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RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - On Tuesday, December 3rd, Rancho Cordova Vice-mayor Dan Skoglund and Councilmember Robert McGarvey visited a local retailer and purchased gifts for at-risk kids. Each year, the families of Skoglund and McGarvey shop for a local toy drive that collects toys/gifts for children, age's birth to seventeen, who otherwise would not receive anything. "Christmas In Cordova" is a partnership of non-profits, government agencies and business and will support hundreds of families this holiday season.. This year partners include Folsom Cordova Community Partnership, Rancho Cordova Police Department, Rancho Cordova Police Activities League, Sun River Church, AMAPC Fine Chemicals and Folsom Cordova Unified School District.

Families often are faced with desperate decisions, such as buying food for their children,

paying monthly bills and dealing with day-to-day challenges which often increase during the pressures of the holiday season. "When a child wakes up to unwrap a toy on Christmas morning, it is truly an unforgettable experience! And when a struggling parent is able to provide their children with a gift, it allows them to feel good about being a parent and confident in their ability to provide for their children. It also allows them to put their daily struggles on hold for some precious moments with their children" says Councilmember Skoglund. "A donation of \$20 or an unwrapped toy/gift can make all the difference! This is the spirit of "Christmas In Cordova".

You can be a part of this experience by donating: New unwrapped toys, monetary donations, gift cards and gift wrapping supplies [paper, bows, ribbons, tape, scissors gift bags,]. Toy/gifts can be dropped off at the

Folsom Cordova Community Partnership's Family Resource Center, 10665 Coloma Road, Suite 200 in Rancho Cordova or the Rancho Cordova Police Department, To make a monetary donation, you can visit the Folsom Cordova Community Partnership's website at www.theFCCP.org.

"We are expecting to provide gifts to over 1,250 children this holiday season, but we cannot do it without the support of our generous businesses and community members" says Robert Sanger, Folsom Cordova Community Partnership's Executive Director. "We really need your help to make this event a success!"

At the end of the "Christmas in Cordova" Toy Drive, we will host a distribution event like no other. Families will come to the distribution location where volunteers provide food and play care for children. Children will create holiday gems in the arts and crafts area and get their pictures

with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Then, parents are partnered with a community volunteer who shares their language and culture and who acts as their "personal shopper" in a faux "Shopping Mall" room and helps them select the perfect gifts for their children. This is the pinnacle part of the event because it allows parents to choose the toy/gift that their child will unwrap on Christmas morning rather than some anonymous donation. Once parents select the perfect toys/gifts for their children, they proceed to the "wrapping stations" where more community volunteers help them wrap the toys/gifts. This event provides a dignified holiday experience for the whole family. Please help us put a smile on a child's face this Christmas!

The mission of the Folsom Cordova Community Partnership is to enhance the education, health and well being of the children, youth and adults of our community. ★

CDPH Warns Consumers Not to Eat Certain AVO's Bakery Products

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Dr. Ron Chapman, director of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and statehealth officer, today warned consumers with wheat allergies not to eat six varieties of AVO's Bakery, Inc. products. Five products are Gourmet Sesame Plain, Date Mamoul, Gourmet French, Gourmet Anise Plain and Sea Salted Cookies Sticks Gourmet Cookies. The sixth is Avo's Bread Crumbs product.

AVO's Bakery of Burbank, California, is voluntarily recalling the products, which were sold primarily at local retail markets in Southern California. The recall was initiated after CDPH identified the labeling omission during a routine inspection at the bakery. No illnesses have been reported at this time.

The products are packaged in clear plastic, clam-shell containers with labels that have the AVO'S Bakery, Inc. logo in red lettering, and have white, yellow, or green background color, with the product name in black lettering. The February 26, 2014 best-by date is printed on a sticker on the label.

AVO's Bakery, Inc. immediately segregated its entire inventory of recalled products and has notified retailers that received the affected products directly.

People who have an allergy or severe sensitivity to wheat run the risk of a life-threatening allergic reaction, that requires immediate medical attention should they consume these products.

Consumers who have experienced allergic reaction after consuming any of these products should contact their health care provider. Anyone observing the products being offered for sale is encouraged to call CDPH toll free complaint line at (800) 495-3232. ★

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Heating-Related Fires Increase During Cold Temperatures CAL FIRE Asks Homeowners to be Safe with Heating Equipment

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The recent cold-snap is a clear sign that winter has arrived in California with many areas receiving rain and snow over the weekend. During the cold winter months, CAL FIRE and fire departments across the nation see an increase in home fires due to dangerous heating equipment or unsafe practices. Improper use or poorly maintained heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fires and home fire deaths across the country.

"Half of all home heating fires are reported during the months of December, January and February," said State Fire

Marshal Tonya Hoover, CAL FIRE – Office of the State Fire Marshal. "Improper use or poorly maintained heating equipment often leads to fires, injuries and deaths that could have been easily prevented. These fires remind us once again how important having working smoke alarms can be."

With a few simple safety tips and precautions, you can prevent most home heating fires from happening.

CAL FIRE offers the following fire safety tips:

- Keep anything that can burn at least 3

feet away from heating equipment such as a furnace, fireplace, wood stove or portable space heater.

- Have a 3-foot "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Always turn portable heaters off when leaving a room or going to bed.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to prevent sparks from escaping.
- Allow fireplace ashes to completely cool before disposing them. Place in a tightly covered metal container at least 10 feet away from your home and any

other nearby buildings. NEVER empty fireplace or wood stove ashes directly into a trash can.

- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- If using fossil fuel heating, install and maintain carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning. Make sure your home has working smoke alarms as well.

For more information on safe home heating visit the CAL FIRE website at www.fire.ca.gov. ★

Source: Cal Fire Newsroom

Denise Evans Joins the Staff of Northstar Rancho Cordova Senior Living



Denise Evans has joined the staff of Northstar Rancho Cordova senior living community as a community relations director.

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Denise R. Evans has been named community relations director for Northstar Rancho Cordova, an assisted living and memory care community nearing construction completion just off Highway 50 at Sunrise Blvd. Executive Director Deborah Godt said, "We are extremely pleased to have a marketing and management expert of the caliber of Ms. Evan as part of our team."

Ms. Evans will work with seniors and their families to help determine if Northstar Rancho Cordova is the best option for meeting their long-term care and housing needs. She is also responsible for developing and implementing strategies to attract prospective residents, maintaining working relationships with professional referral

sources, serving as a resource about senior living to service groups and health care professionals in the surrounding area, and assisting new residents with the process of moving into the community.

Ms. Evans joins Northstar with nearly 30 year's experience as an accomplished sales and marketing professional. For the past six years, she has focused her talents in the senior living industry. She worked as both a community marketing director and executive director of communities in Carmichael. She began her career in the 1980s and received comprehensive sales training with a large pharmacy chain, first in the Bay Area and later in the Sacramento Region.

Active in professional organizations, Ms. Evan is a member

of the Carmichael and Fair Oaks Chambers of Commerce, the Alzheimer's Association and the California Assisted Living Association. She also has received, from the State of California, certification as an administrator of Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, the official designation for assisted living communities by the State.

Construction is nearing completion of the three-story, 106-apartment community, which is slated to open in February 2014 at 2341 Vehicle Drive, near Sunrise Boulevard and Zinfandel Drive. For information about the lifestyle options, pricing, and availability of hard-hat tours, contact Ms. Evans at (916) 799-7440. ★

Amore Cafe' Bakery and Espresso Bar Adds New Chef and Menu Items

By Bill Martin

GOLD RIVER, CA (MPG) - Amore Cafe' Bakery and Espresso Bar has added new menu items, but regulars need not worry – Shish kabobs are still featured! Owner/Manager Paul Abhishek has hired a new gourmet chef with over 13 years experience in French and Italian cuisine to his popular Gold River restaurant.

Along with the new menu, Paul says "We will feature new daily specials for breakfast and lunch, but in limited supply. New dishes include Montreal French Toast, an Italian and Mexican-infused breakfast burrito with a twist, and, of course, the popular Amore Omelet with organic eggs and served with Portabella Mushrooms and farm fresh spinach."

The new menu also boasts gluten-free, handmade fresh pasta daily. And the lunch crowd can get ready for an Organic Chicken atop a meal-size Caesar Salad. Also favorites still available are



spaghetti with meat balls, salmon and grilled tri-tip sandwiches Boston style, along with those oh-so-good burgers. According to Paul everything at Amore' is made with the freshest ingredients daily. The goal is serving good healthier food at a local neighborhood restaurant, like a salmon fillet in dill sauce.

Paul and Amore Cafe' Bakery are well-known for their cakes and pastries, which are still made overnight so they are as fresh as the morning coffee and organic egg omelets.

With the holidays quickly approaching, call Paul at 916-463-0011 – or place your order online at amorecafebakery.com – as soon as possible for festivities at home or at the office. Or, you can relax and have Paul take care of all the details by catering this year's affair and really impress your family, friends and associates.

The Amore Cafe' Bakery is open daily for breakfast and lunch at 2220 Gold Spring Court, #102, in Gold River. ★

Source: Amore Cafe'

Christmas Comes to Cordova, Again!

Rancho Cordova, CA (MPG) - For the third year, partners in our Rancho Cordova community are coming together to provide assistance for families and children in need through "Christmas in Cordova." The Rancho Cordova Police Department, Sacramento Sheriff's Department, Rancho Cordova PAL, Folsom Cordova Community Partnership, Sunriver Church, the City of Rancho Cordova, and other partners have joined together to support this one day family event to be held on December 14th, 2013 at Mills Middle School.

Christmas in Cordova is designed with the simple premise that "every child deserves to have a present to open at Christmas". The event will have a shopping mall full of donated new toys provided for parents to select and wrap gifts for their children. Last year over 1200 children

re-ceived gifts. Childcare is provided for young children while parents are shopping as well as fun and games for older children. There will be an arts and craft area, Santa will be making an appearance, and a meal will also be provided for all families who attend.

How you can help make this event a success?

- **Make a monetary donation. All monies will be spent to purchase additional toys.** Checks can be made payable to Rancho Cordova PAL, the non-profit Tax ID number is



26-3141552.

- **Donate your time and participate in the event.** We need many volunteers to help with shopping, wrapping, entertaining children and various other responsibilities.
- **Donate needed supplies** including hotdogs, chips, and drinks, cookies, wrapping paper, and wrapping supplies. Many items are needed to make this event successful and everything helps.

For additional information or any questions, contact the event lead, Officer Heidi Herre-ra of the Rancho Cordova Police Department, at 916-875-5852 or athherre-ra@sacsheriff.com. We thank you for considering helping local families in the upcoming holiday season! ★

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Fruits and Veggies Needed for Low Income Kids

Local nonprofit hopes to raise 3,375 pieces of produce



California Food Literacy Center was established in July 2011 to educate and inspire low-income children to eat healthy food. Students learn fruit and vegetable appreciation, how to read nutrition labels, basic cooking skills and environmental impacts of their food choices.

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Toy drives are in full swing, but California Food Literacy Center sees a different need: healthy food. Local residents can make sure every child in the Sacramento nonprofit’s after-school program at Capitol Heights Academy in Oak Park goes home for holiday break with a box of 25 fruits and vegetables – five a day for five days. The drive will take place 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Dec. 15 at Whole Foods Market Arden-Arcade, and the group hopes to raise 3,375 pieces of produce. Participants are encouraged to purchase produce at Whole Foods but can also drop off fresh fruits and vegetables during the six-hour window.

“There are so many worthwhile causes right now providing

gifts to kids, but we’re in a school where 91 percent of the kids are on free and reduced price lunches,” said Amber Stott, executive director, California Food Literacy Center. “When they go home for the holiday, we know they don’t have access to the fresh produce they’ve grown to love in our class. This will help them maintain healthy habits while also maintaining their enthusiasm for healthy food while they’re on break from school.”

For more information or to make a monetary donation toward the campaign, contact Stott at amber@californiafoodliteracy.org or (916) 873-2025.

California Food Literacy Center was established in July 2011 to educate and inspire low-income children to eat healthy food. Students learn fruit and

vegetable appreciation, how to read nutrition labels, basic cooking skills and environmental impacts of their food choices. The nonprofit also runs the Food Literacy Academy, which trains community members as food literacy teachers. To date, the nonprofit has 60 active volunteers and serves 2,400 kids annually. After just three months of food literacy education, 70 percent of students request the foods they have tasted in class, including broccoli, celery and oranges. Ninety-two percent of K-1st grade students say healthy food tastes good, and 88 percent of children understand how to read a nutrition label. To make a donation: www.californiafoodliteracy.org. ★

Source: Thebaud Communications

SMUD Thanks Volunteer Customers Helping Needy Pay Bills

“EnergyHELP” program reaches nearly \$3.5 million mark

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Many Sacramento residents find it tough to make ends meet and it can be especially challenging during the holiday season. Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) customers are here to help and continue to deliver for those who need it. Those in need can get assistance paying their electric bill thanks to the EnergyHELP program. EnergyHELP makes it very easy for those who wish to contribute funds to help struggling customers.

The program is now ten years running. In that time, SMUD customers have contributed more than \$3 million to EnergyHELP. More than 13,000 customers now voluntarily donate monthly to help struggling low-income SMUD

customers keep the lights on. Here’s how EnergyHELP works: Customers can contribute automatically in their monthly bill payment to any of four partner charity agencies. The donation is tax-deductible, and SMUD sends all of the proceeds directly to the charity. Those charities in turn provide as much as \$200 in one-time bill assistance to low-income customers whose electric power has been, or is about to be, disconnected for non-payment. Typical monthly donations are between \$1 and \$10 per month, but some customers contribute \$20 to \$100 per month. Since the EnergyHELP program started in 2004, a total of \$3,441,848 in assistance has been distributed to more than

22,000 local households in crisis through all four EnergyHELP partner charity agencies: Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services, the Salvation Army, Travelers Aid Emergency Assistance Agency, and the Folsom Cordova Community Partnership. Based on customers helping their neighbors, SMUD will surpass \$552,000 in annual pledged EnergyHELP contributions by this year’s end. For more information about SMUD, contributing to EnergyHELP or SMUD’s low-income programs, or to inquire about qualification guidelines for assistance, visit smud.org or call SMUD at 1-888-742-7683. ★ Source: SMUD Newsroom

Bera Comments on Hearing on Iran Nuclear Deal

WASHINGTON, DC (MPG) - Congressman Ami Bera, M.D. participated in a House Committee on Foreign Affairs hearing Tuesday at which Secretary of State John Kerry testified about the interim agreement on Iran’s nuclear program finalized recently between Iran, the United States, and other leading nations. Bera offered the following comment:

“Today’s (December 10th) hearing was a necessary discussion about the nuclear deal between Iran and the U.S. The agreement is an important step towards the widely-shared, international goal of preventing Iran from developing or acquiring



Congressman Ami Bera

nuclear weapons, and while I am encouraged by the historic constructive progress made in

Geneva, I remain committed to an all-options-on-the-table approach towards Iran. In the months ahead, the U.S. and the international community must continue our vigilance and verification in Iran, and if Iran violates the interim agreement, or if a long-term accord does not materialize, they must be fully aware they will face serious consequences.” Congressman Ami Bera, M.D. represents Sacramento County. For more updates on Rep. Bera follow @RepBera on Twitter, likeCongressman Bera on Facebook, or visit <http://www.bera.house.gov>. ★

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The Bullet Train Is Like the Walking Dead



Commentary By
Jon Coupal

Pop quiz. Which of the following statements is true? A. California High speed rail (HSR) will allow riders to travel between Los Angeles and San Francisco in about two and a half hours for \$50. B. The total cost of HSR will be about \$40 billion. C. About half the cost of HSR will be picked up by the private sector and the federal government. D. If you like your plan you can keep it.

If you answered none of the above, you are correct and probably good at spotting misinformation put out by the political class to manipulate public opinion.

The first 3 statements come from arguments by those who supported Proposition 1A, or, as it was called, the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, which appeared on the ballot in 2008. Using rosy estimates of short travel times at low cost, along with several million dollars provided by labor unions to get the message out, promoters of Proposition 1A convinced voters to approve a \$10 billion bond.

It also helped that the glowingly positive ballot title and summary, which are supposed to be objective and are usually written by the attorney general, were prepared by members of the Legislature who wrote the bond measure.

Five years after the passage of Proposition 1A, estimates of travel times and ticket prices have doubled, the total cost of the project could surpass \$100 billion and there is not one dollar of private sector money committed to the project. The idea of dedicated track for a high speed system has been tossed aside in favor of a “blended system” where high speed trains would compete for track space with commuter and freight lines. Even if the private railroads which own the right of way to the track gave their blessing to the plan (which they have emphatically refused) this would still significantly increase commute time.

Realizing the impossibility of keeping the promises made to voters, in March of this year, the High Speed Rail Authority filed a “validation action,” suing everyone in the state. If no one responded, they would have slipped the noose. The authority would have received a court ruling allowing the issuance of almost nine billion dollars in bonds to fund construction of a rail system that no longer resembles what voters approved with the passage of Proposition 1A.

Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association and others answered the complaint for validation. HJTA requested that the court deny the issuance of the bonds on the grounds that the High Speed Rail Authority’s plans had so deviated from the promises made to voters in Proposition

1A, that bonds for the project had not received voter approval.

Taxpayers received good news last week when Sacramento Superior Court Judge Michael Kenny denied the Rail Authority permission to put taxpayers in debt almost nine billion dollars, to use on a project not even remotely close to what the State pitched to California voters when they approved high speed rail five years ago. Judge Kenny’s ruling denied the validation because there was no evidence to support the idea that it was “necessary and desirable” to issue the bonds.

In a separate ruling, the judge found that the State’s current funding plan did not conform to the requirements of Proposition 1A and he ordered the State to draft a new plan that does conform. Among the requirements placed in statute by Proposition 1A is the requirement that the system be self-funding, needing no new taxes or government subsidies. As even the High Speed Rail Authority knows, this is now impossible.

However, while the court ruling should give encouragement to taxpayers, readers who passed the exam at the top of the page will be aware that government bureaucrats can be as mindlessly relentless as zombies, and the critically flawed bullet train project is likely to be as hard to kill as the Walking Dead.

(Jon Coupal is president of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association — California’s largest grass-roots taxpayer organization dedicated to the protection of Proposition 13 and the advancement of taxpayers’ rights. Originally published on HJTA.) ★



By Bob McGarvey

Looking back at some of the pictures of the signs and billboards that lined Folsom Blvd 10 years ago can make you appreciate the changes that have been made. There are still some signs around of course, but they are not the huge billboards that sometimes seemed to take up half the sky. The signs there today show information about the businesses, but they do not stay on one board until the paper starts fading away and begins to peel off the board on its own.

On Highway 50 the electric billboards that are showing up use a softer light, and the information is there for 6 to 8 seconds then it disappears and goes to the next message. That kind of billboard makes it easier for small businesses to afford sending out their messages too. In addition, those electric boards will also help provide

“Sign of the Times”

emergency information like when someone is missing. The information appears within just a few minutes. And as we all know, in emergencies, timing is everything.

Signs are used for advertising, by schools to pass on information about current happenings, for emergencies, and I received an email about some real church signs. One on them was from back east, and it said “Whoever is praying for snow please stop!”, two others are definitely signs of the times when they say “There are some questions that can’t be answered by Google”, and “Read the Bible; It’s user friendly, plus we offer tech support on Sunday at 10:30 AM”. And this one seems to agree with the California Highway Patrol about using your phone; “Honk if you love Jesus...Text while driving if you want to meet him.”

It was nice to know the help that is given to Veterans’ families by the Rancho Cordova Elks Lodge through their “Catch the Spirit” program continues. It has been a great help to families of the military. The Cordova Food Locker was able to hand out over 1,100 turkeys and hundreds of chickens as the main course of the meals and other food supplies that were handed out to hundreds of other families in our community on Thanksgiving and throughout the Christmas season. There are many organizations in Rancho Cordova who have joined hands in their efforts to provide food and give presents during Christmas time. And they will continue their efforts past the Christmas season because as we all know -- people need clothes and food year-round... not just during the holidays.

If you think about all the holidays you enjoyed when you were a child, it is usually easier to remember the good times than the bad. It’s funny how strong the memories are when you smell some particular food being cooked and your mind suddenly brings you back to a wonderful time in which you can almost taste the food and can see the people who were sharing that food. Strong memories can also be triggered by what we see. Everything was so much bigger when you were so small. Larry Wilde said “Never worry about the size of your Christmas tree. In the eyes of children, they are all 30 feet tall.” ★

From Councilman Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see

Rancho Cordova Recognizes VSP Optics Group



RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Council Member Donald Terry presented a proclamation to VSP Optics Group (VSP) at Monday’s City Council Meeting. The proclamation recognized the VSP Day of Service that took place in November in Rancho Cordova’s White Rock Neighborhood. Fifty VSP employees donated time and supplies for free outside makeovers of five residential properties and a neighborhood entry area. Pictured (left to right): Andre Jordan, VSP Optics Group Project Manager; Kate Reid, VSP Optics Group Manager; Council Member Donald Terry; and Lorianne Ulm, City Volunteer Coordinator. ★

Source: City of Rancho Cordova

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Sacramento Powerball Winner Claims \$1 Million Prize

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SACRAMENTO, CA - Bruce Goodman thought the television news pictures of a Sacramento Lottery retailer looked familiar. So when the news anchor announced a \$1 million Powerball ticket had been purchased there, bells and whistles starting going off inside his head. "I said to my wife, '...oh look at that, that's where I bought my tickets!'"

Ten tickets in fact – and amazingly, one of them (the only one in the state!), matched five of the six numbers from the December 4th Powerball draw. The \$20 investment paid off big time, and now Goodman is taking home a check for \$1,072,680. His winning numbers were 6-9-11-31-44, missing only the Powerball number 25. Goodman drew Powerball number 23, so he was actually only two numbers off from scoring the \$81 million jackpot. So close! "Yea, had it been (25), we'd be talking a different scenario," the Sacramento grandfather admitted with a laugh. "But (a million dollars) is not bad!"

Goodman revealed his winning numbers were a Quick Pick® with no special meaning.

"Yea, they were random numbers. The very first time Powerball came out, I just did a Quick Pick and said these will be my numbers from here on out. Numbers are numbers!" So how much had the retired State Farm insurance agent previously won playing the California Lottery? "About \$160 at the most," Goodman estimated, and this big win isn't about to slow him down. "Of course I'll keep playing – my same (lucky random) numbers!"

As for how he plans on spending his winnings – Goodman and his wife don't have any extravagant ideas, other than to "travel well," give to some of their favorite charities and spoil the grandchildren. "They (granddaughters) already know," laughed Lynn Goodman. "In fact, they were riding in the back seat after we found out we'd won, and one of them said, 'Oh my goodness, papa, he's a millionaire!' So they know!"

California's latest millionaire purchased his winning ticket at Select Wine & Spirit, which is located at 7485 Rush River Drive #730 in Sacramento. The lucky Sacramento retailer who sold that

Powerball ticket is also going to get a check for about \$5,363! That's because on November 21, the California Lottery Commission voted to start awarding retailers who sell five of six winning draw game tickets of more than \$1 million a one half percent retailer bonus. Previously, only retailers who sold the winning jackpot ticket were eligible for the standard one half percent bonuses.

We should mention that on the same night that the Goodman's won, someone in Sacramento also purchased the only winning Fantasy 5 ticket. It was a rare double-win here in the Capital City. We're still waiting for this lucky Fantasy 5 winner to come forward and claim their \$112,457 prize.

Whoever this mystery person is should sign the back of their ticket and visit their local Lottery District Office (4106 East Commerce Way, Sacramento) as soon as possible. They have 180 days from the date of the draw to claim their prize. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08631. Anahit Movesyan, 6006 McNeely Way, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Ana's Home Laundry Service" at 6006 McNeely Way, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 30, 2013. Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. ANA'S 131202 12-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08935. Chris Faubel, 7046 Charolais Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "CJ's Pizzz" at 9045 Fair Oaks Blvd., G, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 13, 2013. Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. CJS 131202 12-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08875. Yogini Living LLC, 7504 Lost Creek Ct., Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "East2West Massage and East2West Massage & Wellness" at 4748 Engle Rd., No. 107, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 8, 2013. Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. EAST 131202 12-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09330. Lisa Wiese, 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Murietta, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Lisa Wiese and Associates" at 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 27, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2013. WIESE 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08869. Lindy Puckett, 9691 Livery Ct., Wilton, CA 95693 and Jennifer Schultz, 9640 Livery Ct., Wilton, CA 95693 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "E-Aprons" at 9690 Livery Ct., Wilton, CA 95693. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 28, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. EAPRONS 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08532. Christy Jahlea Jahlou, 7852 Olympic Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Shazaam Studios" at 2410 Butano Dr., Suite 101, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 28, 2013. Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. SHAZAAM 131202 12-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08921. Sanna Catherine Sorrick, 6032 Rye Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Total Effects For Hair & Skin" at 5841 Fair Oaks Blvd., No. A, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 12, 2013. Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. TOTAL 131202 12-11-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09059. Desmond Sandy, 3001 60th St., Sacramento, CA 95820 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "Road to Snow" at 3001 60th St., Sacramento, CA 95820. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 18, 2013. Publish: November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2013. ROAD 131203 12-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09144. DLF General Contractor inc., 15 Village Green Dr., Sacramento, CA 95638 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "D.L. Fuller Construction" at 15 Village Green Dr., Sacramento, CA 95638. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 20, 2013. Publish: November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2013. DLFGEN 131203 12-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09108. Folsom Soccer Club, 373 Toburny Way, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "Folsom Lake Soccer League" at 373 Toburny Way, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 19, 2013. Publish: November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2013. FOLSOM 131203 12-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08858. Fred L. Cary III and Eliene M. Cary, 3757 Norris Ave., Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Names "Yupik & Cary" at 3757 Norris Ave., Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 7, 2013. Publish: November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2013. YUPIK 131203 12-18-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09004. Herbert Damell Holloway and Maria Carmen Holloway, 8352 Cereus Ct., Antelope, CA 95843 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Black Tie Sedan & Limousine" at 8352 Cereus Ct., Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 15, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. BLACKTIE 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09029. Eugene Ray McCann, 3872 Hwy 49, Placerville, CA 95667 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Hot Tub Place of Sacramento" at 11255 Sunrise Gold Circle, Suite H, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 18, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. HOTTUB 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08989. Khong Singyer Xiong, 14 Clove Ct., Sacramento, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "XXYZ Real Estate Investment" at 1240 Ascot Ave., Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 15, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. KXYZ 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09023. Charles W. Sison, 6613 Buckhorn Dr., Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "JFK Guam Reunion" at 6613 Buckhorn Dr., Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 15, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. JFKGUAM 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09024. Marshall Lending & Real Estate, 5252 Alderberry Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "MNT Investment Group" at 5252 Alderberry Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 15, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. MNTINV 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-07869. Elizabeth Mendiola, 7767 Reenel Way, Sacramento, CA 95832 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Power Express Transport" at 2186 Woodlawn Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 31, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. POWER 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08654. Elizabeth Mendiola and Jose Cervantes, 7767 Reenel Way, Sacramento, CA 95832 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Restaurant El Botanero" at 2186 Woodlawn Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 31, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. ELBOTA 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09302. Adrian Petersen, 836 57th St., No. 203, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Total Home Solutions" at 836 57th St., No. 203, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 26, 2013. Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. TOTALHOME 131204 12-25-13

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-08623. Sima Khatamoghaddam and Mozafar Hendessi, 123 Mountain Oak Ct., Folsom, CA 95630 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Fun Art" at 4096 Bridge St., Units 1 and 2, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on October 29, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. FUNART 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09217. Chun Nam Park, 9319 Ridgeside Ln., Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Fountain Square Market" at 7340 Greenback Ln., No. 1, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 21, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. FOUNTAIN 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-009284. Maycloud, Inc., 5093 Archcrest Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "GBT Capital, Inc." at 5093 Archcrest Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 25, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. GBT 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09412. Langdon's Home Buyers Assistance Corporation, 2200 Sunrise Blvd., Suite 240, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Home Buyer Assistance" and Home Buyer Assistance Real Estate at 2200 Sunrise Blvd., Suite 240, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on December 3, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. HOME 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09174. Jane F. Nafy, 6817 Rappahannock Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Floral Designs By J" at 6817 Rappahannock Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 20, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. FLORAL 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09154. Teresa Ginn Johnson, 4141 Palm Ave., No. 514, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Yes I'm Covered" and "YIC" at 4141 Palm Ave., No. 514, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 20, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. YESIM 140101 01-01-14

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT #FBNF2013-09330. Lisa Wiese, 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Murietta, CA 95683 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name "Lisa Wiese and Associates" at 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Cordova, CA 95683. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County on November 27, 2013. Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. WIESE140101 01-01-14

ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE #FBNF2013-00611.

The following individual has abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of "ENERNET," 2817 La Paz Way, Sacramento, CA 95821: Eugene E. Wetmore and Carlene A. Wetmore, 2817 La Paz Way, Sacramento, CA 95821

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on January 23, 2013, in the County of Sacramento.

Abandonment filed with the Clerk of Sacramento on September 11, 2013.

Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. ENERNET 140101 01-01-14

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE #FBNF2013-08945.

The following individual has abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of "Lisa Wiese and Associates," 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Murietta, CA 95683: Lisa A. Wiese, 6538 Via Sereno Dr., Rancho Murietta, CA 95683 and Eugene K. Wiese, 1212 Robertson Way, Sacramento, CA 95818

The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on November 13, 2013, in the County of Sacramento.

Abandonment filed with the Clerk of Sacramento on November 27, 2013.

Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. WIESE 140101 01-01-14

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153174

WHEREAS, Scott Alan Holmes has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Scott Alan Holmes to Allison Stephanie Holmes, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 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.

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 13, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. HOLMES 131202 12-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153159

WHEREAS, David Lloyd McNabb has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of David Lloyd McNabb to Della Jean McNabb, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 10, 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 13, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. MCNABB 131202 12-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00152819

WHEREAS, Samantha E. Stevens has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Samantha Elizabeth Stevens to Sam Edward Stevens, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 8, 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: November 6, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. STEVENS 131202 12-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153205

WHEREAS, Robert Scott Alioto has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the names of Robert Scott Alioto to Robert Scott Alioto and Robert Scott Elliott to Robert Scott Alioto, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 13, 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: November 13, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2013. ALIOTO 131202 12-11-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00151610

WHEREAS, Latasha Hurd has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Shawnte Brandon Jamal Alston to Brandon Jamal Shawnte Alston, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 21, 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 20, 2013 Raymond M. Cadei Judge of the Superior Court Publish: November 27, December 4, 11, 18, 2013. HURD 131203 12-18-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153760

WHEREAS, Frshita Abdul Malik has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Frshita Abdul Malik to Freshita Malik, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 22, 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: November 20, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. MALIK 140101 01-01-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153718

WHEREAS, Andrea Corpus has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Zabrina Diane Corpus to Sabrina Gloria Hernandez, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 22, 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153174

WHEREAS, Scott Alan Holmes has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Scott Alan Holmes to Allison Stephanie Holmes, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154149

WHEREAS, John Scott Driver and Victoria Anne Lee have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Joss Allegra Lee Driver to XiaoXiao Joss Allegra Lee Driver, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 28, 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: November 27, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 11, 18, 25, 2013, January 1, 2014. DRIVER 140101 01-01-14

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154366

WHEREAS, Christie Anna Call has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Christie Anna Call to Christie Anna Harris-Call, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 29, 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154135

WHEREAS, Artemisa Vega Heredia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Artemisa Vega Heredia to Artemisa Vega De Green, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 28, 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154108

WHEREAS, Taylor Lee Lane have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Taylor Lee lane to Rosalia Theresa Caico, 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.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00152151

WHEREAS, Herbert Glenn Lucas has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Herbert Glenn Lucas to Glenn Herbert Lucas, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2:00 p.m. on January 26, 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: October 16, 2013 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. LUCAS 131204 12-25-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154133

WHEREAS, Don W. McCullough have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Don W. McCullough to Brooke M. McCullough, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 24, 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 David I. Brown Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2013. MCCULL 131204 12-25-13

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00153021

WHEREAS, Whitney Strong has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Whitney Strong to Whynei Strong, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 9, 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154366

WHEREAS, Christie Anna Call has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Christie Anna Call to Christie Anna Harris-Call, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 9 a.m. on January 29, 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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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2013-00154111

WHEREAS, Rachael Delgado Mendez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name of Rachael Delgado Mendez to Gabriel Delgado Mendez, IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above entitled matter appear before this court at 2 p.m. on January 23, 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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21st RT Holiday Bus Starts Season of Giving



Rick Sloan, retired RT Graphic Designer and currently a Board Member for the Cordova Recreation and Park District, guided participants in painting the toy soldiers, snowmen, reindeer and other fanciful holiday creations he designed.

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - RT employees and their families celebrated the start of the holiday season on November 23 by taking part in RT's 20th Annual Holiday Bus Painting Party. More than 120 RT artists used a 'paint-by-numbers' technique to bring the decorative 40-foot bus to life.

Rick Sloan, retired RT Graphic Designer and currently a Board Member for the Cordova Recreation and Park District, guided participants in painting the toy soldiers, snowmen, reindeer and other fanciful holiday creations he designed. This is the 21st RT Holiday Bus to make an appearance during the holiday season. The first bus designed by an outside agency wasn't well received by RT as it was primarily painted dark green and became invisible at night. Reflective decals had to be added to make it safer. From that point on, 20 years ago, RT gave the responsibility of designing the Holiday Bus and supervising the Bus Painting Party to Sloan.

"This party is really about celebrating with family and friends. Over the 20 years I've participated in the event, it's been wonderful to see my own family, and the children of RT employees, grow up before my eyes. This has become a labor of love that I look forward to creating every year." Sloan said. "The kids and parents that take part in this special event really feel a great sense of pride when they finally see the bus driving down the road like a giant greeting card."

The Holiday Bus serves as a tool to thank passengers who use the RT system and to give back to the community as a whole. Free to passengers, the Holiday Bus operates on different routes in the Sacramento region from December 1, 2013 through January 3, 2014. The schedule can be found at www.sact.com/holidaybus13.stm.

Once inside, passengers listen to festive holiday music and view on display several holiday themed



Rick Sloan and daughter Samantha are shown here painting the side of Regional Transits' 21st Holiday Bus.

posters painted by some of the younger children.

In lieu of fare, monetary donations and non-perishable food items will be collected on the bus to benefit River City Food Bank, a non-profit organization that provides emergency food and housing assistance in Sacramento County. For more information about the food bank, visit www.rivercityfoodbank.org. ★



SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At approximately 12:00 this afternoon, Metro Fire crews responded to a house fire in the 9300 block of Rose Parade Way in the Rosemont area and found a fire between two homes. One of the homes had a family living in

Fire on Rose Parade Way

it and the other one was vacant. Both homes did suffer damage. All were able to evacuate safely.

Twenty-six firefighters engaged in fire attack, searched the homes for victims, and completed the necessary ventilation, conducted salvage and overhaul. Crews were able to contain the fire the exterior of the homes. Firefighting efforts saved roughly \$400,000 in personal property. Combined value

of the both homes is estimated at \$50,000.

Fortunately there were no injuries to either the occupants or firefighter's in the blaze.

Metro Fire's, Fire Investigation Unit is investigating the fire at this time. ★

Outdoor World

DECEMBER BASS

In parts of the country where lakes don't ice over, you can still catch bass in December.

Shad should be dying because of the falling water temperatures and that's something the bass key on, so start by looking for schools of shad. When you find them, start with a quarter ounce spoon on 16 to 18 pound line.

Fish the lure like a dying shad, with a snapping, fluttering motion. Also try jigging spoons on any creek channel bends, especially those between 12 and 30 feet deep.

Riprap around a causeway is usually another productive area. Use a quarter ounce Rat-L-Trap® in chrome with blue, or a 3/8 ounce spinnerbait with small gold or silver blades.

If you live where you can still fish for bass in December, count your blessings. You can deer hunt in the morning and bass fish in the afternoon.

Kevin VanDam is a Member of the Bass Pro Shops' National Fishing Team

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Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Wait Until you See The Portrait Two of the Kids Did of You

to check it out.

This year, she's having a sale and show of her students' work, but with a difference.

"The way I see it," she said, "these kids need some Christmas money, right?"

Coffee-sipping nods all around.

"And they need to take pride in their art work, too," she said. "So I kinda put it all together and came up with the 'Faces of Love' Christmas art show."

"Faces of Love?" said Dud.

"Oh yeah," Janice said, smiling. "You see, the paintings are all portraits of people the students love. You know, Mom and Dad, grandparents, the guy down the street who volunteers at band practice, that kind of thing."

"Sounds good," Doc said.

"And nothing at the art show will cost more than ten bucks. I figure we'll sell all of them,

too."

"You sound pretty sure of that," said Doc. "Are they that good?"

"Frankly no," Janice said. "But hey, it's Christmas and they're only ten bucks."

"Still, selling all of them will be quite a trick," Doc said.

"Not really," Janice said. "I have a secret weapon."

We looked at her.

"I got the Valley Weekly Miracle to promise they'd print whatever portraits didn't sell."

Doc laughed and slapped his knee. "That's great! That oughta get 'em all right. Those poor folks don't have a chance."

"Wait until you see the portrait two of the kids did of you, Doc," Janice said.

Doc looked around sheepishly while we laughed.

"Hey, any you guys got twenty bucks on you?" ★

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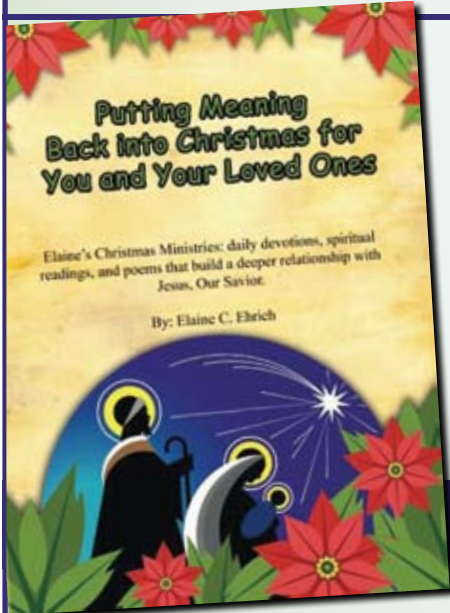
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ON-CALL PLAN REVIEW, PERMITTING AND FIELD INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE BUILDING & SAFETY DIVISION

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 **3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, December 31, 2013**. Proposals will not be publically opened.

The City of Rancho Cordova's Building & Safety Division has need for: on-call, in-house, permit technicians, and possibly out-sourced plan review and commercial and residential field inspectors to cover all phases and trades in inspection.

Copies of the Proposal Document are available at the below address. An electronic version of the RFP may be obtained by emailing Denise Reese at dreese@cityofranchocordova.org.

City of Rancho Cordova
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Season's Greetings

FROM

We Wish All Our Readers A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Grapevine Independent Community Calendar

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

RHYTHMIC POETRY: WRITE WITH POET BOB STANLEY
Time: Thursday, 6-8 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920

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.westernswingociety.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.ranhocordovahistory.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.

FRENCH CONVERSATION GROUP MEETING
Time: 2nd Wednesdays, 2-4 pm
Place: Rancho Cordova Library
9845 Folsom Blvd.
Contact: 264-2920
www.saclibrary.org
Info: Practice your French in a fun and casual environment.

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
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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.



By Ronnie McBrayer

“We three kings of Orient are.” So begins a favorite carol of the Advent season about the “Wise Men” who visit the newborn Jesus. And so begins a tale that takes inaccuracy and historical revisionism to a whole new level. Reverend John Henry Hopkins, Jr., who wrote the carol a century and a half ago, should have known better.

First, we don’t know exactly how many kings there were. There could have been as few as two and up to almost any number. Tradition says that there were three (though some traditions mention twelve), and over time they were even given names: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. But these are apocryphal stories.

Second, they were not “kings” from the Orient. They were Wise Men, or put more accurately, Magi. The Magi were astronomers – primitive by today’s standards – who were on the cutting edge of scientific and philosophical knowledge in their day. So it may be best to view these Magi as the uncanny combination of scientists, philosophers, and theologians – but not kings. And such men called Persia home (modern day Iran), not the Far East.

Third, these men did not find the Christ child while “following yonder star.” They saw the star “in the East” or “at the rising of the sun,” but then proceeded west to Palestine. The star did

All means All (Second Week of Advent)

not reappear until they were already in Bethlehem.

And finally, the Magi, technically, do not belong in the Nativity scene at all. They were latecomers to the Christmas party, maybe as late as Jesus’ second birthday. The quaking shepherds, singing angels, and lowing cattle had returned to life as normal long ago. On and on I could go ripping the veracity of this Christmas Carol apart, but that is not my intent.

“We Three Kings” remains one of my favorite Holiday hymns to bellow out this time of year. My critique of it is to simply point out that apart from the accumulations of questionable tradition, we know little about these mysterious men from the East. And these traditions prevent us from embracing what we can learn from them – for the journey of the Magi is a fascinating exercise in unexpected faith.

They came seeking the child who had been born king of the Jews, based almost entirely on the appearance of an enigmatic star. While history is rampant with explanations for this phenomena, one conclusion is certain: The Magi interpreted this unusual sign in the heavens as a clear communication that something extraordinary had taken place in the world. And even more extraordinary, these Persian sages applied their interpretation to the emergence of Jesus, the Jewish Messiah.

Why so astonishing? Not many people would launch out on a dangerous journey through the Middle East based solely on a spiritual hunch. Not many people would put their life on hold to prove their mystical intuitions to be true. And the most shocking

of all, not many Persians (today’s Iranians) would worship at the feet (or manger) of a Jew. And not many Jews could abide by such a thing, either!

Yet, in God’s way, these all belonged together. Divisions of race, religion, nationality or ethnicity did not factor into the equation. This is a foreshadowing of what the Apostle Paul would say later. “In Christ,” he said, “there is no difference between Jew and Greek, slave and free person, male and female. You are all the same in Christ Jesus” (See Galatians 3). And “all” does mean “all.” All are welcome into the presence of the One who will “reconcile everything – all things in heaven and on earth to himself.”

So here is where the Magi teach us the wisest of their lessons: There are many barriers to overcome and great distances to cover in our journey of faith – “field and fountain, moor and mountain” to quote Reverend Hopkins – but when we get to where we are going, we will be welcomed in with open arms. There we will find the “King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.” And “all” surely means “all.”

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THURSDAY

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CORDOVA SPORTS

Lancer Hoops Looking For Strong Finish in CAL

By Mike Bush

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)

- Cordova High School boys basketball coach Fletcher Johnson is implementing a new style of play that has resulted in a fast start and hopes of claiming the Capital Athletic League title.

Fletcher describes the new offensive scheme as the System. When a Lancer player shoots the ball, the remaining four players hustle to the boards to grab an offensive rebound inside the paint.

“That way we can get possessions,” Johnson said. “Our goal is to shoot a minimum of 25 shots per game than our opponents. We can get those back by creating turnovers and getting offensive rebounds.

Last year, the Lancers (6-4 in CAL last season, 17-11) averaged 58.8 points per game. Now 3-0 going into Monday’s non-league game at McClatchy, Cordova is averaging 88 points per game.

Johnson has eight players returning from last year’s team. Guard Jordan Roberson, who averaged 17.4 points per game last season, is one of five seniors on the team. Other players

returning are guards Lamar Brewer, CJ Coles, Marquis Bolden and Alex Yakimchuk. Brewer is averaging 12.3 points per game this season.

Another key returning player for the Lancers is junior guard JaQuan Lewis, who started last year as a sophomore.

“The kid gives everything he has on the floor,” said Johnson of Lewis. “He’s coming along good. He’s an excellent team player. He sacrifices a lot of his shooting to get other guys second chances on shooting.”

Forward Chris Johnson, who started last year as a sophomore, also returns.

Juniors on this year’s team are DeMario Newman, Ranjell Lorena and Lamont Guidry. Moving up to the varsity squad is sophomore guard Kyle Lorena, along with freshman guard Bruce Saevang.

“They were contending for championships in junior high,” said coach Johnson, “and now we’re hoping for a league championship and go deep in the playoffs and hopefully play for a (Sac-Joaquin) section championship. That’s our goal for the season.”

This season is also the last in the CAL for Cordova. Next

season, Cordova and its athletic programs return to the Sierra Valley Conference, which is Division IV. The SVC was a D-II league until Cordova left for the CAL in 2010. The CAL is D-III.

On Dec. 6, Cordova posted a 115-60 victory over Johnson at the Warriors’ gym in Sacramento. Five Lancers scored in double figures; Roberson had 24 points, Coles 18, Bruce Saevang, 12, Bolden 11 and Brewer 10. Lewis followed in scoring with nine points, Yakimchuk seven and Kyle and Ranjell Lorena had five points each.

On Dec. 4, Cordova won its second game over Casa Roble, 70-65, at the Lancers’ gym. Roberson had 21 points and Brewer 11. Kyle Lorena had eight points.

The day prior at the Lancers’ gym, the Lancers won their home and season opener against Wood, 80-69. Three Cordova players scored in double figures; Roberson 27 points, Brewer 16 and Bolden 11.

On Wednesday, Cordova played Sierra of Manteca in the first game of the four-day Edison Tournament in Stockton. ★

Experience to Pace Lady Lancers

By Mike Bush

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)

- Entering his fourth season as the Cordova High School girls basketball coach, Raymond Bradley has a mixture of upper and lower classmen on this year’s squad.

“We’re young but athletic,” Bradley said. “We’re faster than last year. This is one of the better teams we have put together since I’ve been here at the varsity level.”

Cordova is looking to improve on last year’s record of 4-6 in the Capital Athletic League and 8-18 overall. As of Monday, the Lancers are 1-1 in pre-season.

Seven players return from last year’s team. Three of those players are seniors in guards Kayla Hontz and Dominique Range, and the front court players of Monar Newton and Monique Newton.

Juniors returning who played as sophomores last year are guards Midon Mekata and Cauje Curney, and guard/forward Andalea Ware. Jullissa Reis, who was the lone

freshman on last year’s squad, returns as a sophomore at center/forward.

“This is her year to shine,” said Bradley of Curney, who is a three-year starter. “This is her year to take over the team. Andalea has progressed a lot on the perimeter. We want to get more scoring out of her. They work well together.”

Guards Brianna Clark, Makayla Townsend and Alyssa Wilson move up from last year’s junior varsity squad as juniors.

Four freshmen round out the roster in Alyssa Moreno, Leila Cooper, Kelsie Graf and Adrienne Hammond.

“They played AAU together,” said Bradley of the quintet. “I needed a bench this year. It makes us easier to sub.”

The CAL will be tough this year. But Bradley is very optimistic that his team will be ready.

“Our league is one of the toughest around,” Bradley said. “In every game we should be able to compete with the roster that we have.”

Cordova won its first game

of the season at Union Mine, 34-32, on Dec. 4. Both teams were guilty of multiple turnovers – more than two-dozen for each squad – but the Lancers started fast in the first quarter, jumping out to a 10-4 lead and held off several Diamondback rallies to win the game. That included two Union Mine turnovers in the last eight seconds of the game.

“Cauje did very good in driving to the basket,” said Bradley of Curney, one of two Lancers who had 10 points. “I think at the end of the game, they just stepped it up to get steals.”

Clark also had 10 points for the Lancers. Monique Newton had six points and Monar Newton four.

On Dec. 3 at Rosemont, Cordova fell 46-36.

Earlier this week, Cordova had home games against Vista del Lago, Capital Christian and Argonaut.

Next Wednesday, Cordova continues non-league play at Rocklin. One week from Friday, Cordova plays at Ponderosa. ★

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Rancho Cordova Takes Pulse of the Economy

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Rancho Cordova businesses had the opportunity to share their thoughts with city officials at the 6th Annual Business Walk.

Thirty-five volunteers successfully interviewed 117 businesses about the state of the economy and business in Rancho Cordova. Volunteers focused on three basic questions: how is business, what do you like about doing business in Rancho Cordova, and what should be done to improve business in Rancho Cordova.

The majority of businesses have been located in Rancho Cordova for several years and report business is going well. Business is improving in comparison to previous years, but some companies are facing challenges as a result of the economy and seasonal fluctuations. The business climate overall was positive and hopeful.

"I learned how resilient and loyal Rancho Cordova business owners are, and how committed they are to the overall community," said volunteer David Nelson,

Regional Liaison Manager at the Board of Equalization. "I can't wait for next year's business walk."

Location continues to be the number one reason businesses choose to locate in Rancho Cordova. Not only does the central location provide easy access for clientele but employees that live in the area are able to work close to home. Many businesses also felt their clients and the Rancho Cordova community make the City a great place to work.

"We make new and lasting connections with the business community each year during the walk," said Economic Development Director Curt Haven. "The annual event is a fun way to gauge the pulse of the economy and compile ideas for improvement."

The business walk is an annual event conducted in partnership with the City of Rancho Cordova, Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce, and the Sacramento Metro Chamber.

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The 6th Annual Rancho Cordova Business Walk was held in October resulting in surveys of 117 local businesses. Pictured (left to right): Joe Chinn, Assistant City Manager; Diann Rogers, President/CEO of the Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce; Micah Runner, Former City Economic Development Manager; Mayor Linda Budge; Maureen Johnson, Sacramento Metro Chamber Administrator of Public Policy and Economic Development; and Matt Yancey, Sacramento Metro Chamber Director of Business and Economic Development.

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