number of middle-aged nude male balloonists coming down smack dab in the middle of the road and needing a ride, hence the bumper sticker: "I brake for nude balloonists," and its opposite number, "Nuke the Nude Balloonists."

(As a knee-jerk moderate, I fall in the middle of this screeching debate, believing

they should be run over.)

The ballooning nude-balloonists crisis -- which neither presidential candidate has addressed -- lies behind the current advertisement for Honda Pilot, which features a rear-view camera.

In a realistic scene, a man is out driving with his son when he sees a hot-air balloon blocking his path. As so often happens, especially if you live in California, it is filled with middle-aged male nudists, which, in addition to high gas prices, is a major reason why more people are staying home.

Because this roadway is located in Commercialville, Calif., he tells the guys to hop in anyway.

But the next scene shows what the man has gotten himself into, and it's a lesson we can all learn from. Glancing over his shoulder to back up, he catches sight of his nude passengers and shudders violently.

But, fortunately -- and this is why men should buy this vehicle -- his SUV comes equipped with a rear-view camera. He doesn't have to look over his shoulder. Crisis averted.

It's interesting to think how this ad might be changed if they were selling beer, in which case a man would be out driving with his buddies and the gondola would be filled with members of the Swedish Bikini Team. They would have plenty of beer and would be on the hunt for fat guys to drink with.

And come to think of it, the lack of an orbiting Swedish Bikini Team is something else Mr. Spock forgot to mention.

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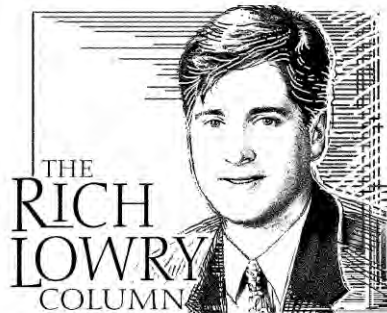
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## Mark Steyn: Enemy of the State?

At its best, Western civilization has fostered freedom of speech and of thought. But Canada has a better idea.

Last month, a Human Rights Tribunal in British Columbia considered a complaint brought against journalist Mark Steyn for a piece in the Canadian newsweekly Maclean's. The excerpt from Steyn's best-selling book "America Alone" argued that high Muslim birthrates mean Europeans will feel pressure to reach "an accommodation with their radicalized Islamic compatriots."

The Canadian Islamic Congress took offense. In the normal course of things, that would mean speaking or writing to counter Steyn. Not in 21st-century Canada, where the old liberal rallying cry "I hate what you say, but will fight for your right to say it" no longer applies.

The country is dotted with human-rights commissions. At first, they typically heard discrimination suits against businesses, then branched out into policing "hate" speech. Initially, they targeted neo-Nazis; then religious figures for their condemnations of homosexuality; and now Maclean's and Steyn.

The new rallying cry is, "If I hate what you say, I'll accuse you of hate." The Canadian Islamic Council got the Human Rights Tribunal in British Columbia and the national Canadian Human Rights Commission (where proceedings are still pending) to agree to hear its complaint. It had to like its odds.

The national commission has never found anyone innocent in 31 years. It is set up for classic Alice-in-Wonderland "verdict first, trial later" justice. Canada's Human Rights Act defines hate speech as speech "likely to expose a person or persons to hatred or contempt." The language is so capacious and vague that to be accused is tantamount to being found guilty.

Unlike in defamation law, truth is no defense, and there's no obligation to prove harm. One of the principal investigators of the Canadian Human Rights Commission was asked in a hearing what value he puts on freedom of speech in his work, and replied, "Freedom of speech is an American concept, so I don't give it any value." Clearly.

In British Columbia, the Steyn hearing proceeded with all the marsupial ungainliness of a kangaroo court. No one knew what the rules of evidence were. Hilariously, one of the chief complaints against Steyn was that he quoted a Muslim imam in Norway bragging that in Europe "the number of Muslims is expanding like mosquitoes."

The hearing has appropriately exposed the commissions to ridicule -- and maybe some hatred and contempt (if that's allowed). There are calls to strip them of their power to regulate the media.

Free speech is a very clean, neutral concept -- "Congress shall make no law ..." Once a government begins policing offensiveness, things get much murkier. It has to decide which groups are protected and which aren't. So, even though there are plenty of fire-breathing imams in Canada, no one ever pesters them about their hatefulness.

It is the genius of Muslim grievance groups to leverage Western anti-discrimination laws to their advantage. In his Maclean's essay, Steyn noted how in much of the West, "the early 21st century's principal political dynamic" is whether something offends Muslims. Indeed -- but in Canada, truth is no defense.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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## Chair Yoga Class begins August 4th

A new yoga class has been introduced to our exercise program. This chair yoga class is geared toward the person who has difficulty getting up and down on the floor. Taught by Pat Shaw, our Hatha Yoga instructor, it will be held on Wednesdays and Fridays, from 1:45 to 2:45pm. \$30 for 8 sessions.



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# Straight Talk for Teens



By Lauren Forcella

## 14-year-olds consider first marijuana use

let their problems become yours. Kids this age are striving to look mature, however, it's the kids who choose to not pollute their bodies who are the mature ones.

**From Farren, 20:** I would be most worried about the drinking. Many of my peers are now dealing with alcoholism from their years in college. Imagine if you started drinking at 14! You will be doing society a huge favor by telling — or leaving an anonymous note — with their parents or a school counselor. I'm not against teenagers being curious and experimenting, but 14 is too young! Focus Adolescent Services says that teens who start drinking before age 15 are five times more likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who start at 21, and that alcohol is a leading factor in the top three causes of death for 15- to 24-year-olds, which are automobile crashes, homicides and suicides. They go on to say that lack of parental support, monitoring, and communication are significantly related to the drinking habits of adolescents, and that harsh, inconsistent discipline, and hostility or rejection toward children also significantly predict adolescent drinking and alcohol-related problems.

**Dear "Kayla":** There are four good reasons to speak up: 1) For some kids, using is a phase, but for some it's not. 2) It's proven that positive peer pressure does make a difference. 3) It is particularly dangerous to pollute the brain during early adolescence because the pre-frontal cortex (which controls planning, organization, working memory, and mood), begins a huge "re-structuring" at this time. 4) It is easier for parents to manage kids when they are 14, versus, say, 17.

Since you don't know Janine and Claire's parents and are worried about how they will react, I urge you to inform a caring adult who will know how to intervene. As the statistics Farren provides note, teens are frequently driven into more dangerous behavior when a parent reacts with hostility, rejection, or undo harshness. Teens respond best to love, involvement, and clear, fair authority.

Write to Straight Talk at  
www.StraightTalkForTeens.com or  
PO Box 963, Fair Oaks, CA 95628.

**Dear Straight Talk:** I'm 14 and friends of mine (I'll call them Janine and Claire), go to Mexico a lot with Janine's family where they hook up with older people and get drunk. Now, as a "present" to themselves for eight grade graduation, they plan to smoke marijuana. Though Claire and Janine are my friends, they're not my best friends. If they were, I'd tell them if they didn't stop I would tell their parents. But I don't really know Claire and Janine's parents, or how they will react. What should I do? — "Kayla"

**From Katrina, 15:** I have a friend who started just like this. Two years later, she's popping pills and taking ecstasy. By all means, tell the parents.

**From Shelby, 16:** You tell their parents, trust me, your friends will hate you. Last year I was a freshman and I didn't think my friends were doing anything, and then one day I discovered differently. They didn't pressure me, but because I opened my big mouth and got mad at them, I lost a bunch of those friends. Months later, I apologized and accepted their behavior. Now, a year later, over half of them have stopped. Be there for your friends — just don't let yourself be pressured into joining them. Most likely they will grow out of it.

**From Michael, 16:** Unfortunately, drinking and smoking weed is like a "rite of passage" and there's not much you can do. I keep a relatively straight path by thinking of where I want to be down the road and making my decisions based on those goals. If you present your opinion in this "big picture" kind of way, you'll have more luck.

**From Emily, 15:** Because they're not close friends, they probably won't listen to you, but it's worth a try. On the other hand, be careful not to

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This total represents an overall increase of \$2,490,468,680 over the 2007-2008 assessment roll total, or 1.86%. Last year, the roll grew by 9.4% over the previous roll. In 2006-07, the roll grew by almost 15%.

Contributing to this year's smaller increase is the fact that over 85,000 residential parcels

(nearly 18% of the county's 470,000 parcels) have had their Proposition 13 assessed values temporarily lowered between 10% and 30% to reflect the general decline in residential real estate market values.

Reductions in assessed value due to this decline are over \$6 billion. This decrease will result in a revenue decrease of over \$60 million.

Taxpayers may visit the Assessor's web site [www.assessor.saccounty.net](http://www.assessor.saccounty.net) for more assessment information.

# Lane Closure Notification

## Closure dates:

6/30/2008 to 10/29/2008

**Times:** 8:00 am to 3:30 pm

**Location of closure:** intersection of cypress avenue and garfield avenue

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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## THE MORTGAGE MANAGER



By Ed Wacaster

In my former profession as a Crisis Counselor, I had countless people in my office that had fallen short of the goals and dreams they had set for themselves. They woke up one day to find that not only had they not achieved their childhood dreams, they were so far gone they had to look up to see something way out of reach.

Even today I talk to people who thought they would have been much further along in life than they are. I find it interesting that they all seem to have the same thing in common: lack written goals, both financial and personal. Without such written goals, we have actually decided we would allow

life to dictate what we get. This basically amounts to nothing in the overall picture of things, and way less than we hoped for.

There is a certain exercise we must go through in order to achieve our goals and dreams in life. It's such an easy thing to do, yet it requires much thought and teamwork from the entire family unit: setting goals. We then must review those same goals in a timely manner to make sure we're on track to get to where we planned, in the time we allotted to do so. They must be written, time sensitive, and broken down into small achievable items. My friend Todd Duncan calls this "Chunk down." This is the manner in which we take complete control over our personal economy. We make a goal, we write it down, and we measure our progress as we go.

Setting goals and measuring them in a timely manner can propel you beyond even your wildest dreams. We all have financial dreams, professional dreams and dreams for our family and loved ones. Without proper goal setting and planning these are only pipe dreams, and we're at the mercy of what life will allow us to have. Then we end up in my old office talking to some person who is struggling with the same issues.

Take charge of your life today by sitting down with your spouse or significant other and making some goals. Write them down and put a date on it as to when that goal will be achieved. Then list each item it's going to take in order to get there and who is responsible for that item. Financial success comes from proper planning and the discipline to follow through. You can do it and I believe in you.

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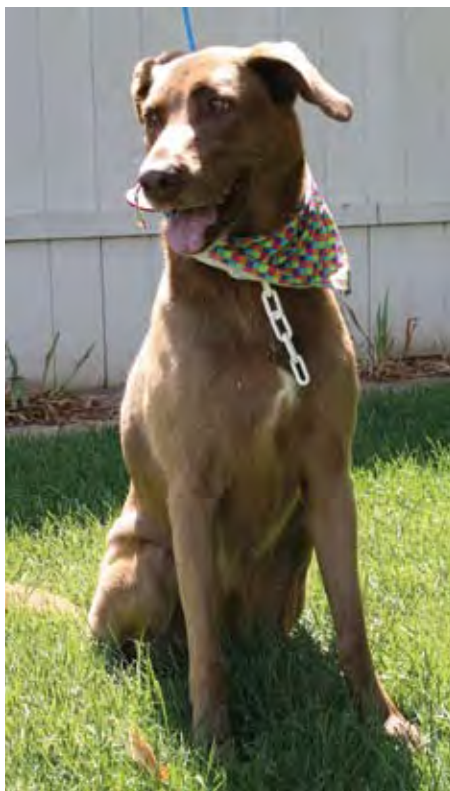
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## Carmichael Business Expo Coming August 6th

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The Carmichael Chamber of Commerce strives to be a catalyst for economic prosperity within the region. The 2008 Carmichael Business Expo will provide a cost-effective means for small to medium size business' to showcase their products and services to the community.

This year, the Carmichael Business Expo will feature three pavilions; business to business, business to community and community services. The Carmichael Chamber of Commerce expects over 65 top businesses to participate.

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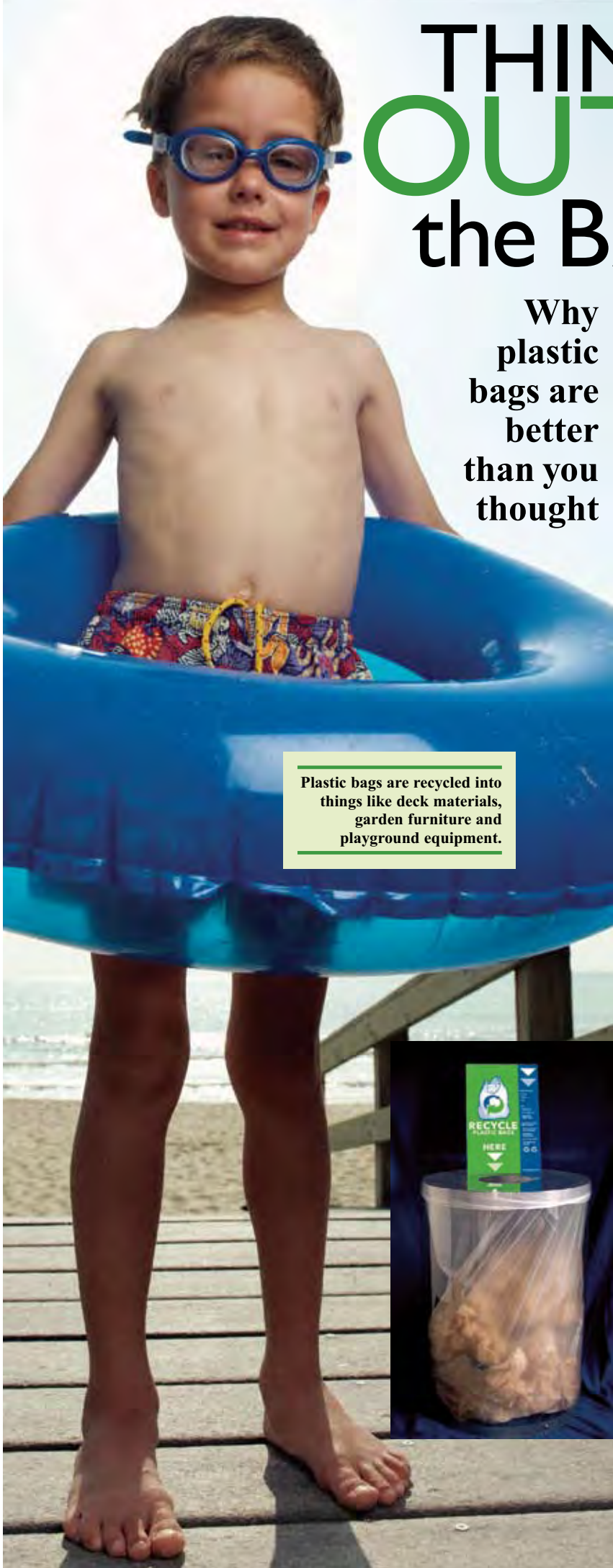
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# THINK OUTSIDE the BAG

Why plastic bags are better than you thought

Plastic bags are recycled into things like deck materials, garden furniture and playground equipment.

#### FAMILY FEATURES

**P**aper or plastic? It's a question heard in stores around the country. As eco-awareness grows, communities across the U.S. are thinking about the full environmental impact of that choice. In an effort to reduce litter, for instance, San Francisco has implemented a limited ban on plastic bags, mandating the use of alternatives like paper or biodegradable bags. It is the only city to do so, however. Other areas have considered this, but recent studies reveal that plastic bag bans are not a "best" environmental choice and in fact, lead to unexpected increases in energy, water pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

In May of 2007, *The ULS Report* reviewed EPA data and independent studies that compared the environmental impact of various grocery bags. Their findings might surprise you.

#### Plastic bags are more environmentally sustainable than paper bags.

- Plastic bags use 40 to 70 percent less energy to produce and generate 80 percent less waste.
- Plastic bags consume less than 4 percent of the water needed to make paper bags.
- It takes 91 percent less energy to recycle a pound of plastic than a pound of paper.

#### Plastic bags contribute less to greenhouse gasses than alternatives.

- Plastic bags generate 60 percent less greenhouse gas emissions than uncomposted paper bags, and 79 percent less than composted bags.

So what are concerned communities and citizens to do? Recycling is now seen by policymakers to be the more responsible choice, rather than bans. Some larger cities and states are leading the way with plastic bag recycling laws and policies. California and New York City, supported by industry and environmental groups, have recently put plastic bag recycling laws into place. Sharon Kneiss, vice president of the American Chemistry Council's Products Division said, "The biggest state and the biggest city in the nation choose plastic bag recycling because it makes sense for the environment and the economy." Other states like Connecticut, New Jersey and Rhode Island are also considering similar policies. "The growth of plastic bag recycling will continue to benefit the environment," says Kneiss. "The facts are absolutely clear — plastic bags are the sound environmental choice. They are a valuable resource, too valuable to waste and are 100 percent recyclable."

While plastic bags are not yet recycled in numbers equivalent to bottles and cans, the recycling of bags and film increased by 24 percent in 2006. The Progressive Bag Affiliates, which represents bag manufacturers and recyclers, says part of the problem is that not everyone knows plastic grocery bags are recyclable. Consumers, grocers and retailers need to be made aware of the financial and environmental benefits of recycling.

So what can you do? *The ULS Report* and the American Chemistry Council both recommend the three R's: reduce, reuse and recycle.

**Reduce:** Put more items in fewer bags and avoid double bagging. In New York City alone, one less grocery bag per person would reduce waste by 5 million pounds in one year.

**Reuse:** Use plastic bags as wastebasket liners; wrap shoes before packing them with clean clothes; bring them on dog walks to collect and dispose of pet waste.

**Recycle:** Many grocers and retailers now have plastic bag collection programs. If yours doesn't, ask the managers about starting one. Find out if your community has a municipal drop-off center or curbside program by visiting [www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org).

For more information about the studies and what you can do, go to [www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org).

Plastic bags use 40 to 70 percent less energy to produce than paper bags and generate 80 percent less waste.

#### What about ...?

Grocery bags are not the only plastic bags being recycled:

- Retail bags (remove hard plastic and string handles)
- Paper towel and toilet paper plastic wrap
- Plastic newspaper bags
- Plastic dry cleaning bags
- All clean, clear bags labeled with a #2 or #4

Some plastic bags have elements that are considered contaminants and could jeopardize recycling programs. Do not recycle:

- Food or cling wrap
- Prepackaged food bags, including frozen food or prewashed salad bags
- Wrapping film that has been painted or has excessive glue
- Bio-based or compostable plastic bags

#### Did you know?

- Banning recyclable plastic bags will not reduce our dependence on oil. In the U.S., nearly 80 percent of polyethylene, the type of plastic used to make plastic bags, is produced from domestic natural gas not foreign oil.

- In 2006, 812 million pounds of plastic bag and film were recycled. That's enough material to make 1.5 million house decks, or 40 billion new plastic bags.

- Plastic bags are recycled into things like deck materials, garden furniture and playground equipment.

### Cruisin' By Greg Zyla

#### Studebaker's WWII Weasel

**Q:** Greg, I really enjoy your nostalgic car columns, especially the ones on the World War II auto manufacturers when they didn't build cars for several years and concentrated on wartime machine production. You mentioned GM and Chrysler and the many things they built, but if my memory is correct, I believe Studebaker was also heavily involved and built some type of tracked vehicle. Can you help me remember what it was? -- Joseph, age 81, retired in Martinsville, Va.

**A:** Joseph, your memory serves you well, as Studebaker did build a very popular wartime tracked vehicle called the Weasel. The first Weasels had 15-inch tracks, the later versions had larger 20-inchers. Two versions were available, an M29 and M29C.

The M29 troop mover was designed to get through snow and ice where other vehicles would become stuck. The M29C "Water Weasel" was an amphibious version and had buoyancy cells in the bow and stern, as well as twin rudders.

I remember that *AutoWeek* magazine actually tested one back in 2006 or so, and noted there was a compartment above the engine and transmission designed to hold TNT and a detonator for self-destruct purposes.

Hope all this helps, and you are correct that the auto manufacturers really helped the war effort in building everything from airplane engines (Studebaker, too), rocket engines, tanks, personnel carriers and lots more.

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 ONEILR 80603  
 7-8-08

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2008-00013037-CU-PT-GDS**

WHEREAS, Susana Bogan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Susana Bogan to Susan Bogan. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on July 24, 2008 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: June 12, 2008.

Loren E. McMaster  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 2008.  
 BOGAN 80603  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO SUMMONS**

CASE #FLO26468  
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The name and address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of Santa Cruz, 1 Second St. #300, Watsonville, CA 95076.

The name, address, and telephone number of petitioner's attorney, or petitioner without an attorney, is: Yayoi Tran, 640 Hester Creek Road, Los Gatos, CA 95033; 408-348-8891.

Dated: April 9, 2008.  
 Publish: June 17, 24, July 1, 8, 2008.  
 TRAN 80603  
 7-8-08

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #0806526.** S&R Automotive Management LLC, 18757 Messick Rd., Linden, CA 95636 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "All-Pro Automotive Repair" at 8420 Auburn Blvd., Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on June 13, 2007. Publish: June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 2008.

ALLPRO 80604

7-15-08  
**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #0806601.** Used Cars Direct L.L.C., 5111 College Oak Dr. #L, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "Direct Car Outlet; DCO" at 5111 College Oak Dr. #L, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on June 16, 2008. Publish: June 24, July 1, 8, 15, 2008.  
 DIRECT 80604  
 7-15-08

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #0806526.** S&R Automotive Management LLC, 18757 Messick Rd., Linden, CA 95636 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "All Pro Automotive Repair" at 8420 Auburn Blvd., Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on June 13, 2008. Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 S&RAUT 80701  
 7-22-08

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

#34-2008-00010115-CU-PT  
 WHEREAS, Susan L. Spann and Christian V. Pellon have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Christopher Daniel Pellon to Christopher Daniel Spann. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on July 29, 2008 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: June 17, 2008.  
 Loren E. McMaster  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 SPANN 80701  
 7-22-08  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**  
 #34-2008-00014010-CU-PT-GDS  
 WHEREAS, Yvonne Mejia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names of Velina Elisa Kellie to Velina Elise Mejia; Alexseha Nadia Kellie to Alexseha Nadia Majia; Zachariah Kenneth Kellie to Zachariah Eliseo Mejia; and Dominique Margaret Apolinar Kellie to Dominique Margaret Apolinar Mejia. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on Aug.5, 2008 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: June 24, 2008.  
 Shelleyanne W.L. Chang  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 MEJIA 80701  
 7-22-08  
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**  
 #34-2008-00013829-CU-PT-GDS  
 WHEREAS, Susan Carol Stone has filed a petition with this court

for four consecutive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition. Dated: June 17, 2008.

Loren E. McMaster  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 SPANN 80701  
 7-22-08

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

#34-2008-00014010-CU-PT-GDS  
 WHEREAS, Yvonne Mejia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names of Velina Elisa Kellie to Velina Elise Mejia; Alexseha Nadia Kellie to Alexseha Nadia Majia; Zachariah Kenneth Kellie to Zachariah Eliseo Mejia; and Dominique Margaret Apolinar Kellie to Dominique Margaret Apolinar Mejia. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on Aug.5, 2008 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: June 24, 2008.

Shelleyanne W.L. Chang  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 MEJIA 80701  
 7-22-08

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

#34-2008-00013829-CU-PT-GDS  
 WHEREAS, Susan Carol Stone has filed a petition with this court

for a decree changing name of Susan Carol Stone to Suzie Carol Stone. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on Aug. 6, 2008 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: June 20, 2008.

Loren E. McMaster  
 Judge of the Superior Court  
 Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 STONE 80701  
 7-22-08

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

#34-2008-00014459-CU-PT-GDS

WHEREAS, Kenneth Al Hall and Kelly L. Hall have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Michaela Patricia Ramsey to Michaela Patricia Hall. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on Aug. 8, 2008 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: June 27, 2008.

Loren E. McMaster  
 Judge of the Superior Court

Publish: July 1, 8, 15, 22, 2008.  
 HALL 80701  
 7-22-08

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #0806578.** Jennifer Lynn Finley, 4905 Olympia Court, Carmichael, CA 95608 and Jennifer Ann Finley, 4663 Cattlo Way, Roseville, CA 95747 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Simply Chic, Event Planning and Design" at 4905 Olympia Court, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on June 16, 2008. Publish: July 8, 15, 22, 29, 2008.

SIMPLY 80702  
 7-29s-08

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

#34-2008-00014299-CU-PT-GDS

WHEREAS, Lydmila Avdeyuk has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name of Lydmila Stepanova Advuyuk to Liz Derebenskiy. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on Aug. 11, 2008 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: June 26, 2008.

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