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Honoring Ancestors



Mis Villalobos poses with a display explaining what various parts of an altar represent.

Story and photos by Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - While Dia de los Muertos – the Day of the Dead – was surely celebrated throughout Dixon in these past decades, it was the first to mark a city-wide celebration at Silveyville Cemetery this past Sunday. Napkin-like colorful flags lined the fences along Highway 113 as a couple hundred cars pulled into the grounds.

One just doesn't expect picnicking in a cemetery here in Dixon but there is much to learn about this ancient Aztec tradition that Mexicans observe usually on the first of November.

There were amazing colors of golden yellow, orange and purple flowers decorating gravesites and small and large groups of families gathered on blankets and chairs to honor their deceased ancestors. There were families that picnicked

and some that sat solemnly on lawn chairs near tombstones.

A few of the graves tugged more at the heart because they bore pictures of young children, but most others boasted of wrinkled but smiling relatives.

The afternoon was a blend of community booths such as the Dixon Public Library where children got to spin a wishing wheel for various prizes and the Community Health

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Voting Options; Dixon Polling Places

Story and photo by Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - If you were looking forward to voting at the Dixon Moose Lodge as you have done in many elections past, you need to take note that the Moose Lodge was removed as a Dixon polling place this year.

There are three sites, however, to cast your vote or drop off your ballot in the California Statewide General Election next Tuesday, November 8. They are the former CA Jacobs Middle School at 200 North Lincoln Street; the Dixon Senior/Multi-Use Center at 201 South 5th Street and the Veterans Memorial Hall at 1305 North First Street across from DuPratt Ford. Times are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

In addition, on November 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8, voters can drop off ballots 'Curbside' at the Dixon Senior Center, 201 South Fifth Street. Simply stay in your car, and hand your ballot to poll workers. This location will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., including Saturday, plus 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Election Day.

The Solano County Office of Voters Registrar is able to help with a variety of

special situations even if you have not registered to vote, have no ballot or your identification was destroyed, by calling (707) 784-6675 or email Elections@solano-county.com.

The simplest way might be using the Vote By Mail (VBM) system. All registered voters should have received a ballot through the U.S. post office and can simply fill out the ballot and return it via the postal service.

-This election is a four-page ballot with votes to cast for Governor and various state offices

including U.S. Senator, U.S. Representatives, State Assembly members, Supreme Court Justices and other judges, various propositions, Dixon Unified School District Board of Trustees, plus District 1 and District 2 City Council representatives. There are also two Tax Measures: one is Measure D for the City of Dixon sales tax increase and the other is Measure E for Solano County sales tax increase.

Voters may also cast VBM ballots in person in the Elections office

during the VBM voting period which began 29 days before an election and extends until the close of polls on Election Day. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm, and yes, the office is even open from 7 am until 8 pm on Election Day.

On Voting Day, there is a curbside drop off in each of the three locations for those who do not want to get out of their vehicle either for COVID or immune compromise, for example.

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Voting Day is Tuesday, November 8 and there will be three polling places open in Dixon from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Kiwanis Seek Tree Sponsors

Story by Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The Kiwanis Club of Dixon announces it is now taking sponsorships for the 13th annual Festival of Trees to be held starting with a tree preview night on Friday, December 9, and the full festival on Saturday, December 10, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Dixon.

"We are very much looking forward to bringing our Holiday Cheer to the community, and most importantly to the children in our tight-knit community of Dixon," said Event Co-Chair Brandi Proffitt. "Please do not hesitate to ask for any clarity or other information. Keep in mind, tree sizes are first-come, first-sponsored. We can't wait to kick off this December in glittering lights and charitable causes."

Both Kristin Janisch and Proffitt are co-chairing this year's event and have made themselves available for any questions or inquiries in regards to this year's festivities.

Sponsor options are one special, 7-foot tree for \$300, large trees for \$200, medium trees for \$125 and Table Top tree size sponsorships are \$75.

Information on Sponsor Forms will be used to advertise the sponsorship, so participants are asked to complete forms fully as one prefers to have it listed in the program and on event promotion materials.

If there are questions or to arrange personal drop-off or pick-up of your completed form & payment, please contact Janisch at (530) 760-6394 (call/text) to arrange.

Volunteer tree decorators are also being sought. If one has a flair for being extra creative and designing beautiful artificial Christmas trees, this is the chance to help serve children in the Dixon community with the gift of talent. Trees are provided and need to be checked in on Friday, December 9 at the Veterans Hall. Trees will be auctioned off at the end of the event.

"Proceeds benefit our community, literacy focused children's programs, scholarships, and the Kiwanis Family House," said Janisch. ★





Trip on the Wine Train

By Debra Dingman

The hubby outdid himself on our 25th anniversary plans. The attention to detail on the Napa Valley Wine Train was amazing. We drove from Dixon sunshine into a Napa foggy mist and checked in at 10 a.m., way too early, but in enough time to enjoy the darling gift shop where I took in ideas for the Dixon Museum back home.

We took a walk down the block like other guests and enjoyed pastries and hot chocolate at a busy little shop but still got back in plenty of time to check out the zillion locks of love on the chain-link fence up the ramp to boarding.

The concierge knew exactly where we were going to be dining and sat the guests quickly and efficiently. Guests were excited and in happy spirits, including me who had always wanted to go on this excursion but never felt it was affordable.

What made it different this time was that my hubby wanted to mark our 25th wedding anniversary with something we had never done before.

Well, that was easy because I've had numerous friends and family go but for some reason, it never worked out for us. If you had to put something at the top of my bucket list, I told him, it would be to go on the Wine Train. He even arranged to have champagne flutes filled



Such a peaceful and elegant experience: The Napa Valley Wine Train. Photo by Debra Dingman

with a cool, sparkling bubbly waiting for us.

I realized we both had been sitting quietly as we watched the scenes of the backside of Napa slip past but then the scenery began to change to the peaceful vineyards and mountains in the distance.

We passed hundreds of rows of grapes and numerous estates while being served the 'Gourmet Express.' First the waitress brought fresh and warm French bread with whipped butter and hubby reached for my hand for our prayer, making me tear up at his sweet words.

My wedding ring caught in the sun and sparkled, and more tears came. Where did all the years go? My mind drifted through pages of memories, and I felt so very blessed. I didn't bring enough tissues...

I had the roasted beet salad topped with pistachios, goat cheese and a honey-citrus vinaigrette. When I have something so special as this, I ask myself why I don't try more things like this at home. It was a

very tasty combination.

Hubby started on the most delicious-looking salmon while I chose the pan-seared chicken with caramelized onion puree. I took very small bites and savored each one.

The warm sun coming through the train windows coupled with the gentle rocking back and forth on the tracks was more than relaxing.

We snapped pictures for the group of women from Vancouver, Canada, across the aisle who were on a 'girl's trip' and they took some for us.

Then it was time to switch cars and dessert was served. My custard-filled tart came with a small candle as did David's Creme Brulee. It was so sweet, and I never want to forget what a special time it was. It was interesting to hear the history of the train, the tracks, and of 1800 St. Helena. I thought I'd write about this in case you haven't done this special excursion, now would be a grand time. ★

Dixon News Briefs



Sawyer is an adorable gray kitten recently rescued by Solano Kitten Network volunteers and is looking for a new home. Contact them through their Facebook page or through their website solanokittennetwork.com. Photo courtesy of Kathy Hall Neeser

MPG Staff

Turn Clock Back

Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Sunday, November 6. If you remember to turn your clock back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 5, you'll wake up on time, right?

Kitten Adoption

Solano Kitten Network is a non-profit organization serving Dixon and Solano County that currently has two adorable kittens ready for adoption. One is gray and named Sawyer and the other is a black and white tuxedo cat named Cleopatra. For more information on the kitties or on this volunteer kitten rescue group, go to SolanoKittenNetwork.com.

Hall of Fame

The Dixon High Athletic Association—an organization dedicated to preserving the heritage of local high school athletics, hosts an annual 'Hall of Fame' dinner and inducts nominees who must exemplify the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and moral character. It will be held Saturday, November 12 at 6 p.m. More information is available at www.dixonhighhalloffame.com or call (707) 592-1774.

City Planning

Tuesday, November 8, is the next City Planning Commission Meeting at the Council Chambers, 600 East A Street. There are three ways a Dixonite can participate: You can go in person, you can use Zoom in real time and ask questions if you want, or you can watch via 'Granicus,' which is a live feed through the City of Dixon website. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. and the agenda is also on the website.

Pork Dinner

The Friday night dinner at the Veterans Memorial Hall will be a pork dinner with mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables and a roll for only \$10. Time is 6 to 8 p.m. while supplies last. It is located at 1305 North First Street. You do not have to be a veteran to attend. The funds help support the hall and veteran activities.

Senior News

Senior Bingo is every Monday at 12 noon at the Senior/Multi-Use Center, 201 South Fifth Street. It is a nickel per card/per game and anyone is welcome. There needs to be at least six people to play. Bring your change and plan on fun. Call 678-7022 for more information. Need a ride? Call Readi-Ride at 678-5020. They'll pick you up at your house and bring you to the Center and return you home when you're ready. Call (707) 678-7022 between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. for info.

Montessori Fundraiser

Dixon Montessori Charter School is hosting a 'Dine & Donate' fundraiser at Mary's Pizza Shack on Tuesday, November 15, all day. Mary's Pizza Shack serves homemade pizzas, pastas, sandwiches, salads and soups and will donate 20-percent of Dine In, Take Out, or Delivery orders all day. To participate, please mention the Dine & Donate for DMCS.

Happy Paws

There is a grand opening planned for Saturday, November 5 at Happy Paws Kennels at 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Actually, Happy Paws has been around since 1971 and is located on ten acres of country property but they have added a new expansion to serve their customers. They are located at 6677 Midway Road. For more information, call (707) 678-6600 or email HappyPawsKennels_Dixon@yahoo.com.

Vet's Big Dinner

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Veteran's Day Dinner on Friday, November 11. The menu is barbecue Tri-tip or chicken, broccoli salad, and chili beans. Dinner tickets for a single is \$15 and can be purchased from the Veterans Memorial Hall on Friday nights anytime after 5 p.m. A table of eight is \$100 and a couple is \$25.

There will also be a large raffle with a separate drawing for a half a hog and a 50-inch LED television.

In other ALP 208 news, Wednesday through Friday the Hall will now have their bar open from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The hall is located at 1305 North First Street. ★

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- Administrator, Ag Education & Family and Consumer Sciences Unit
- Senior Policy Consultant, Career & College Transition Division
- Agricultural Education Consultant

Lecturer, University of California, Davis (2004-2020)

Community Involvement:

My wife and I have lived on a farm in Dixon for 23 years and I have participated in the following community activities:

- Member of Dixon Unified School Board of Trustees
- President, Dixon May Fair Board of Directors
- Clerk, Dixon Public Library
- Member of California Farm Bureau Federation
- President, Solano County Farm Bureau AgEd Foundation
- Member of Solano County Library Advisory Council
- Member of Dixon Historical Society

My Goals for the Dixon Unified School District:

- Maintain the fiscal health of the district by making sound decisions
- Recruit and retain outstanding teachers, staff and administrators
- Develop effective strategies that will help increase student performance
- Ensure an educational environment that is safe and secure
- Improve compensation and health benefits for all employees
- Continue to address the impact of the Pandemic on student learning
- Help increase parent involvement in their child's education
- Develop a school climate where all students can achieve their maximum potential and have fun doing it
- Maintain high academic and career technical education standards

Major Endorsements:

- Mayor Steven Bird, City of Dixon
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- Napa-Solano Central Labor Council
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Yolo and Solano County FSCs Seek Licensed Contractors for Resident Resources List

FSC News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

The Yolo County Fire Safe Council (FSC), coordinated by the Yolo County Resource Conservation District (RCD), and the Solano County FSC, coordinated by the Solano RCD, are developing a bi-county online resource directory for residents to easily access local licensed contractors and consultants who provide services relating to wildfire protection and preparedness.

Yolo County FSC is currently requesting qualifications information from all interested businesses that

provide home retrofitting and wildfire fuels reduction services to residents in Yolo and Solano counties.

Home retrofitting work includes services such as gutter cleaning, vent blocking, zone cleaning, window replacement, home siding replacement, roofing replacement, deck board replacement, garage retrofitting, chimney retrofitting (metal step flashing installation), installation of noncombustible fencing, and ember resistant retrofitting.

Wildfire fuels reduction services include services such as defensible space assessments, arborist

consulting, specialty tree work around homes, mowing, limb removal and chipping (or other debris disposal), tree felling, brush removal, chainsaw work, general vegetation management, and clearing.

Credentialed professionals including certified arborists, licensed herbicide applicators, registered professional foresters, licensed contractors and licensed timber operators are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration of inclusion in the directory by filling out this Google Form: www.tinyurl.com/yolofire-safeRFQ. ★

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New Public Safety Training Center Opens



Dixon Police Chief Robert Thompson, center, gets ready to cut the ribbon for the official opening of the Dixon Police Department's new Public Safety Training Center. L-R are Mayor Steve Bird, Councilman Scott Pederson, and Councilmen Don Hendershot, Jim Ernest, and Kevin Johnson. Courtesy Photo

City of Dixon News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - The Dixon Police Department recently opened a new public safety training center. The center includes a 25-yard pistol range with six individual lanes and a 50-yard rifle range. In addition, it features a classroom and an overhang structure where officers can maintain equipment and receive instruction.

"The new training center will ensure the police officers of the Dixon Police Department continue to receive the highest quality training available. This is much

more than a firearms training facility; it is used to teach and practice de-escalation, less-lethal interventions, and situational judgment," said Police Chief Robert Thompson, "We believe training is the key to promoting a culture of continuous improvement and evolution of our staff."

The center, with a classroom and practical exercise facilities, will provide for the future training needs of not only Dixon, but the greater Solano area law enforcement community. "We're proud to be able to allow other allied agencies to use our facility for the greater good of promoting safety and training," said Thompson. ★

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"They can just drive up to the blue cone and call the number and the ballot will be brought out," said John Gardner, Assistant Registrar of Voters, who added that the best time of day to vote is before 2 p.m. "I liken it to traffic on Interstate 80; voter

turnout is heavier late in the day when people get off work," he said.

There is a drop box inside the polling place for those who don't mind getting out of their car and walking in and there is the standard check in and vote procedures using voting booths. ★

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Dixon School District Accomplishments 2018-2022

- AVID In-school Academic Support Program District-Wide
- Career Technical Education (CTE) Program Support – County Partnership
- Comprehensive Extra-Curricular Programs (Athletics, Clubs, etc.)
- Credit Recovery Program for Students to Avoid Failure and Earn Academic Credit
- Designated English Language Development (ELD) at All Levels
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Dixon Girls Volleyball Season Ends in 1st Round of D4 Playoffs



The Dixon girls varsity volleyball team celebrates after earning a point in a recent match. Photo courtesy of Dixon High School Athletics

By Shaun Holkko, sports editor

NEWMAN, CA (MPG) - The Dixon girls varsity volleyball team's 2022 season came to an end on Tuesday, October 25 with a loss at No. 8 seed Orestimba in the first round of the Division IV CIF Sac-Joaquin Girls Volleyball Playoffs.

The Rams (22-6, 10-2 Golden Empire League) were the No. 9 seed in the post-season tournament. Dixon entered the playoffs on a four-match winning streak and winners of eight of its last nine.

On Tuesday night, the Warriors (26-10, 11-3 Southern League) prevailed in a grueling five set match in which they had to comeback from a two-set deficit.

"It was amazing, there was great energy in the gym, it was super fun. The game could've went in either team's direction," Dixon coach Nikki Garcia told the Independent Voice. "They probably played the best match all season against Orestimba."

The Rams won the first set by the slimmest of margins at 25-23. Dixon controlled the next set, winning by double-digits at 25-15. Orestimba stormed back to win the third set 25-21 to stay alive.

"It was almost like we were playing against ourselves defensively," Garcia recalled. "It was kind of cool to see that even level of competition in the rallies and how both teams fought for every single point."

According to Garcia, Tuesday's match shifted in the fourth set when Rams senior setter Casey Vaughn suffered a leg injury. Vaughn suffered the injury aggressively going for a dig, causing an emergency medical timeout. Vaughn was able to fight through tears and the pain to finish the match, although she became limited by the injury.

"She's such a highly-skilled setter that you could just tell she couldn't do what she normally does," Garcia said. "Even though she was injured and crying, she was still playing so much higher than most athletes would. But you could just tell, and you could feel the shift."

The Warriors forced the match into a

decisive final set with a 25-19 game victory in the fourth set. Orestimba earned the comeback victory with a 15-12 fifth set win. The Warriors will play No. 1 seed Sonora on Thursday night in the quarterfinals.

Despite the first-round postseason exit, Rams fans have a lot to be proud of. Dixon won its league championship for the first time in over a decade this season, dating back to 2009.

"Our 2022 win is basically the result of four seasons of hard work from the freshmen class from when my husband and I took over the program," Garcia said. "We pretty much came on and told them that the freshmen are the foundation and that any kind of league title we're going to get is going to start with them."

"From day one, this group of girls, they bought into the program, and they've been working towards it ever since and it paid off."

The Rams are co-champions of the GEL with Woodland and Pioneer, who also finished with a 10-2 record in league play, respectively. Dixon split its season series at one a piece with each team. However, the Rams did earn an extra win over Pioneer this year in a non-league, midseason tournament match on September 3.

Over the course of the season, Dixon had a five-match winning streak and three four match win streaks. Nine of the team's 14 players will not be returning next season as they will be graduating in the Class of 2023.

"This is a special group. It's amazing to see what they accomplished," Garcia said. "The hole that nine seniors is going to leave graduating this year, that's a big chunk of your program that is moving on. I think that the way they played together, they showed by example for the underclassmen what it takes to win on and off the court."

The Lady Rams' quest for back-to-back league titles begins next August. In the meantime, the boys volleyball season starts in the spring. The gentlemen will also be defending their GEL title, beginning in March. ★


MEMORIAL

JOHN PIERRE NOUTARY

8/4/1950 – 10/20/2022

John Pierre Noutary of Dixon, CA, passed away unexpectedly on October 20, 2022, at the age of 72. John was born on August 4, 1950, to Joseph and Catherine Noutary in Santa Ana, California. Together, Joe and Catherine would raise John and his brother, Jody, in El Toro, CA.

John was predeceased by his father, Joseph Noutary, his mother, Catherine Echanis Noutary, his brother, Jody Noutary, his grandparents, several aunts and uncles. He is survived by his



Ganzell and numerous nieces, cousins and many, many friends that he considered family.

Services will be held at St. Peter's church located at 105 South 2nd Street, Dixon, CA, on November 9, 2022, at 12:30pm with a reception following at Madden Hall, Dixon Mayfair Grounds located at 655 South 1st Street in Dixon, CA. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made to the Dixon Game Conservation Club, 250 W. Mayes St. Dixon, CA 95620.

MEMORIAL

JO ANNA MALLOROY CRECHRIOU

7/5/1942 – 10/24/2022

Jo Anna Malloroy Crechriou passed away and entered the Lord's loving arms October 24, 2022, at her home in Dixon, California, surrounded by family.

She was born July 5, 1942, in Weed, California, to Spike and Dorothy Malloroy of Mt. Shasta, California. Jo Anna spent her first year in Mt. Shasta before moving to Alturas (Stronghold), California, and on to White City, Oregon, to a family farm.

She was active in 4H, the church, and graduated from Eagle Point High School. She attended and graduated from Judson Baptist College



homemaker and mother, raising three children.

She was preceded in death by her older sister, Linda K. Malloroy Woolfolk, and is survived by her husband of 59 years, Dean, two sons, a daughter, four grandkids and one great granddaughter.

She loved family activities and holidays; was active in church; was a positive warm light to students, her family, and all who met her; and had a natural strength of character and a friendly, warm nature about her. God wanted His angel home to sing with the choir of angels.



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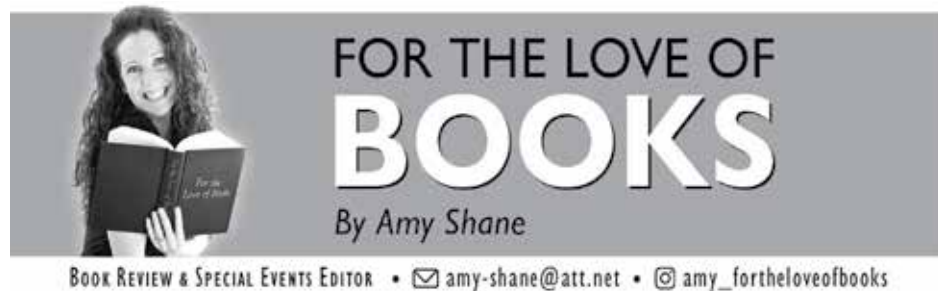
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Riley Reviews

'TICKET TO PARADISE' THRIVES ON CHEMISTRY AND SCENIC BEAUTY

A Film and TV Review by Tim Riley

“TICKET TO PARADISE”
RATED PG-13

A date night movie sounds like a great idea for a couple to enjoy an evening’s entertainment, and the romantic comedy of “Ticket to Paradise” starring George Clooney and Julia Roberts as exes on a mission to thwart their daughter’s matrimony is an interesting premise.

In recent years, romantic comedies from a major studio have become increasingly scarce. Dating as far back as the 1930s with the then-called “screwball comedy,” the genre continued to evolve and flourish through the start of the century.

It’s not like romantic comedies have disappeared altogether, considering how Netflix showcases more films than one can humanly consume or that the genre has veered away from the conventional approach.

Film director Ol Parker had a feeling that our global collective experience over the last couple of years during the pandemic had left audiences yearning for the rebirth of romantic comedy.

In the press notes for “Ticket to Paradise,” Parker realized that “romantic comedies bring a large audience together to collectively laugh with each other, and after a few tough years, that seemed like a beautiful thing to bring to the big screen.”

Clooney and Roberts have been a screen couple before as Danny and Tess Ocean in “Ocean’s Eleven” and “Ocean’s Twelve,” and though those films are not romantic, the stars did trade barbs and insults which look like practice for their reunion here.

With their cinematic history, Clooney and Roberts were obvious choices as the long-divorced couple of David and Georgia who despise each other because this premise is only going to work when the actors have the chemistry required to eventually break down the barrier of bitterness.

David and Georgia were married for only five years, but he says it felt more like nineteen, and the split was hardly amicable. They only come together in a most uncomfortable way to attend their daughter Lily’s graduation.

Fresh out of law school with a job waiting for her at a prestigious law firm, Lily (Kaitlyn Dever) takes off on a vacation to scenic Bali with her friend and college roommate Wren (Billie Lourd) as a last thrill before the daily grind of work.

Lily’s professional plans get derailed when she falls for handsome seaweed farmer Gede (Maxime Bouttier), and after a rather brief courtship becomes engaged with apparent little thought to her future.

News of the impending nuptials doesn’t sit well with David and Georgia, who then embark on a shared clandestine mission to show up as supportive parents with a hidden agenda of undermining the wedding while struggling to conceal their mutual distaste.

A romantic comedy always has plot contrivances that are usually easy to spot. What’s not so readily discerned is figuring out the history of a couple that would rather endure root canal or some other unpleasantness than be in the same room together.

We have to accept it on faith that Georgia, an art gallery owner, and David, an architect, are so filled with acrimony and blame that they will bicker like schoolkids during the graduation ceremony.

The backbiting continues for Georgia and David when they inadvertently become seatmates on the long flight and end up trading barbs that provide some of the humor one was hoping for from two charismatic characters.

An interesting twist to the international flight is the coincidence of Georgia’s younger boyfriend Paul (Lucas Bravo), a commercial airline pilot, just happening to be on duty. You can expect he will show up again at an unexpected moment.

An alcohol-fueled evening of overly exuberant dancing and beer pong competition by the parents leads to the inevitable waking up the next day to a situation that should surprise no one.

Filming the beautiful tropical lifestyle of Bali also captures and respects the Balinese people and culture, with Gede’s father (Agung Pindha) displaying a sense of humor that rivals that of the most practiced professional actor.

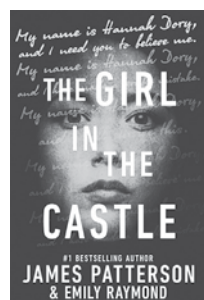
The script for “Ticket to Paradise” may be wafer-thin only because so much is predictable, and despite any drawbacks of serviceable tropes, the film benefits from the sunny, vibrant Indonesian location filled with glistening beaches and gorgeous sunsets.

More than the exquisite scenery of Bali is desired to turn this romantic vehicle into a winning film, unless you think Clooney and Roberts are all the backdrop necessary.

Punching a “Ticket to Paradise” is an overall enjoyable experience, if not completely memorable. This is a one-off romantic comedy that’s good enough in the moment but not likely worthy of a return engagement.

For now, “Ticket to Paradise” is a theatrical release but since this film is a Universal picture it’s set for release on Peacock in early December. ★

The Science, The History and a new James Patterson Read



Lights, Camera, Witchcraft: A Critical History of Witches in American Film and Television

by Heather Greene

From the late 1800s to today, witches have taken a commanding presence in film, but why are they so profoundly featured, feared, and adored? Witches have historically made their presence known in the film, whether through retelling old stories, fairytales, fantasy, witch trials, or even the occult. Lights, Camera, Witchcraft: A Critical History of Witchcraft in American Film and Television will take readers on a journey throughout the decades exploring how witches in film have created stereotypes while also single-handedly sparking debates, religion, critical theory, gender studies, and a deeper look at spirituality.

Through iconic films such as The Wizard of Oz, The Addams Family, The Witches of Eastwick, and The Craft, and even hit TV shows such as Bewitched, Charmed, and Sabrina the Teenage Witch, almost every generation has had its own iconic witch. As films evolve and adapt to the times, these films are seen

crossing over into a new narrative of teen witches, children’s shows, and even a new level of horror.

Heavily researched and informative, this book is a go-to guide that will quickly become one to reference for any study, whether personal or academic. Heather Greene elevates the history of witchcraft, lending every reader a new insight into the film industry’s influence on society and the evolution of how witches are seen and viewed.

Nightmare Fuel; The Science of Horror Films

by Nina Nesseth

“Do you like scary movies?” This famous movie line has ricocheted through the decades, delivering an iconic movie reference while asking the all-important question. Nina Nesseth delves deep inside the science and the mind, answering what makes horror movies invoke unimaginable fear in their viewers, only to have them returning for more.

Nesseth tears apart the fabric of our minds, analyzing jump scares, movie monsters, slashers, gore, and even audio effects, explaining the science, the myth, the art, and the fascination. Whether you

are a horror movie fan, a dabbler, or just curious about the science of mind, Nightmare Fuel lends readers the perfectly created science behind the body, the mind, and the reason viewers come back for more. With discussions, interviews, scare spotlights, and a survival guide, this book is the perfect companion and celebration of horror in cinema.

The Girl In the Castle

by James Patterson and Emily Raymond

When Hannah Dory is found half-naked screaming in the street, she is instantly whisked to Belman Memorial Psychiatric Hospital. No one believes that Hannah is really from 1347 and she must return in order to save her family. Caught between the present day and the knowledge that she needs to get back, Hannah needs one person to believe her, and the new intern might just be the answer. Every second matters as Hannah get pulled back and forth, and her connection to this world begins to fade.

In a high-stakes thriller, The Girl In The Castle, will have readers flying through the story trying to uncover the truth. ★

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ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #FCS058803

Isaac Samuel Webb filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Isaac Samuel Webb to Isaac Samuel Sharp.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. November 30, 2022, 8:30 a.m. Department 12, Room 1, Superior Court of California, County of Solano, Old Solano Court House, 580 Texas

Street Fairfield, CA 94533
Judge of the Superior Court: Christine A. Carringer
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Recorded 10/28/2016 as Instrument No. 201600096337 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Solano County, CA. Date of Sale: 11/30/2022 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: Santa Clara Street Entrance to Vallejo City Hall, 555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, CA. 94590 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$257,736.43 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 422 West F Street Dixon, CA 95620 A.P.N.: 0113-071-040 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be

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Honoring Ancestors

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 Initiative alongside food trucks like Matt Andrew's La Familia and the Kona Ice Truck among others.
 "We're here to support the community in honoring their past loved ones and have already had 60 participants," said Rhea Gardner, the new Dixon Librarian Supervisor who helped children "select library swag." There were also booths that sold plants, cupcakes, and offered face painting.
 "It's like All Saints Day and came from the Aztec culture," explained Andrea Perea who attended the event with her children and mother, Sandra. "It's really about remembering your past loved ones. As long as you pray for them, they are still with you." Another large and colorful booth described what each of the altar items meant.
 Water is offered to quench the thirst of the deceased and strengthen them for their return journey and the person's favorite food and drink are offered to celebrate the soul. Calaveras or skulls are representations of deceased relatives and are usually made of sugar or chocolate and are consumed by children after the celebration. This is

supposed to be an example of the Mexican ability to celebrate, mock, and play with death, a poster read.
 Salt is another item put on an altar and it is supposed to stop the souls of the deceased from being corrupted by Earthly temptations. Incense is placed to purify the souls of the dead but also to ward off spirits, added Mis Villalobos who had beautifully painted half her face with unique art.
 Colorful flowers are also on the altars with purple being the traditional color of mourning in Mexico. Candles are guiding lights for loved one's spirits and a portrait of the loved one is placed in the middle or top of the altar to pay tribute to them.
 A mariachi band serenaded one grieving woman where the grave site was too new for a marker, so the woman had made a temporary one. Her grief was evident, but the voice of the woman singer was comforting.
 Silveyville Cemetery District Manager Jennifer Huff reported the event success but was quick to recognize Shauna Manina, Dixon Chamber CEO for the "resourcefulness" that brought it all to fruition. It is expected to be an annual event now. ★



Andrea Perea, daughters Ximena and Beila, and Andrea's mother Sandra, attended the Dia De Los Muertos together.



A Mariachi Band sweetly serenaded a grieving woman at Silveyville Cemetery.



A family sits solemnly near two family tombstones.

Dixon Police Arrest Student at JKMS in Possession of Weapon

DPD News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - On Monday, October 31, at 11:08 a.m., Dixon Police responded to a report of a student with a weapon at John Knight Middle School.
 A school Resource Officer and other police

personnel responded and discovered a 13-year-old male student had a semi-automatic pistol with magazines inside his backpack. As a precautionary measure, the school was briefly put in lockdown while school district and police personnel ensured

that no additional threats to student safety existed.
 The student was arrested for violations of the Penal Code, specifically Possession of a Firearm in School Zone (629.9(b) PC) - (felony), Minor in Possession of a Concealable Firearm (29610 PC)

- (felony), Possession of a High-Capacity Magazine (32310(a) PC) - (misdemeanor), Minor Possess Live Ammunition (29650 PC) - (misdemeanor) and Carrying a Concealed Firearm (25400(a)(2) PC) - (misdemeanor). The student was booked into Solano

County Juvenile Hall and remanded to their custody.
 State law prohibits the sharing of additional information about the student. The weapon and magazines were seized as evidence, and the investigation into how the student obtained the weapon is ongoing. An

administrative inquiry will be conducted by the Dixon Unified School District regarding the juvenile's status as a student. Anyone with information regarding the criminal investigation is encouraged to contact Dixon Police detectives at 707-678-7070. ★



U.S. offers debt relief for farmers and ranchers facing hardships
 Federal officials have created a program to provide \$3.1 billion in assistance for about 36,000 distressed agricultural borrowers. The effort, announced by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack last week, is intended to assist farmers and livestock producers who are behind on loan payments or in financial jeopardy. That includes many impacted by drought, supply-chain backlogs or continued effects of the pandemic. The assistance will cover loans administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency.
International tech event in Fresno hypes robotics for boosting farm yields
 Fresno County was the host of an international agriculture technology event, imported from France, where the gathering was previously held. The first-ever FIRA USA California Agricultural Robotics and Technology Forum unfolded Oct. 18-20 at the Fresno Convention & Entertainment Center and California State University, Fresno. The 1,000 registered guests, including 800 daily visitors, viewed automated farm equipment and presentations on using robotics to enhance crop production in California.

Farm Bureau, agricultural groups offer input for new federal farm bill
 The California Farm Bureau and other agricultural groups are providing input to members of Congress on a new farm bill—legislation that may significantly affect farms, food consumers and the environment. Congress is in the process of updating the 2018 Farm Bill, or Agriculture Improvement Act. Farm Bureau representatives have submitted more than 60 recommendations, including for commodity price increases, greater transparency for milk checks and funding for conservation programs and rural development.
UC Davis gets federal funding for strawberry breeding research
 University of California, Davis, is getting \$6.2 million in federal funding for research to protect California strawberry crops from diseases and pests. Under a four-year grant from the National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Davis researchers will use plant breeding, gene editing and other technologies to help ensure the resiliency of strawberries in a warming climate and amid potential restrictions on pesticide use. UC researchers say strawberry growing trails crops such as tomatoes and wheat in genetic innovation. ★

Halloween Fun



These three witches from Rohwer's Insurance Agency had just as much fun as the children at last Friday's Downtown Dixon Business Association Treat Trail. The annual event brought hundreds of kiddos and their parents to the 'cultural center of Dixon' in addition to bringing lots of fun for merchants who also enjoy dressing up for Halloween. Photo by Nicolas Brown



Dixon Plays 'Sloppy' in GEL Title Game

Rams' repeat hopes end with 41-14 loss at Casa Roble

Story and photos
by Shaun Holkko,
sports editor

ORANGEVALE, CA (MPG) - An impressive regular season came to a bitter end on Friday night in Orangevale as the Dixon varsity football team was soundly defeated by Casa Roble in the Golden Empire League championship game.

In a clash of the Rams, Casa defeated Dixon 41-14. Both teams came into the game at 8-1 overall and 4-0 in league play. Dixon's quest for a second straight GEL crown came to an end with the loss.

Dixon coach Wes Besseghini bluntly summarized his team's performance as "sloppy" after the game.

"They were a really good football team, and we knew that coming in," Besseghini told the Independent Voice. "We knew we had to play almost a perfect game to beat them, and we didn't do it, that's what it comes down to. Not taking anything away from them because we knew we had to be almost perfect, and we weren't tonight. We didn't do what we needed to."

Casa got going early, as senior running back Josh Taylor broke multiple tackles and stumbled on a 19-yard rush into the end zone on 4th and 1 nearly seven minutes into the game. Casa's next score was set up quickly by junior Logan March who intercepted Dixon senior quarterback Jett Harris 25-seconds after Casa's first touchdown.

The Rams of Orangevale took advantage of the costly mistake as sophomore quarterback Connor Campbell found junior wide receiver Cole Owens for the 27-yard score on 3rd and 6.



Dixon senior wide receiver Luis Torres runs for a first down after catching a pass during a 41-14 loss at Casa Roble in the Golden Empire League championship game on Friday, October 28 in Orangevale.

Owens has been one of the team's best players all season and was given the nickname "Cyborg" by Casa coach Chris Horner.

The remainder of the first half included multiple punts, a blocked field goal by Dixon and Campbell with two turnovers, one interception and one lost fumble. However, Dixon struggled to get into the end zone, leaving the score 14-0 Casa at halftime.

Casa took a decisive advantage midway through the third quarter when junior outside linebacker Evan Combs intercepted Harris. Combs looked like he was going to go down several times. Nevertheless, broken tackle after broken tackle, the junior ran all the way into the

end zone for six.

Dixon finally got on the scoreboard with 3:43 left in the third period, when Harris found senior wide receiver Brent Green for a nine-yard score. Dixon attempted an onside kick to get back into the game, but it failed, subsequently giving Casa great field position to start its next drive.

Recent varsity call-up, sophomore running back Braylen Blevins, got into the action in the second half after Taylor hurt his knee, scoring twice on the ground. In between Blevins' two scores, Dixon senior running back Braden Baumbach rushed in for a touchdown from two yards out.

The final scoring play of the

game came with 5:24 remaining. Owens set it up with an interception defensively. On the next offensive play, Owens bobbled and hauled in a 70-yard bomb from Campbell for his second touchdown of the night. Casa ultimately won 41-14 to cement themselves in history as league champions.

Despite the loss, Bessighni was able to identify bright spots that the team can take from the loss into the postseason that begins this Friday, November 4.

"I think there are guys on this team that fight and never quit," Bessighni said. "As long as that continues, we'll always have a shot. I think that Brent Green stuck out to me as somebody that kept fighting. Luis Torres

kept fighting. Our offensive and defensive line kept fighting all night long. Braden Baumbach kept fighting. There are guys on this team that wanna fight and do everything they can and that's the bright spot for me."

Harris completed 17-of-37 pass attempts for 218 yards, one touchdown and three interceptions. The senior quarterback rushes nine times for 48 yards as well. Senior running back Braden Baumbach finished with a team-high 74 rushing yards on 11 carries. He also added a team-high of nine tackles on defense.

Green made plays in all three facets on Friday night. The senior recorded six catches for a team-high 69 yards and a touchdown as a wide receiver. As a free safety, he tallied five tackles and an interception. On special teams, he blocked a 45-yard field goal attempt in the second quarter.

Torres also contributed to all three phases. He had three catches for 46 yards offensively, six tackles defensively and was 1-of-1 on point after tries on special teams. Senior middle linebacker Matthew Whitaker finished with seven total tackles with two of them for a loss of yards, including a jarring hit on Taylor in the first quarter.

"That senior class can achieve anything it wants to if it can bring everybody with them," Bessighni proclaimed.

Even though the Rams are not league champions again this season, their regular season record was good enough to qualify for the playoffs. Dixon is the No. 6 seed in the 2022 Division V CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Football Playoffs.

The Rams will host No. 11 seed Foothill tonight at 7 p.m. ★

UC Davis Health Nurse Honored for 'Rocking' Nursing World



The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) has named Aron King a 2022 Under 40 Awardee. Courtesy photo

UCD News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) has named Aron King a 2022 Under 40 Awardee. King, an assistant nurse manager at UC Davis Medical Center and a 2021 graduate from the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis, is one of only 16 nurses in the nation to receive the honor.

"These nurses are our present and our future. They are the next generation of nurse leaders," said Martha A. Dawson, NBNA president. "We look forward to honoring these NBNA young notables under the age of 40 who are rocking the nursing world through professional and educational achievement, leadership and civic involvement in their NBNA chapters and in the communities they serve."

After caring for patients as a bedside nurse for 8 years, King entered the master's-degree leadership program at the School of Nursing in 2019. He said through that educational experience he began to see the bigger picture of how he could serve the Black community and inspire future Black nurses. He joined the Capitol City Black Nurses Association, founded by School of Nursing alumni, to advocate for the needs of nurses and optimize health

outcomes in communities where health disparities persist.

"Health care is in a battle to undo decades of valid mistrust in communities of color. From unjust medical trials to the treatment of undocumented people and those battling drug addiction," said King, the organization's former secretary who now serves as an executive board member. "Winning the trust of these communities means having a workforce that has representation. We have work to do."

In July, King served as the keynote speaker for the School of Nursing 2022 Commencement. In July, he joined Piri Ackerman-Barger, School of Nursing associate dean for Health Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, to present to an international audience of nursing researchers understanding how microaggressions in health professions schools can poise students for inclusion. She said King is deeply deserving of this honor.

"Aron is being recognized for his commitment to high quality practice, his accomplishments as a leader and his work as a scholar," Ackerman-Barger explained. "It is an honor to have him join us once again as he pursues his Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) at the School of Nursing."

Next month, King enters the school's PhD program. He expects with the rigorous research program and the demands of his nursing career, the lift to continue the drive to end disparities will be heavier.

"The role of a nurse is not limited to the bedside and we as nurses shouldn't measure our worth by looking at technical skills," he said. "We are advocates and leaders in patient care. We need to be proactive in our approach by investing our energy in preventive interventions."

NBNA honored this year's winners at its 50th Annual Institute and Conference in Chicago. NBNA is comprised of nurses at all levels and serves as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations to ensure equal access to professional development, promote educational opportunities and improve health. ★

Tuleyome Offers Certified California Naturalist Courses



Students are encouraged to examine the details during Tuleyome's Certified California Naturalist course. Photo courtesy of Tuleyome/Jonathan Serna

Tuleyome News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Tuleyome is offering two Certified California Naturalist courses in 2023 - one in the winter and one in spring. Instruction focuses on the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument region.

The Certified California Naturalist courses are presented by Tuleyome in partnership with the University of California extension program. The winter course will be offered from January to March in 2023. This course is 10-weeks long (with classes on ten consecutive Fridays and include at least three field trips. The spring course is a 1-week program hosted at Wilbur Hot Springs.

No advanced degrees or previous naturalist experience is required. Both courses cover the same material.

The UC California Naturalist Program is designed to introduce Californians to the wonders of our unique ecology and engage the public in study and stewardship of California's natural communities. The program uses a science curriculum, hands-on learning, problem-solving, citizen science, and community service to instill a deep appreciation for the natural communities of the state and to inspire individuals to become stewards of their local resources. ★



Tuleyome's Certified California Naturalist course is led by Tuleyome staff members who are experts on the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument region. Photo courtesy of Tuleyome/Nate Lillge

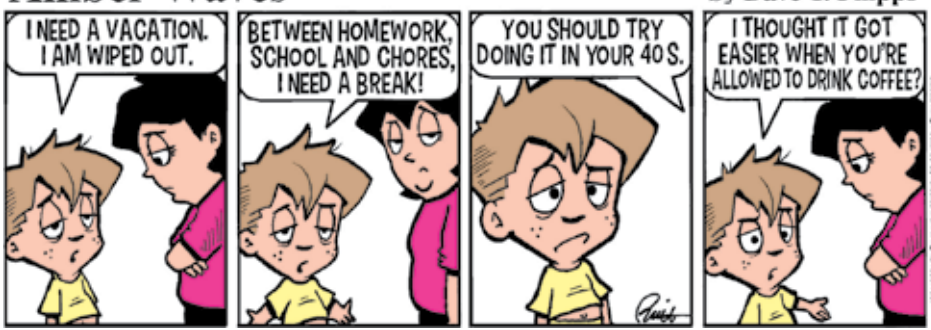
In addition to in-person instruction, students are required to attend field trips in the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument region. Field trips consist of low-impact walking trips and auto-tours, so they are suitable for all fitness levels. Impromptu walks are also often provided by the instructors as time permits to give participants even more experience in the field.

Questions about the course should be directed to Nate Lillge at nlllge@tuleyome.org.

Tuleyome is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization that engages in advocacy and active stewardship with diverse communities to conserve, enhance, restore, and enjoy the lands in the region. ★

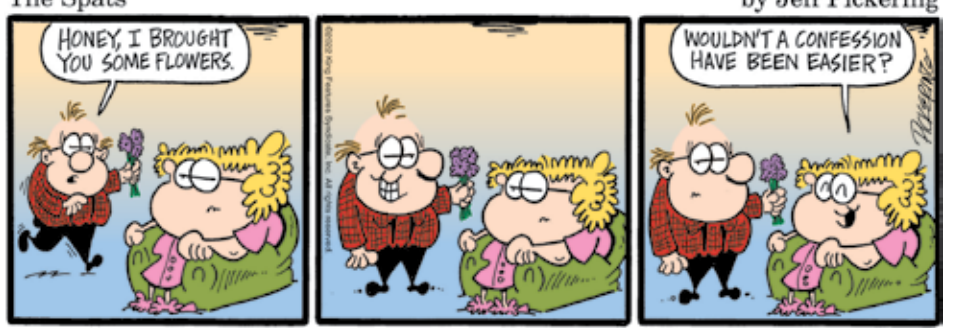
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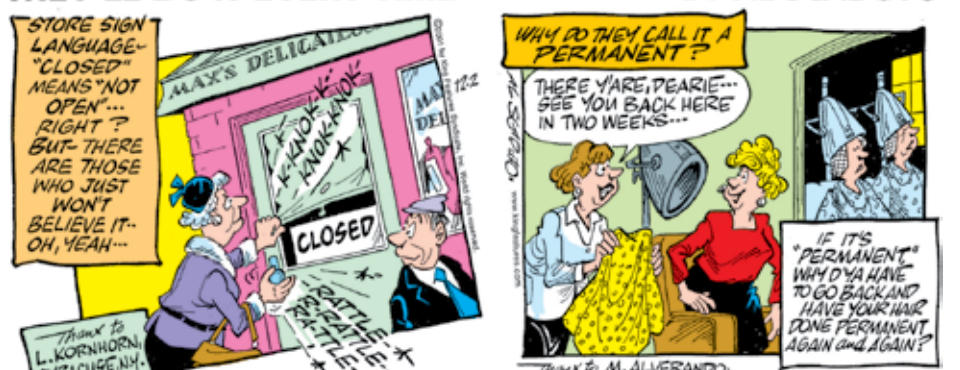
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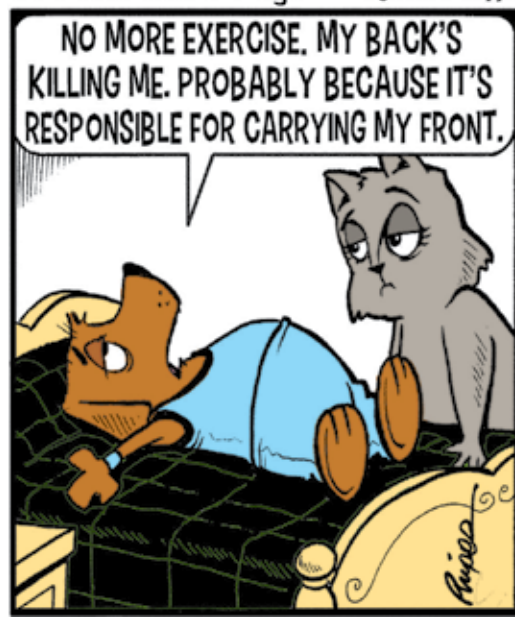
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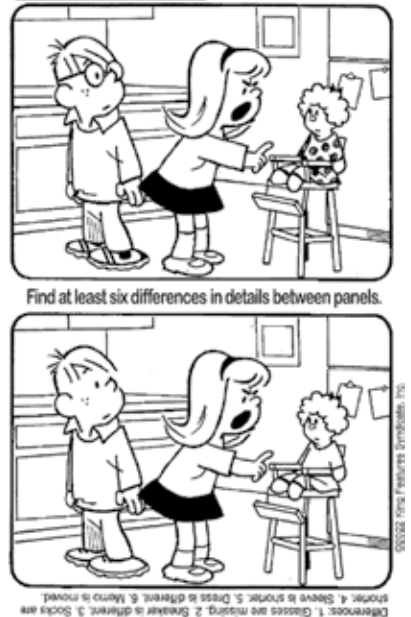
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Hornets Thrill Homecoming Crowd in Win

**Sac State Athletics
News Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - For the second consecutive week, Sacramento State football left fans at Hornet Stadium on the edge of their seats before prevailing with a dramatic victory. On Saturday, Asher O'Hara spun over the goal line with 1:46 remaining and the defense got the stop it needed in the Hornets' 31-28 win over Idaho in front of 17,241 Homecoming fans.

The victory improved No. 2 Sacramento State to 8-0 overall and 5-0 in the Big Sky Conference. The No. 14 Vandals dropped to 5-3 overall and suffered their first conference loss (4-1).

After Idaho erased a 17-point deficit, Sacramento State got the ball back with just over six minutes to play, trailing 28-24. The Hornets turned to their ground game where quarterback Asher O'Hara and running backs Cameron Skattebo and Marcus Fulcher accounted for all 75 yards on the way to the game-winning touchdown. O'Hara had the first three runs during the drive to take the ball to the Vandal 45. Skattebo then had rushes of 5, 3 and 8 yards. O'Hara converted a 3rd-and-2 and after Fulcher rushed for 8 yards, O'Hara set up 1st-and-goal at the 8 with a 5-yard rush.

Skattebo received the carry on first down and was ankle tackled at the 2-yard line. The team turned back to the sophomore on second down, but he was met at the line of scrimmage. After Idaho used its final time-out, O'Hara kept it himself with a 360-degree spinning leap into the end zone for his 14th rushing touchdown of the game.

Idaho had 1:48 remaining with a chance to tie the contest with a field goal or win with a touchdown. The Vandals picked up 18 yards on first down with a pass from Gevani McCoy to Jermaine



Sacramento State senior quarterback Asher O'Hara dives into the end zone for the game-winning touchdown during a 31-28 win against No. 14 Idaho on Saturday, October 29 at Hornet Stadium in Sacramento. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

Jackson. Sacramento State stuffed a run for a 1-yard loss on the ensuing play and the second and third down passes landed incomplete. Facing 4th-and-11, McCoy was strip sacked by Armon Bailey and the ball was recovered by Ayodele Adeoye to secure the win.

Sacramento State finished the game with 299 rushing yards against an Idaho defense which had allowed only 78 rushing yards per game against FCS teams this season. Skattebo tallied 137 on 17 carries (7.9 ypc) to earn his fourth-straight 100-yard game and O'Hara added 129 yards. The team's passing game had its lowest output of the year, finishing 8-of-19 for 92 yards and two touchdowns with two interceptions.

Sacramento State jumped out to a quick lead, taking the

opening drive and marching 80 yards for a touchdown. The points came on a 31-yard strike from Jake Dunniway to Chris Miller for his first receiving score of the year. Those points were the only ones in the first quarter and the Hornets added to their advantage with a 26-yard field goal from Kyle Sentkowski early in the second period.

Idaho got on the board with a 16-yard rush from Elisha Cummings to cut the deficit to 10-7 but Sacramento State answered with a 13-play, 75-yard drive with 1:36 left in the half to take a 17-7 lead into halftime after a 7-yard run from Fulcher.

The Hornets tacked on seven points midway through the third quarter when O'Hara scrambled and then threaded an 8-yard pass to Pierre Williams in the back of

the end zone.

Idaho quickly erased the 17-point deficit with three unanswered touchdown passes all of which were caught by Hayden Hatten. The first came with 2:54 left in the third quarter on an 11-yard pass from McCoy. The Sacramento State defense recorded a huge third-down sack on the last play of the third quarter, but the offense turned it over on its first play of the fourth quarter.

The Vandals methodically drove 67 yards on 12 plays with Hatten catching a 4-yard pass in the middle of the end zone. Sacramento State started its next drive with a pass over the middle of the field that was juggled by the receiver and intercepted by Idaho. The team then needed just four plays to travel 45 yards and take the lead with an

over-the-shoulder pass from McCoy to Hatten.

McCoy completed 18-of-33 passes for 207 yards and three scores with Hatten leading all players with seven receptions for 113 yards and three scores. The Vandals used a balanced run game which pounded out 144 yards led by Anthony Woods and Cummings who each had 62.

Bailey matched his career high with nine tackles, including a career best three sacks. He became the first Hornet to have three sacks in a game since George Obinna had three at Idaho in 2017.

Sacramento State will next play at Weber State on Saturday, Nov. 5, at 12 p.m. PT. The Wildcats defeated Montana on Saturday and are now 7-1 overall and 4-1 in league games. ★

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