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# Keeping Schools Safe



(From L to R) Bob Erickson, Manager, Safe Schools Program, San Juan Unified School District leads the staff of Chris Cooley, Field Operations Coordinator for Safe Schools, Kevin Givens, Team Leader for Safe Schools and Barry Cox, School Resource Officer for Citrus Heights campuses within the SJUSD.

**Story and photos  
by Jacqueline Fox**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Just days prior to the mass shootings in Las Vegas that left 59 dead and more than 500 wounded, Bob Erickson was presenting a day-long training for educators and staff in the San Juan Unified School District that could not have been more timely.

"Basically, we were talking about things that were done right and others that could have been done differently during the Sandy Hook Elementary School shootings," said Erickson, a retired sergeant with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, now managing San Juan Unified's Safe Schools Program.

Safe Schools is essentially the backbone of the district's campus safety and security system, which covers all policies and procedures for initial assessments and, if necessary,

responses to myriad issues and events that can go on at any one of the district's 65 campuses in a single day, including bullying, weapons found in back packs or lockers, drug and alcohol-related offences, assaults, intruders, gang activity, suspected child abuse, and, sadly, the very real possibility of a student suicide on campus.

Established in 1988, Safe Schools operates through a partnership with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department. To select, train and assign off-duty officers to serve as School Resource Officers (SROs) who patrol, monitor and respond to incidents across five designated school zones that include all 64 campuses in the district. SROs are assigned to roughly 5 schools each, but if needed, they will cross out of their districts to support other SROs in crisis.

In addition, the Citrus Heights Police Department also participates with the provision

of two, full time SROs at Mesa Verde and San Juan high schools, which sit within the SJUSD's boundary lines. They also will cover a crisis

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if needed at other schools in Sacramento County's unincorporated areas.

All calls for SRO assistance that are not initiated through a 911 call for police are filtered through a Safe Schools dispatcher at the district offices

in Carmichael. And, while the majority of dispatched calls for an SRO response are not lock-down or high-level emergencies like Sandy Hook or Vegas, as unlikely as they are to occur, according to Erickson, trainings for campus shootings are necessary and, in the recent case, involved the keen eye of hindsight to in reinforcing protocol.

"The seminar was called 'Lessons Learned From Sandy Hook,' and I started out by saying the chances of a school shooting happening on one of our campuses are very slim," says Erickson. "We are constantly aware that a school campus or workplace shooting can happen anywhere, but statistically, the odds are very low that we will have a campus shooting like Sandy Hook. That said, someone always wins the lottery. Our trainings are not to scare anyone, but we need to be prepared."

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## Asian Citrus Psyllid Insect Detected in the Area Threatening Citrus Trees

**Special Release**

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - The Asian citrus psyllid (ACP), a serious insect pest in California, has been detected in Roseville. The ACP is a tiny, flying insect that transmits a bacterial disease called huanglongbing (HLB) to citrus trees. Trees infected with the HLB disease produce bitter and misshapen fruit. The HLB disease is fatal to citrus trees. The ACP is a threat to California's backyard and commercially grown citrus. Emergency treatment and quarantine action is needed to protect California from the negative economic and environmental impacts the establishment of this pest throughout California would cause.

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) consulted with scientists who are experts in the biology of this pest. These experts have recommended a treatment plan designed to mitigate the infestation.

Limited ground treatments with a formulation of a pyrethroid will be applied to the foliage of citrus trees on your property. At the same time, an imidacloprid insecticide will be applied to the soil beneath the citrus trees for ongoing protection against the ACP. CDFA will follow all pesticide label directions.

Residents of properties scheduled for treatment will be notified at least 48 hours prior to the application. Included in this packet is a map outlining the project area.

To inform you of planned activities residents of the affected area are invited to attend an open house meeting on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, between 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. - in meeting room 2 at the Maidu Community Center in Roseville. The open house will not feature a formal presentation; rather, it will be staffed by cooperating agency officials familiar with this program who will be able to individually address your concerns and answer any questions. If you cannot attend this meeting and require additional information, please contact the CDFA toll-free PEST HOTLINE at (800) 492-1899.

*Source: City of Citrus Heights* ★



**Trees infected with the HLB disease produce bitter and misshapen fruit. The HLB disease is fatal to citrus trees.**

# Girl Power: Girl Scouts STEM Center Opens in Sacramento

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Silly boys. Science and technology also are for girls, and the Girl Scouts Heart of Central California (GSHCC) is about to prove it to you.

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, the GSHCC will open the region's first STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) Center + Makerspace, an all-girl facility that will serve as a hub for innovation and exploration across the world of tech and science for girl scouts in the council's 18-county region.

The STEM Center + Makerspace, modeled on the Girl Scouts of the USA's other STEM Centers already operating in other parts of the country, will offer girls scouts in grades K-12 the region's first open structured learning and development space where they can unleash their curiosity and skills and explore and innovate through a broad range of activities that include a deep dive into the study of robotics,



**Girl Scouts at the Teeviah STEM Center 2 work with mechanical toys as part of an exploration into electronic engineering.** Photo courtesy Girl Scouts of the USA

circuitry and programing, as well as the environmental sciences.

"Girl Scouts is uniquely qualified to offer support for girls to work creatively

in a single-gender environment, where they can explore new interests and collaborate with other girls," says Dr. Linda Farley, GSHCC CEO. "The STEM Center

+ MakerSpace is an investment in the next generation of Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers and Leaders (G.I.R.L.s.), and will serve as a hub for girl innovation, exploration and discovery for Girl Scouts throughout our 18-county region."

The GSHCC serves roughly 30,000 girls and 10,000 adult Girl Scout members in counties across Sacramento, Stockton and the Modesto area. Its new STEM Center, sponsored in part by Intel Corporation, includes the MakerSpace, which encourages the use of design thinking and collaborative problem solving.

"At Intel, we are committed to opening doors to opportunity for girls here in Northern and Central California, and we believe this STEM Center + Makerspace will inspire these girls and give them the skills they'll need to become future innovators," says Courtney Martin, Intel public affairs director.

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# In The Spirit

## UC Davis, Shriners Hospitals Party Down With the Kids

Story and photos  
by Jacqueline Fox

### SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Children, few would argue, should never have to spend a single day in a hospital bed, hooked up to life-saving monitors and medications, undergoing treatments for things like cancer, head trauma from accidents and the myriad things that can go wrong. But, sadly, many do.

To make things feel a little better, to normalize the experience to some degree for the children admitted as patients (and their families) at UC Davis Children's Hospital and Shriners Hospitals

Placer and Yuba Counties, and as far north as Redding, CA.

For the last six years, the Pierce's and several of their Spirit Halloween store employees have brought costumes, backpacks, toys, face paint, photo booths, craft fixings, live character "actors," along with a boat-load of Halloween fun to UC Davis' Children's Hospital and organized a Halloween bash for the children admitted as patients and their visiting family members.

In addition to the parties, in the weeks prior to Halloween, Spirit Halloween stores across the region organize a range of fundraisers, including the company's

company, actually started this program for children's hospitals back east several years ago and we began participating in 2011," said Pierce. "We start planning for the Halloween party and raising funds in all of our stores right after we open in early September, and we don't stop until we close the doors November 2."

To date, the Pierce's stores have raised roughly \$360,000 for UC Davis Children's Hospital, and the company, via the generosity of its customers and other fundraising channels, generated just under \$50,000 for Shriners' the first year of participation, Pierce said. "Every penny, 100 percent of what we raise in the stores and through fundraisers goes to fund the two facilities' children's programs now."

For William Banks, 5, of Chico, CA and his mother, Amanda, the Halloween "spooktacular" brought a welcome respite from the day-to-day routine they've been operating on since he was diagnosed with lymphoma in August. Banks' wore a contagious, ear-to-ear smile as he spent the afternoon painting his face and head, crafting and mingling with other kids and their families—doing everything a kid should be doing this time of year, never mind the cart of medications and monitoring devices he had to push around the party. Those things are just part of life right now.

"This is so great," William said, freezing for selfies with his mother, taking in the attention from staff, media representatives from this paper and others, including local TV reporters, and of course his fellow patients. "I feel really happy today," he said, and then went off to paint the top of his head tiger style.



Shanda Pierce (left), Franchisor Spirit Stores and sponsor of the party, and William Banks, 5, a Chico resident undergoing treatment at UC Davis.

donations. The program helps coordinate the Halloween party, as well as other events throughout the year, including a holiday with Santa at Christmas. But its core services provide an ongoing menu of programs and services for patients and their parents through the work of child life specialists, as well as music and art therapists, among others, who deliver a range of powerful coping strategies and educational information for the patients and their parents.

Diana Sundberg who runs the program at UC Davis, said the donations and party made possible by Spirit Stores is a vital part of the process of keeping kids' spirits high as they go through what is, in most cases, the scariest time of their lives.

"We do everything we can to help minimize fears and normalize the hospitalization experience for the children," said Sundberg. "By throwing the kids a Halloween party with costumes and games, we give them something they can recognize from home, be a part of, and a little bit of normal that they can carry with them while they are going through their treatment or in the recovery process. It's a very scary experience for kids to be away from home, let alone in a hospital. So bringing in Halloween fun for them is one of the ways we work to take those fears away, even if for just a little while." ★



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for Children in Sacramento, staff and supporters delivered the "spirit" of Halloween, literally and figuratively, and threw them all a big fat party Oct. 18 and 19.

It's an annual event, says Shanda Pierce, who, alongside her husband, Kirk own more than 20 Spirit Halloween pop-up stores across the Central Valley, as well as Sacramento,

Vampire Ball, a purple pumpkin painting contest, as well as in-store outreach to Halloween customers to benefit UC Davis programs. And, last year, Spirit of Halloween fundraisers expanded to include support for Shriners Children's Hospital next door and now both facilities are recipients of the company's program.

"Spirit Corporation, our parent

Lisa and Jason Chandler from Cottonwood, CA, joined their daughter, Anastacia Reynolds, 12 for the fun at UC Davis. Anastacia is recovering from a near-hanging accident on a swing set that has left her with a traumatic brain injury, from which she is recovering at a pace that has even astonished her doctors, according to her parents.

"This place is amazing," said Lisa Chandler, wrapping her arms around her daughter who must currently use a wheel chair to stay mobile. "We can't believe how awesome all this is. She's making such amazing progress and this is really a great way to give her and all the kids a chance to socialize and just be kids for a little while. This facility is

absolutely amazing. They are the best."

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Anastacia Reynolds, 14 (center), and her parents, Lisa and Jason Chandler.

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# Keeping Schools Safe

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District-wide staff trainings like these, as well as a regular review of policies and procedures for handling an entire range of campus emergencies are held roughly every three months for teachers and staff, along with SRO representatives and other Safe School team members.

All schools in the district are required to have a “Comprehensive School Safety Plan” in place that should be made available for public review at any time.

In the case of Sandy Hook, says Erickson, many teachers and students exposed themselves to the gunman by trying to run first rather than hide, following a previously standardized policy of run, hide, fight, which today winds counter to the tactic advocated by many Safe Schools teams, including San Juan’s.

“Here in the San Juan School District, we look at it as hide, run, fight,” says Erickson. “If you can run to safety, do it. But if you are not sure, we advocate hiding first. At Sandy Hook, you had teachers who hid kids in cupboards and other places and called 911. That was exactly the thing to do. In other instances, however, teachers heard shots and went out to investigate and they were killed. So if you hear something that sounds like a shot, it’s probably a shot and you should hide.”

In addition, first responder protocol has also changed, according to Erickson, since the Columbine school shooting in Colorado in 1999.

“Before Columbine, law enforcement or SROs would arrive on the scene, form what’s called a ‘perimeter’ around the school, and then wait for reinforcements before going in,” said Erickson. “Now, they are trained to just go in.”

Trainings rotate from campus to campus and are usually held on shortened days in the afternoon to ensure everyone who wants to attend can, Erickson said. In a few weeks another “active shooter” and high-alert response workshop will take place. Attendees will be given a range of scenarios, broken up into groups and charged to each come up with their own strategies for effective response.

One aspect that also gets emphasized in active shooter trainings that will also be highlighted, is the concept of friendly fire. Erickson explains it best.

“One of the things we also emphasize is a hands up policy,” Erickson said. “If you are walking on the campus during a lockdown and law enforcement is there with weapons drawn, you always want to keep your hands where they can see them. Hands are what kill people. The hand is needed to make the gun go off.”

The district is also amidst implementation of a campus fencing program launched several years ago. According to Keith Reed with the schools facilities department, a total of eight campuses identified as high-priority sites, such as Del Campo High School, now have fences. At a cost of \$1 million, the pace of the project is slow and, cautions



Julie Sarell, Safe Schools Dispatcher (center) is an important member of the Safe Schools staff. District-wide staff trainings, as well as a regular review of policies and procedures for handling an entire range of campus emergencies are held roughly every three months for teachers and staff.

Reed, they serve as deterrents, not guarantees against the possibility of a high-alert crisis.

“The fencing helps, but really the focus is to serve as a deterrent, which is why we have the SROs and trainings in place,” Reed said. “They are designed in a way that forces visitors to enter the campus through the main office and they are not

schools are common. And, it’s Erickson’s job, working with Safe Schools team members, to identify those threats, discern which are real and respond accordingly. As unlikely as mass shootings in schools are, in all cases where they have occurred, according to Erickson, there were warning signs.

“Kids post threats against their schools on social media all the time,” says Erickson. “It’s almost weekly that the threats come in. Now, is it likely the student is going to come (to school) with a loaded gun? No. But we take every single threat as if it were real. Every shooting we’ve had (in the country) there was a message sent out by the shooter in advance. In cases where we do perceive the potential of a threat to be real, we will go out to visit homes. We’ll find out if there are guns registered at the house. We look in (students’) bedrooms, we check it out to see what’s going.”

While parents have not been flooding the district since the Vegas shootings to ask about their school’s safety plans, they do call. Regularly. And their calls, says Erickson, are important.

“I wouldn’t say that I’ve had any calls of concern about Vegas or since that event,” says Erickson. But we do get calls from parents every day about something and when we do, I investigate it, triage it and if there is something we need to respond to, we do. Believe me, I spend a lot of my day on the telephone just talking to parents to assure them that we are all about student safety, safety for all the students and the staff and the families.”

For more information about Safe Schools, visit [www.sanjuan.edu](http://www.sanjuan.edu) ★

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cheap, so completion is based on when funding comes available. But we do prioritize based on the needs of each school.”

Greif counselors are also part of the Safe Schools team and are trained to provide support to school counselors and psychologists in the district in responding to a crisis, such as a student suicide and other highly charged, emotional events.

“Sadly, we do have student suicides in schools,” says Erickson. “It happens. And when it does we have staff who are trained to comfort those in crisis and help allow students to have their emotions. We never want to advocate for anything else.”

Student threats against

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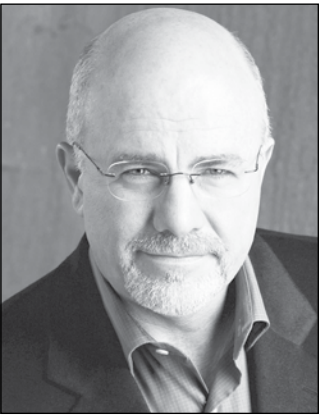
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# Dave Says

## Separate accounts?

Dear Dave,  
What is your opinion of buying a vacation home, then renting it out when you're not there?  
- J.P.

Dear J.P.,  
I see nothing wrong with it, as long as you're buying with cash and you're also **debt-free**. A vacation home is a wonderful "extra" as you start building wealth. Remember though, it's still basically a very large, very expensive toy. In most cases it will go up in value, and if you rent it, it might become something of a money maker for you.  
But here's another side to vacation home rentals. You'll probably make some money, but in most cases there will be several weeks during a year when it sits empty. You're not going to get rich renting it out. So, they're not really great investment properties. What you're talking about is more of a plan to offset the annual costs of your toy. If you look at it that way, I don't think you'll be disappointed.  
If you're determined to go this route, be ready to deal

with spills on the carpet and damage from your guests, along with general maintenance and repairs. There's always something that needs attention when you own a property. But if you can handle all that emotionally and financially – and you're not looking for it to be a big-time investment that will **make you rich** – you'll be fine.  
—Dave

## Balance rebuilding and repaying

Dear Dave,  
My wife and I are on Baby Step 2 of your plan. We have about \$60,000 in debt left to pay off before we'll be debt-free, and a household income of \$140,000 a year. We have one child, but we would like to expand our family. We would have to do this using in vitro fertilization. We've talked to a doctor, and he's given us a ballpark figure of about \$20,000 for the procedure. Should we wait until we're debt-free to have this done?  
- Jim

Dear Jim,  
Babies are wonderful, important things. Having kids, even the thought of having kids, is a big emotional deal. But sometimes it can cause people to change their financial plans and directions. I would urge you not to accept the first opinion and pricing model you receive

on something like this. I've heard prices of \$35,000, but that includes as many attempts as it takes until your wife becomes pregnant. I've also heard of single attempts priced at \$7,500 each. There are all kinds of options and guarantees, because they understand someone who is willing to do this really wants a baby.  
If I'm in your shoes, I'm not accepting the idea that there's one approach and one pricing structure to all this. I would explore other options, as far as doctors and clinics are concerned. Then, with your income, you could consider taking off a couple months from paying down debt and put some money toward the IVF. If it doesn't work pay off a little more debt, pause the debt payoff, and try for a baby again.  
Take some time, learn a little more, and go from there – always using cash for the endeavor. God bless you two!  
—Dave

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# The Human Trafficking Battle Continues

## FBI Announces Results of Operation Cross Country XI

### FBI Special Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Federal Bureau of Investigation, along with the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC), announced October 18th, that 84 minors were recovered and 120 traffickers were arrested as part of Operation Cross Country XI, a nationwide effort focusing on underage human trafficking that ran from October 12-15, 2017.  
Within the FBI Sacramento field office's 34-county area of responsibility, the FBI and its law enforcement partners conducted operations in the four metropolitan areas: Chico, Fresno, Sacramento, and South Lake Tahoe. Local recoveries of minors and pimping arrests during Operation Cross Country are as follows:

- **Thursday, October 12, 2017**  
**Sacramento County Sheriff's Department recovered one minor**
- **Friday, October 13, 2017**  
**FBI and Chico Police Department recovered one minor**
- **Saturday, October 14, 2017**  
**Porterville Police Department arrested an adult male on felony pimping charges.**

In addition to successful recovery of two minors and the arrest of a pimp, more than 23 arrests were made for a variety of charges including prostitution and probation violations. The following agencies participated in Operation Cross Country XI. Butte County District Attorney's Office, El Dorado District Attorney's Office, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, Fresno County District Attorney's Office, Fresno Police Department, Hanford Police Department, Placer County Sheriff's Department, Porterville Police Department,

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, Sacramento County Probation Department, Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Sacramento Police Department, South Lake Tahoe Police Department, and Tulare County District Attorney's Office.  
This is the 11th iteration of the FBI-led Operation Cross Country (OCC), which took place this year in 55 FBI field offices and involved 78 state and local task forces, consisting of hundreds of law enforcement partners. This year's coordinated operations took place with several international partners, including Canada (Operation Northern Spotlight), the United Kingdom (Aident 8), Thailand, Cambodia, and the Philippines.  
"We at the FBI have no greater mission than to protect our nation's children from harm. Unfortunately, the number of traffickers arrested—and the number of children recovered—reinforces why we need to continue to do this important work," said FBI Director Christopher Wray. "This operation isn't just about taking traffickers off the street. It's about making sure we offer help and a way out to these young victims who find themselves caught in a vicious cycle of abuse."  
As part of Operation Cross Country XI, FBI agents and task force officers staged operations in hotels, casinos, and truck stops, as well as on street corners and Internet websites. The youngest victim recovered during this year's operation was 3 months old, and the average age of victims recovered during the operation was 15 years old. Minors recovered during Cross Country Operations are offered assistance from state protective services and the FBI's Victim Services Division. Depending on the level of need, victims are offered medical and mental health counseling, as well as a number of other services.  
"Child sex trafficking is

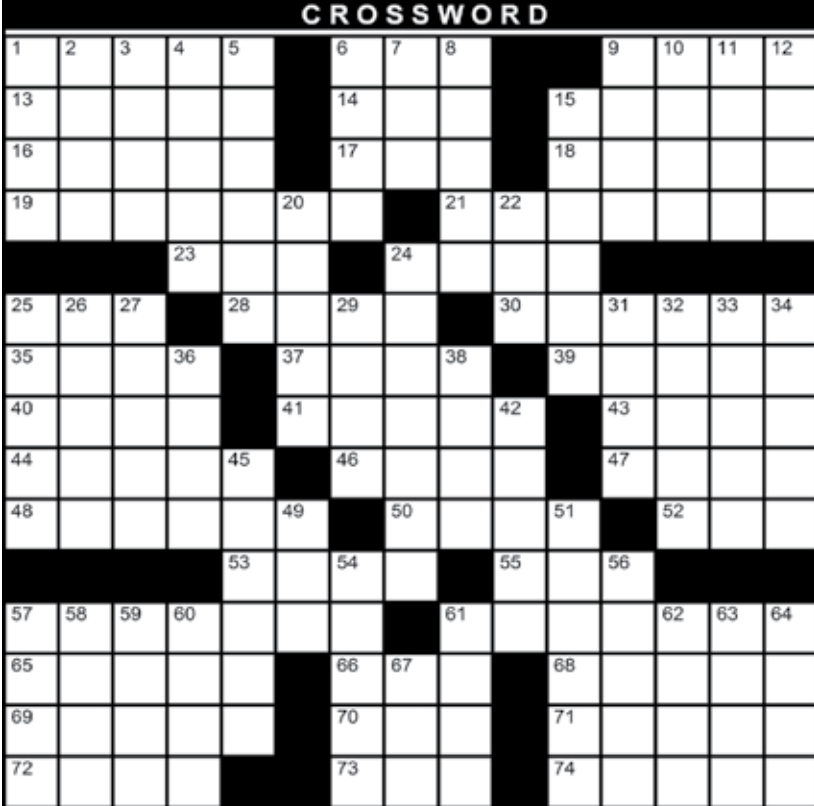
happening in every community across America, and at the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, we're working to combat this problem every day," said NCMEC President and CEO John Clark. "We're proud to work with the FBI on Operation Cross Country to help find and recover child victims. We hope OCC generates more awareness about this crisis impacting our nation's children."  
Operation Cross Country XI is part of the FBI's Innocence Lost National Initiative, which began in 2003 and has yielded more than 6,500 child identifications and locations. For additional information on Operation Cross Country XI and the Innocence Lost initiative, please visit [www.fbi.gov](http://www.fbi.gov).  
**Examples of stories from various cities that took part in Operation Cross Country XI:**  
On October 13th, FBI Denver recovered two minor girls—one 3-month-old and one 5-year-old. The subject, a friend of the children's family, offered an undercover officer access to the two children for sexual purposes in exchange for \$600. The FBI is working with Child Protective Services to conduct a forensic interview and secure safe placement of the children. The subject was placed under arrest.  
Also on October 13th, a 16-year old female victim was recovered by FBI El Paso, after an undercover agent called an online advertisement for entertainment. Shortly thereafter, the agent met with a 21-year-old female, who offered a fee of \$200 to engage in sexual intercourse with her and another female, the 16-year-old victim. Further investigations revealed that a second adult female drove the minor and the 21-year-old to the undercover's location. Both female subjects have been arrested on federal charges. ★

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43. Narcotics agent  
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46. Most populous continent  
47. Major bike maker  
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50. "Me and \_\_\_\_ and the Dying Girl"  
52. "Da" to a Russian  
53. Source of protein  
55. More, in Madrid  
57. \*\*"Blackish" family  
61. \*\*"Fuller House" family  
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34. "Family in "The Middle"  
36. Castle's line of defense  
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42. Deserved consequence  
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49. What's old is new again, prefix  
51. Jousting match participant  
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58. Airy emanation  
59. Sweep under the rug  
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67. Inner, middle or outer, on one's head



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By Pastor Ray Dare

Many people think that happiness is simply a matter of luck. They think if you’re happy you’re just lucky. You got lucky and have good circumstances, so you’re happy. The trust is, happiness can be learned. There are certain qualities that if you learn them, your happiness will increase. If you don’t learn these qualities, your happiness decreases.

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### You Can Learn Happiness

to be unhappy people. And the more patient you are, the happier you will be. That obviously makes sense.

If I said, “Cruel”. That would go in the unhappiness column. Kindness would go in the happiness column. This is kind of obvious. We could make an entire list. If I said if I’m arrogant, I’m going to tend to be unhappy. And if I am humble I’m going to tend to be happier. So, as you can understand, there are some very important qualities that you need to build within your life to increase your happiness. Here are four significant qualities that will increase your happiness:

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**Dependable:** The more reliable, consistent, trustworthy you become, the more others will trust you and the happier you will be. The greatest ability is dependability. It’s more important than any other ability in life.

Prov. 25:13.

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# Sacramento County DA Reports



### Defendants Sentenced for Crime Spree Involving Multiple Robberies, Rape

**DATE:** October 13, 2017  
**CASE:** Anthony Cotton, Latrale Way, Lamar Edwards & Donny Smith (Case #14F05913)  
**PROSECUTOR:** Deputy District Attorney Aaron Miller, Career Criminal Prosecution Unit  
The Honorable Michael Savage sentenced Anthony Cotton to 49 years plus 8 months to life in prison. Latrale Way was sentenced to 108 years to life in prison. Lamar Edwards was previously sentenced to 16 years in prison and Donny Smith was previously sentenced to 15 years in prison.  
On November 22, 2016, a jury convicted Anthony Cotton of kidnapping for purposes of robbery, first-degree residential robbery, second-degree robbery, attempted robbery, residential burglary, and assault with intent to commit rape during a residential burglary. Latrale Way was convicted of two counts of kidnapping for purposes of robbery, kidnapping for purposes of rape, first-degree residential robbery, assault with intent to commit rape during a residential burglary, forcible digital penetration, forcible rape, attempted robbery, second-degree robbery, and felony sexual battery. The jury also found true several firearm allegations connected to the crimes.  
On September 27, 2016, co-defendants Lamar Edwards and Donny Smith pled guilty to first-degree residential robbery with personal use of a firearm allegations.  
Between June and October 2014, the defendants committed a number of crimes in the Antelope and North Highlands areas. While committing a home invasion robbery, all four defendants held a man and his children in their house at gunpoint and ransacked the house. Two of the defendants then attempted to rape the man's 27-year-old daughter, but the father was able to run outside for help and the defendants fled. In a second robbery, Latrale Way and other unidentified suspects approached a man and a woman at a park. After the group robbed the man, Latrale Way kidnapped the woman and forced her to drive to an ATM machine to get money. Way then directed the woman to a nearby neighborhood and raped her in her car. Two weeks later, Cotton and Way committed three additional armed robberies in the same park. Forensic DNA testing conducted by the Sacramento County District Attorney's Crime Lab conclusively linked Latrale Way to the rape.

### Former Baseball Coach Convicted for Child Sexual Assault

**DATE:** October 18, 2017  
**CASE:** Steven Erickson (Case #16FE003051)  
**PROSECUTOR:** Deputy District Attorney Catrina Skor, Special Assault & Child Abuse Unit  
Steven Erickson was convicted by a jury of 19 counts of child sexual assault on a child age 13 to 15 years old.  
Steven Erickson is a former baseball coach who also ran a traveling baseball academy in Sacramento County. The victim played baseball for Erickson's baseball academy. Erickson knew the victim since he was 9 years old.  
Erickson faces a maximum sentence of 37 years, 8 months in prison. Sentencing is set for November 20, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 13 before the Honorable James Arguelles.

### Former Teacher Pled to Multiple Child Sexual Assault Charges

**DATE:** October 23, 2017  
**CASE:** Eric Echols-Gollas (Case #16FE017839)  
**PROSECUTOR:** Deputy District Attorney Brian Morgan, Special Assault & Child Abuse Unit  
Eric Echols-Gollas pled no contest to six felony counts of lewd and lascivious acts against a child under the age of 14 and one misdemeanor count of annoying or molesting a minor.  
Between June 1, 2015 and July 24, 2016, while employed as a paraeducator at Prairie Elementary School, Echols-Gollas sexually abused seven girls within the classroom setting.  
Echols-Gollas faces a stipulated sentence of 11 years in prison. Sentencing is set for December 21, 2017, at 8:30 a.m. in Department 61 before the Honorable Michael Sweet. ★

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# 7th Annual Chili Cook-off and Classic Car Show Raises Funds to Brighten Kid's Holiday

Story by Elise Spleiss

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - The homemade chili was just a good, the classic cars just as 'hot' and the shopping booths just as enticing as previous years, but the 7th annual Citrus Heights Women's Club Chili Cook off and Car Show held on October 7, was a bitter-sweet day for event organizer Darla Buechner and her family. Loyd Winner, Buechner's 80-year-old uncle and inspiration for the classic car show component of the event died on September 26, just 10 days before its seventh year. The addition of the car show in 2015 has brought in thousands of additional dollars to help support children and families in Citrus Heights who are victims of domestic violence. The fundraiser took place at the Lowe's parking lot, a venue popular for classic car shows. Attendees tasted and voted on 15 diverse chili recipes, and inspected 77 vintage cars compliments of partnering with the Nor Cal Cruisers Car Club. Funds raised for A Community for Peace (ACFP) came from car show entry fees, rental fees from 35 vendors, and a \$10 chili tasting fee. ACFP holds an annual Christmas party each year for the children with a visit from Santa, food, toys and other gifts, along with games and crafts. While their children are being entertained by



Loyd Winner receives the Monsignor Scott's Award at 8th annual Parish Pride Car Show. Left to right: Monsignor Scott, car show organizer Jim McDaniel, Matt Buechner.

staff and volunteers, parents can 'shop' for their gifts bought and donated by the women's club. Each child also receives a huge Christmas stocking stuffed with more surprises provided by Citrus Heights Curves. Cars were a part of Winner's life before his own prized possessions became classics, and the Buechner family has followed in his footsteps. Loyd purchased his first car, a 1940 Mercury, in 1954 for \$75. He was 17. More than six decades later at the age of 80, Winner bought his final classic, a 1955 Original Bel Air Coupe. His expertise in running a successful car show brought his niece and her family, who also own and restore classics, into the pastime. He attended the club's first car show at Lowe's in 2015. Winner was born and raised in Porterville, California. He was a Psychiatric Technician for more than 25 years at the Porterville Development Center. He was a founding member of the Rollin' Relics Car Club among many other shows which remain today. *Citrus Heights Women's Club: phone: 751-1918; website: [www.chwomwnsclub.com](http://www.chwomwnsclub.com); and on Face Book A Community for Peace - 728-5613 or at [ACommunityForPeace.org](http://ACommunityForPeace.org) ★*



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# Girl Power: Girl Scouts STEM Center Opens in Sacramento

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A “task force” of local female innovators and Girl Scout members will collaborate on the new STEM Center’s formation and operations.

The Girl Scout’s push for girl leadership and training in STEM is being fueled by the organization’s drive to reverse what it points to as a decline in the country’s number and efficacy of its STEM-related industries. Putting STEM in front of girls, first at the pre-college level, the organization hopes, will build on their interest and confidence in the fields of math, science, technology and engineering. In turn, that knowledge and experience can be expanded at the college level, creating a pipeline of

STEM-trained women ready to take their education on to build life-long careers.

According to the organization, America’s status as the world’s leading technology and science innovator appears to be slipping, pointing to a 2015 Pew Research Center report, which suggests that only 29 percent of Americans rated their country’s K-12 education in STEM subjects as “above average” or “the best in the world.”

Since 1912, Girl Scouts has served as one of the most widely supported, all-girl leadership development organizations in the world. There are currently 112 regional Girl Scout councils across the country representing roughly two

million members, where they focus on building courage, confidence and character, and yes, cookies.

But the creation of Girl Scout STEM Centers aims to ratchet up the impact of membership, specifically by working to fill the gaps in educational instruction in the fields of science, engineering and technology and give girls a chance to build careers across sectors that have, in some cases, remained out of reach.

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**PET CLUB is Excited to Offer: Blue Buffalo, Chicken Soup, Earth Born, Evo, Diamond Naturals, Pinnacle, Taste of the Wild, & Royal Canin Pet Foods**

### TASTE OF THE WILD

#### GRAIN FREE DRY DOG FOOD

- Wetlands •Sierra Mountains •Pacific Salmon •High Prairie •Southwest Canyon

30 Lb Bag **\$39.99**

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### NUTRO MAX

#### ADULT RECIPE DRY DOG FOOD

- Regular Max •Large Breed Adult •Beef •Senior •Lamb Meal & Rice •Mini Chunk

NEW SIZE 25 Lb Bag **\$21.99**

Limit 2 Bags Per Family

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### BLUE BUFFALO

#### WILDERNESS DRY DOG FOOD

- Chicken (\$10 Off Reg Price) •Duck •Salmon •Large Breed Adult •Healthy Weight

24 Lb Bag **NEW \$8 MARKED LOW PRICE**

100% Grain Free

Limit 2 Bags

Effective 11/1/17 - 11/7/17

### FRISKIES

#### DRY CAT FOOD

16 Lb Bag

- Surfing & Turfing •Seafood •Indoor

Limit 2 Bags **\$9.99**

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### 9 LIVES

#### CANNED CAT FOOD

5.5 Oz All Varieties

Limit 1 Case Per Family **35¢**

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### FANCY FEAST

#### GOURMET CANNED CAT FOOD

All Varieties except Elegant Medley

3 Oz Limit 2 Cases per Family **20¢/\$11.00**

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### JONNY CAT

#### PREMIUM CAT LITTER

20 Lb Bag

- Regular •Multiple Cat Formula

Limit 2 Bags **\$3.29**

Effective 11/1/17 - 11/7/17

### FRESH STEP

#### SCOOPABLE CAT LITTER

42 Lb Bag

Limit 2 Bags per Family **\$12.99**

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### PRO-PLAN

#### DRY DOG FOOD

30-35 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags Per Family **\$3 OFF**

- Chicken & Rice •Lamb & Rice •Beef & Rice •Sensitive Skin & Stomach •Lite •Bright Minds

OUR SUPER DISCOUNT PRICE

### EARTHBORN

#### HOLISTIC CANNED CAT FOOD

•Grain Free •Selected Varieties

Limit 1 case 3 Oz. **79¢** 5.5 Oz. **\$1.29**

### MEOW MIX

#### CAT FOOD

Market Select 2.75 Oz Cup Limit 1 Case **49¢**

### CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL

#### DRY DOG FOOD

- Adult •Large Breed •Mature •Weight Care

30 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$7 OFF**

OUR ORIGINAL LOW PRICES

### FUSSIE CAT

#### PREMIUM DRY CAT FOOD

Market Fresh Recipe

- Chicken & Turkey •Salmon •Salmon & Chicken

2 Lb, 4 Lb, 10 Lb bag As Marked **20% OFF**

OUR REGULAR LOW PRICES

### CAREFRESH

#### PET BEDDING

60 Liter (Ultra Not Included)

20 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$12.99**

### FELINE PINE

#### HEALTHY CAT LITTER

20 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$7.99**

### PRECIOUS CAT

#### CLUMPING CAT LITTER

20 Lb Box Limit 2 Boxes Cat Attract **11.99**

Touch of Outdoors **\$7.49**

### WELLNESS

#### CANNED DOG FOOD

Limit 2 Cases Natural 12.5 oz. **\$1.89** Regular **\$1.99**

- Stew •Core

### NUTRO MAX

#### MAX CAT DRY CAT FOOD

•Selected Varieties

6 Lb Bag Limit 2 Bags **\$8.99**

### SCIENCE DIET

#### DRY DOG FOOD

28.5 lb-33 lb Bag

- Lite •Active Maturity •Perfect Weight •Healthy Mobility •Sensitive Stomach •Oral Care

Limit 2 Bags **\$4 OFF**

OUR DISCOUNT PRICES

### MERRICK'S

#### WHOLE EARTH FARMS DRY DOG FOOD

25 lb Bag

- Adult •Grain Free Chicken & Turkey •Grain Free Beef & Lamb •Grain Free Salmon & White Fish

Limit 2 Bags per Family **ON SALE**

### GREENIES

#### DOG TREATS

- Chewy Texture •Easy to Digest •Teeny (43 Ct) •Reg (12 Ct)

Limit 2 Packs Per Family •Petite (20 Ct) •Large (8 Ct) **\$4 OFF**

OUR SUPER LOW PRICES

### GIMBORN

#### FREEZE DRIED DOG TREATS

- Beef & Liver •Chicken & Liver

3-4 Oz **\$5.99** 11.5-14 Oz **\$16.99**

### CHUCK IT FETCH GAMES

- Ball Launchers •Flying Squirrel •Tennis Balls •Glow Balls •Ultra Balls

All Varieties **20% OFF**

OUR SUPER LOW PRICES

### NORTH STATES

#### PET GATES All Models

20% OFF

OUR SUPER LOW PRICES

### EIGHT-IN-ONE

#### ECOTRITION SUPPLEMENTS & BLENDS

6-8 Oz (Avilac - \$2.19) **\$1.79**

### PENN-PLAX CASCADE POWER FILTER SALE

MODEL	TANK SIZE	SALE PRICE
CASCADE 100	20 Gal.	<b>\$13.99</b>
CASCADE 150	35 Gal.	<b>\$17.99</b>
CASCADE 200	50 Gal.	<b>\$20.99</b>
CASCADE 300	100 Gal.	<b>\$27.99</b>

Revolutionary Bio-Falls Quad Filtration System

### TETRA BOXED 10 GALLON TANK

#### With Economy Kit

Just add Heater For Tropical Fish **\$36.99**

Limit 1 Per Family

### KENT MARINE

#### WATER SUPPLEMENTS

**20% OFF**

OUR SUPER LOW PRICES

### KORDON CORAL SEA

#### 50 GAL SALT MIX WITH AMQUEL

**\$11.99**

### FRISKIES BUFFET

#### CANNED CAT FOOD

5.5 Oz All Varieties

Limit 1 Case With Coupon

Limit One Coupon Per Family

Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 11/1/17 - 11/7/17 **45¢**

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### WHISKAS

#### TEMPTATIONS CAT TREATS

- All Varieties Except Natural - 3 Oz

Limit 2 Pkgs with Coupon

Limit One Coupon Per Family

Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 11/1/17 - 11/7/17 **\$1.19**

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### JONNY CAT

#### CAT LINERS

Jumbo Drawstring - 5 Ct

Limit 1 Box with Coupon

Limit One Coupon Per Family

Price Valid Only With Coupon Effective 11/1/17 - 11/7/17 **\$1.89**

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