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## Hopeful for a Big Bang!



Fireworks booth volunteers helping to raise money for the Dixon Historical Society are (front) Cammie Garton, Darla Wear, Carol Abrams, Loran Hoffmann, Linda Carpenter, and Binky Eason. In the back are Paul Abrams and Tom Towne. Their booth is in the CVS parking lot on North First Street. Photo by Debra Dingman

By Debra Dingman

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - Last week, a half a dozen wood stalls decorated with screaming colors were set up around town for the annual fireworks sales, and on Monday, they turned into small streams of customers. And, thanks to a city that opted to use a lottery system to select nonprofits to host those sites, several Dixon groups can fundraise thousands of dollars for their missions. So they hope--it has been reported that due to the pandemic shutting down the entire industry for months, there is a shortage of supplies and an increase in prices.

"From what I've been told, in the years past it was a good moneymaker and the money will go to the new museum," said Carol Abrams for the Dixon Historical Society. Her husband, Paul, helped unload a truck full of boxes of fireworks over the week-end. It is the first time this group will be hosting a booth where they will get

a cut of the profits.

"We are always looking for volunteers and we have 3-hour shifts that work best for people if they can help," Carol said, adding that no experience is necessary.

Volunteering together affords an opportunity to get club members more involved, too. It does, however, take a lot of organizing a roster of volunteers if one doesn't have a bunch of retirees available as the stands are open all day until nightfall.

"Everybody knows what to do so it makes it easier," said Leah Marlin of the Women's Auxiliary for American Legion Post 208 that is in the Safeway Shopping Plaza. "Typically, it takes about 25 volunteers for one booth."

Sales were not allowed until last Monday and weather offered little heat break with temps in the 90s to 100s during the week. There is a trick to survive the heat, they say: Have fun and laugh with your friends and

the next thing you know, the 4th of July is here. Sales will stop at the end of the day July 4th unless supplies run out before that.

According to the Dixon Fire Department, here are the locations for safe and sane legal fireworks (TNT brand) in Dixon and the names of the groups hosting at those sites through the 4th of July: Dixon Youth Football and Cheer will be at Punjabi Dhaba, 7800 Batavia Rd; American Legion Post 208 Women's Auxiliary will be at Safeway; 1235 Stratford Avenue. West Coast Impact Basketball Academy will be at Walmart, 235 E. Dorset; The Dixon Historical Society will have its first-time booth at CVS Pharmacy, 1057 North First Street.

Phantom Fireworks stands will be run by Dixon Montessori Charter School at Michael's Wine & Spirits, 1100 Pitt School Road and by the Dixon High School Sports Boosters at Dixon Fruit market, 7808 Batavia Road. ★

## Dan Marshall Announces Candidacy for Solano County Sheriff



Lieutenant Dan Marshall of the Fairfield Police Department announced his candidacy for Solano County Sheriff. Photo: The Next Generation

By Donald Lathbury, The Next Generation

**FAIRFIELD, CA (MPG)** - Dan Marshall, a Lieutenant in the Fairfield Police Department with 22 years of service, announced that he is running for Solano County Sheriff. He brings a fresh approach to the Solano County Sheriff's Office, with a focus on solving serious crimes, finding solutions to intractable problems like homelessness and recidivism, and implementing reforms to promote transparency and ethics within the office. The election takes place in June 2022.

"Solano County needs a new sheriff for a new era, someone with the energy and passion to steer the office into a 21st Century law enforcement model, focusing on public trust and transparency, employee wellness, and a strong Solano community focus," Marshall said in announcing his candidacy. "I'm prepared to be a sheriff for every Solano County resident, someone who will listen with an open mind to the diverse range of views and experiences in our county and put forth a set of reforms that prioritizes safety while bringing the community together."

Marshall launched his campaign for sheriff with a three-point plan for reform:

**Address homelessness** countywide with a task force to help the unhoused and improve quality of life for all; **Reduce repeat crimes** by adopting smart rehabilitation and re-entry strategies and helping at-risk Solano youth stay on the right path; **Develop a 21st-century law enforcement model** for the Solano County Sheriff's Office that focuses on transparency, ethics, and public trust.

Marshall's campaign for sheriff is already generating significant enthusiasm in the community, as evidenced by the community leaders already supporting his campaign.

"Lieutenant Dan Marshall has proven himself as an effective and capable leader in the Fairfield Police Department," said Fairfield POA President Nate

## Chamber Creates Cultural Arts Committee

By Debra Dingman

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - They weren't really missing. They were just forgotten about over the past fifteen years. Fifteen beautiful brass plaques were purchased by the Downtown Dixon Business Association at a time when the organization was thriving with Redevelopment Agency monies given to the nonprofit organization for continuing the promotion of downtown. But, then the Great Recession hit and the DDBA struggled to stay alive on minimal membership dues and volunteerism while their downtown office closed.

The plaques probably would have stayed forgotten if it weren't for Chamber CEO Shauna Manina forming a Cultural Arts Roundtable at the Dixon Chamber of Commerce.



District 4 Rep Don Hendershot is serving on the newly formed Cultural Arts Committee at the Dixon Chamber of Commerce and worked on tracking down these historical building markers that will be installed soon. Photo by Debra Dingman

"I love public art," said Manina, a Vacaville resident who also lived in Europe for a few years, served on the Centennial Committee in Vacaville

and also on Vacaville's Arts Advisory Committee before becoming Dixon's Chamber CEO. "Cultural arts is an important part of the quality of life. A

civilization is judged on statues, paintings, and music," she added.

A monthly meetup by interested members was

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# Dixon News Briefs

## The Delayed Story about Dixon's Scouts



The Dixon Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, parents, and leaders broke into teams to tackle the list of 750 tombstones of Veterans to honor them with a flag and a salute at Silveyville Cemetery recently. Photo by Debra Dingman

By Debra Dingman

Four or five small groups of uniformed Scout leaders, Eagle Scouts, Boys Scouts, Cub Scouts, and their families dotted the Silveyville Cemetery on a peaceful summer morning. The younger boys – who bounced when they walked – excitedly looked for tombstones as if they were hunting for Easter eggs.

They all know their task. One in each group holds the clipboard with names of Veterans who served in wars and are buried in Dixon. A young man holds a long metal pole with a sharp end that will be shoved into the soft dirt next to the grave marker.

A younger Scout, carrying a quiver full of long-stemmed American flags on his back, pulls one to place in the prepared path. One calls out the name including his military rank like Private, Major, or Seaman. Each person stands still like playing 'Freeze' and salutes the grave. They move on to find another.

This happens for each of the 750 veterans marked in the heart of Dixon. It happens each year, quietly in the early weekend morning, and usually while the rest of Dixon is seeking their morning coffee or heading out with their boats for Memorial Day weekend trips.

It will take the Scouts a bit more than two hours thanks to the Cubmaster who skillfully notes on his maps for future leaders. It is an impressive and sacrificial duty

that embeds the lessons of respect, honor, and patriotism.

These are the little boys and young men who will carry our country into its future. This significance is not lost on this older woman and I'm deeply appreciative. Each time I tried to write their story, the warm memories of my Cub Scout-leading days with my own two sons caused tears to block the keyboard images. But, now I know why I was there.

Last week, I fielded a few calls for obituaries. After my own parent's deaths, I have much compassion for this time in people's lives and I'm glad I know a lot of the company procedures now.

When one of those people came into the office for her husband's obituary, she shared she had been conflicted with burying her veteran husband in Silveyville or the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery on Midway Road. Their Silveyville plots were purchased before the new one was established. A burial at the national site would be at no charge, but the Silveyville site was planned by both of them. It was understandably a tough decision, and she chose to stay with their plans.

That's when I remembered my yet-unwritten Scouts story and was able to absolutely assure her of the continuing honor her husband would receive as a Veteran. I would not have been able to do this if my "boots weren't on the ground." This is a term for good reporters to actually see, hear, and experience the topic they are to report on. The condensed version of their experience is what you see in the newspaper and all the other things they learn in the process are nuggets for future life.

A good newspaper is vital to a community. Using journalism ethics to report on deaths, births, local happenings, city decisions, worthy fundraisers, and civic service helps build a sense of community pride. It takes more time but it's worth it. We are reporting Dixon's good news and happenings – and people are reading. Thank you! ★



Give locally for either of two local nonprofits that assist the needy in our community: Donate \$5 inside the store to Dixon Family Services or to the Cornerstone Church Food Pantry and Grocery Outlet will give you a coupon for \$5 to use in their store. Photo by Debra Dingman

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### Grocery Outlet

What a great way for larger businesses to show local community support: Grocery Outlet Store Owners Joe and Christa Bruch are teaming up this month of July in a food drive which benefits two Dixon nonprofits, Dixon Family Services and the Food Pantry at Cornerstone Church in a program called "Independence from Hunger."

"For each donation, you're getting back what you donated," said Joe. "And your help stays right here in Dixon." If a customer donates \$5, he or she will receive a coupon for \$5 off any purchase of \$25 or more in the store. Limit one coupon per transaction. You can visit groceryoutlet.com/donate for details.

The store is a discount chain carrying brand-name groceries, has a large selection of natural and organic foods, plus they sell items like toys, gifts, beer, and wine at 2400 North First Street in Dixon. They opened just last October and are now members of the Dixon Chamber of Commerce.

### City Meeting

Come hear what is going on in Dixon – officially and unofficially--at the next Dixon City Council meeting inside the Council Chambers, 600 East A Street, this coming Tuesday, July 6, beginning at 7 pm. The agenda is on the www.cityofdixon.com website under the tab of "Government."

During the meeting, councilmembers

often talk about what committees they served on or what they've been doing in the community to serve as our representatives. As a reminder, our Mayor is Steve Bird and District 1 Representative is Scott Pederson; District 2 is Jim Ernest; District 3 is Kevin Johnson; and, District 4 is Don Hendershot. To see what district you are in, you can see a map in an article titled, "What District Do I Live In" in the Dixon Independent Voice at <http://independentvoice.com/articles/2020/0923-What-District-Do-I-Live-In/index.php?ID=9086>.

### Virtual Resources

Being a caregiver is both incredibly rewarding and incredibly grueling – and Yolo Hospice understands that those who help others need help doing, so they have partnered with Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center and Alzheimer's Association to provide tools and resources that have come to fruition as a response to the past year's turmoil.

"Caregiving Through COVID-19: Helping You Help Your Loved One" was held recently online along with a support meet up for Veterans. If you are interested in learning more, you can call Yolo Hospice at (530) 601-5778 or go to [yolohospice.org](http://yolohospice.org).

### More Workers Needed!

More Dixon businesses are looking for workers. Wendy's out by Walmart put their large vertical flags out just recently, CVS on North First Street down from Viva Market is also looking for help, and so is Tractor Supply. These are good companies and now is a great time to get one's foot in the door for easy climbing to assistant managers or managers so don't hesitate and apply now.

### Abandoned Kittens

This is kitten season and the Solano Kitten Network has many adorable furballs that were rescued and are available for sweet companionship and family fun. Due to the 30 kittens needing homes right away, they are reducing their adoption fee by half!

The adoption fee is normally \$200 which covers just expenses such as medical cost of spaying or neutering, vaccinations, and licensing fees. But this month of July, the fee is only \$100. If you are willing to adopt one of these precious kittens or have some time to volunteer, please call Solano Kitten Network at (707) 862-1400. The kittens are even micro-chipped. ★

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# City-sponsored Activities for Seniors, Youth Resume

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**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - Welcoming back Dixon Seniors, the City of Dixon is offering a Chair Yoga class on Mondays, beginning in July. Classes are held from 10:30 to 11:30 am at the Dixon Senior Multi-Use Center unless there is a Monday holiday. Then, it will be held on that Wednesday--so the first class actually starts on Wednesday, July 7, and if it's your first time, your class is free!

Ten-class passes are available for purchase (\$75) or one can buy a 5-class pass for \$40. They can be purchased at class and do not expire. The classes feature a gentle form of Yoga seated or using a chair for support.

All unvaccinated guests must wear a mask upon entering the building located at 201 South 5th Street.

The City is also welcoming youth ages 5 to 12, back to summer day camps, too. There is a variety including tennis, soccer, flag football, Wizarding World and



The Pat Granucci Aquatic Center is located at 450 East Mayes Street. Photo by Debra Dingman

engineering (STEM.) For more information, or to register, go online to [www.apm.activecommunities.com/cityofdixon/Home](http://www.apm.activecommunities.com/cityofdixon/Home) for dates, times and costs.

Summer swim passes are available now through the City of Dixon also. They are \$70 for 20 visits which equals \$3.50 a visit and if you are 55-years and up, the price is \$56.25.

Lap Swim for ages 14 and up are now offered on Saturdays and Sundays beginning at 7 am, then again at 8 am, 9 am, 3 pm, 4 pm, and 5 pm except July 10 and August 7.

The Pat Granucci Aquatic Center is located at 450 East Mayes Street. You can also register at Dixon City Hall, 600 East A Street. For more information, call (707) 678-7441.

The Senior Center provides services, activities, information, friendship, and fun. Activities that will soon be returning include drawing class, bingo, sewing classes, game day, line dancing, and much, much more, according to Solano County senior information. Call (707) 678-7022 to find out more information or drop by to see what the center has to offer. ★

# Dan Marshall Announces Candidacy for Solano County Sheriff

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Strickland. "He has selflessly given back to the community, founding Fairfield's Police Activities League to providing sports and other activities, keeping youth out of trouble. Our officers participate in this program, developing positive relationships with youth in the community."

"Dan Marshall gets it," said Johnicon George, President of Tri-City NAACP. "He understands that effective law enforcement starts with community trust, and he's passionate about rebuilding the ties between the Solano County Sheriff's Office and every community that lives here. I appreciate that Dan Marshall is open-minded, caring, and accessible."

"Dan Marshall implemented his police department's Homeless Intervention Team, securing housing and family reunification for more than 100 residents experiencing homelessness," said Suisun City Councilwoman Alma Hernandez. "He knows what's needed and can do so much more as our Sheriff, spearheading a countywide approach to a crisis that impacts every neighborhood in Solano County."

"We need more leaders in law enforcement like Dan Marshall who believe in the potential of young people to overcome past

mistakes in their lives," said David Isom, Senior Pastor and FSUSD Governing Board Member. "When youth make mistakes, early intervention rooted in respect, compassion, and hope can help them avoid the revolving door in our justice system. Dan will tackle recidivism head on."

Other early endorsers include Solano Sheriff Sergeant (Retired) and Past Deputy Sheriff Association President John Arabia, Suisun City Councilwoman Wanda Williams, Vacaville City Councilman Nolan Sullivan, Bethel Community Church Pastor Anthony Gilmore, USMC Sergeant Major (Retired) Jesse Branch, Vallejo Community Leader Tiffanee Jones, Fairfield Business Community Leader Debi Tavey, and Fairfield Community Leader K. Patrice Williams.

Marshall and his wife Alisha are proud Solano County residents. Their four adult children are all graduates of Solano County public schools, and Dan's two sons currently serve in the Armed Forces. Marshall holds a Master's Degree in Law Enforcement and Public Safety Leadership from the University of San Diego.

For more information on Dan Marshall's campaign for Solano County Sheriff, please visit <https://www.danmarshallforsheriff.com>. ★

# Chamber Creates Cultural Arts Committee

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formed a few months ago, and they've been busy making plans for recreating the Historic Walking Tour originally created 20 years ago with buildings marked by the plaques. At that time, there were 28 buildings identified but only 15 plaques were ordered due to the expense. The problem was they could only find two buildings that had the plaques installed.

City Councilman Don Hendershot is the City Council's representative to the Chamber and volunteered to find the plaques, soliciting help from Dixon History Museum Director Gary Erwin, former Downtown Dixon Business Association Director Angela Meisenheimer and Tim Osterhout to research. Jill Orr and Bill Schroeder also assisted.

"I love this kind of stuff," Hendershot enthused. "I grew up on the East Coast around Revolutionary history. I was happy to jump right on it. It took me about a month to track them down and then the committee determined that we needed to order not only the 13 plaques that had not been ordered but additional plaques for historic sites that had not been included in the old tri-fold brochure."

The plaques were soon found in storage and brought to the Chamber office; Then Hendershot went to work to find a source who could duplicate the original plaques, contacting metal shops and engraving companies. There was a connection from one of the companies he

contacted who still used that company out of Pittsburgh for his own specialty work.

"Then all the pieces fell together," Hendershot said beaming as he sat among the numerous plaques inside the Chamber, one showing a delivery label from August 2005.

Enter fundraising ideas since each plaque costs about \$500 to purchase equaling a need of about \$10,000 to get the remainder of the plaques. The group arranged with the City of Dixon to do the installations at no charge. Donation letters were sent out last month along with social media requests, and to date, they've raised a healthy chunk of \$4,000, she said. As a means for additional fundraising, donors will be listed in the Dixon booklets holding the map of the historical locations and on the mobile app that will be offered.

"We'll be publishing the new Historical Walking Tour booklet with details about all the historical locations in Dixon where the plaques will be installed and a detailed map of where the plaques are located," said Manina. They hope to have them up by September 1.

"It's important for the generations that come after us to know the rich history of Dixon," she said. The group is now raising money for a Cultural Arts Trust Fund and are excited about murals and mosaic designs in the future. For more information or to donate to the cause, contact Manina at (707) 678-2650 or email [info@dixonchamber.org](mailto:info@dixonchamber.org). ★

# American Legion Post 208 Installs New Officers



Women's Auxiliary new officers were installed recently to the American Legion Post 208. In the image L-R: 1st Vice President Leah Marlin; President Pat Holland; Sgt at Arms Martina Morgan; Secretary Lynne Schaler; and 2nd Vice President Carla Schafer. The Women's Auxiliary has nearly one million members from all walks of life and include spouses, mothers, daughters, and more than support the American Legion. And, like the Legion, the Auxiliary's interests have broadened to encompass the entire community. In Dixon, they help with a holiday toy drive, canned food collections, the Friday night dinners, the Festival of Trees, and various other community projects. Photo by Debra Dingman

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# Sen. Dodd: Controlled Burn Bill Clears Assembly Committee

By Ezra J. Chaaban, Esq.,  
Office of Senator Bill Dodd

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Legislation from Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, that would help protect California from devastating wildfires through the expanded use of prescribed burning cleared the Assembly Judiciary committee.

“Controlled burning is one of the best ways to reduce combustible fuels in our parched forests and wildlands,” Sen. Dodd said. “It was used by native Californians for millennia and is one of the preferred methods of wildfire prevention today. My bill will expand our use of this proven tool and make our state safer as we face ever-worsening conditions caused by drought and climate change.”

Prescribed burning is the controlled application of fire to the land to reduce wildfire hazards, clear downed trees, control plant diseases and improve wildlife habitats. It is conducted by trained professionals – or burn bosses -- and is one of the most cost-effective tools to manage wildfire. Rarely have prescribed burns caused unintended damage.

However, concern over being billed for

wildfire suppression costs has prevented more widespread use, causing a buildup in our forests of brush and unhealthy trees. Senate Bill 332 would encourage more controlled burns by raising the legal standard for seeking state suppression costs, requiring a showing of gross negligence rather than simple negligence.

The bill is supported by a broad coalition including ranchers, conservationists and tribal governments. It passed the Assembly Judiciary committee with unanimous bipartisan support.

“The time is really right for this,” Lenya Quinn-Davidson, fire advisor for the University of California Cooperative Extension and director of Northern California Prescribed Fire Council, testified before the committee. “Fire suppression cost is one of our biggest barriers. Prescribed fires have innumerable public benefits. I thank Sen. Dodd for his leadership on this.”

Senator Bill Dodd represents the 3rd Senate District, which includes all or portions of Napa, Yolo, Sonoma, Solano, Sacramento and Contra Costa counties. More information on Senator Bill Dodd can be found at [www.senate.ca.gov/dodd](http://www.senate.ca.gov/dodd). ★

# DWIC Re-Installs 'Proven Warriors' at Park Celebration

By Loran Hoffmann

**DIXON, CA (MPG)** - A celebration recognizing the Dixon Women’s Improvement Club 2021 Scholarship and Community Award recipients was held recently in the shade of the large trees at the Dixon Women’s Improvement Club Park. More than forty members and guests gathered during the cool morning hours to recognize and celebrate the 2021 Dixon High School graduates: Lisette Abundez, Elizabeth Granillo, Megan Kett, Ana Miranda, Erica Munoz and Jadelyn Young.

Each young woman was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from DWIC to further their education. The new graduates have set their goals high and will be pursuing careers in the fields of animal science, medicine, and marketing at California and out-of-state colleges and universities. Each of the recipients in attendance introduced the special guest they had brought with them and shared their college and career plans.

In addition to scholarships, the Dixon Women’s Improvement Club invested \$1,500 into the growth and development of the Dixon community – RK Van Every accepted \$500 for the LaBici Rosita Little Free Library to purchase MORE books for young readers and Dixon Historical Society President, Bill Schroeder, accepted \$500 for a permanent exhibit of the Sanborn Maps at the new Dixon History Museum. In addition, \$200 was given to the Dixon Community Christmas Program for the Senior Visit to purchase materials for blankets and \$300 to the youth with special needs program at Dixon



All the officers of the Dixon Women’s Improvement Club were re-installed as they committed to serving in their positions for another year because during COVID, they learned new skills for computers and had huge fundraising success. Pictures (L-R): Martha Dukes, Phyllis Quiring, Teri Brown, Cindy Heeney, Donna Armstrong, and Jewel Fink. Photo by Debra Dingman

High School to further develop their independent living skills by learning to ride the local transit bus and purchasing food from a local store and preparing a meal.

Thank you to our members Martha Dukes, Phyllis Quiring and Mary Kay Callaway for providing light refreshments that included bottled water, lemon bites, brownies, and macaroons that were enjoyed by all.

Following the short break, Loran Hoffmann installed the DWIC Officers for 2021-2022. Loran introduced the women that accepted board positions for a second term as “proven warriors.” Each of the returning officers worked on behalf of the organization to overcome obstacles created by restrictions imposed by local, state, and federal governments over the past 15 months to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The DWIC survived through the creativity of the board in setting up Zoom meetings to conduct monthly business and membership meetings. Fundraising events were not cancelled, but rather adjusted to meet the required government-imposed criteria. Through the generosity of our own members, more

scholarships were awarded than ever before.

Officers installed for a second term include President, Jewel Fink; Vice-President, Donna Armstrong; Corresponding Secretary, Phyllis Quiring; Recording Secretary, Teri “O” Brown; Treasurer, Cindy Heeney; and Financial Reviewer, Martha Dukes.

Phyllis Quiring introduced Standing Committee Chairs by asking them to stand when their name and committee was announced. The Standing Committees handled the operations of the organization. President Jewel Fink adjourned the meeting before the sun was directly overhead and there was still some shade remaining.

The DWIC does not meet in July and August, but will reconvene on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at the Fellowship Hall of the Dixon Methodist Church at 209 N. Jefferson. If you enjoy stimulating speakers, fun activities, the camaraderie of friends, and are interested in joining the Dixon Women’s Improvement Club, contact our Membership Chair Mary Kay Callaway at (916) 541-0417 or President Jewel Fink at (510) 01-1887. ★

# Pedrick Chevron Expands



The busy area around a local favorite, Pedrick Produce, just got a little busier with the addition of several gas pump lanes that circle around back of the building. The Chevron Gas Station owners recently updated their facility to include a food mart and added new blacktop creating large lanes for bigger trucks and cars pulling trailers, but apparently haven’t stopped with improvements. Just recently, they opened the drive-thru that also accommodates big rigs. Beware of the new setup and use caution when exiting the popular produce stand. Photo by Debra Dingman

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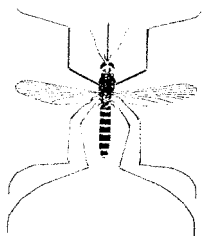
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Septic tanks:	Seal and cover all openings and screen vents.
Impounded water:	Fill if possible or provide adequate drainage.
Flower pots:	Drain-off excess water or invert if not in use.
Swimming pools & Hot tubs:	Use filter and skimmer daily to remove egg rafts and larvae. Chlorine will not kill mosquito larvae. Provide drainage for filter and sump pumps. When not in use, cover tightly.
Wading pools:	Change water weekly. When not in use turn upside down.
Swimming pool covers:	Tighten cover to prevent sagging.
Ornamental ponds:	Stock with mosquito fish and remove excess vegetation such as leaves, and thin pond lilies occasionally. Maintain even water level. Screen inlet on recirculation pump. When cleaning pond, transfer to glass bowl - chlorine kills fish. If pond is no longer desired, make holes in bottom and fill with dirt or sand.
Bird baths:	Change water frequently, preferably every 2-3 days
Lawns:	Avoid over watering.
Tree holes:	Fill with a polymer such as Soil Moist or Broadleaf P4 granules which absorb water - can last for years, available at garden supply stores, sand or dirt, drain if possible - when in doubt, call a tree surgeon.
Water troughs:	Change water weekly or stock with mosquito fish.
Boats:	Use a water tight cover or store upside down.
Containers:	Dispose of all unused containers that can collect rain or irrigation water such as tin cans, jars, barrels, buckets, old tires and tubs. Gardening containers such as vases and buckets should be stored upside down.

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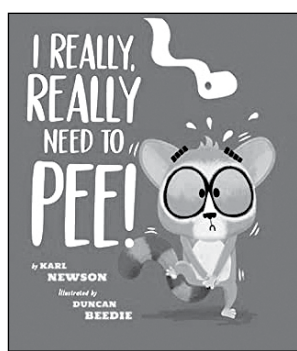
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# Perfect Children Summer Reads!



**The Perfect Plan**  
by Leah Gilbert

Maya dreamed of building the most incredible fort, but even with the perfect amount of planning, researching and designing, she quickly realized that she needed help. Luckily some new forest friends are there to help. With friends that are sturdy, strong, original, and cozy, she knows she will have the fort of her dreams. In a celebration of friendship, hard work, and fulfilling a dream, *The Perfect Plan* will leave readers empowered and inspired to follow their dreams.

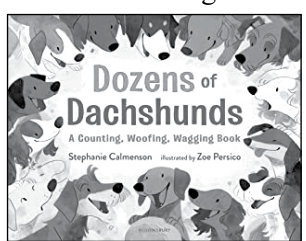


**I Really, Really Need to Pee**  
by Karl Newson  
and illustrated by Duncan Beedie

Uh-Oh, little lemur needs to pee. He is jiggy and wiggly and really has to go! Will he find a bathroom in time?

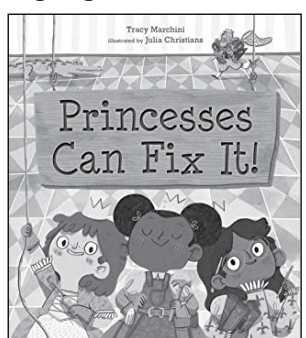
Fits of laughter are about to ensue with this addictively engaging story of a lemur who really needs to go to the bathroom. A story all about teaching

children the importance of going to the restroom before you leave and all the hilarious antics one little guy will do to make it to the toilet. With its spectacular rhyming and hilarious illustrations, children will beg for this book to be read over and over again.



**Dozens of Dachshunds**  
by Stephannie Calmenson and Zoe Persico

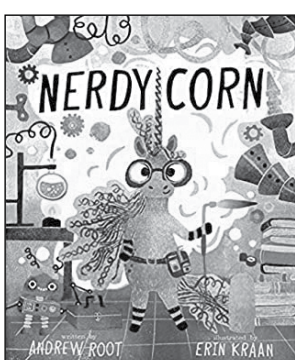
It's a costume dog parade! Can you count the dogs as they come by in their delightful costumes? *Dozens of Dachshunds* is a rhyming and counting delight filled with adorable illustrations and Dachshund highlights.



**Princesses Can Fix It**  
by Tracy Marchini,  
illustrated by Julia Christians

There is an alligator problem in the castle, and the Princesses know how to fix it! But the King insists that they should spend their time doing "princess" type things like drawing, music, and jewelry making. However, each night the princesses stay up designing, building, and calculating the perfect solution. Will the princesses

finally be able to save the day and prove to the King that they are capable of more? *Princesses Can Fix It* is the perfect empowering read for everyone while also smashing the stereotype of gender roles while also celebrating the joy of STEM.



**Nerdy Corn**  
by Andrew Root  
illustrated by Erin Kraan

Fern was very different than the other unicorns. Instead of playing like all the others, Fern built robots, mixed with her chemistry set, and read books. While Fern was perfectly happy being herself, the others made fun of her for not being like them. Then one day, Fern had had enough, and she knew the next time they needed her, she wouldn't be there to help. But then the everything breaks at the biggest dance of the year. Fern knows she can help them; will Fern help the others when they need it the most?

*Nerdy Corn* is the perfect celebration of being proud of who you are while also standing up for yourself. This book is the ideal empowering read of the summer, combing illustrations that will keep readers engaged and transfixed with a storyline that celebrates being you. ★

# California's Pro-Housing Forces Score Big Win



By Dan Walters  
**CALMatters**

California's housing crisis is a multi-front guerrilla war, pitting those who want to lower legal and political barriers to construction against those who see new developments as threats to the environment and/or the ambience of their neighborhoods.

The conflict is waged in the Legislature, in the state housing bureaucracy, in city councils, in the courts and, increasingly, at the ballot box. Every new offensive assault by pro-housing forces meets stout resistance by defenders of the status quo and over time, it's been something of a stalemate.

Housing construction remains well below the levels needed to close the gap between supply and demand, resulting in ever-rising rents and home prices, ever-increasing angst for Californians priced out of the market and an adverse effect on the economy as workers migrate to more affordable communities elsewhere.

Get a veteran journalist's take on what's going on in California with a weekly round-up of Dan's column every Friday.

The Housing Crisis Act of 2019 was a major thrust by the pro-housing faction. Senate Bill 330 was aimed at blocking local

government policies, such as restrictive zoning, caps on building permits or unworkable design standards that limit new housing developments.

Not surprisingly, the legislation was opposed by local government officials as undermining their historic power to shape the tenor of their communities through controls on land use. However, it was passed by strong majorities in both legislative houses and signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom, who had promised to meet the housing crisis head-on.

While the legislation limited the authority of local government officials, it may turn out to be a groundbreaking limit on the power of local voters as well.

The legislation's passage more or less coincided with the Oceanside City Council's approval of a 585-home subdivision called North River Farms, which bills itself as a country village integrated with small-scale agriculture. The council rezoned land to make the project feasible.

Despite its bucolic nature, North River Farms was opposed by existing residents of the area and some environmental groups. They launched a recall campaign against one of the council members who voted for the project and eventually placed a measure on the 2020 ballot to overturn the council's decision, which was passed by a 2-1 margin of the city's voters.

Thereupon, the project's developer, sued to overturn the referendum, alleging that it violated the Housing Crisis Act of 2019 and last month, Superior Court

Judge Richard Whitney declared that the new law did apply to the referendum.

In overturning the election results, Whitney said SB 330's clear aim was to "maximize the development of housing" by overriding any local action or policy that attempts to limit construction.

Whitney's ruling will no doubt face appeals to higher courts and could collide with a 2017 state Supreme Court decree, in a case involving taxation, that ballot measures are not subject to the same limits applied to local governments.

Writing the 5-2 majority opinion, Supreme Court Justice Mariano-Florentino Cuéllar declared, "Multiple provisions of the state constitution explicitly constrain the power of local governments to raise taxes. But we will not lightly apply such restrictions on local governments to voter initiatives."

There is also a larger issue posed by the Oceanside case – whether zoning changes are legislative acts subject to referendum or merely administrative actions that are exempt from such challenges. Oregon, for instance, has flatly prohibited the use of referenda to oppose zoning changes.

The Oceanside case is not an isolated example of employing referenda to block projects. If Whitney is upheld, it will be a major victory for pro-housing forces by eliminating one arrow in the quiver of those who resist new development.

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



**THE RICH LOWRY COLUMN**

**Anti-Police Cities Reap What They Sow**

WANTED: Trained security professionals to deal with elevated levels of crime and mayhem at risk to their own life and limb, while getting called racist oppressors and potentially thrown under the bus by elected officials.

This has become the de facto employment notice for police around the country, and, unsurprisingly, cops and prospective cops don't find it particularly enticing. Why would they?

America's cities are feeling the effects of a years-long experiment in what would happen if nearly everyone celebrated a movement based on the idea that police are racist goons, excused rioting and explained away spiraling crime, and made it clear to cops that if they make a mistake, they will, at the very least, become instantly infamous.

It hasn't gone well. Portland, Oregon, has been a veritable research lab for this experiment. The latest blow to the city is the mass resignation of the Portland Police Bureau's Rapid Response Team, which is responsible for policing protests in the city – a challenging, endless, and literally thankless job.

Rioting has become part of the fabric of urban life in Portland, where demonstrators have battled with cops

nearly every other night since the death of George Floyd.

The city's leadership has been hapless, at best, in dealing with the chaos, and loud voices have been condemning the cops.

After an officer in the unit was charged with a crime for striking a photographer in the head with a baton after he had pushed her to the ground, the members considered it a last straw.

Portland City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty kicked them on the way out the door, calling the resignations "yet another example of a rogue paramilitary organization that is unaccountable to the elected officials and residents of Portland." She didn't want them to quit, but instead to stay on the job so they could be fired.

Either way, she thinks it's a great opportunity to show what "de-escalation in policing looks like" – effectively blaming the police for black-clad thugs constantly trying to burn things down. The same argument was made about federal officers during the Trump administration, but, lo and behold, the disorder continued even after federal forces stepped back and even after Joe Biden was elected president.

The head of the Portland police union issued a stinging statement in reply to Hardesty, saying that members of the unit "did not volunteer to have Molotov cocktails, fireworks, explosives, rocks, bottles, urine, feces, and other dangerous objects thrown at them." Nor, he continued, did they volunteer "to be subject to

warrantless criticism and false allegations by elected officials, or to suffer through baseless complaints and lengthy investigations devoid of due process."

What's happening in Portland's riot unit is a microcosm of what's happening everywhere. According to a survey by the Police Executive Research Forum, police resignations were up by 45% and retirements up 18% over the last year, while hiring has been slow.

In other words, when we need more cops in response to rising crime, we are getting fewer. This is like cutting back on firefighters while a wildfire is raging or reducing the size of the Army while it is fighting a war. No rational person would want smaller forces right now, yet the elite culture, leftist politicians, and obnoxious street protestors are conspiring to shrink them.

The crux of the matter is the moral status of the police. The question is whether they fulfill an absolutely crucial role that deserves to be honored and supported to the hilt by public officials, who unstintingly back order on the streets as a foundational public good – or not.

There are signs that even liberal jurisdictions are beginning to get this (crime has been a top issue in the New York City mayoral race). We aren't going to keep or recruit good cops unless the job description, which has become so off-putting, is again worthy of the indispensability of the work. *Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.*

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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE #FCS056561**

1. Petitioner Kristina Grace filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Present name	Proposed name
Aliah Celeste Monroe	Aliah Celeste Grace

2. 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. **August 13, 2021, 9:00 a.m. Department 8, Room 1, Superior Court of California, County of Solano, Old Solano Court House 580 Texas Street Fairfield, CA 94533**  
Judge of the Superior Court: Wendy G. Getty  
DATED: June 3, 2021  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE DIXON PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Dixon Planning Commission ("Planning Commission") will conduct a public hearing at a regular meeting on July 13, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20, issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020, the Ralph M. Brown Act (Gov. Code, § 54950 et seq.), and the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act, to consider Planning Application (21-13) requesting Design Review (21-06) approval for a new 6,241 square foot clubhouse and community grounds for the active adult gated community of Homestead serving villages 6, 7, 9, and 10. This phase of the subdivision has a general zoning designation of Planned Multiple Residential (PMR). The General Plan and Specific Plan land use designation is Medium Density Low Residential (MDL). Pursuant to Section 18.14.150 and Chapter 18.23 of the Dixon Municipal Code (DMC), Design Review is required to assist in the development of new structures and improvements in this zoning district. The subdivision map for this phase has been approved, but is not yet recorded. The prior Assessor's Parcel Numbers (APNs) however were 0114-011-010, 0114-011-150, and 0114-011-160.

This notice has been sent to property owners within 500 feet of the project's location.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend the July 13, 2021 public hearing to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposed application. Testimony from interested persons will be heard and considered by the Planning Commission prior to making any recommendation on the application. This meeting will not be physically open to the public. All members of the public may participate in the meeting via video and teleconference. Information regarding participation by video and teleconference will be provided in the agenda for the July 13, 2021 Planning Commission meeting, which will be posted at least three (3) days before the meeting on the city's meetings page at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos>.

Upon request, the agenda and the documents in the meeting agenda packet can be made available to persons with a disability. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City encourages those with disabilities to participate fully in the public meeting process. Any person requiring special assistance to participate in the meeting should call (707) 678-7000 (voice) or (707) 678-1489 (TTY) at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.

Interested individuals will be given an opportunity to speak in favor or in opposition to the above proposed action. Written comments are also accepted prior to the meeting by mail at 600 East A Street, Dixon, CA 95620. Information regarding the meeting is on file and may be provided to interested individuals upon request. If a challenge to the above proposed action is made in court, persons may be limited to raising only those issues they or someone else raised at the meeting described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City before the meeting.

Copies of the proposed application will be available, upon request. If you have any questions, please call Scott Greeley, at (707) 678-7000 x1115 or [sgreeley@cityofdixon.us](mailto:sgreeley@cityofdixon.us).

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This notice has been sent to property owners within 300 feet of the project's location.

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend the July 13, 2021 public hearing to express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposed application. Testimony from interested persons will be heard and considered by the Planning Commission prior to making any recommendation on the application. This meeting will not be physically open to the public. All members of the public may participate in the meeting via video and teleconference. Information regarding participation by video and teleconference will be provided in the agenda for the July 13, 2021 Planning Commission meeting, which will be posted at least three (3) days before the meeting on the city's meetings page at <https://www.cityofdixon.us/MeetingAgendasMinutesVideos>.

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A TV Review by Tim Riley

"F9" THE FAST SAGA  
RATED PG-13

The "Fast & Furious" has been running for twenty years, and if it were not for the "F9: The Fast Saga" title, one could easily lose count of its number of installments.

"Fast & Furious Present: Hobbs & Shaw," a spin-off film, does not count for the franchise, otherwise we would be watching "F10." Yet, keep an eye out here for one of its protagonists.

"F9" opens with Vin Diesel's Dom Toretto living the quiet life on a farm with Letty (Michelle Rodriguez) and his son, little Brian. Fans should not worry that Dom's past of danger and driving fast cars is behind him.

In less time than it takes Dom to go from zero to 60 mph, Roman (Tyrese Gibson), Tej (Chris "Ludacris" Bridges) and Ramsey (Nathalie Emmanuel) show up with news that CIA mastermind Mr. Nobody (Kurt Russell) has been captured after a plane crash.

Entering the mix of bad guys plotting world domination with the theft of a secret device that is part of Project Ares that could destroy the security systems of all nations is Dom's forsaken brother Jakob (John Cena).

Part of the reason for the film's nearly two-and-a-half hours length are the numerous flashbacks to

## Riley Reviews

"F9" DRIVES FAST-PACED  
ACTION; "BOSCH" GOES OUT ON TOP

Dom's uneasy childhood, the reasons for the sibling rivalry and the fiery death of the father. The Toretto family has its own soap opera.

A more odious villain is a rich Eurotrash psycho named Otto (Thue Ersted Rasmussen). The villainous Cipher (Charlize Theron), spending most of her time in a plexiglass cage, figures into the plot.

Not to be overlooked is Helen Mirren's Queenie, showing up to take Dom on a fast spin through London streets.

If you've ever wondered if a Pontiac Fiero could be outfitted with rockets and hurtled into space with Roman and Tej as humorously bickering astronauts, then you probably know the answer either from watching the trailer or knowing that nothing can be too farfetched.

Coming right to the point, "F9" has little to do with any confusing storylines and plot holes or the characters; it's all about over-the-top action sequences with an incredibly high toll of vehicles destroyed in spectacular fashion.

All in all, "F9" is mindless fun to be enjoyed by an audience that will care absolutely not in the least whatever negativity emanates from high-brow critics. This escapist fare will be gleefully savored for all its exciting thrills.

"BOSCH" ON  
AMAZON PRIME  
VIDEO

One of the best police

procedurals is only getting better in its seventh and final season on Amazon Prime Video. In "Bosch," Titus Welliver returns in the eponymous role of Los Angeles Police detective Harry Bosch.

Working out of the Hollywood Homicide division, Bosch has seen it all but what disturbs him the most is any vile and horrific mistreatment of children, including grisly abuse, sex trafficking and murder.

Going by his credo of "Everybody counts or nobody counts," Bosch becomes obsessed with the investigation of an apartment building arson fire when a ten-year-old girl dies along with her mother and other family members.

An irreverent detective who often has a problem with authority, Bosch follows his instincts and willingly bends a few rules in pursuit of justice, particularly for the most vulnerable victims.

At his desk in the police station, Bosch keeps photos of kids either missing or dead in cases that remain unsolved. The pictures are a reminder that the stoic detective will keep plodding along even if he has to clash with the bureaucracy.

The arson fire was caused by a Molotov cocktail tossed into the apartment building by a local gang, and when Bosch and his partner Jerry Edgar (Jamie Hector) investigate they find themselves in a possible conflict with an FBI probe.

Several subplots run throughout the season. Bosch's daughter Maddie (Madison Lintz) is still interning with defense lawyer Honey "Money" Chandler (Mimi Rogers) on a case that takes a dangerous turn.

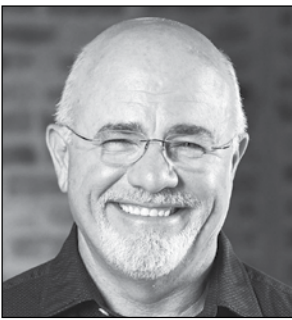
The Hollywood division's Lt. Grace Billets (Amy Aquino) endures the treachery of office politics and a workplace harassment campaign seemingly orchestrated by a pair of sexist beat cops.

Chief of Police Irvin Irving (Lance Reddick) faces a threat to his career from a hostile new mayor, and with the dynamics on a Police Commission subject to political pressure, does the Chief have any leverage to win another term?

What matters most and holds the greatest interest in this last season is how dogged Bosch becomes to bring justice for the young arson victim regardless of whatever the cost may be to his position at LAPD.

Since it's been widely announced that the "Bosch" series will have a spin-off show on Amazon's free streaming service IMDb TV, there's good reason for viewers to hang in during the last episode when the screen goes dark.

Previous seasons had ten episodes, so it's a shame this last one only has eight. Savor every moment of "Bosch" and marvel at how good a television series can be with the right cast, script and production. ★

Bless Them, Don't  
Enable Them

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are both teachers, and we're on Baby Step 7. We're struggling with things where our wills are concerned. Three of our four adult children aren't being wise with their money, and my husband and I disagree on how to talk to them about it and how it may affect us re-structuring our wills. We don't want to be judgmental, but at the same time we agree

something needs to be said or done.

– Danielle

Dear Danielle

Let's say someone is working at my company, and taking my money in the form of a paycheck. Let's also say this person isn't doing a good job. If I don't talk to them about their performance because I don't want to be seen as judgmental, I'm not doing my job. I owe them the feedback necessary for them to become a good team member. Otherwise, they could just get fired one day without really knowing what happened because I refused to "judge" them.

You're supposed to judge people. The idea that you're not supposed to is ridiculous. But you don't have to be a jerk about it. There's a big difference between judging people and being judgmental. But it's unkind not to share insights or suggestions for a better way of life with those you love

most. Holding back and telling yourself the way someone behaves is just the way they're made is wrong in most instances. Overspending and not saving money aren't character traits – they're decisions.

They're adults now, and they're going to do what they want. They don't have to understand or support your ways of handling money, but you and your husband have every right to tell them they have to start behaving in certain ways if they expect to receive your money when the time comes. If they're misbehaving, and you give them money, you're funding that bad behavior. That's not love, that's enabling. And a big pile of money isn't going to heal the bad things – it's only going to magnify them.

Sit down with your kids, and have a loving, clear discussion about the situation. Remind them that they're adults, and you and your husband are no longer able to tell them how they have to live. But let them know

in no uncertain terms, gently but firmly, they will not receive your money if they continue to behave in ways you both consider foolish or unreasonable. Let them know they'll always have your love, just not your money, unless they begin behaving more intelligently and maturely with their finances.

You can't make them do anything, Danielle. But you can ensure they understand you two won't be sharing your wealth with people who can't handle it and use it wisely.

*Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 18 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives.* ★

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CLUES

ACROSS

- \* Code, or self-censorship guidelines for movies
- Ship pronoun
- vera plant
- Tiny piece of anything
- Dateless one
- Twist and distort
- "Animal House" party garb
- Cantatrice's offering
- Frost-covered
- \*Mary \_\_\_\_, star of 52 films and recipient of 1976 Academy Honorary Award
- Rounded protuberance
- Breaks off
- Crime scene acronym
- One who insists on implementing #1 Across
- Anxiety, pl.
- U.N. working-conditions agency
- A-one
- Do like exhaust pipe
- Students' dwellings
- Between sol and ti
- Parkinson's disease drug
- Larger-than-life
- For the most part
- Aviv
- Allow to rejoin
- Between Paleocene and Oligocene
- FEMA provisions, e.g.
- \*Instrument central to 1945's "A Song to Remember"
- Manage without help
- \*Marx Brothers' 1933 classic
- Florentine iris
- Fourth largest Great Lake
- \*Hitchcock's "The Man Who \_\_ Too Much"
- Make children, biblical
- Malicious look
- Highest volcano in Europe
- Object of worship
- Always, in verse
- Like happy people's glasses

DOWN

- \*Humphrey Bogart's Fedora, e.g.
- At the summit
- Hanna-Barbera anthropomorphic bear
- Kellogg's Sugar \_\_\_\_
- Leather razor sharpener
- Often used to pull #22 Across
- Archaic expression of surprise
- \*"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs"
- Mary's pet
- Nabisco sandwich
- Former times
- \*"The Snows of Kilimanjaro" type of adventure
- Straining sound
- Nautical measures
- Party bowlful
- Pressed beverage
- Skip the big wedding
- Waterwheel
- \*Drew Barrymore's grandfather
- What actors do
- Mature, as in fruit
- Like an expired cracker
- Surveyor's map
- \*"Mai" follower
- \*Hattie \_\_\_\_, first African-American to win an Oscar
- City in France
- Prefix for central
- Deep throat, e.g.
- Middle
- Slow \_\_\_\_ or pressure \_\_\_\_
- Baby food, e.g.
- More unfriendly
- \*Ginger's dance and movie partner
- Therefore or consequently
- Mark for omission
- Archaic "to"
- Back-to-school purchase, pl.
- \_\_\_\_-Wan Kenobi
- \*Bing Crosby's 1944 movie "Going My \_\_\_\_"

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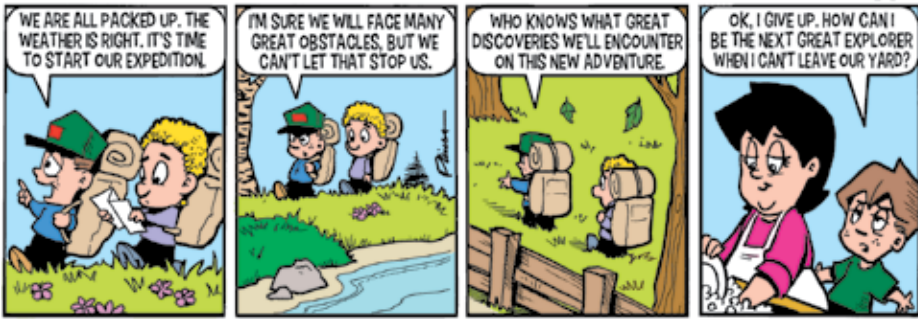
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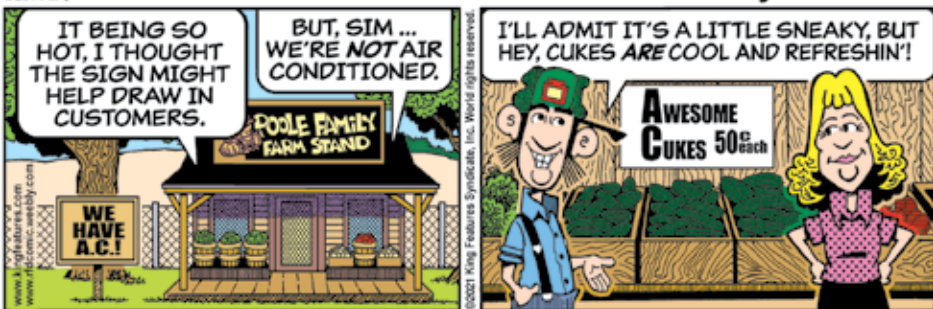
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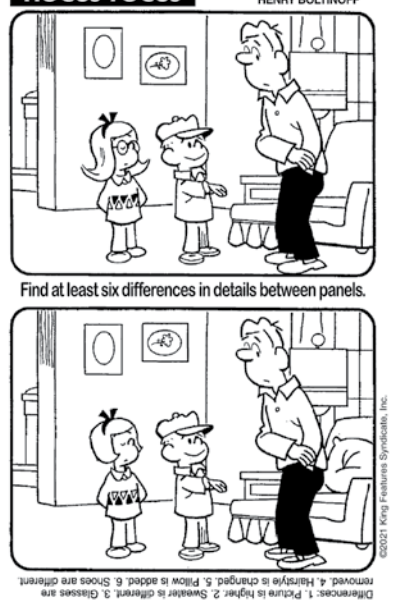


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# Rebuilding Small Businesses: Volunteers Wanted

By Ami Neiberger Miller,  
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**OXEN HILL, MD (MPG)** - Are you a successful corporate executive with deep business knowledge? Or a social media maven who guided a corporate brand to big time success? Maybe, you're a public speaker and trainer that can inspire small business owners to climb to new heights of success. Or a savvy entrepreneur who has launched successful startups?

If so, then consider volunteering with SCORE, the nation's largest network of volunteer, expert business mentors and help small businesses recover from the economic devastation wrought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Your skills are valuable, needed and appreciated by small business clients and entrepreneurs," according to SCORE CEO Bridget Weston. "Volunteer to join our community of more than 10,000 volunteers in 1,500 communities. You'll find a wealth of support and build back small business where you live."

Only about a third of small business owners reported turning a profit in 2020. Black and Hispanic-owned small businesses were particularly hard hit. Only 8.8% of Black business owners and 6.7% of Hispanic business owners reported profitability and growth last year, according to research conducted by SCORE.[1]

SCORE welcomes all volunteers and offers a variety of ways to get involved based on the time you have to give and your interests and expertise. You don't have to be retired to volunteer with SCORE (which was formerly known as the Service Corps of Retired Executives), notes Weston. Today, half of SCORE's volunteers are actively employed or running their own businesses.

Volunteer roles include: **Subject matter expert** - Volunteer 2-10 hours per month and consult with mentors and business owners to



Consider volunteering with SCORE, the nation's largest network of volunteer, expert business mentors and help small businesses recover from the economic devastation wrought by the COVID-19 pandemic. Photo courtesy The Hannon Group

answer questions in your area of expertise. Share your know-how and professional knowledge in e-commerce, accounting, human resources, social media or anything else and be an invaluable resource for small business owners. **Local workshop presenter** - Share your mastery of a business topic or strategy and deliver local business training for small business owners. The time required can be as little as 2-10 hours for each presentation. **Business mentor** - SCORE mentors provide hands-on assistance to local small business owners or aspiring entrepreneurs, helping develop

business plans and a roadmap for growth. Mentors have excellent interpersonal and communication skills, as well as broad expertise as a business owner or upper-level manager. This role requires training and then 15-20 hours per month of volunteer time.

The benefits of volunteering with SCORE include networking with local and national business experts and building new community relationships through the local SCORE chapter, notes Weston. Volunteers also expand their own skillsets through training and receive local and national recognition. Helping others is extremely

rewarding, and many SCORE volunteers value supporting the small business community where they live and knowing they are making a genuine difference.

Volunteering through SCORE creates a positive, tangible impact. In 2020, SCORE volunteers donated nearly four million hours of service and helped start 45,027 new businesses. They also supported the creation of 119,562 jobs and mentored 143,651 small business clients, many of whom reported higher revenues and business growth.

"My hard work is worth it when I read the emails saying how

grateful people are for SCORE's help," said Toma Talpa, a volunteer with SCORE Chicago. "I chose SCORE because of its mission and because of the people who volunteer. They are all passionate about helping entrepreneurs and business owners achieve their goals. It always amazes me that all of the resources and national workshops that SCORE provides are free to anyone."

To get involved, apply today at [score.org/volunteer](https://score.org/volunteer). Your SCORE chapter will reach out to learn more about you and to share information about onboarding and training. ★

## Construction Begins on Emergency Drought Barrier

California Department  
of Water Resources

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - In response to worsening drought conditions in California, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) began construction on a temporary emergency drought barrier on the West False River in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The barrier will help slow the movement of saltwater into the central Delta and prevent contamination of water supplies for Delta agriculture and municipal supplies for millions of Californians.

"California is experiencing a second consecutive dry year and snowpack runoff into our state reservoirs has been far less than anticipated, so we are taking emergency actions to protect the state's water supply and environment now," said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. "DWR along with partner agencies is looking at all options to bolster the state's drought response and mitigate drought impacts."

The barrier will help prevent saltwater contamination of water supplies used by millions of Californians who rely on Delta-based federal and state water projects for at least some of their supplies. The emergency barrier will also help conserve critical water supplies in upstream reservoirs for later use by avoiding the need to send large volumes of water into the Delta to repel salinity this summer.

"Keeping saltwater from intruding into the central Delta is essential as a large portion of the state's fresh water for urban and agricultural use goes through this part of the Delta," said Ted Craddock, Deputy Director for the State Water Project.

On June 1, a temporary urgency change petition to modify State Water Project and Central Valley Project water rights conditions was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board, which will allow for water to be conserved for later instream uses and water quality requirements. These modifications are needed to help protect cold water pools for salmon and steelhead and maintain water quality while ensuring some water supplies are maintained if drought conditions persist next year.

Simultaneous to the drought barrier's construction, DWR is pursuing long-term planning and permitting in anticipation of



Rock is loaded onto barges at the California Department of Water Resources Weber Rock Yard near the Port of Stockton, California. The purpose of the rock barrier is to prevent the Delta from becoming too salty for irrigation, drinking water, or fish. Photo by Florence Low/California Department of Water Resources

future drought conditions. There will be opportunities for public involvement during this process, which will continue into 2022.

DWR is working to get the temporary emergency drought barrier in place as soon as possible. The approximately 800-foot-wide temporary barrier consisting of nearly 90,000 cubic yards of rock will span the West False River and prevent salty tides and slower moving salinity from intruding into the interior Delta. Construction is expected to be completed by July 1. The barrier will be removed no later than November 30.

The barrier will block watercraft passage on West False River until its removal and will be marked by warning signs, lights, and buoys. Alternative routes between the San Joaquin River and interior Delta will be available.

On April 21, Governor Gavin Newsom signed an emergency order directing state agencies to take immediate action to bolster drought resistance across the state. The installation of a West False River drought salinity barrier during the 2012-16 drought proved to be an effective tool for reducing the intrusion of salt water into the central and south Delta and helped preserve fresh water supplies for future critical uses including drinking water and the environment. The West False River drought salinity barrier is just one of many actions DWR is taking to mitigate drought impacts consistent with the emergency order.

For more information, visit DWR's drought webpage at [water.ca.gov/Programs/All-Programs/Drought](https://water.ca.gov/Programs/All-Programs/Drought) ★

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