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SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - With 2014 just around the corner, the California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is reminding motorists of some of the new laws that will become effective in the new year. The following laws go into effect on January 1, 2014, unless otherwise noted.

Bicycles: Passing Distance. AB 1371 (Bradford), known as the Three Feet for Safety Act, will require a motor vehicle driver passing a bicycle that is proceeding in the same direction to pass with no less than 3 feet between any part of the vehicle and any part of the bicycle or driver. When three feet is not possible, the motor vehicle must slow to a reasonable and prudent speed and only pass when no danger is present to the bicyclist. Failing to do so can incur a fine, regardless of a collision or not. This law will take

effect September 16, 2014.

Clean Air Vehicle Decals / "HOV Stickers." AB 266 (Yee) and SB 286 (Blumefield), together extend sunset dates for low emission, zero emission vehicles to operate in high occupancy vehicle lanes (HOV) without meeting occupancy requirements to January 1, 2019.

Commercial Driver's License. AB 1047 (Linder) will allow the DMV to conduct the commercial drive test for the holder of an out-of-state commercial learner's permit. The department would electronically transfer the information to the motor vehicle department in the applicant's state of residence. AB 1047 also modifies the license class definitions to require a driver operating a bus weighing more than 26,000 pounds to hold a commercial Class B license and a driver operating a bus weighing

26,000 pounds or less to hold a commercial Class C license.

DMV Vehicle Registration Pilot Program. SB 806 (Hueso) authorizes DMV to establish a pilot program to evaluate the use of alternatives to stickers, tabs, license plates, and registration cards, subject to certain requirements. It will also enable the DMV to experiment with electronic license plates, as well as facilitate DMV's ability to explore cost-effective alternatives to California's traditional metal license plate, plastic-coated registration stickers, and paper registration cards.

Registration and Vehicle Transfers Between Family Members. AB 443 (Lowenthal) prohibits the transfer of ownership of a vehicle to a relative or a revocable living trust until all parking or toll-violation fines and

penalties reported to the DMV are paid by the transferee.

Teen Drivers. SB 194 (Galgiani) will prohibit a person who is under 18 years of age from using an electronic wireless communications device to write, send, or read a text-based communication while driving, even if it is equipped with a hands-free device.

Veterans License Plates. AB 244 (Bonilla) Requires the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) to sponsor a veterans' special interest license plate and requires the DMV to issue the veterans' plate if CalVet meets the current statutory requirements.

This law creates, in addition to the current Honoring Veterans design of the Veteran's Organization Plate, a new program to reissue the Veteran design

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River Cats Now Hiring For 2014 Season



WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento River Cats are in the midst of filling between 150-200 seasonal positions for the upcoming 2014 baseball season at Raley Field.

The club - which is entering its 15th season in Sacramento - is hiring clean team members, emergency medical technicians, ushers, Kids Corner representatives, Merlino's Freeze workers, and several other seasonal positions. In addition to the seasonal positions, the River Cats are also looking to fill full-time positions in several departments including ticket sales and corporate partnerships.

The first River Cats home game of the season is set for Friday, April 11, at 7:05 p.m. at Raley Field when the Salt Lake Bees - Triple-A affiliate of the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim - come to town.

Those interested in applying are asked to visit rivercats.com for more information. ★

Flu is on the Rise

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Following the normal seasonal pattern, influenza activity is on the rise in California and nationwide. Many California counties, and other states, are reporting patients who are critically ill with influenza, including healthy young adults.

The H1N1 strain appears to be the predominant strain circulating so far in California and in the rest of the United States this flu season. The H1N1 virus, which emerged during the 2009 pandemic, causes more illness in children and young adults, compared to older adults. It causes severe illness in all age groups, including those younger than 65 years of age. This year's influenza vaccine protects against the strains circulating in the state, including H1N1.

"It is not too late to get the flu vaccine," urged Dr. Ron Chapman, director of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and state health officer. "A yearly flu vaccine is the most important step in preventing influenza. It's important to remember that unlike other vaccine preventable diseases, it is necessary to get a flu shot every year."

The vaccine is available now. Once vaccinated, it takes approximately two weeks before you are fully protected against the flu. An influenza vaccine is

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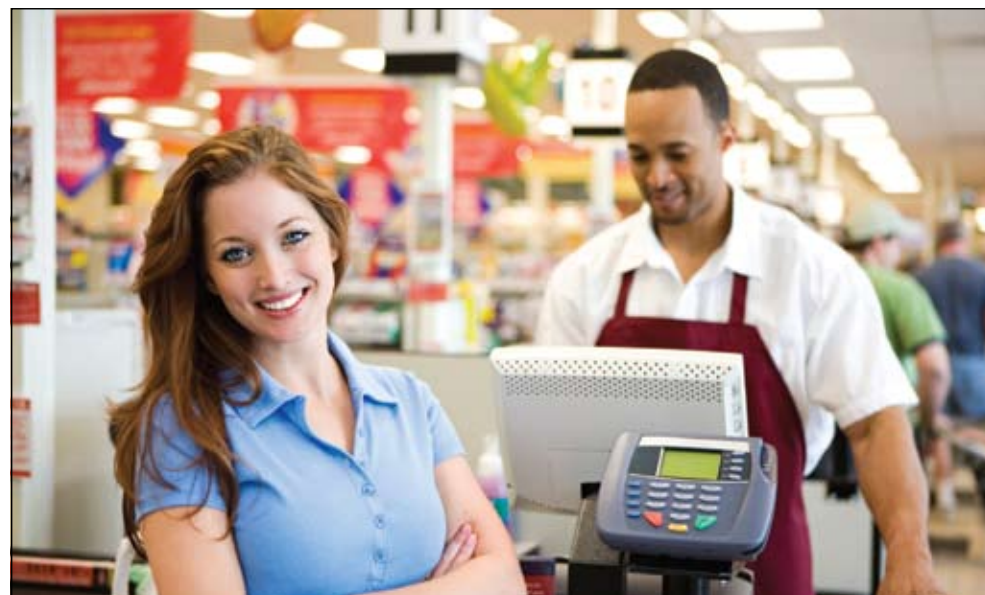
SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Three quarters of Sacramento's top employers are optimistic about the economy in the New Year and those expectations will keep them busy hiring through Quarter 1. When asked directly seventy-six percent (76%) of human resource contacts were optimistic about economic growth and job markets in the Sacramento region for 2014.

Polled directly by telephone, that optimism is reflected in hiring activity as sixty percent (60%) of top companies say they are planning to hire in January, February and March.

This is a slightly more rapid pace of hiring than last year's first quarter when fifty-seven percent (57%) were hiring with thirty-six percent (36%) motivated to hire for growth, or workforce expansion in 2013.

Quarter 1 of 2014 finds forty-two percent (42%) hiring for growth, with thirty-eight percent (38%) hiring for attrition, or replacements among existing workers in the first three months.

These are significant improvements in the market from regional employment and economic conditions just four years ago. As Pacific Staffing discovered then, the



first three months of 2009 sent the market crashing with hiring freezes, workforce reductions, furloughs and shortened workweeks, massive layoffs and companies going out of business as the national recession hit the area. That's history as seventy-four percent (74%) of those surveyed also say they expect their companies to grow in 2014.

While the majority of HR contacts were

positive about Q1 2014, thirteen percent (13%) remain pessimistic the economy would improve in the New Year. Two companies are expecting to reduce their workforce numbers due to seasonal change in the first three months of the year.

As the economy improves employers

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“Sacramento Museum Day” Returns

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Imagine. Explore. Discover. To the delight of the greater Sacramento area community, thirty local museums will offer free or half-priced admission from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 1, 2014, during the 16th Annual Sacramento Museum Day! Two museums have recently joined the association and community-wide event, including the California Statewide Museum Collections Center and the Center For Sacramento History. During the highly anticipated event, 28 of the 30 museums will offer free admission whereas two destinations located in residential areas — the Sacramento Zoo and Fairytale Town — will offer half-priced admission to offset parking control and security costs. Coordinated by the Sacramento Association of Museums (SAM) and the Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau, this hugely popular event is proudly presented by Chipotle Mexican Grill. Sacramento Museum Day, a popular Sacramento cultural tradition, is designed to encourage all members of the community to experience the Capital City’s incredible wealth of art, history, science and wildlife — at little or no cost. Many of the museums are within walking distance of each other and easily accessible

via public transportation. Event coordinators suggest that guests plan to visit no more than two or three different museums on this day in order to allow adequate time to enjoy the experience and to travel between individual sites. In addition to offering free or reduced cost admission, some of the destinations are offering special activities during Sacramento Museum Day. For instance, the Aerospace Museum will offer an “open cockpit” day where most aircraft will be open for viewing (weather permitting), a children’s art contest and on-site exhibitors such as the Tuskegee Airmen. And, some of today’s big monster tractors will hit the road to make a special trip to be on display at the Heidrick Ag History Center in Woodland. “We are very excited to continue this popular annual tradition and we are proud to welcome two new museums to the event this year,” said Sacramento Association of Museums Chair Kristina Swanson. “With each passing year, more and more community members are introduced to the amazing array of arts, culture and museum offerings available in the Sacramento region. And, we are especially pleased that Chipotle Mexican Grill has continued as a title sponsor. The support of generous corporate sponsors is invaluable

and helps to make Sacramento Museum Day possible each year.” While admission is free at 28 of the participating museums during Sacramento Museum Day, admission to two destinations located in residential areas are half-priced as follows: Sacramento Zoo is \$5.75 for adults, \$3.75 for children ages 2-11 and free for children under two; Fairytale Town is \$2.50 per person and free for children ages one and under. Due to the popularity of Sacramento Museum Day, some locations must limit the number of admissions for safety reasons. The event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. but note the last guests will be admitted at 4 p.m. More detailed information about participating museums, addresses, limitations, suggested parking and public transit options is available at www.sacmuseums.org (click on “Events”), or by calling the Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau at (916) 808-7777. Sacramento Museum Day 2014 is proudly supported by active and engaged community partners. In addition to the title sponsor Chipotle Mexican Grill, other sponsors include KSEG 96.9 FM, Outword Magazine and STAR 106.5 FM.
Source: T-Rock Communications

SCOE Operation Recognition Seeks Eligible Veterans to Receive High School Diplomas

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) is again awarding high school diplomas to qualifying U.S. Veterans and Japanese American citizens through its popular “Operation Recognition” program. The Operation Recognition program was adopted in October 2001 by the Sacramento County Board of Education to honor the contributions and sacrifices of individuals who missed completing high school to serve in the U.S. military (specifically World War II or the Korean War) or relocated to a World War II internment camp for Japanese American citizens. In 2005, the County Board of Education expanded the program to include veterans of the Vietnam War. The Sacramento County Board of Education has provided diplomas to 171 veterans and Japanese American citizens through Operation Recognition since 2001. Eight of the diplomas have

been awarded posthumously. Residents of Sacramento County are encouraged to request diplomas on behalf of themselves or qualifying family members, including persons who are now deceased. April 30, 2014 is the deadline to submit applications. The Sacramento County Board of Education is scheduled to hold its next Operation Recognition diploma ceremony on Tuesday, May 20, 2014. Operation Recognition applications are available online at www.scoe.net/or or by mail from: Operation Recognition, P.O. Box 269003, Sacramento, CA 95826-9003. To request that an application be mailed, phone (916) 228-2416. Applications are also available from the Sacramento County Veterans Service Office, located in midtown Sacramento at 2007-19th Street. There is no charge to participate in the program. Qualifications for an Operation Recognition diploma include:

- Applicant or recipient is a Sacramento County resident;
 - Veterans—show proof of Honorable Discharge from U.S. military service occurring during WW II, the Korean War or the Vietnam War
 - Japanese American citizens — show proof of internment in a WW II relocation camp; and
 - Veterans and Japanese American citizens — give name of high school applicant was attending at time of induction into military service or internment.
- An application may be submitted by a family member of a qualifying individual, living or deceased. Persons who meet the qualifications, but earned a GED, also are eligible. Diploma recipients and/or survivors should be current or former Sacramento County residents. Those living outside Sacramento County may be referred to their local county office of education. ★

New Law “Zaps” Tax Evasion

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - New laws that take effect Jan. 1, 2014 give the California State Board of Equalization (BOE) new resources to fight the underground economy and protect taxpayers. BOE-sponsored Assembly Bill 781 makes it a crime to buy, sell, install, or use “zappers.” This technology is used to hide or remove sales transactions and evade paying tax. Additionally, it defrauds the state and provides users an unfair advantage over taxpayers who comply with the law. Another weapon against tax evasion is BOE-supported Assembly Bill 576, which creates the Revenue Recovery and Collaborative Enforcement (RRACE) Team, composed

of the BOE, Franchise Tax Board (FTB), Employment Development Department (EDD), and the Department of Justice (DOJ). The bill authorizes the team and other agencies to exchange information and investigate underground operations. The BOE also sponsored Senate Bill 442 which helps protect taxpayers’ rights by assuring taxpayers are notified timely of bank charges they may incur due to a BOE processing error. Taxpayers may file a reimbursement claim 90 days from the date a bank or third-party incurred the charge, and the BOE must respond within 30 days of the claim. Other notable bills that affect taxpayers include: Senate Bill 90 grants a sales

and use tax exemption for manufacturing and research and development equipment from July 1, 2014 – July, 1 2022. Manufacturers, researchers and developers of biotechnology, engineering, and life science will receive a 4.1875% sales and use tax exemption for qualifying purchases. Assembly Bill 551 allows cities and counties to create Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones and offers landowners preferential property tax assessments if they use this land within a zone for “small-scale” agriculture. For a complete list of BOE-sponsored legislation enacted in 2013, visit <http://www.boe.ca.gov/legdiv/leg2013cont.htm> ★
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Nine-Year-Old Entrepreneur Nicolas Come Presented Special Award Among 2013's "Forty Under 40 to Watch"

By Drisha Leggett

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Nine-year-old Entrepreneur Nicolas Come, founder of the "Nicolas' Garden" Mobile Application and digital platform, was presented with a special, "Honorary Winner," Accolade at Sacramento's recent, 2013 "Forty Under 40" Awards. Presented by an independent group of judges and the Sacramento Business Journal, Nicolas was (by far) the youngest winner of the coveted, "Forty Under 40," Honor – a full 21 years younger than the next youngest honoree!

Nicolas is quite proud of the "Forty Under 40 Award," and his recent recognition as the "Student Entrepreneur of the Year," by North State Innovate. However, he is not resting on his laurels; he continues to build and promote his "Nicolas' Garden" company, to inspire all children to make healthier choices. Having already launched the "Nicolas' Garden" Mobile App (<http://nicolasgarden.com/pages/app>), and digital platform, (www.NicolasGarden.com), Nicolas also recently launched a YouTube, healthy kids news program known as, "NG.TV", which he updates every two weeks.

Nicolas hopes to release the next version of his Mobile App, launch a television show, and design his first, "Healthy Kids" Mobile App game in 2014.

"I'm very proud of receiving the, 'Forty Under 40,' Award," states Nicolas. "I know everyone nominated for this honor has done amazing things for our community, and I feel really lucky to be included with them. I hope I can continue to help kids around



the world be healthier. And I want to thank everyone who downloaded my App, followed me on Facebook or Twitter, or supported 'Nicolas' Garden' in other ways. It's great we are all working together to inspire children to be healthy!"

For further information and to see photos of Nicolas receiving the "Forty Under 40 Award," please check: www.NicolasGarden.com. ★

Singles Winter Wonderland Dance Saturday, January 18 at Liberty Towers

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Christian Singles Network, northern California's largest and oldest Christian singles group, will host a Winter Wonderland Dance for Single adults Saturday, January 18 at Liberty Towers Church, 5132 Elkhorn Blvd., Sacramento. Dance teacher Richard Kowaleski teaches the Night Club 2 Step at 7 PM. DJ John Maricich plays all types of dance music 8-11:30 PM. All ages are welcome.

Doors open at 6:45 PM. For more information call 530-878-8606 A mix of rock and roll, ballroom, Latin, country and Christian music is played at all

dances. Dress is nicer casual.

The ticket price of \$15 presale or \$20 at the door includes hors d'oeuvres and desserts, non-alcohol beverages and the dance lesson. Volunteers attend free. Dance tickets are available on line at www.christiansinglesnet.com, Singles at Destiny Church in Rocklin, and by mail to CSN, P.O. Box 909, Meadow Vista, CA 95722.

The group has sponsored retreats, cruises, seminars, concerts, weekly dinners and monthly dances the past 21 years Membership is not necessary to attend, although members get a \$5 discount at the door. All ages are welcome, though most people

are 40 and up. CSN dances draw singles from the Sacramento, the foothills, and beyond to Reno and the Bay Area.

To receive more information about activities, or directions call the 530-878-8606. or the dance 24 hour event line at 916-658-0606. The website, www.christiansinglesnet.com, includes directions to the dance as well as information about upcoming event. Two special events take place in February - a Valentines dance February 8 at the same location, and a Valentine's dinner with dance Sunday, February 16, at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Roseville. ★

Lemere Completes Basic Training At West Point

WEST POINT, N.Y. - Cadet Cori Kathryn Lemere, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lemere of Mather, Calif., completed Cadet Basic Training at the U.S. Military Academy.

Lemere entered West Point on July 1 and has successfully completed six of CBT. CBT is one of the most challenging events a cadet will encounter over the course of their four years at the academy.

The initial military training program provides cadets with basic skills to instill discipline, pride, cohesion, confidence and a high sense of duty to prepare them for entry into the Corps of Cadets. Areas of summer instruction included first aid, mountaineering, hand grenades, rifle marksmanship and nuclear, biological, and chemical training.

Lemere began classes Aug. 19. The West Point curriculum offers 37 majors balancing physical sciences and engineering with humanities and social sciences leading to a Bachelor of Science degree.

Lemere graduated from Rosemont High School. She plans to graduate from West Point in 2017 and be commissioned as a second lieutenant in



the U.S. Army.

The mission of the U.S. Military Academy is to educate, train, and inspire the Corps of Cadets so that each graduate is a commissioned leader of character committed to the values of

Duty, Honor, Country and prepared for a career of professional excellence and service to the nation as an officer in the United States Army. ★

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that was issued prior to January 1, 2010. These plates are available to all vehicle owners. The Department of Veterans Affairs must secure 7,500 pre-paid applications in order for the department to implement this plate program.

Additionally, the Department of Motor Vehicles will begin the process of implementing AB 60 (Alejo)—the new law requiring DMV to issue a driver license to an applicant who is unable to submit satisfactory proof that he/she

is legally present in the United States—by drafting new regulations and preparing field offices to process new applications. The new law becomes operative by January 1, 2015. The applicant will be required to meet all other driver license qualifications.

For complete information on chaptered bills enacted in 2013, please refer to the Legislative Counsel website at www.LegInfo.ca.gov.

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offers an array of services to customers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week through its Website including online advance appointments for written and drive tests; vehicle registration and driver license renewals, selection of personalized license plates, changes of address and payment of fees via secure debit transactions. Customers can also effect transactions by calling DMV customer service at (800) 777-0133. DMV is a department under the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA). ★

Retiring City Manager Ted Gaebler Was Honored



RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Retiring City Manager Ted Gaebler was honored for a decade of service to the City of Rancho Cordova at Monday's City Council Meeting. The Rancho Cordova City Council (pictured here with Gaebler) and twenty-one elected officials and organizations recognized Gaebler for his legacy and over 50 years of changing governments. Gaebler first gained national and international notoriety as the co-author of the book "Reinventing Government," which became an international best seller about transforming governments from outdated, bureaucratic organizations to flexible, customer-focused organizations. He was hired to be the first City Manager of Rancho Cordova in 2003.

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Resolution Revolution



By Gold River Resident Jodie Barringer Myers

The holidays of 2013 are so...last year. I, like you, hit the *PAUSE* button during Thanksgiving and Christmas. I reflected and relaxed and enjoyed the family fun and holiday hoopla.

As a new year dawns, it is now time to hit *REFRESH* and *RESET*. But I'll take a pass on that *RESOLUTION* thing.

Look up "resolve" or "resolution" in your Webster's. It's a hoity-toity, weighty word that means *I hereby declare and promise to the world, and myself, with firmness of mind and purpose, that I will attain each and every goal upon which I set forth.*

Or something like that. And I'm just not doing it anymore.

I started a one-woman Resolution Revolution more than a decade ago.

It used to be that, starting around December 27, I'd vow to myself and anyone within ear-shot that I'd no longer contribute to the fast-moving, ever-changing, exhilarating rumor mill that seems to run on high gear when amongst friends; that I'd floss every single night – even those hard-to-reach back teeth; that I'd *keep* clean and organized all drawers and cabinets, especially in my bathroom; that I'd volunteer my time at least weekly at Bayside Church or St. John's Shelter or the Crocker. Oh, and of course I'd lose two inches off of each thigh and run a marathon by year's end.

(Cue the shattered glass.)

By March of each year, my dental hygienist would reprimand me for my lackadaisical flossing skills. (*"Oh, ya gotta be sure and get way back in there, Jodie."*) And speaking of mouths, by April I would realize that I opened mine way too often when discussing who-did-what-to-whom-where-and-when, thus being a major contributor to the rumor mill. By June my drawers

were more "clutterful" than ever, and the bathroom cabinets became even more discolored from smeared lipstick and blush residue. Volunteering? I didn't do much. And, of course, the marathon was never run, and my thighs were not one whit smaller in circumference.

So you see, I grew tired of unfulfilled promises to myself. I deemed myself an epic failure. And *that* is why I started the Resolution Revolution.

But back to those *REFRESH* and *RESET* buttons...

There is a wonderful "new car smell" to every January. It's a great time to trade in the woe-ful, ugly and unsavory parts of the previous year for a shiny new replacement, and to look forward to all the doors, rife with potential and possibility, that will open. Makes me wish there were an *OPEN* button.

So here's to you, and to the brand new baby that is 2014, and to all of us becoming the better, new and improved model of our former selves...and to confidently knocking, peeking in, tiptoeing, walking or barging through those doors. ★

Jodie Barringer Myers writes a blog, cottagecheeseandcrepepaper.com, and can be reached at jbthinmint@hotmail.com.



By Bob McGarvey

A new year for Congress would mean they would actually work for the pay and benefits they receive and would think first about what is best for the people of this country . . . not what is best for them or their political future. Last year, the House only worked 135 days and passed 65 bills. That is a record but not a record anyone should be proud of.

Perhaps it is too soon to be talking about the November 2014 election, but there are so many people who are unhappy with what Congress is NOT doing in Washington D.C. that I thought it would be interesting to look at the most recent polls which show

A New year for Congress?

the approval ratings of our "hired public servants".

Following are poll results as of December 31, 2013. The Economist/YouGov: Approve 7% , Disapprove 77%. FOX News: Approve 16%, Disapprove 79%. ABC News/Wash Post: Approve 14%, Disapprove 83%. Associated Press/GFK: Approve 13% , Disapprove 86%. CBS News/NYTimes: Approve 10% , Disapprove 83%. Gallup: Approve 12%, Disapprove 85%. Reason-Rupe/PSRAI : Approve 20%, Disapprove 74%.

Whatever the pollsters are trying to prove with the "All Congressional Job Approval Polling Data", the end result ends up being very disheartening. As far as I know, the polls don't ask the question, "What about YOUR Senator or YOUR Congressman or Congresswoman?" These polls revealed that the "best" Congress could get was get a 20% approval rating and their "worst" approval rating was 7%. I wonder if the same elected officials will be given the same jobs again this coming November? Let us hope not.

The people who depend on unemployment while looking for jobs had their assistance cut and even disabled Veterans had their pay cut by Congress. So many Veterans are truly desperate after coming back to their country. At least the soldiers who come back today don't get the same treatment their fathers received when they came home from Vietnam.

It would be nice to begin the year of 2014 if members of Congress would only spend six months running their campaign for re-election. That would mean that they would spend one and one half years doing the jobs we hired them to do.

Mark Twain said, "The government is merely a servant -- merely a temporary servant; it cannot be its prerogative to determine what is right and what is wrong and decide who is a patriot and who isn't. Its function is to obey orders, not originate them." ★

From Vice Mayor Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see you next time.

Flu is on the Rise

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especially important for pregnant women and other people at higher risk for severe influenza.

"It's impossible to predict the severity of a flu season, but the best way to prevent spread of the flu is to get vaccinated," said Dr. Chapman.

In addition to getting vaccinated, it's crucial to practice good

health habits. If you become ill, you should take actions to stop the spread of germs, including:

- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your coughs and sneezes
- Wash your hands with soap/water
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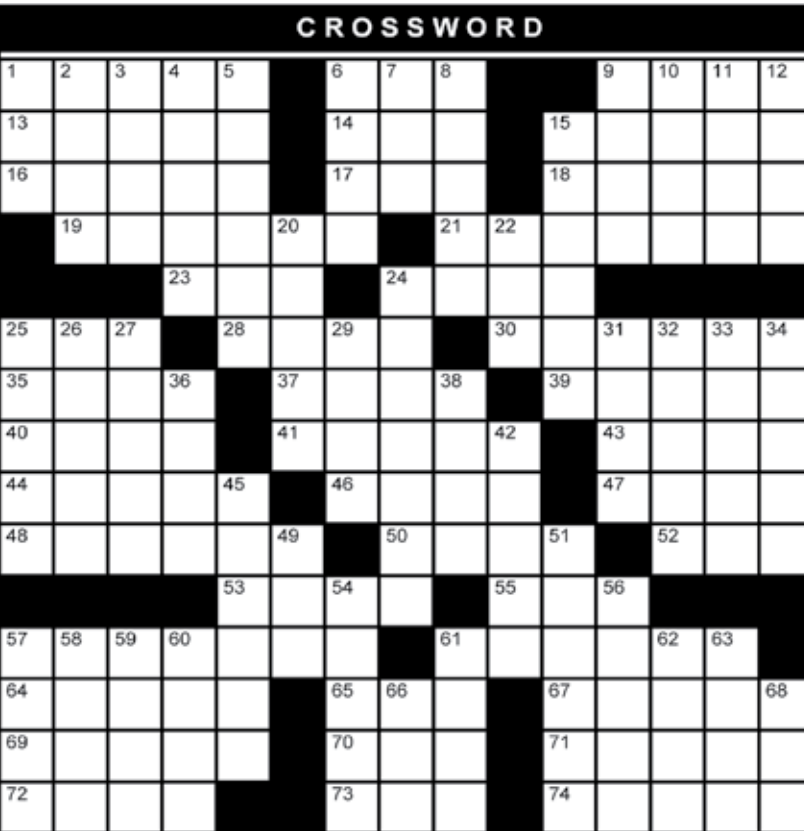
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6. That male
9. * ____ down snow pile to build fort
13. Graven images
14. E in B.C.E.
15. Coveted publicity spot
16. Flooring choice, pl.
17. Bag in Paris
18. Get up
19. *Ice fisherman's gear, pl.
21. *Christmas, e.g.
23. Of a female
24. Farmer's joy
25. Nile viper
28. Famous bus rider
30. Comes clean
35. Denials
37. "National Velvet" author Bagnold
39. Like 1950s style, today
40. Put one over
41. Paisley in paisley fabric, e.g.
43. Large aquatic tetrapod
44. Impede
46. Lush
47. **I flew like a flash, tore open the shutters, and threw up the ____
48. Sci-fi weaponry
50. Snaky swimmers
52. Yellow river tributary
53. "Twelve ____" of "Gone with the Wind"
55. Feverish
57. *Cozy fabric
61. Dough
64. Sanctioned by law
65. Boiling blood
67. Pontifical
69. Convex molding
70. Convent dweller
71. Manicurist's file
72. Pay for work
73. Down Under bird
74. Rane's wrap

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1. Technology school
2. Mine entrance
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4. First in Hebrew alphabet
5. Federal Reserve in relation to U.S. currency
6. Hitler's deputy
7. George Gershwin's brother
8. " ____ Man" (Village People)
9. Reality TV actress Spelling
10. Full of enthusiasm
11. ____ Verde National Park
12. Mouse to a snake
15. Less agitated
20. Intro
22. Stupid person
24. Groups of lay people
25. *Winged impression

26. Composer of U.S. military marches
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29. *From above in winter
31. Shorter than seconds
32. Scarecrow stuffing
33. Jagged, as a leaf's edge
34. *2014 Olympic site
36. ____ gin fizz
38. Can be done in our out
42. Manuscript sheet
45. Quick, to Dora
49. Ed.'s request
51. *To be hit in winter?
54. "A Fish Called Wanda" star
56. Andean animal
57. Move like lava
58. Bulgarian money
59. All excited
60. Cairo's waterway
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66. *Hot buttered ____
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#FBNF2013-09553. Arturo Mendoza, 3917 Lusk Dr., Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "A.M. Concrete" at 3917 Lusk Dr., Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 10, 2013. Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
AMCONC 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-08984. Scott Harrison Williams, 10823 Berwick Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Calstar Property Maintenance" at 10823 Berwick Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 14, 2013. Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
CALSTAR 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09673. Robert R. Stellfox, 8696 Redlands Way, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Performance Cycle" at 4635 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 13, 2013. Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
PERFORM 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09672. Chris Chandler, 6105 Merrywood Dr., Rocklin, CA 95677 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "NU Concepts Audio & Accessories" at 4635 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 13, 2013. Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
PERFORM 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09584. Thomas P. Gonsalves, 701 48th St., Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Sharper Offices" at 5600 H St., Ste. 100, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 10, 2013. Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
SHARPER 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09052. Matthew T. Tyng, 3640 Astral Dr., Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Wild Tyng Fabrication and Restoration" at 2353 Rudat Cir., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 18, 2013. Publish: January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014
WILDTYNG 140102 01-08-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-08728. Woodfield Investments, LLC, 2900 Sienna Ln., Sacramento, CA 95862 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Woodfield Patio Homes" at 2900 Sienna Ln., Sacramento, CA 95862. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 4, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
WOODFIELD 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09013. Nove Forward Inc., 3577 Loggerhead Way, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Grant Jr. "Pacer Rugby Club" and "Grant Jr. Pacer Football" at 3577 Loggerhead Way, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on smber 15, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
PACER 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09380. Roberta Lepid, 131 Ashwick Loop, Sacramento, CA 95823 and Michael Morris, 4900 Ehrhardt Ave., Sacramento, CA 95823 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "All The Cart Cafe & Catering" at 2721 Citrus Rd., Ste. C, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 2, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
ALLTHE 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09699. Joseph Baba, 1522 Response Rd., No. 313, Sacramento, CA 958715 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Ashur Motors" at 2516 Albatross Way, No. A, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 16, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
ASHUR 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09784. Smcco, Inc., 5828 Robertson Ave., Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Campbell Window and Door" and Campbell Construction at 5828 Robertson Ave., Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 19, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
CAMPBELL 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09733. Brian Kellogg, 4263 Starlight Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "SACREP" at 4263 Starlight Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 17, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
SACREP 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09698. Jeannie Zhang and Steven Zhang, 6255 Calvine Rd., Sacramento, CA 95823 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Cheesesteak & Grill Stop" at 1870 Prairie City Rd., No. 250, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 16, 2013. Publish: December 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 15, 2014
CHEESE 140103 01-15-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-00019. Aleksandr Lamakin, 4928 Vir Mar St., Apt. 10, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Allunlimited" at 4928 Vir Mar St., Apt. 10, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 20, 2013. Publish: January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014
ALLUNLI 140105 01-29-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09698. Teresa Sue Ponce, 8081 Via De Palmas Ln., No. 1, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Knowledge Empowers You" at 8081 Via De Palmas Ln., No. 1, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 30, 2013. Publish: January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014
KNOW 140105 01-29-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
#FBNF2013-09283. JSA Strategic Alliance, LLC, 6830 Stockton Blvd., No. 150 A, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Smoke Plus" at 6830 Stockton Blvd., No. 150 A, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 25, 2013. Publish: January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014
SMOKE 140105 01-29-1

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00154126

WHEREAS, Shatrisse Long and Levonzell Taylor have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Dezmond Jerome Niheem Long to Desmond Niheem Levonzell Taylor.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 23, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, 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: November 27, 2013
Raymond M. Cadei
Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: December 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 8, 2014
LONG 140102 01-08-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00154795.

WHEREAS, Michael Edmund McGowan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Michael Edmund McGowan to Meghan Elizabeth McGowan

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on February 4, 2014, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, 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: December 11, 2013
David I. Brown
Judge of the Superior Court
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MCGOWAN 140102 01-08-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00154782

WHEREAS, Muhammad Abdullah has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Muhammad Abdullah to Blake Clark.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on February 4, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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ABDULLAH 140102 01-08-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155263

WHEREAS, David Joseph Howard has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of David Joseph Howard to Grey L. Farran.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on February 13, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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HOWARD 140103 01-15-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155255

WHEREAS, Jack Ngoc Phan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Jack Ngoc Phan to Ba Ngoc Phan.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on February 11, 2014, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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PHAN 140103 01-15-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155256

WHEREAS, Tye Joseph Harrington has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Tye Joseph Harrington to Tye Joseph Babayak.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on February 11, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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Raymond M. Cadei
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HARRINGTON 140103 01-15-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00154783

WHEREAS, Abdul Rehman Muhammad has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Abdul Rehman Muhammad to Roy Clark.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on February 4, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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Raymond M. Cadei
Judge of the Superior Court
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MUHAMMAD 140105 01-29-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155236

WHEREAS, Faun O'Neel has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the names of Andread Lily Try to Andread Lily O'Neel and Dru Joseph Try to Dru Joseph O'Neel.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on February 10, 2014, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, 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: December 18, 2013
David I. Brown
Judge of the Superior Court
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ONEEL 140105 01-29-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155263

WHEREAS, David Joseph Howard has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of David Joseph Howard to Grey L. Farran.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on February 13, 2014, in Department 54, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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Raymond M. Cadei
Judge of the Superior Court
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HOWARD 140105 01-29-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2013-00155239

WHEREAS, Steven Alexander Osborne has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Steven Alexander Osborne to Steven Alexander Morse.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on February 10, 2014, in Department 53, located at 800 Ninth Street, Third Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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David I. Brown
Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: January 8, 15, 22, 29, 2014
OSBORNE 140105 01-29-14

PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF
LEWIS D. PARTRIDGE (deceased)
ESTATE NO. 34-201300155180

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both of LEWIS D. PARTRIDGE, aka LEWIS DEAN PARTRIDGE (deceased):

A petition for probate has been filed by CAROL J. WEIDA in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting that CAROL J. WEIDA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: February 20, 2014, 9:00 a.m. in Dept. No. 129, at William R. Ridgeway Family Relations, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The name, address and telephone number of the attorney for the petitioner is: Gary G. Perry, Esq., 2251 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95825
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PARTRIDGE 140105 01-29-14

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

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City of Rancho Cordova Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE is hereby given that on **Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 5:30 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council of the City of Rancho Cordova will hold a Public Hearing at the **Rancho Cordova City Hall, located at 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**, to consider the following:

DOLLAR AND THRIFTY - PROJECT No. DD8397 - CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY:

REQUEST: The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from the City of Rancho Cordova in order to move forward with the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) for a Type 20 license for the off-sale of beer and wine at 10669 Coloma Road. The Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control is also requiring the applicant to obtain a letter of Public Convenience and Necessity (PCN) from the City of Rancho Cordova before they will issue a license at this location.

OWNER/APPLICANT: Ki Jin Song
4061 E Castro Valley Boulevard, Suite 195
Castro Valley, CA 94552

LOCATION/APN: 10669 Coloma Road; APN: 056-0222-021-0000

ZONING: Village Center Mixed Use (VCMU)

ENVIRONMENTAL: Class 1 exemption per section 15301 (existing facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

PROJECT PLANNER: Matthew Diaz, Associate Planner

The City of Rancho Cordova encourages interested parties to attend public meetings and comment on the issues being discussed. If you wish to provide testimony and are unable to attend the meeting, written comments that are delivered to the City Clerk's office prior to the time of the hearing will be made a part of the public record.

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

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

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City of Rancho Cordova Planning Director
Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE is hereby given that on **Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Planning Director of the City of Rancho Cordova will hold a Public Hearing at the **Rancho Cordova City Hall, in the Community Board Room located at 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova**, to consider the following:

SPORTSMAN'S WAREHOUSE FACADE - PROJECT No. DD8429 - MINOR DESIGN REVIEW:

OWNER/APPLICANT: Conrad Rivergate, LLC
Mr. Ryan Adair
1300 National Drive, Suite 100
Sacramento, CA 95834

HD Consulting
Mr. Greg Hatfield
1179 Grand River Drive
Sacramento, CA 95831

REQUEST: The applicant is requesting Minor Design Review approval for approximately 180 feet of partial facade renovations for the previously occupied Kmart store. The facade improvement would reface the old store front with faux columns and projections to enhance the new store front. The new design would extend architectural parapet details above the existing roof line to provide a new entry marquee. This project would be the first phase of several renovations to improve the whole Rivergate Center.

LOCATION/APN: 2344 Sunrise Boulevard, Suite 1; APN: 058-0261-027-0000

ZONING: Commercial Mixed Use (CMU)

ENVIRONMENTAL: Categorically Exempt under Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines.

PROJECT PLANNER: William Campbell, Principal Planner

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR STORM DRAIN MAINTENANCE SERVICES

Sealed proposals will be received at City Hall, City of Rancho Cordova, 2729 Prospect Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670, up to the hour of 4:00 P.M. on **February 11, 2014**. Proposals will not be publicly opened.

The work to be performed under this contract consists of regular and emergency maintenance of the City of Rancho Cordova's storm drain system, including pipes, inlets, manholes, culverts, creeks, and ditches, and other tasks as specified in the RFP.

A mandatory pre-proposal conference will be held at the Rancho Cordova City Hall, 1st Floor, Community Board Room, at **2:00 P.M. on Friday, January 24th, 2014**. Following the pre-proposal meeting, all questions must be submitted via email to Britton Snipes (bsnipes@cityofranchocordova.org) before 4:00 P.M. on Tuesday, January 28, 2014. Responses to all questions will be released by the City on Thursday, January 30, 2014.

Copies of the Contract Documents, including the Request for Proposal forms, are available at the below address. An electronic version of the RFP may be obtained by emailing Dana Grossi at dgrossi@cityofranchocordova.org, or by visiting the City's website: www.cityofranchocordova.org.

City of Rancho Cordova
Public Works Department
2729 Prospect Park Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

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Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Pretty As A Pocket Full Of Baby Mouses

Day started slowly, after Steve and Snort were already through two big pastures and into the birth of the hills. Sure was pretty, too, he noticed. Kinda pink and made everything glow.

"Pretty as a pocketful of baby mouses," he thought, smiling. The strangeness didn't take place until they'd started up the mountain toward Steve's cabin ... the one with the turret overlooking the world.

He noticed it wasn't winter any

more. He was wearing a long-sleeved shirt, but not a jacket, and it wasn't cold. No snow on the ground. But there was snow last night. This was strange, so he reached up to scratch his chin and think about it. It was a skin-scratcher, no doubt about it. But that just made things more mysterious because Steve didn't touch his gray beard when he scratched. He had mysteriously become clean shaven.

And something was different about Snort. Any cowboy can tell his own horse in the pitch dark, just by the way he feels when he walks or trots. And this wasn't Snort. He reined the horse into the early morning light to look at his head. Why ... it's Jimmy! But that can't be. Jimmy was his horse in the early days of roping in rodeos. He'd buried Jimmy forty years ago.

But there he was. Steve reached forward to pat Jimmy on the neck and he realized he didn't have the pains in his back or shoulders any more, either.

Well, he reined Jimmy to a stop and looked around. They were going up the mountain, but it wasn't the same mountain with the cabin. It was the mountain behind the home place back in Montana.

And the light came up gradually, and Steve sat and smiled and didn't know what was happening, and didn't care. This might be ...

No. Of course not.

Then he woke up, groaned, and pulled on his boots. Time for breakfast. But somehow he had to smile, too. You know, that wasn't a bad deal. Not a bad deal at all. ★

Jonathan Raymond Receives City Proclamationfor SCUSD Leadership



Rancho Cordova City Council Member Donald Terry (right) presents a proclamation to outgoing Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) Superintendent Jonathan Raymond. Under Raymond's leadership, SCUSD launched several key initiatives that have increased graduation rates, lowered drop-out rates and improved the quality of low-performing schools. Terry is a former member of the SCUSD Board of Education.

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Community Calendar

On-going meetings; in Rancho Cordova unless otherwise noted.

CODEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS
Time: Tuesdays, 7:30-9 pm
Place: Sunriver Church
11223 Trinity River Dr.
www.sunriverchurch.com

WESTERN SWING SOCIETY
Time: 1st Sundays, 1-5:30 pm
Place: Machinists Hall
2749 Citrus Rd.
www.westernswingssociety.org
Info: Live music, dancing.
Food & beverages available for purchase. Members \$4, Non-members \$7.

MILITARY RETIREE/SPOUSE MEETING
Time: 2nd Tuesdays, 10:30 am
Place: N. Highlands Park & Rec Office
6040 Watt Ave., N. Highlands
Contact: 561-7476
Info: Meets monthly.

RANCHO CORDOVA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Time: 4th Thursdays, 5 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova City Hall
2729 Prospect Park Dr.
www.ranchocordovahistory.com
Info: Meets in the American River Room

SPELLBINDERS TOASTMASTERS
Time: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 6:30 to 8 pm
Place: China Buffet
5623 Sunrise, Citrus Heights
Contact: 631-1703
Info: Hone communication skills. Beginners welcome.

SPANISH LANGUAGE CONVERSATION CIRCLE
Time: 4th Saturdays, 3-4:30 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920
www.saclibrary.org
Info: Practice Spanish in a fun

and relaxed way with library staff, community.

BRECA MEETING
Time: 4th Tuesdays, 6:30-8 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 361-8087
www.breca.us

POWERTALK INTERNATIONAL MONTHLY MEETING
Time: 3rd Tuesdays, 6:30-8:30 pm
Place: Arden-Dimick Library
891 Watt Ave., Sacramento
Contact: 361-1745
Info: Coaching, effective speaking, listening, leadership skills. Beginners are welcome.

WRITING WORKSHOP
Time: 3rd Thursdays, 6-7:30 pm
Place: 9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920
www.saclibrary.org
Adult writing & poetry workshops (writing for various types of genres and more).

AA NEWCOMERS
Time: Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm
Place: Sunriver Church
11223 Trinity River Dr.
www.sunriverchurch.com

READING WITH THE DOGS
Time: 1st Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920
www.saclibrary.org
Info: Read to a canine pal, boost reading skills. Free.

CORDOVA SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB
Time: 1st and 3rd Mondays, 11 am
Place: Cordova Community Center
2197 Chase Dr.
Contact: 638-8065 for bridge or 858-1660 for membership

Info: Brown bag lunch, bridge party. Free.

FORK TAIL DEVILS
Date: 2nd Thursdays
Place: Rancho Cordova IHOP
2216 Sunrise Blvd.
Contact: 488-2645
Info: Lockheed Lightning P-38 enthusiasts, pilots, mechanics no-host brunch.

WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB OF CORDOVA
Date: Wednesdays
Place: Cordova Golf Course
9425 Jackson Rd., Sacramento
Contact: 363-0363
Info: All players welcome.

CORDOVA COUPLES GOLF CLUB
Date: Alternate Sunday mornings
Place: Cordova Golf Course
9425 Jackson Rd., Sacramento
Contact: 682-2285
All players welcome. Call for more information.

COFFEE, TEA AND CONVERSATION FOR SENIORS
Date: First Saturdays, 10-11 am
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920
Info: For those 55+. Free. Share thoughts, memories: let the conversation flow! Light refreshments served. First Saturday each month.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF RANCHO CORDOVA
Time: 2nd Monday each month, 6-7 pm
Place: Cattleman's Restaurant
12409 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: siranchocordova@soroptimist.net
Info: Organization serving needs of women & girls in our community and around the world.

CORDOVA HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Lancer Hoops Prepare for CAL Battle League Play Around The Corner For Lady Lancers

By Mike Bush

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Four games that included three in its own tournament, the Cordova High School boys basketball team have its goal set but one game at a time.

“Our goal is to win the (Capital Athletic League) championship,” Cordova head coach Fletcher Johnson said.

Playing on the road on Jan. 3, Cordova ran past Edison by an 86-58 score in a non-league game at the Vikings’ gym in Stockton.

Christian Brothers 85, Cordova 72

Playing for third place in its Cordova Christmas Classic on Dec. 28, after the Falcons scored more than 20 points in the first three quarters of the game, the Lancers scored 36 points in the fourth quarter. But that wasn’t enough for Cordova.

Three Cordova players scored in double figures; Jordan Roberson scored 22 points, Lamar Brewer 16 and Nathaniel Hendrix 11. C.J. Coles had five points.

Encina 92, Cordova 91

Advancing to one of the winner bracket games on Dec. 27, the two teams battled through the fourth quarter in this exciting nail-biter.

Three Lancers scored in double figures; Roberson scored 22 points, Coles 19 and JaQuan Lewis 13. Hendrix and Marquis Bolden scored nine points each, and Brewer had eight. Lewis canned four, 3-pointers.

Cordova 92, Rosemont 46

In the first game of the tournament on Dec. 26,

the Lancers led only 20-18 after the first quarter, but hit all offensive cylinders with their fast-paced offense, scoring 31 points for a 51-29 lead at halftime.

Four players scored in double figures for Cordova; Brewer had 17, Coles 16, Alex Yakimchuk 14 and Hendrix 12. Roberson had eight points.

Earlier this week, Cordova (8-4) continued its non-league schedule with games against Davis and Del Campo. Tonight – Friday – Cordova will play at Laguna Creek of Elk Grove. On Tuesday, Jan. 14, Cordova will play at Grant to close out its pre-season schedule.

Johnson is confident that with six seniors in Brewer, Coles, Bolden, Yakimchuk, DeMario Newman and Hendrix, plus a mix of juniors and two underclassmen who play travel ball during the off-season, the Lancers will battle for a CAL title.

“We should be the favorites to win league since we have the most returning and starters and seniors who have played significant minutes,” Johnson said. “We’re hoping that experience and our commitment to basketball year-round will carry us to the Capital Athletic League championship and further into the playoffs.” ★

By Mike Bush

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - In three of its last six non-league games, the Cordova High School girls basketball team pulled out wins.

Before Christmas, the Lady Lancers beat Ponderosa, 39-38.

After winning one game at the Lady Bulldog Winter Classic Tournament in Folsom toward the end of December, Cordova (4-11) started 2014 with an easy 59-16 win over Golden Sierra, also in a non-league game.

Lancers’ win over Bruins

In Cordova’s game at Ponderosa in Shingle Springs on Dec. 20, Lancer guard Nikki Jones intercepted an inbound pass at midcourt, then hit a short jumper to give Cordova a 38-37 lead with 51 seconds left in the game.

Lancer guard Brianna Clark secured the win with a baseline jumper with 32 seconds left in the game. Prior to Jones’ go-ahead shot, Clark hit a 3-pointer.

“We just had to put our shooters in at the same time,” Cordova head coach Raymond Bradley said.

Cordova was behind 25-19 entering the final quarter, as it was held to two points in the third quarter before its come-from-behind rally.

The Lancers had 42 rebounds in the game, and the Bruins had 34. Cordova forward Monique Newton grabbed 11 rebounds and Andalena Ware had 10, including six in the first quarter.

“Monique was all over the glass,” said Bradley of Newton.

"Christmas in Cordova" Helps Rancho Cordova Families Celebrate Christmas



For the past three years, "Christmas in Cordova" has provided an event for families during the holiday season for the sole purpose of making sure every child has a present to open at Christmas.

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - This year "Christmas in Cordova", a partnership of Folsom Cordova Community Partnership, Rancho Cordova Police Activities League, Rancho Cordova Police Department, City of Rancho Cordova, Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Sun River Church and Ampac Fine Chemicals, assisted families by providing Christmas presents for 1186 children and was an overall fun holiday event.

Parents were provided a "shopping mall" experience and the opportunity to select gifts for each of their children. Additionally, parents are assisted in their shopping experience by volunteers who speak their native language. This year "Christmas in Cordova" served families who spoke English, Russian, Armenian, Spanish and Sign Language. Gifts were

then wrapped by volunteers to give children the opportunity to unwrap their presents on Christmas. Parent participation and choice is an essential element of this event as the event is committed to preserving the dignity of families. Families signed up for the event by being involved in a programs of Folsom Cordova Community Partnership, through their neighborhood schools, or by registering at the Rancho Cordova Police Department.

For the past three years, "Christmas in Cordova" has provided an event for families during the holiday season for the sole purpose of making sure every child has a present to open at Christmas. This year, through an abundance of donations, parents were able to choose two gifts per child, one family game

along with flush animals and stocking stuffers. Families were thankful for the support. As one parent shared, "I told my children I was going to visit Santa today." Another parent in tears said, "This event is making Christmas possible for my family." Along with gifts, families were able to take pictures with Santa, watch a professional Marionette puppet show, eat a hot meal, and receive a food box provided by the Salvation Army.

The event was only possible due to the hundreds of volunteer hours and generous donations by businesses and individuals in the community. Thank you to all who donated or volunteered your time to "make Christmas possible" for families in need this holiday season. ★

Source: Folsom Cordova Community Partnership

Hiring Pace and Economic Expectations Rising

Continued from Page 1

are beginning to share concerns about retention of essential skills, the need for specific technical backgrounds and some entry-level positions. Drivers who can pass DMV, drug and other background checks are in

demand among distributors, bottling plants, construction supply and materials firms. Customer service, sales, manufacturing, warehouse and shipping lead hiring demand.

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Stat Leaders

PASSING	YDS	TD-INT
Andrew Luck, IND	443	4-3
Alex Smith, KC	378	4-0
Andy Dalton, CIN	334	1-2
Drew Brees, NO	250	1-2
Colin Kaepernick, SF	227	1-1
Nick Foles, PHI	195	2-0
Aaron Rodgers, GB	177	1-0
Philip Rivers, SD	128	1-0
RUSHING	YDS	TD
Colin Kaepernick, SF	98	0
Mark Ingram, NO	97	1
Eddie Lacy, GB	81	0
LeSean McCoy, PHI	77	1
Ronnie Brown, SD	77	1
Knile Davis, KC	67	1
Frank Gore, SF	66	1
Alex Smith, KC	57	0
RECEIVING	YDS	TD
T.Y. Hilton, IND	224	2
Dwayne Bowe, KC	150	1
Marvin Jones, CIN	130	0
Michael Crabtree, SF	125	0
Donnie Avery, KC	79	1
Giovani Bernard, CIN	73	0
Riley Cooper, PHI	68	1
Jordy Nelson, GB	62	1

Prime Time Players

T.Y. HILTON, WR, COLTS
Andrew Luck earned the first playoff win of his career, thanks in large part to his go-to wide-out and 2012 draft classmate. Hilton ran wild, with 13 catches for 224 yards (17.2 ypc) and two TDs — including a 64-yard score — during an improbable 45–44 win over the Chiefs. Trailing 38–10 in the third quarter, Luck and Hilton led the Colts to the second-largest come-from-behind victory in playoff history, trailing only the Buffalo Bills’ 32-point comeback against the Houston Oilers in a 41–38 overtime thriller in January 1993.

COLIN Kaepernick, QB, 49ERS
Not quite déjà vu all over again, but not bad. Kaepernick improved his career record against the Packers to 3–0 following a 23–20 victory at Lambeau Field. The dual-threat signal-caller completed 16-of-30 passes for 227 yards, one scoring strike and one pick, while scrambling seven times for 98 yards (14.0 ypc). In three games against Green Bay, Kaepernick has now combined to pass for 902 yards, six TDs and two INTs, while rushing for 301 yards and two trips to the end zone. Playing in temperatures that felt like minus-10, Kaepernick stayed warm by torching the Pack through the air and on the ground.



Athlon Fantasy Flash

Saints quarterback **DREW BREES** seemingly has it all — a \$100 million contract, Super Bowl ring (and MVP award), multiple national endorsement deals and a beautiful family (judging from his Tide commercials). But Brees is just like everyone else when it comes to playing in Seattle. In Week 13, Brees threw for a season-low 147 yards and one TD in a 34–7 loss, which was New Orleans’ worst defeat of the season. Brees will need to step up his game in front of the “12th Man” this weekend.



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Athlon Sports Power Rankings

1. Seahawks (13-3)	Optimistic Percy Harvin (hip) will play against Saints.
2. Broncos (13-3)	Peyton Manning hoping magical season continues.
3. Patriots (12-4)	Rob Gronkowski to undergo knee surgery Thursday.
4. Panthers (12-4)	Steve Smith (knee) expects to play against 49ers.
5. 49ers (13-4)	Michael Crabtree best “catcher,” says Jim Harbaugh.
6. Colts (12-5)	Sign ex-Pat Deion Branch prior to New England trip.
7. Saints (12-5)	Shayne Graham hits FG as time expires in Philly.
8. Chargers (10-7)	Phil Mickelson celebrates win with Dean Spanos.
9. Chiefs (11-6)	Second team in playoff history to blow 28-point lead.
10. Eagles (10-7)	DeSean Jackson says he is “deserving” of pay raise.
11. Packers (8-8-1)	Aaron Rodgers bested by Colin Kaepernick... again.
12. Bengals (11-6)	Have not earned playoff victory since Jan. 6, 1991.
13. Cardinals (10-6)	Bruce Arians wins over Phoenix faithful in first year.
14. Bears (8-8)	Jay Cutler signs contract, \$54 million guaranteed.
15. Cowboys (8-8)	Jerry Jones supports idea of expanded playoffs.
16. Ravens (8-8)	Jacoby Jones set to mock Mike Tomlin in TV ad.
17. Jets (8-8)	Antonio Cromartie says he wants to “retire a Jet.”
18. Dolphins (8-8)	Fire OC Mike Sherman, Ryan Tannehill’s A&M coach.
19. Steelers (8-8)	Fire O-line coach Jack Bicknell Jr. after one year.
20. Rams (7-9)	“Closing the gap” in NFC West, says Jeff Fisher.
21. Giants (7-9)	Happy Birthday! Eli Manning turns 33 years old.
22. Titans (7-9)	Fire Mike Munchak, who refused to fire assistants.
23. Lions (7-9)	Tony Dungy thinks “best job out there” is Detroit.
24. Bills (6-10)	Kiko Alonso among favorites for Defensive ROY.
25. Vikings (5-10-1)	Set to interview OCs Jay Gruden, Ken Whisenhunt.
26. Buccaneers (4-12)	Hire Lovie Smith as 10th coach in franchise history.
27. Falcons (4-12)	Arthur Blank wants to draft “tough” player at No. 6.
28. Raiders (4-12)	Dennis Allen, ownership debate assistant coaches.
29. Browns (4-12)	Claim no interest in Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops.
30. Jaguars (4-12)	Jedd Fisch says Blaine Gabbert career not over yet.
31. Redskins (3-13)	Casting wide net in extensive head coaching search.
32. Texans (2-14)	Hire Bill O’Brien as fourth coach in franchise history.

Athlon Spotlight

Wild, Wild Card

Amazing statistics from Wild Card Weekend

By BRADEN GALL
Athlon Sports Editor

The most intriguing, important, historic and bizarre stats from the NFL’s Wild Card Weekend:

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Second-largest playoff comeback in NFL history

The four-touchdown comeback was the second largest in NFL history, trailing only the Bills’ miraculous and infamous comeback against Houston. Buffalo overcame a 32-point deficit in the 1992 Wild Card game against the Oilers to win in overtime.

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Andrew Luck’s fourth-quarter or overtime game-winning drives since 2012

Sunday marked Luck’s 11th comeback win since he was selected No. 1 in the 2012 NFL Draft. Tony Romo and Russell Wilson are tied for second behind Luck with nine fourth-quarter or overtime game-winning drives since the start of the ’12 season. Joe Flacco and Matt Ryan each have eight such drives.

8

NFL-record consecutive playoff losses for Kansas City

The Chiefs were leading 31–10 at halftime and pushed their lead to 38–10 early in the third quarter. Andrew Luck and the Colts then outscored Kansas City 35–6 over the final 27 minutes of play to win 45–44 in Lucas Oil Stadium. The loss for the Chiefs was an NFL-record eighth consecutive playoff defeat dating back to a 1993 win over Houston in the AFC Divisional Round. The Lions have the second-longest losing streak with seven losses in a row, while Cleveland, Dallas, Minnesota, Seattle and the New York Giants each have had a six-game playoff losing streak.

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Saints’ all-time road playoff wins

Entering Wild Card weekend, New Orleans had never won a road playoff game in nearly 50 years of NFL football. The Saints had lost all five previous road postseason games before topping the Eagles 26–24 in Philadelphia.

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Wind chill temperature at kickoff in Lambeau Field

The coldest game in NFL history was the “Ice Bowl” in 1967 between Green Bay and Dallas at minus-13 degrees at kickoff with minus-48 wind chill. The “Freezer Bowl” was the second-coldest in NFL history when the Bengals beat the Chargers in minus-9 temperatures in the face of an absurd minus-59 wind chill.

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Colin Kaepernick’s career play-off yards per carry vs. Green Bay

Colin Kaepernick is 3–0 against the Packers in his short career, including two playoff wins in each of the last two seasons. His ability to make things happen with his legs has been the death of the Green Bay defense in each of the two playoff games. Kaepernick has rushed 23 times for 279 yards and two touchdowns at an astonishing 12.1-yard clip in two playoff wins over the Packers.

14–0

Chargers’ record when Philip Rivers attempts 21 or fewer passes

The Chargers ran the ball 40 times for 196 yards to beat the Bengals. Rivers completed 12-of-16 passes in the game for 128 yards in the win. In 128 regular-season and eight career playoff starts, Rivers has thrown fewer than 16 passes three times and 21 or fewer just 14 times in a start, including two playoff victories.

Athlon Board of Experts	Mitchell Light	Rob Doster	Nathan Rush	Steven Lissan	Mark Ross	Consensus
This Week's Games & Experts' Records	167-92-1	171-88-1	172-87-1	169-90-1	164-95-1	169-90-1
Saints at Seahawks (Sat.)	Seahawks by 5	Seahawks by 10	Seahawks by 6	Seahawks by 6	Seahawks by 10	Seahawks by 7
Colts at Patriots (Sat.)	Patriots by 1	Patriots by 9	Patriots by 3	Patriots by 9	Patriots by 6	Patriots by 6
49ers at Panthers	Panthers by 3	49ers by 2	49ers by 3	49ers by 3	49ers by 3	49ers by 2
Chargers at Broncos	Broncos by 1	Broncos by 7	Chargers by 1	Broncos by 10	Broncos by 7	Broncos by 5

Fast Forward▶▶

Saturday, Jan. 11		
New Orleans	at	Seattle 4:35 p.m.
Indianapolis	at	New England 8:15 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 11		
San Francisco	at	Carolina 1:05 p.m.
San Diego	at	Denver 4:40 p.m.

Weekend on Tap

SAINTS (12-5) AT SEAHAWKS (13-3)
The last time Seattle hosted New Orleans in a playoff game, Marshawn Lynch set the tone with a now-iconic run that epitomized his nickname, “Beast Mode.” Lynch broke eight tackles over the course of 67 yards on his way to the end zone during a 41–36 Seahawks victory over the Saints. The run — known as the “Beast Quake” due to the amount of noise and reverberations caused by the “12th Man” fans at CenturyLink Field — registered 90 seconds of seismic activity and set the tone for the next several years of football in Seattle. The 2010 season marked the first for both Lynch and coach Pete Carroll, a duo that — along with quarterback Russell Wilson, cornerback Richard Sherman and several other notable Hawks — has changed the culture in the Pacific Northwest. Fans love Lynch so much, they’re rallying to raise \$50,000 to pay for the fine he was levied for not speaking to the media in 2013. Lynch will likely let his play do the talking against New Orleans, a team that also lost in Seattle 34–7 in Week 13 this year. That game immediately followed the Seahawks’ bye week. So does this week’s matchup.

COLTS (12-5) AT PATRIOTS (12-4)
Tom Brady’s playoff resume is immaculate. Five Super Bowl appearances, three Super Bowl rings, a 17–7 postseason record and 11–3 mark at New England. Brady’s three home playoff losses came against eventual Super Bowl champion Baltimore (28–13) last season, against the division-rival Jets (28–21) following the 2010 season and to Baltimore after the 2009 campaign. In those three defeats, Brady has combined to throw five TDs and six INTs. Upon further review, however, Brady has been beatable since that first play-off loss in Foxborough, with a 3–4 playoff record since losing his air of invincibility at Robert Kraft’s house. Sure, Brady’s 17 playoff wins are the most all time. But 14 of those came before he suffered a season-ending knee injury in the 2008 opener. Further proof of Tom Terrific’s mortality comes with the news that he is carrying around a “little bit” of a cold this week. “But I’ll live,” he says. On the other side, Andrew Luck carries a 1–1 postseason record. But his one win was one for the ages, as the second-year stud led the Colts from a 28-point deficit to beat the Chiefs and earn the right to play Brady’s Patriots.

49ERS (13-4) AT PANTHERS (12-4)
Colin Kaepernick vs. Cam Newton. These two video game quarterbacks weigh in at 6’5”, 245 and 6’4”, 230, respectively. The duo combined to pass for 6,576 yards, 45 TDs and 21 INTs. They combined to scramble for 1,109 yards and 10 TDs. CK and Cam are changing the way the game is being played. When they get together the scoreboard will explode or at least catch fire from all the stats and points and long bombs and breakaway speed. Wait? They already played this year? And it was a 10–9 defensive struggle in which neither Kaepernick nor Newton found the end zone. Kaepernick threw for a season-low 91 yards with one INT and 16 rush yards in the Week 10 defeat. Newton didn’t do much better, passing for 169 yards with one INT and 15 rush yards in victory. The hero that day was kicker Graham Gano, who hit a 53-yard FG with 10:05 remaining to give the Cats a lead they would not relinquish. For the record, Niners kicker Phil Dawson also hit a 53-yarder that day. So expect long field goals when San Fran hits Charlotte this week.

CHARGERS (10-7) AT BRONCOS (13-3)
An AFC West division showdown pits the Bolts against the Broncos. The two rivals split the season series, with each team winning on the road. Denver won 28–20 at San Diego in Week 10, with Peyton Manning passing for 330 yards, four scores and zero INTs. The Chargers pulled off a 27–20 upset at Mile High in Week 15, the second of four-straight wins to close the season and vault San Diego into the playoffs. Last season, the Broncos swept the Bolts, winning 35–24 at San Diego in Week 6 and 30–23 at home in Week 11. For those living under a rock or far, far away from the Rockies, Manning has posted the greatest statistical season in NFL history en route to what will likely be his fifth MVP award — passing for a record 5,477 yards, a record 55 TDs and 10 INTs for a 115.1 passer rating. Although not quite Manning-esque, Philip Rivers has been throwing lightning bolts during San Diego’s current five-game winning streak. The polarizing passer has completed an efficient 68.3 percent of his passes for 973 yards, 10 TDs and two INTs in wins over the Giants, Broncos, Raiders, Chiefs and Bengals. Plus, he’s been screaming a lot.

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In Memorium:
CMSgt. Robert Neal Ivey
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Robert Neal Ivey, 53, a long-time resident of the Sacramento area, was tragically killed in a hit-and-run motorcycle accident on December 16, while commuting to work at Travis AFB.

Neal was born to Henry and Ernestine (Millay) Ivey at Larson AFB in Moses Lake, WA. The family moved to Beale AFB, CA, in 1962, then to Rancho Cordova in 1963. Neal attended Cordova Gardens Elementary School, Mills Junior High School, and Cordova High School, graduating in 1979.

After high school, Neal joined the United States Air Force, serving most of his active duty time in England as a munitions maintenance specialist at RAF Welford. While in England, he married Sarah Darrah on 12 March 1988.

Upon their return to California, Neal earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Christian Leadership with Electronic Engineering from William Jessup University. Neal returned to the USAF as a reservist in 1996, and served many years as a full time civilian employee in his Reserve unit.

In 2010, Neal was promoted to Chief Master Sergeant, a rank that only 1% of enlisted members are skilled enough to attain. Most recently he served as the Air Transportation Manager with the 55th Aerial Support Squadron at Travis AFB.



He served a six-month tour in Afghanistan, where he oversaw air cargo and passenger operations for the 455th Air Expeditionary Wing at Bagram Airfield.

Neal was an active member of The Family Church in Roseville, where he recently accompanied a group of missionaries to Mexico to build a house for a family and to help orphaned children. He was involved with many other charitable activities.

Neal is survived by his wife Sarah, of Carmichael, their daughters, Abigail, of Germany, Melanie, of

Vacaville, and Bethany, of Carmichael; his sister, Dayna (Tom) Beckman, niece, Amy Reeves, nephew, Patrick Beckman, great-nephews, Anthony and Aiden Reeves, all of Salt Lake City, UT; and half-sisters, Sandra (Paul) Jones, Marsha (James) Nichols, and half-brother, Glenn (Marlene) Ivey, all of Florida. He is also survived by aunts, uncles, and numerous cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two half-sisters, Melba (Ellis) Kinard and Ellen (Lloyd) Socky.

Memorial services were held January 3 at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon with full military honors, and January 4 at The Family Church in Roseville. ★



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