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State of the City Broadcast *Solid Roots Persevere, New Growth Thrives*



The community of Citrus Heights continues to grow up to its potential. Photo: City of Citrus Heights

City of Citrus Heights

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The City of Citrus Heights is hosting its first-ever virtual State of the City Broadcast, as an opportunity for City leaders to connect with the community, reflect on 2020 so far, and share the vision for our future. The event directly supports one of the City’s current strategic goals: to improve community vibrancy and engagement.

Strategic goals, set by City Council every three years, provide staff focused direction for City efforts. Each of the five goals set for 2017-2020 have strategic objectives that serve as benchmarks every six months. While 2020 has been a year unlike any other, City staff remain committed to all the previously-set

strategic goals, and have been finding innovative ways to continue to engage the community.

Beyond supporting a strategic goal, the State of the City Broadcast also serves to help our community connect while we are required to be socially-distant. Community surveys have shown that residents want to remain in-the-know, and value government transparency.

“Our hope at the beginning of 2020 was that we would be able to have an in-person State of the City event,” said City Manager Chris Boyd. “We’ve had to pivot to a virtual event, but staff have worked very hard to ensure the program will be informative, interactive, and engaging. Our community can tune-in from the comfort of their homes, on any digital device, and hear

directly from City leaders – we see this as a silver-lining.”

The broadcast will be hosted via Zoom on **Tuesday, October 20 at 6:00 p.m.** Those interested in tuning in live can register by visiting CitrusHeights.net/SOTC. Residents that are unable to join live will have the opportunity to watch a recording on YouTube and Metro Cable 14.

“The theme of the event is based on our City slogan: Solid roots. New growth,” said Boyd. “2020 has shown us that the solid community roots here in Citrus Heights can weather any storm. We are proud to be sharing stories of resiliency from both our residents and our dedicated staff.”

Visit CitrusHeights.net/SOTC to register for the Citrus Heights State of the City Broadcast. ★

Sac Zoo Celebrates Birth of New Baby Giraffe



Momma and Baby Giraffe.
Photo: Sac Zoo

**By Lesley Kirrene,
Sacramento Zoo**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sac Zoo is thrilled to announce that Shani, a 10-year-old Masai giraffe, gave birth to a female calf during the evening on September 20. Mother and calf are spending time bonding in the zoo’s giraffe barn and may have access to the public side yard periodically over the next few days to weeks.

The zoo’s veterinarians performed a routine neonatal health check on the calf including a brief physical exam. Zookeepers had been monitoring Shani around the clock prior to the birth and will continue to closely watch the mother and her calf.

The Sacramento Zoo is now home to five giraffes: one post-reproductive female reticulated giraffe, one male Masai giraffe, two female Masai giraffe including Shani, and now the new calf. This is the 20th calf born at the Sacramento Zoo going back to 1964 when the species was first housed at the zoo.

This birth coincides with the launch of the Sac Zoo’s online Auction 2020, running today through noon on September 29. Due to the pandemic, the non-profit Sac Zoo is unable to hold its largest fundraisers of the year and thus created the online Auction 2020 as a way to raise much-needed funds to care for the baby giraffe and the hundreds of other rare, endangered and native animals that call the zoo home.

Zoo supporters are able to bid on an opportunity to name the zoo’s new baby giraffe or have the chance to be one of the first to meet the baby and her mother up-close and personal. Other auction items include original art created by a troop of orangutans, the chance to spend a

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Love of the Game

River Cats Broadcaster Writes Haikus on Baseball and Life

Story by Shaunna Boyd

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Johnny Duskow, the well-known TV and radio broadcaster for the Sacramento River Cats, recently immortalized his love of the game in a book of haiku focusing on his experiences in both baseball and in life.

Duskow was “raised with the game” and always knew he wanted to call baseball. “I’ve been fortunate to fulfill my dream,” he said. His career began in 1991 calling local sports in Iowa. Two years later he started his first job in professional baseball with the Cedar Rapids Kernels. From there, he moved to California, where he worked with both the High



Sacramento River Cats broadcaster Johnny Duskow releases a book of haikus titled *Goodnight Em*. Readers will relate to the poems, which focus on love of the game, love of family, and love of life. Photo provided by Johnny Duskow.

Desert Mavericks and the Fresno Grizzlies before becoming the voice of the

Sacramento River Cats in 2001. He also broadcast for the major leagues for

34 games in 2012 with the Oakland A’s.

This past March, with the baseball season forced into hiatus by the coronavirus pandemic, Duskow had no games to call. During his first summer off in 28 years, he started writing. Originally, he didn’t have plans for a book; he was just writing haikus about life and moments he wanted to remember. It was his wife Deb who suggested he write about his life’s passion: baseball. Before he knew it, he had more than enough poems to fill a book. “It just happened organically,” he said.

Duskow has been fascinated by haikus ever since his older brother introduced him to the format as a kid. “I’ve always written them,”

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The Capitol Annex Project Debate

Story by Shaunna Boyd

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - California’s State Capitol Complex is comprised of the historic West Wing, with its iconic dome, and the adjoined Annex building, which houses the offices of the Governor and most of California’s lawmakers. The Capitol also hosts millions of visitors each year. But the existing Annex has many health and safety deficiencies such as inefficient heating/cooling systems, failing plumbing, outdated electrical systems, and lack of fire sprinklers. Stairways, elevators, and exit doors are also oversized, and the building is frequently overcrowded—which has become an even greater concern during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Capitol Annex Project – overseen by the Joint Rules Committee (JRC) – plans to demolish the current Annex and replace it with a modern energy-efficient and ADA-compliant building. The project also includes an underground parking structure and an underground visitors center. The vision of the project, which is spearheaded by JRC Chair Assemblyman Ken Cooley, is to create a Capitol that is welcoming, engaging, and inspiring.

But Public Accountability for Our Capitol (PAC) – a group of preservationists, environmentalists, and fiscal responsibility advocates – believes the project is too expensive, lacks transparency, and will cause significant damage to Capitol Park’s historic trees.

PAC members Richard Cowan and Paula Peper each resigned from their seats on the Historic State Capitol Commission (HSCC) in protest over the Capitol Annex Project. The HSCC is responsible for reviewing any development or improvement of the historic State Capitol and advising the Legislature on such projects. Both Cowan and Peper have stated that the HSCC was denied information about the project, which Cowan characterized as “shrouded in secrecy.”

The members of PAC don’t dispute the need for improvements to the Annex, but they believe that it is possible and more cost-effective to repair and improve the existing building. Cowan said, “We think the project could be re-planned to avoid damaging Capitol Park and its trees, avoid the destruction of a historically recognized building, satisfy all the valid health and safety concerns, and save hundreds of millions of dollars that are needed to address climate change and economic recovery.”

Instead of an open public engagement process, Cowan said that stakeholders invited to participate in JRC meetings about this project



The design plans for the Capitol Annex Project aim to highlight views of the iconic dome of the State Capitol’s historic west wing. Photo provided by Assemblyman Ken Cooley

had to sign non-disclosure agreements (NDAs). “So much for transparency,” said Cowan.

When asked about the NDAs, Assemblyman Cooley said that such agreements are standard in the post-911 world when discussing security issues in closed sessions. He also disputed the idea that the project has eschewed public input, stating that aside from those few closed sessions concerning security briefings, all the JRC meetings are open to the public. When he became JRC Chair in 2017, he moved quickly to launch a comprehensive website to share information about the project with the public. “We’ve been very public about the whole process,” he said.

PAC’s concern about the project’s impact on Capitol Park trees was based on the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), released in September 2019 and updated in January 2020, which outlined the project footprint. Based on that footprint, PAC estimated that over 100 rare and historic trees could be at risk.

At a JRC meeting on September 9, 2020, Assemblyman Cooley revealed a detailed design plan with three potential styles for the Annex building (square, circular, or double-T). Cowan noted that the recently released plans deviated significantly from the EIR, with the parking garage location moving from the east lawn to the south between L and N streets. Cowan acknowledged that the new location would disrupt fewer trees, but he feared it could still endanger the trees in the Civil War Grove, “which is sacrosanct.”

When asked about the potential loss of 100 trees, Assemblyman Cooley said, “I

couldn’t bear that.” He described the historic and memorial trees as “irreplaceable” and explained that safeguarding the trees is one of the primary goals of the design process.

The Capitol Annex Project has been in the works since Arnold Schwarzenegger was Governor, and initially the Department of General Services planned to create two new buildings in Capitol Park. But when Assemblyman Cooley took over as JRC Chair in 2017, he fought against that plan, because the design would have destroyed many historic trees, including the Civil War Grove. Assemblyman Cooley said he is committed to safeguarding the trees and vistas of the park. He explained that the construction footprint outlined in the plans is just a rough estimate of the area and not a specific blueprint: “We’re not going to disturb all that ground.” Protecting the historic trees is such a high priority that Cooley said the new parking garage design even has a “notch” designed to safeguard a tulip tree.

The Legislature originally approved \$755 million from the general fund for the Capitol Annex Project. Assemblyman Cooley suggested additional authority be given to the JRC to authorize lease revenue bonds in case the government ended up needing those funds, “if the economy stumbles.” That stumble came this year. Due to the recent economic crisis caused by the pandemic, the Governor’s office has asked that those funds be returned to the general fund – and that the JCR pause the plans for the visitors center. As the project moves forward, the plan is to pursue the authorized

lease revenue bonds to fund the Annex and parking garage.

PAC has voiced concern that the interest on the lease revenue bonds will increase the overall cost of the project by approximately 30%, money they believe is better spent on investing in the economic recovery. Cowan also said that the JRC decided to demolish and rebuild the Annex without conducting a study to determine the cost of restoration.

But Assemblyman Cooley views the project as a way to stimulate economic recovery by creating a variety of jobs in the area over the life of the project: “It would put people to work.” And for Cooley, the reasons to move forward with a rebuild over restoration have been clear since the planning study was completed almost three years ago. The study found that the existing structural system of the Annex “limits the ability to provide new large hearing rooms or auditoriums with column-free view paths and appropriate ceiling heights.” The study also found that a consistent floor plan that is easy to navigate for both visitors and staff is impeded by the “current building footprint and column bay spacing.”

Cowan said he is “absolutely not persuaded” by those arguments against restoration. Further, for a project based on a need for more space, PAC was surprised to see that each of the three potential Annex designs feature large open-air galleries with skylights looking up to the Capitol dome. While Cowan acknowledges that the designs are beautiful, he still argues that a new building is not necessary.

PAC also believes it is shortsighted to build a large underground parking garage at a time when transportation is changing rapidly. As concerns about climate change increase, Cowan said California should be looking to the future. The idea of an underground parking garage “is not who we are. It’s not how we lead,” he said.

But for Assemblyman Cooley, the improved energy-efficient Capitol Complex will be a symbol of California’s “positive, hope-filled outlook.” The Capitol Annex Project started before Cooley’s tenure as JRC Chair and will conclude after his term ends, so he said the project isn’t about what he wants. As Chair, he reports to the JRC. He said it’s his job to bring all the information and all the options to the members so they can make the best decision for the people and the future of “The People’s House.”

To find out more about the project or submit a comment, visit <https://annex.assembly.ca.gov/>. ★

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Local Volunteer Helps Seniors Navigate Medicare

By Kathleen Newton, Northwest Media Consultants

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The woman was desperate. She was spending upwards of \$800 a month on medications in addition to her other Medicare costs. She called HICAP, the Medicare counseling service that serves Sacramento County, and explained that she could not qualify for assistance from Medi-Cal. She needed help. What could she do?

HICAP volunteer Marge Ginsburg took the call and reviewed the woman’s situation.

“I explained to her that there is a Medicare program called Extra Help. It is designed for people with high medication costs and limited income and resources,” said Ginsburg. “For people like her, it can make a tremendous difference. So, we helped get her into that program and in several weeks, her monthly drug costs dropped to about \$20.”

Each week, Ginsburg helps up to a half-dozen clients.

“People are so grateful to us for helping them,” Ginsburg said, “so genuinely appreciative that somebody really understands their dilemmas without trying to sell them anything.”

HICAP (the Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program), is administered by the California Department of Aging. It offers free counseling and legal assistance to seniors and the disabled who are trying to navigate the complicated Medicare system.

HICAP volunteers help their clients with concerns such as choosing the best Medicare supplemental insurance, the pros and cons of Medicare Advantage plans, employee and retiree coverage and long-term care insurance. They also can provide low-income clients with information about programs that assist with medication costs.

Ginsburg, 73, is one of 57 HICAP counselors serving Sacramento County clients. She volunteered three years ago after retiring from 22 years as executive director of a nonprofit organization that studied public responses to healthcare policies and programs.

“I wasn’t going to spend my retirement years sitting around and watching soaps,” she explained. “I



HICAP volunteer Marge Ginsburg. Photo: Northwest Media Consultants

wanted something I could get as engaged in as I was when I was working.”

As a HICAP volunteer, she received 20 hours of classroom training, followed by weeks of job shadowing and mentoring before being assigned to counsel clients on her own.

“The biggest shock for me was just how complicated the whole system is. It’s never just about Medicare. There’s also Medi-Cal, there’s the VA, there’s employer-based insurance, there’s Covered California. The permutations are endless.” Ginsburg recalled an especially challenging case.

“I had a 28-year-old disabled woman who had just qualified for Medicare. Her situation was very complex because she originally had some federal insurance that was still kicking in, she might qualify for Medi-Cal, she didn’t want to lose her current doctors and she was on 15 different medications. The complexity was phenomenal.”

Ginsburg said not all clients call HICAP in hopes of saving money.

“Many just don’t want to make a mistake in their choices. You can make a mistake early on that can affect you later,” she said, referring to the intricacies of Medicare rules and deadlines.

“For instance, if you sign up for a Medicare Advantage plan, but later decide you want to get back on original Medicare with a supplemental plan, the supplemental insurance companies are not required to sell you a plan. That can be a disaster for some people.

So, more and more people are calling us because they don’t want to make a wrong decision.”

Ginsburg said she often works with her clients’ family members, including spouses, adult children and siblings.

“For instance, a woman whose brother was in the hospital here with a stroke called me from San Diego. She had his power of attorney and was having to make decisions about what his care was going to be, what was going to happen to him when he got out of the hospital, could he get the care he needed. He was going to need a lot of assistance at home; everything from getting a wheelchair ramp built to in-home supportive services. After I helped her with the information she needed, I told her that, when he gets home, if all the pieces haven’t been put into place yet, call us back.”

Since the beginning of the pandemic, HICAP volunteers have been counseling clients from home via telephone and teleconferencing. Ginsburg said it has made no difference in her ability to help them and she urged others to consider becoming HICAP volunteers.

“It is so much more than I thought it would be,” she said. “It is so satisfying to see how much of a difference you can make in people’s lives in just an hour. It’s just astounding!”

“The vast majority of counselors stay with it because at the end their day they feel like they did something. They helped people; they made their lives a little bit easier, and there’s no substitute for that.” ★

Kids Helping Kids Sacramento Event “Stomps Out” Pediatric Cancer



By Ellarose Colburn, Kids Helping Kids Sacramento

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Tickets are available for Kids Helping Kids Sacramento’s 1st Annual Stomp Out Pediatric Cancer Raffle Event. The platinum level first-place prize includes a fine wine and dining experience for eight

with a complimentary limo ride to and from Rombauer winery in Napa, CA. The gold level first-place prize includes wine tasting at Total Wine, and a dinner for six at Zocalos. First-place winners of both platinum and gold level will enjoy a personal greeting from the chef, as well as custom made gift baskets.

Kids Helping Kids is a student-run nonprofit organization made up of sophomores, juniors, and seniors from Del Campo High School. They are empowered students making a difference from the classroom to the community by investing in the lives of children in need. Kids Helping Kids believes learning is

best by doing, and doing is best by serving others. Their “Stomp Out” Pediatric Cancer Event aims to raise over \$33,000 in just two weeks for children with pediatric cancer.

All profits raised by the event supports children battling pediatric cancer and their families by providing financial resources during their medical treatment. Over the past 4 years, they have raised over \$134,000 in allocations and have helped approximately 264 children in their fight against cancer. Most importantly, the 1st Annual “Stomp Out” event is entirely driven by teens who believe in making a difference in children’s lives both locally and globally. ★

Love of the Game

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Doskow said – even writing them in the margins of in-flight magazines as he traveled during the baseball season. “I never kept any of them,” he said.

Doskow likes the rhythm of haikus (written in a syllable pattern of five, seven, five) and enjoys the challenge of “trying to tell a story in 17 syllables. It’s not easy to do.” Telling a story in such a small space offers the potential for both simplicity and depth. In “Patience,” Doskow writes, “dark cloudy morning/sun squeezing through noon darkness/3 p.m. blue sky.” Such poems ask readers to put themselves into that moment. Doskow hopes that readers can find something to relate to in these poems, something that connects these stories to their own experiences.

In “Scoring,” he writes, “keeping score at game/a religion for some folks/baseball love affair.” For true fans, the book will be like a reading a love letter to the game. Doskow called the writing process “a walk down memory lane,” and the book brings readers on that journey as well. Many of

the haikus evoke memories of significant baseball moments – both triumphant and heartbreaking.

In “Sign Off,” Doskow explains the title of the book, *Goodnight Em*: “ever since her birth/in my broadcast conclusion/my words, ‘goodnight em.’” He started that signature sign-off during the 2006 season when his daughter Emily was just an infant. Long nights at the ballpark and frequent time away from home for away games meant he was often missing his young daughter. The signoff was a way to signify his love and connection to her. When trying to come up with a title for the book, Doskow’s wife Deb suggested *Goodnight Em*, and he knew instantly that it was perfect.

Goodnight Em honors everything Doskow loves most in this world. The book can be purchased online at www.johnny-doskow.com. It can also be purchased locally at Face In A Book bookstore in El Dorado Hills or at either of the Sacramento locations of Patchamama Coffee (Doskow’s favorite coffee in the world). ★

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Toni King

I just received a phone call saying there is a federal law that I change my Medicare during Medicare’s Annual Enrollment? The Toni Says® office helped us with our Medicare decision in April when my husband retired from his job of 30+ years. Now it seems we must do our Medicare decision all over again from this phone call that I received today.

Could you explain what we need to do? This is our first Medicare Annual Enrollment experience and do not want to make the wrong move. With all the mail and telemarketing calls my wife and I are simply overwhelmed!

~ Thanks, George from Dallas, TX
George:

There is always a bit of confusion around Medicare Annual Enrollment season, but this year there is more stress and worry with Medicare’s Supplement Plan C & F changes.

There is **NOT** a federal law that says you must make a change to your Medicare during Medicare’s Annual Enrollment. You do not have to change your Medicare Supplement, Medicare Advantage Plan or Medicare Part D prescription drug plan if you do not want to make any changes.

This is the time when, if you want to enroll in a Medicare Advantage plan or change your Medicare Part D Prescription Drug plan that you can from October 15 to December 7.

The new Medicare plan whether Medicare Advantage or Medicare Part D Prescription drug plan will become effective January 1.

Below are Toni Says® Medicare Tips to help simplify Medicare’s Annual Enrollment and understand what your options can be:

- **Toni Says® Medicare Tip #1: Decide if you want Original Medicare** (Parts A & B) or Medicare Advantage (Part C) plan.
 - a) Talk to your doctor’s office or medical facility and see which plan is recommended. Some doctors are accepting “Original Medicare” and not Medicare Advantage

- plans. Be sure you call to verify that the office or medical facility is accepting that specific Medicare Advantage plan.
 - b) The main difference between “**Original Medicare**” and Medicare Advantage plans is “Original Medicare” works only with Medicare and generally, you or your Medicare supplemental plan pays the deductibles or coinsurances.
 - c) A **Medicare Advantage** plan is also called Part C and is administered by private insurance companies that are approved by Medicare. You must use that insurance company’s card not your Medicare card.
- **Toni Says® Medicare Tip #2: Not all Medicare Advantage Plans are the same.** Plans and benefits differ from company to company and even state to state. Do your research especially if you will be moving to a new state or a new zip code within your current state.
 - **Toni Says® Medicare Tip #3: Compare Medicare Part D prescription drug plans every Medicare Annual Enrollment.** Plans can change benefits and the drug formulary for the next year and try to stay out of that year’s donut hole.

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Is Newsom Serious about Banning Gas-Powered Cars?



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

Gov. Gavin Newsom flatly declared Wednesday that “In the next 15 years we will eliminate in the state of California the sales of internal combustion engines.”

It was the latest example of Newsom’s fondness for headline-grabbing pronouncements of “big hairy, audacious goals.”

The classic example was his flat campaign declaration that he would solve California’s chronic housing shortage by building 3.5 million new homes.

That was impossible, as anyone familiar with housing issues could attest, and after his election, Newsom backed off, calling it an “aspirational” goal. Actually, housing production has declined during his governorship.

The governor’s declaration that by 2035 new car buyers in California must buy only “zero emission vehicles” (ZEVs) seems to be in the mold of his housing promise. In fact, his executive order does not command that it happen, but rather says “it shall be a goal of the state that 100 percent of in-state sales of new passenger cars and trucks will be zero-emission by 2035” and directs the Air Resources Board to figure out how to

do it “consistently with technological feasibility and cost-effectiveness.”

Even if he’s serious about it – and one is never certain that he is – there are immense hurdles to overcome, not the least being California’s obvious reluctance to embrace battery-powered ZEVs as their primary motor vehicles due to their cost, relatively small size and limited range.

While California accounts for about half of the ZEVs on American roads, they are still fewer than 2% of the nearly 30 million cars and light trucks in California. And despite state and federal subsidies, they are a fraction of the state’s current goal of having 1.5 million in use by 2025.

Newsom’s declaration, and a request to the Legislature to phase out fracking to produce oil and natural gas, cheered environmental advocates who want California to be bolder in reducing its emissions of greenhouse gases. He blamed global warming for the destructive wildfires that have swept through the state this year.

However, business leaders, particularly those in the affected industries, warn about the pitfalls of trying to wean California’s economy off hydrocarbons. California is one of the nation’s leading producers of oil and gas, particularly since fracking regenerated older fields, and the state consumes immense amounts of both fuels to not only directly power transportation but to generate the electricity that ZEVs must have.

During recent hot spells, as California’s air conditioners drove electric power consumption to levels requiring blackouts, natural gas-fired power plants supplied more than half of the juice.

“Unless California, along with other states and countries, supports a market for ZEVs that ensures vehicle performance, range, safety, functionality, price, and choice for automobile consumers, then California residents alone will be left with higher energy and transportation costs without a material effect on global (greenhouse gas) emissions,” the California Chamber of Commerce said. “Forcing this transition through a mandate will burden the consumers least able to afford it, either by pricing them out of the new vehicle market or increasing the cost to maintain and fuel a used vehicle with a combustion engine.

Predictably critical as that statement may be, it makes valid points about the practical and socioeconomic challenges of doing what Newsom insists will be done.

Finally, there’s the political/legal question of whether California can do it. It would require the federal government to continue California’s “waiver” from federal air pollution rules and that would probably hinge on whether Republican President Donald Trump is re-elected or is defeated by Democrat Joe Biden.

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

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ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section 15332 under which infill projects for sites under five (5) acres in size do not have the potential to have a significant effect on the environment.

Following the Public Hearing, the **Planning Commission** may take such action on the project as it deems appropriate. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments prior to and may testify at the Public Hearing. **Written comments may be submitted to Eric Singer, Project Planner, City Planning Department, 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621.** If the matter is continued for any reason to a later date, written comments and public testimony will be accepted until the close of the final Public Hearing. All comments will be considered by the Approving Authority.

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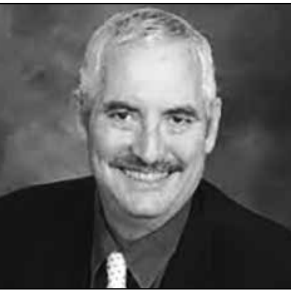
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Measure M — Keep Citrus Heights Safe and Secure



Steve Miller

This November 3rd Citrus Heights voters will be asked to make one of the most important decisions since we voted to become a City. On the ballot is Measure M, a 1-cent sales tax intended to address your community priorities and enhance our core city services.

Thousands of our residents have said their current top priorities include quicker emergency response, disaster preparedness, reducing and preventing homelessness, pothole repair and street maintenance, supporting our local businesses and meaningful job creation.

If enacted, Measure M will dedicate funding for priorities to keep Citrus Heights safe and secure. All Measure M funding will be spent locally and cannot be taken by County or State politicians.

Measure M will provide regular police patrols in neighborhoods and parks to combat crime and drug use. Measure M will provide new technology for crime solving, quicker emergency response times, and body cameras.

Measure M will provide a solid foundation to rebuild our General Fund and return to a “pay-as-you-go” City with no debt.

There are concerns this is not a good time for a sales tax increase when so many of us are struggling due to the economic shutdown from COVID-19. However, Measure M exempts items from sales tax that are necessary for living and therefore, will protect those living on low and fixed incomes. Exemptions include groceries, water, utilities, rent and mortgage payments, prescriptions, and medical

devices to name a few.

When likely Citrus Heights voters were scientifically polled by EMC Research in the middle of the pandemic lockdown during May and June of this year, 67% said they would support a sales tax measure to fund community priorities provided it was spent locally and there was fiscal oversight.

According to HDL Tax Consultants, over 40% of our sales tax is currently paid for by people from outside our city.

Your City is not exempt from the effects of the pandemic either. Revenues are down over \$3.5 million this year and our 10-year financial model forecasts a deficit for the next seven out of ten years, even when we begin receiving our property taxes beginning in February 2023.

Citrus Heights has been run on a fiscal shoestring since cityhood. Major cost savings have included forming our own police Department at an annual savings of \$6 million per year, building civic center improvements without taking out loans or selling bonds, and building a new City Hall valued at \$22 million for net cost of \$8.9 million.

Due to the economic downturn, we have already cut costs by not filling 17 positions in the police department.

Our City Manager has cut the Executive Team from six to three Directors, saving taxpayers over \$500,000.00 annually in salaries. Total employee compensation in 2011 was \$24.6 million and in 2019 was 24.8 million, an increase of only 1% over nine years. By comparison, Sacramento County’s employee compensation grew by \$300 million over the same period.

Citrus Heights has always managed to do more with less thanks to our dedicated and professional employees.

If Measure M is not enacted, we are looking at serious cuts to public safety

and homeless initiatives because of the ongoing loss of revenue to our General Fund. Significant budget cuts will have to occur during a time of social unrest, early release of convicts from California prisons, activists calling to defund our police, and property crime increases.

Without Measure M, our police will be restricted to emergency calls only, Citrus Heights families on the verge of homelessness may not get the help they need, and our major road projects will have to be put on indefinite hold because we will lack matching local funds for Federal, State and Regional transportation grants.

Measure M will ask each of us to make a small investment of a few dollars a month in our City of Citrus Heights, which will end up paying dividends to every resident in increased property values, increased safety, more good paying jobs, and a better overall quality of life in our community for generations to come.

A community that is safe and well-maintained is even more desirable to home buyers, small businesses, employers, restaurants, and healthcare providers looking to locate in Citrus Heights. Measure M will help attract major employers, retailers, hotels, entertainment promoters, and developers to invest in the Sunrise Mall redevelopment and our local economy.

An independent Citizen’s Oversight Committee will monitor all expenditures and all Measure M funding will be subject to annual third-party financial audits.

There will never be a better time to act.

Please join me and thousands of others who share a vision for a bright future for Citrus Heights by voting YES on Measure M. Together we will make Citrus Heights Safer and Stronger.

Steve Miller,
Vice Mayor,
City of Citrus Heights



Dare to Live Without Limits

by Bryan Golden

Freedom is Precious



Freedom is as precious as life itself. But its true value is rarely appreciated by people unless it is either threatened or lost.

Although the human spirit yearns for freedom, tyrannical regimes have been the norm throughout history. Since the dawn of mankind, people around the world have lived miserable, subjugated lives repressed by monarchs, fascists, tyrants, and dictators who controlled virtually every aspect of their lives.

In 1776 America became the first country founded on the recognition of the sanctity of individual freedom. Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness is the core of America.

The United States was the only country established exclusively on the principle of individual liberty as an unalienable right. The founders of America recognized freedom as a fundamental human right, not something bestowed by an individual or group. Our Constitution was written specifically to protect our rights and freedoms from being usurped by power hungry tyrants.

America was established for the expressed purpose of safeguarding the individual from oppression, tyranny, and subjugation. America’s founders recognized each individual as having the freedom to succeed.

Even today, most countries on earth do not permit freedom for their populations. Governments

or tyrants decide what is allowable within the societies they control. In these countries, individuals do not have freedom to make their own choices. Oppression is often enforced under the guise of safety, security, health, and fairness.

Freedom is so precious that individuals risk everything to attain it. Throughout our history, people have constantly fled to America from oppressive societies. They came here just for the opportunity to live in freedom.

The first settlers who arrived in this country had endured perilous ocean journeys that lasted for months. They left most, if not all of their possessions behind in order to reach a land where they could live their lives free from oppression.

The power of freedom unleashed the human spirit as never before. In less than 200 years, Americans had invented, developed, produced, and accomplished more than societies thousands of years old. Our freedom has enabled Americans to create the highest standard of living in history.

As precious as freedom is, there are those who want to take it away in their quest for power and control. Their strategy is one of deception. They publicly claim to seek to protect your liberty and safety while deceitfully working behind your back to eliminate one freedom after another. In America, no one has the right to take

your freedom.

Freedoms disappear gradually. They vanish in small, innocuous increments under the guise of being done for your well-being. The foods you are allowed to eat. The subject matter you are permitted to watch and read. The determination of acceptable speech. What you are allowed to write. What is appropriate for your children to learn in school. These are only a few of the freedoms suppressed in an oppressive society.

Those who were born in America have known only freedom. Too many take liberty for granted. They don’t value their freedom as being precious. They are too willing to accept the lies being told by those who are eliminating one freedom after another.

Your freedom is not free. Countless people have given their lives so that you may live free. If you are not vigilant, you will lose your freedom. Freedoms lost are extremely difficult to get back. If you don’t recognize how precious your freedom is, and speak out against anyone trying to take it, you will lose your freedom.

Cherish, guard, and protect your freedom so that so all may enjoy it now and in the future.

Bryan is the author of “Dare to Live Without Limits.” Contact Bryan at Bryan@colum-nist.com or visit www.DareToLiveWithoutLimits.com copyright 2020 Bryan Golden ★

CLG NEWS UPDATES

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Glass Fire live updates: Newsom declares state of emergency as wildfires rage in Sonoma, Napa counties | 29 Sept 2020 | A growing wildfire complex is burning in the North Bay in Napa and Sonoma counties as the Glass Fire spawned two new spot fires: the Shady Fire and the Boysen Fire. The Glass Fire began Sunday at 4 a.m. on the 200 block of North Fork Crystal Springs Rd. in Deer Park and has been spreading at a “dangerous rate,” CAL FIRE said. The Shady Fire and Boysen Fire started Sunday night just west of St. Helena near the Napa-Sonoma county border. **Sept. 28, 9:36 p.m.:** Governor Gavin Newsom issued an emergency proclamation for Napa and Sonoma counties due to the Glass fires and for another wildfire burning in Shasta County. The fires have burned tens of thousands of acres, destroyed homes and critical infrastructure and caused the evacuation of tens of thousands of residents.

Justice Dept. calls on SF to end ‘draconian’ coronavirus rules for houses of worship – San Francisco’s city attorney called the letter ‘careless legal threats’ | 26 Sept 2020 | The Justice Department on Friday called on San Francisco Mayor London Breed to increase the allowable capacity in houses of worship, accusing the city of impeding on “religious freedom” amid the coronavirus. In a three-page letter, Assistant Attorney General Eric S. Dreiband and U.S.attorney David Anderson of the Northern District of California called San Francisco’s policy of allowing just one congregant inside at a time “draconian.” The letter acknowledged the city has the obligation to protect its residents from the deadly virus, but added, “there is no pandemic exception for the Constitution.” “Even in times of emergency, when reasonable, narrowly-tailored, and temporary restrictions may lawfully limit our liberty, the First Amendment and federal statutory law continue to prohibit discrimination against religious institutions and religious believers,” Dreiband and Anderson wrote. “These principles are legally binding, and the Constitution’s unyielding protections for religious worshippers distinguish the United States of America from places dominated by tyranny and despotism.”

CDC and Fauci’s NIAID Add Non-Pneumonia Deaths to US COVID-19 Totals Unlike Other Countries - If These Deaths are Removed, US Has 86,000 COVID-19 Deaths | 26 Sept 2020 | For months doctors and investigative journalists have wondered why state coronavirus death counts include motorcycle accidents, homicides, birth defects, gunshot wounds and thousands of intentional injuries and poisonings to the US Coronavirus death totals. It’s almost as if the medical elites are doing all they can to pad the coronavirus death counts? In Singapore the medical experts follow the World Health Organization guidelines and DO NOT INCLUDE non-pneumonia coronavirus fatalities in their death counts. If the US followed the same system as much of the world the total number of coronavirus deaths in the US would be 86,000 or something you’d see in a bad flu season. In 2017-2018 the US had an intense flu season. 61,000 Americans died.

Trump \$500B Black America plan designates KKK, Antifa as ‘terrorist organizations’ – The plan calls for making lynching a national hate crime | 26 Sept 2020 | President Trump’s plan for Black America designates the KKK and Antifa as terrorist organizations and calls for making lynching a national hate crime, while pledging to increase access to capital in Black communities by nearly \$500 billion, Fox News has learned. The president on Friday is expected to roll out details of what the campaign is calling the “Platinum Plan,” which details “opportunity,” “security,” “prosperity,” and “fairness” for the Black Community. “For decades, Democrat politicians like Joe Biden have taken Black voters for granted. They made you big promises before every election – and then the moment they got to Washington, they abandoned you and sold you out,” the president is expected to say Friday, according to remarks exclusively obtained by Fox News. ★

California Reaches 21 Million Registered Voters

From the Office of Secretary of State

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - California officially surpassed 21 million active registered voters for the first time in history. This milestone comes 60 days before the November 3, 2020 General Election. The Secretary of State’s next official Report of Registration will be issued later this month with breakdowns of registration by party, political jurisdiction, and age.

“2020 is another record setting year for voter registration in California,” Secretary of State Alex Padilla said. “Even during the COVID-19 pandemic, our democracy remains strong and resilient.”

“If you’ve recently turned 18, recently become a US Citizen, or even if you’ve never voted before – don’t wait. Register to vote today at registertovote.ca.gov. It only takes a few minutes to register and to make your voice is heard in one of the most consequential elections in our nation’s history. And if you’re already registered to vote, I encourage you to

verify your registration status and to sign-up for ballot tracking.”

Starting on October 5, 2020 all counties will begin mailing ballots to every active, registered voter in California; Voters will be able to vote early, in-person at their county elections office.

Tips for Voters

Californians are encouraged to take the following steps to prepare for the General Election: Check your voter registration at VoterStatus.sos.ca.gov; Update your voter registration if you’ve moved or changed your name at RegisterToVote.ca.gov; Sign-up for automatic updates on the status of your vote-by-mail ballot at WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov

Voter Registration Deadline

October 19 is the traditional voter registration deadline for the November 3, 2020 General Election. If an eligible Californian misses the October 19 deadline, they can complete the same day voter registration process and cast their vote that day. However, this option is only available at county elections offices and in-person voting locations. ★



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Getting Away With It Is Half the Fun

By Rev. James L. Snyder

I must admit I don't get away with very much, and I never have. It's not that I never try. It's just that whenever I try to get away with something, it always backfires.

Every time I do something behind the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage's back, she always turns around. I don't know if she has eyes in the back of her head or if it's just women's intuition. Believe me, I will not investigate this subject.

The many times she has fooled me is beyond calculation. I am probably the easiest person to fool in all the world. A salesman, I am not.

If you can't put one over on me, you might as well hang up your boots and go to bed.

During this "in-house season," the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage put me on a diet. What am I to do?

All the cookies have been eradicated from our premises. Believe me, I've searched everywhere and I have not found one cookie crumb.

She made a mistake the other day. As we were sitting down to watch a little TV, she brought over one

cookie and said, "Since you have been good with your diet, here is your reward."

I wish she would not have done that. Once I start something, I have an obsession with completing it. And believe me, when I say, one cookie doesn't complete the obsession.

I smiled and thanked her and graciously munched on the cookie.

That gave me an idea, I had to pass a little store the next day, and they sold cookies. I thought to myself, "Well, what's another cookie going to do to hurt me?"

I only bought one little bag of cookies; that's how disciplined I am. I thought one little bag could easily be hidden. At least that's what I thought.

When I got home, my wife was not there yet, so it allowed me time to conceal my little cookie obsession. I concealed it near my easy chair, so I could access it without her knowing it.

I love it when a plan comes together.

I forgot about the bag of cookies because days can get hectic. After supper, we sat down in the living room to relax and enjoy just a little TV. It suddenly dawned on me that I had a little stash

of cookies underneath my chair. The more I thought of it, the more I thought of it.

During a commercial, my wife got up to go to the bathroom, so I thought this would be a great time to sneak a cookie. I reached under my chair to grab the bag of cookies, and I couldn't find it. I searched and searched and searched, and it wasn't there. I started to scratch my head and wonder where I put it.

Then my wife came into the room and said, "You weren't looking for this, were you?"

In her hand was the bag of cookies I hid under my chair.

Wearing a little grin on my face, I thought of a verse of Scripture, "But if ye will not do so, behold, ye have sinned against the Lord: and be sure your sin will find you out" (Numbers 32:23).

Try as we might, our sin will finally catch up with us.

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By Pastor Ray Dare

You can summarize the Bible in four words: Love God, love others. That's what it's all about. We don't have a difficult time with the first part, loving God, but do I really have to love everyone else? Yes! Can't I just leave some people out of that equation? No! Jesus never said we must "like" everybody; but He did say we have to love everybody. How do we do that? Here are three ways:

Experience God's love yourself. You may have head knowledge that God loves you, but do you feel it? He wants you to really feel it. Why is this so important? Because unloving people are people who feel unloved. The starting point is to feel and understand how much God loves YOU! And there's never a moment in your life when God doesn't love you! "... may you be able to feel and understand how long, wide, deep and high His love really is, and experience

Pastor Ray's Encouraging Words

How to Love People You Disagree With

this love for yourselves." Eph. 3:18 (LB)

Think loving thoughts. If God's going to teach you to love; what's He going to do? He's going to put you around some people that irritate you! Maybe you don't agree with them politically or whatever. How do you learn to love those people? You think about their hurts, problems, perspective, and their needs. "*Don't think only about your own affairs but be interested in others...*" Philip. 2:4-5 (NLT) Ask yourself; "How are they hurting? What have they gone through?"

Act in loving ways. But wouldn't that be hypocritical? If I act loving when I really don't feel loving? No, that's not hypocritical; that's called loving in advance. It's easier to act your way into a feeling than feel your way into an action. Here are two practical ways you can begin acting in a loving way. First, pray for them. When you pray for that person you're having difficulty with, it will not only change them, but it will

change you. It will soften your heart towards them. You cannot pray for a person and hate a person at the same time. Second, show them grace and mercy. We tend to judge people on how far they have to go, instead of realizing how far they've already come. You must realize that God is not finished with that person. We're all works in progress and none of us are perfect.

Our love for others proves to the world that we really know Jesus. The influence of our churches is not about attendance, or buildings, or programs, it's about our love. It's sad to think that as Christians we are often known for what we're against, rather than what we're for. People are less impressed with our words than they are with our actions of love. Your actions towards others, even people you may not like or agree with, speaks volumes about your love and God's love in you. How loud is your voice?.

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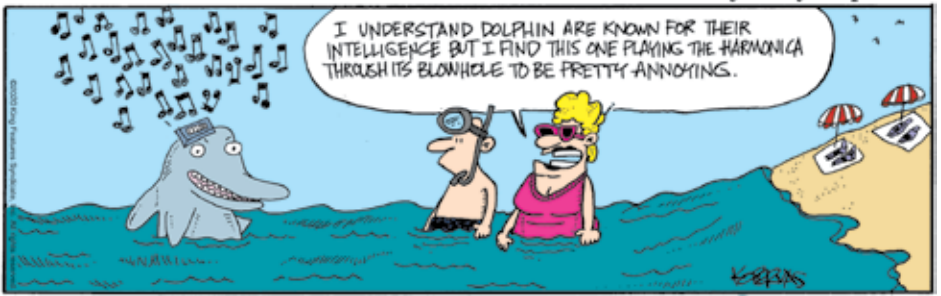
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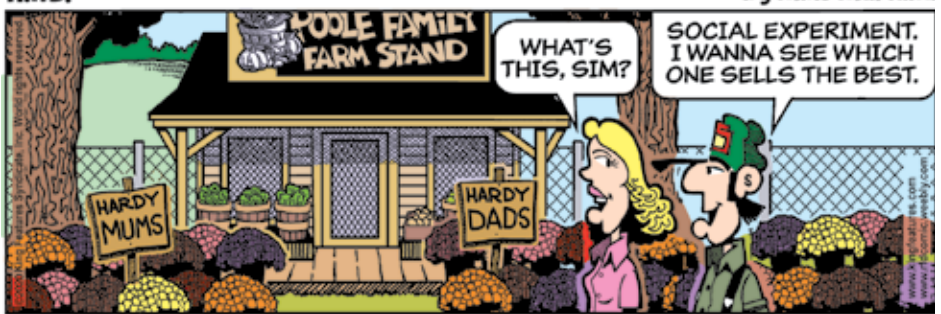
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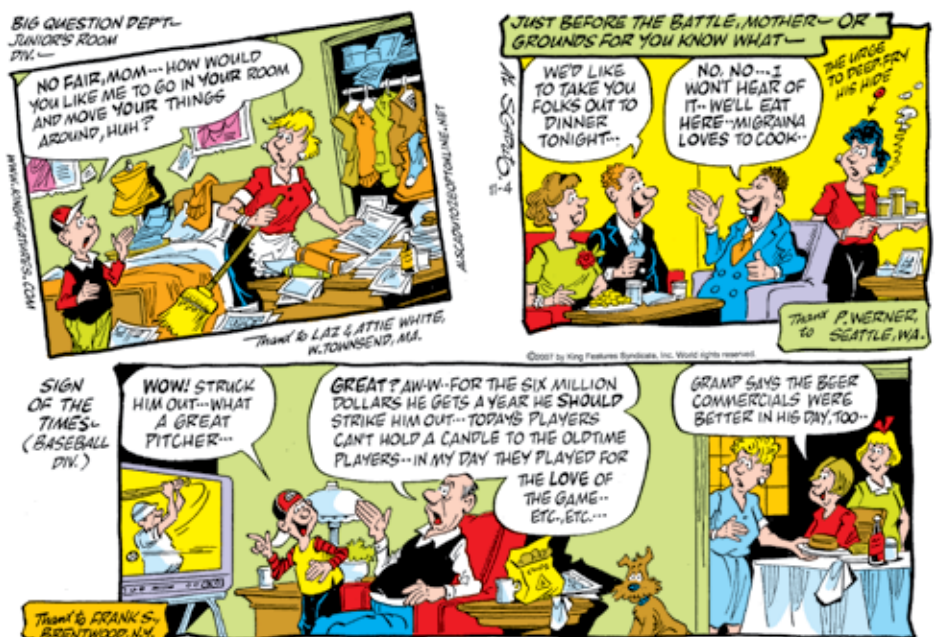
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- Dostoyevsky's masterpiece, with The
- *Royal Brewery in Munich, a.k.a. _____
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- Tree juice
- Cathedral part
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- Children's author Roald
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- Go wrong
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- "Wheel of Fortune" vowel request
- All-season ones, on a car
- Affirmatives
- Beaver's construction
- Noise of contempt

DOWN

- Egyptian hieroglyph for "life"
- "You're not allowed!" to a baby
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- Ghana monetary unit
- Ear-related
- Tubby little cubby
- Ted Turner's TV acronym
- Bedding and towels
- Lickety-split
- Wear and tear
- "So soon?"
- *_____ hosen
- Sea foam
- Like United States Capitol
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- Spanish sparkling wine
- Deflect
- *"O'zapft is!" or "It's tapped!"
- *Cheers!
- Without, à Paris
- Start of something big?
- Echo sounder
- Joseph Stalin was one

49. "Eureka!"

51. Experts

54. In the lead

56. *Beer garden mug

57. Curved molding

58. Paella pot

59. '60s British teenagers

60. "Hunger Games" sister

61. Goose egg

62. Second to last word in a fairytale

63. Just in case

64. Woody creeper

66. Biochemistry acr.

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A vacated retail space, the new Green Acres Nursery & Supply is being repurposed for the local, independent garden center.

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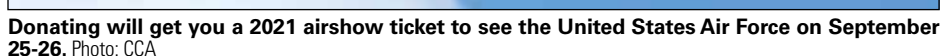
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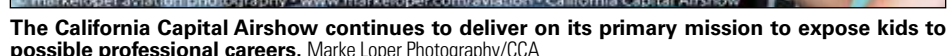
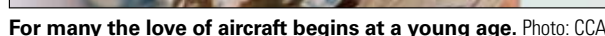
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