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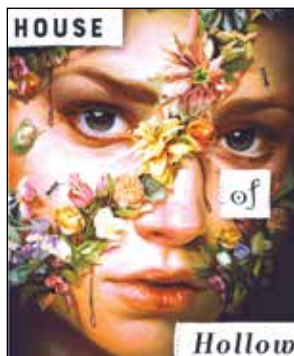
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Above: Jenny Valdivia, Robert, Justina and Araceli Salinas pose in front of a large bar Robert just made for events at Araceli Farm. The next event is a Cinco de Mayo celebration and another on Mother's Day. Left: Here are tiny little lavender buds. Full bloom will be in the months of May and June. Photos by Debra Dingman

By Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Blankets of beautiful lavender flowers will soon cover the six acres on the corner of Pitt School and Midway Roads marked as Araceli Farms but only through the months of May and June. Although a business still in its infancy, the place has become so popular, one has to make reservations to stroll through the gorgeous grounds.

And, you will want to as lavender farms are not so common but this particular one is right here in Dixon.

It is meticulously landscaped and features a large grassy area filled with picnic tables. Almost all of the conveniences of making it a special visit have been thought of including food, drinks, and a variety of lavender products including oils or cut-your-own blossoms for sale.

Lavender is most commonly used in aromatherapy. The fragrance from the oils of the lavender plant is believed to help promote calmness and wellness. It's also said to help reduce stress, anxiety, and possibly even mild pain. You might even taste it when served a fancy hot chocolate as it is used in cooking, too.

And, you can thank Justina Salinas for it to be so easily available for us

in Dixon. After graduating with a degree in studio art and retail marketing, Justina Salinas had all the ingredients that would help anyone have a successful career but Justina got disillusioned in the corporate world and drifted like a lost soul doing part-time jobs from nanny to dog walker.

She spent many restless nights wondering what she was supposed to do with her life when out of nowhere in the middle of feeling plagued with indecision and the overwhelming worry that she was letting her parents down, got a clear call to farm. She came across a story about a small lavender farm in Canada. When she cautiously leaked the idea out to her Dad, Robert, she got a surprising result.

The family already had owned

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Deadline Saturday for Best Mom Entries

MPG Staff

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Saturday, May 1, is the deadline to enter your mother for the 27th annual Mother of the Year Award sponsored by the Dixon Independent Voice and the Kiwanis Club of Dixon.

Your entry could give your mother the best Mother's Day present ever-the recognition as Dixon's Mother of the Year. Enter your mother or any other woman who has been like a mother to you whom you believe exemplifies the finest qualities of motherhood, including helping children develop character especially by example; promoting family values; meeting both daily and extraordinary challenges of family life; showing charity towards others; and helping to improve the community through personal action.

There are three age groups for those submitting entries: 6th Grade and under; 7th to 9th Grade, and 10th Grade to adults. Essays should be no more than 500 words and should be accompanied by a recent family photo for publication when the award is announced.

A panel of Kiwanis Club members will judge entries. The winner and two finalists will receive floral bouquets and other gifts.

Attach one of the entry forms found inside this newspaper to an essay no more than one-page about your mother and why she is the best. All entries must have a name, grade level or age and a phone number of the person submitting the entry. Written entries should be in an envelope with the words 'Mother of the Year Contest' written on the outside.

They can be dropped off at the Independent Voice Newspaper office at 100 N. Adams, Suite E, or mailed to Dixon Kiwanis, PO Box 1602, Dixon or emailed to DixonKiwanis@hotmail.com. Entry DEADLINE is 5 pm on May 1, 2021.

For more information, call Editor Debra Dingman at (707) 678-8917 or for information about joining the Kiwanis Club of Dixon, call Patti Sousa-Liu at (707) 635-3303. ★

"I Don't Feel Safe Here Anymore"

By Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Heritage Commons is an affordable Senior housing community located at 191 Heritage Lane and positioned along South First Street across from the Valley Glen Subdivisions. The first was built in 2013 with the additional buildings built about every two years. The 2 and 3-story apartment complexes feature community gardens, social services and a therapy pool with stabilizing bar and seats for resident's enjoyment. Sounds lovely, but voiceful residents say there is high turnover in managers and unresponsive staff that has mounted to at least one fist-to-cuff over parking, onsite drug activity, an alleged rape, a fire from someone trying to cook meth, and concerns that the apartments are "beginning to turn into a slum."



Heritage Commons is an affordable housing complex in Dixon where residents are facing growing concerns of crime and parking. Photo by Debra Dingman

"In the last three months, the police have been out here two to three times a week and the staff covers up and covers up," reported one resident who requested anonymity. "It's a matter of time before someone gets killed and this is supposed to be a senior residence."

What is Heritage Commons

In contrast, their website reads: "Reaching beyond the traditional management services of maintenance and budgeting, we strive to create community environments that foster high levels of physical, social,

and emotional well-being among residents."

This large Dixon apartment complex is a "senior property," according to Lyn Vaught of the John Stewart Company Sacramento Regional Office. "We are not the owners. We are only the managers." The company offers professional property management, construction management services, new project financing, or a joint venture development partner with their company.

Their website boasts of serving customers with over 1,400 employees in five offices across California that includes a portfolio of over 400 properties, more than 30,000 residential units that house over 100,000 California residents.

They are the largest private manager of supportive housing and

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Many New Dixonites are Migrating from Vacaville

By Debra Dingman

Congratulations to the new Mr. & Mrs. James Martinez who married at the beautiful new wedding venue, Bella Vista Farms, 7108 Rio Robben Road (Highway 113). I’ve known Megan Paxton for many years since her Girl Scout days and their family has lived nearly 20 years down the street from us but Megan’s twin brother, Morgan, was also my son’s buddy and former roommate. James was too so I met James and nicknamed him ‘Mr. Steadfast’.

Megan has been a devout Catholic youth volunteer and is the sweetest young woman ever. They are making Dixon their home.

When I looked into their wedding venue, I was so surprised at this new business/location and know it is ideal for Dixon’s growing population.

Speaking of growing, every day when I walk with hubby around the new HomeStead development between South Lincoln and Pitt School Road, I am shocked at how fast homes can be built, but I’m even more shocked at how fast they are selling. I have

driven to the other development—the one that goes from Cherry Street all the way over to connect with the Valley Glen subdivision and it is the same rapid growth.

At last week’s City Planning Meeting, another development was approved for Lewis Homes for the large vacant parcel across from Tractor Supply. Folks, I don’t know what ever happened to Measure B but this all seems to me to be happening alarmingly fast. I hope our Fire Department, Police Department, and schools are ready for this influx of new Dixonites.

I went door-to-door last week to meet some of them and was surprised how many came from Vacaville as Vacaville has tons of new homes being built off Leisure Town as well as toward Travis Air Force Base.

After talking to some of them, it seems that they wanted to live in Dixon because it was a small town. I suppose compared to Vacaville, it really is a lot smaller. I’m proud to live here myself after migrating from Fairfield 30 years ago for the same reason... I thought Fairfield

was getting too big back then at 30,000 population. Dixon was only a 10,000 population and I’d joked with many Fairfield friends about Dixon’s “one stop-light” (A Street at Adams/Porter).

Actually, I’m excited about Dixon’s future as each of these residents brings potential for new shoppers, more restaurant diners, and more volunteers to serve the community!

Our Dixon Kiwanis Club is seeking three new leaders for their Board of Directors. We’re hoping someone who wants to sink into serving Dixon children will join us at our next monthly meeting in May when we will hear from Candy Pierce, Executive Director of CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocates--about finding more foster parents in Solano County.

If you have ever considered being a foster parent or if you would like to hear more, please feel free to join us that evening.

That will be on Monday, May 24, 6 pm at Bud’s Pub for a no-host dinner. For more information, call Patti Sousa-Liu, the Kiwanis membership chair at (707) 635-3303. ★

“I Don’t Feel Safe Here Anymore”

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“special needs” housing in California. These properties provide both affordable housing and specialized supportive services to a wide range of target populations, including formerly homeless, mentally ill, physically disabled, HIV/AIDS and substance dependent households.

Since this property has received funding in part through the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program, a certain number of units are set aside for lower income households. The newspaper has requested information about whether those units are required to be 55 and over or not and we’ll be reporting more in the next edition.

In Dixon, there are currently 120 units in four 3-story apartments with Heritage Commons 3 in process of being built which will add 45 more units in two separate buildings.

They employ a small staff such as janitor, Assistant Manager, and social services coordinator in addition to the full-time Manager.

Residents’ Complaints
“I do not feel safe and in the last four months, I’ve added a bat and an ax by my front door,” said another resident after witnessing a “drug bust” on the premises. One resident told of a bare-chested man who was “higher than a kite” who knocked on her door at 1 am. The man had a knife.

Another resident said the tenant below her had a fire – and then a flood—from “someone trying to cook meth.” There are alleged “weekly drug deals.” The Assistant Manager and staff were unaware of these incidents.

Some residents say that management is allowing “disabled younger



Residents say there is high turnover in managers and unresponsive staff. Photo by Debra Dingman

people, not seniors” or low-income people who are not seniors to reside there and that those people are bringing their troublesome friends and even staying inside the homes as “permanent guests” when they are not supposed to. One man was sleeping in a tenant’s car, they said.

Residents are given conflicting information about who to address their concerns adding to the confusion of whether or not they should call when there is an issue.

“We don’t get involved. We are like anyone else’s community. If you see something, call the cops,” said Social Services Coordinator Deborah Dockter who has worked at Heritage Commons for the past four years. “We are not a ‘facility.’ We are a ‘community,’ therefore each person is responsible for their own self.” She can refer to get help, she added, and can refer to In Home Health Services (IHHS) or other resources.

However, Assistant Manager Jay Williams said, “The police or the ambulance do not communicate with us. How can we know there is a problem if they do not tell us?” Residents wanted to

presume the office would know about police actions on site but Dockter nor Williams were aware of any. The office hours are posted as Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 5 pm but are closed Wednesdays. Residents say there is rarely someone to answer the phone and after repeated attempts, the newspaper’s calls also went unanswered.

The police do say they have increased patrolling the area but that was due to the construction going on which often brings thieves due to the high return for equipment, they said. A request for records is pending.

“Our screening procedures are careful and thorough. We perform background checks, call references and conduct family interviews. We verify income and assure compliance with housing assistance programs, when applicable,” their website reads.

Numerous attempts to reach Carissa Estrada, who is responsible for Dixon’s complex and has a phone number at the Sacramento Regional office, have been unsuccessful, however, this story has more components and will continue in the next edition. ★



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Administrative Professional Day Got Remembered



Phyllis Quiring (left) and Marianne MacDonald. Photo courtesy of Marianne MacDonald

Phyllis Quiring of Dixon got a nice surprise last week on Administrative Professionals Day when she received flowers from Marianne MacDonald her boss for many years at MacDonald’s Real Estate. Quiring was MacDonald’s

first secretary when MacDonald built her real estate office in 1984 on Pitt School Road and still believes Quiring was one of the best. “She just took charge of my office,” said MacDonald. “She’s a Dixon gem!” ★

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Should Concrete be Limited in Front Yards?

By Debra Dingman

DIXON, CA (MPG) - At the last City Council Meeting, on Item 12.3, District 3 Representative Kevin Johnson requested consideration of a “discussion” regarding a possible resolution for the look of Dixon’s future subdivisions. Councilman Johnson is a long-time real estate agent and handles property in many other cities other than Dixon where he resides.

“My motivation is that in the history of Dixon, [we] never before had potentially 1,500 homes all at once and we need to ask ourselves, ‘What do we want our city to look like?’ Do we want no guidelines or some guidelines...I struggle with having no guidance,” he said.

Councilman Johnson’s concerns were about “paving and impervious surface requirements” for front yards in single-family districts. In short, the possible overuse of concrete after seeing this issue in other cities.

Community Development Director Raffi Boyolan said that the Municipal Code does not say what can or can’t be in the front yard but there is not “an enforceable standard that we currently have.”

“Even having a discussion is disturbing,” said former Mayor Thom Bogue. “The problem of even having a discussion creates a belief that we have to act upon it. A lot of people have over 50% of their

front yard as a driveway.”

Citizen Amy Boales said any potential ordinances should be put to a vote and Community Activist Michael Ceremello said it was a “solution looking for a problem.”

“We don’t need to be told what to do with our property,” he said.

District 2 Representative Jim Ernest noted that the water issue is going to get worse in the future and the problem with concrete/impervious surfaces is that water does not seep down into the ground the way it is supposed to.

“We have to respect the will of all our citizens,” he added.

“I think it’s good we have this discussion because we do get calls from both sides,” said District 1 Representative Scott Pederson. “I think talking about this is good for our community. We want a nice-looking town.”

“I am supportive of personal property rights and this is only a discussion item,” said Mayor Steve Bird after hearing several comments from the public. It is likely that this discussion will come back to the Council.

“When we get a Public Information Officer on board, we can do a public outreach campaign so we can better gauge what the community is looking for in that regard,” said City Manager Jim Lindley. ★

Breathe in Lavender Calmness

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Pitt School road land for 20 years that was rented out to Dixon farmers so land was not a problem and he was supportive even creating spread sheets for planting and harvesting.

Although Justina lived in Dixon through 4th grade and attended Tremont Elementary, the rest of her years included living in Japan, Brazil, and London with return stints back in Dixon thanks to her Dad’s 30 years with IBM. All of those changes created an acceptance of change and perhaps, too, a drive to prove herself culminating with this farm.



Justina Salinas in front of an artist’s mural painted at the lavender farm. Photo by Debra Dingman

“I think going through my adoption gave me an innate sense to prove myself and make my family proud,” Justina said. They planted in 2017 but even with all her father’s support, he could not be there the entire first year of opening due to another out-of-country assignment.

“It was like a bird kicked out of the nest,” she said. “Every little thing had another little million things attached to it. He wasn’t here to rely on so I had to make those tough decisions and I had to find my way to make it on my own.”

She had trouble with the County getting the necessary permits and ultimately had to get the County Supervisor involved, searched for lawyers, and thoroughly knew the County Code before things got through. Of course, that stress along with opening a business and pushing to do it all also created a perfect storm for adrenal fatigue and burn out.

“I was working 24/7,” she said. “I was working part-time for a nonprofit in the Bay area and coming home to working here. The pandemic gave me permission

to take it easy and permission to charge for entry so we could monitor access.” At first she was scared that if they couldn’t open, they wouldn’t make it but that changed.

“I now have the confidence to put more value on what I do. We issue tickets and we’re not going back,” she said. She has learned to trust her gut, learned varieties of the plant and who purchases them and sells wholesale to those vendors. She has also learned to trust her employees.

Her mother, Araceli, who the business is named after, helps with all the products.

“She is so meticulous so I trust her,” Justina said. “It’s been fun to watch her grow into her own voice and now she has a lot of ideas and opinions!” Wholesale Manager Jenny Valdivia works inside a large barn where giant, 8 x 10-foot tall walls of lavender are tied in small clumps to dry.

Robert has retired now so is the right-hand man for building everything from the chicken coops to picnic

tables. He even built the large, walk-up bar for serving guests. Bolstered by the farm’s near-instant success, the family has plans for diversifying even more in the future.

Justina gets a great sense of personal satisfaction from listening to the families that come out to enjoy the fields and they thank her for letting them come.

“Walking around and seeing dads and daughters and families rekindles the passion that I’m helping,” she said. “I don’t have to start a nonprofit; I’m serving the community with ‘business as usual’ just being open to the public. And, the best part of coming home from work everyday is smelling like lavender.” Actually, everyone smells like lavender. It will be a relaxing drive home.

For more information on Araceli Farms, see AraceliFarms.com or call (707) 640-1047. They are located at 7389 Pitt School Road and reservations are necessary as the family resides on the property. ★

Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Reverses Preliminary Injunction for California Truckers


By Bernice Creager, California Trucking Association

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Shawn Yadon, CEO of the California Trucking Association (CTA), issued the following statement in response to the decision by The U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals panel to reverse the preliminary injunction granted in January 2020 from the U.S. District Court. That preliminary injunction had blocked the State of California from enforcing Assembly Bill 5 (AB 5) upon motor carriers and independent owner-operators conducting business in the state. The new test was set forth in the Dynamex

Operations West, Inc. v. Superior Court (Dynamex) ruling, which was subsequently codified by the California Legislature in the form of AB 5 in 2020:

“We continue to stand by our initial claim that the implementation of AB 5’s classification test is preempted by federal law and is clearly detrimental to the long-standing and historical place California’s 70,000 owner-operators have had in the transportation industry.

“The California Trucking Association will take whatever legal steps are necessary to continue this fight on behalf of independent owner-operators and motor carriers operating in California.” ★



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Back to the Future on Immigration

It's not 2007 again. But apparently no one has told George W. Bush.

To coincide with the release of a book of his paintings of immigrants, "Out of Many, One," the former Republican president wrote an op-ed in The Washington Post plugging the sort of immigration package that went down to defeat in both his administration and in the administration of his successor, Barack Obama.

Bush is an unusually sincere, earnest politician whose views on immigration are deeply felt and honestly come by – they are just anachronistic, or should be.

If there's any lesson that everyone should have learned from Donald Trump's takeover of the Republican Party, it's that the party's old consensus on immigration is no longer sustainable.

Yet there's still a reflex toward the lazy conventional wisdom that all that ails the country on immigration is lack of an agreement to give an amnesty to illegal immigrants already here and increase numbers of legal immigrants, in exchange for more bells and whistles at the border – what is commonly known as "comprehensive immigration reform."

Bush says not passing immigration reform is his

biggest regret, and John Boehner, out with a score-settling memoir of his time as speaker of the House, says it is his second biggest regret (after not forging a big fiscal deal with President Obama).

Boehner spends a lot of time meditating on how the GOP became, in his telling, "Crazytown," a party of extremists and paranoiacs that eventually threw itself into the arms of Donald Trump.

The former speaker spreads the blame widely, but it evidently doesn't occur to him that one major factor driving a wedge between the party's establishment and its grassroots was the elected leadership's insistence on repeatedly trying to pass immigration bills that Republican voters rejected.

For his part, Bush sounds as if he's learned nothing. In his Post piece, he cites all the usual measures at the border included in these sort of bills – "manpower, physical barriers, advanced technology, streamlined and efficient ports of entry."

That's all fine, but it is no substitute for rigorous enforcement in the interior of the country and can't counteract the open-borders message sent by welcoming illegal immigrants.

In that regard, Bush professes, as all supporters of comprehensive immigration reform always do, to oppose amnesty as "fundamentally unfair to those who came legally or are still waiting their turn to become citizens."

He then calls for an amnesty couched as, in one of the laziest cliches in the immigration debate, bringing illegal immigrants "out of the shadows."

This will be achieved "through a gradual process

in which legal residency and citizenship must be earned," by requiring "proof of work history, payment of a fine and back taxes, English proficiency and knowledge of U.S. history and civics, and a clean background check."

Such requirements are always promised in comprehensive immigration bills and are always toothless, serving only as a way to deny that the amnesty for illegal immigrants is indeed an amnesty.

Bush says, as well, that both parties should be willing to get behind "increased legal immigration," a characteristic feature of these bills. In another tired talking point, Bush insists that a higher level of immigration is necessary to bringing more skilled immigrants – never considering that we could also reduce the number of low-skilled immigrants.

But supporters of the old consensus aren't especially keen on understanding the arguments of opponents. Boehner craves to the "far-right crazies" who never forgave John McCain for pushing immigration reform, and blames "demagogues" and sheer "stubbornness" for blocking a comprehensive bill in 2014.

So far this year, Republican senators have only talked of a narrower immigration bill focused on an amnesty for so-called Dreamers. Surely, though, the instinct toward comprehensive immigration hasn't gone away. It's up to Republican voters to constantly remind the party's officeholders that 2007 is, indeed, a very long time ago.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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CLG NEWS UPDATES

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Six states to gain House seats as population growth slows | 26 April 2021 | Six states will see their congressional delegations grow in the next Congress, according to the first results from the U.S. Census Bureau's decennial survey of America's population... Texas is set to add two U.S. House seats to its delegation after a decade in which the state added more than 4 million new residents. Colorado, North Carolina, Florida and Oregon will all add one more seat. Montana will add a second district, 30 years after it lost that second seat in a previous round of apportionment.

Pharmaceutical Industry Dispatches Army of Lobbyists to Block Generic COVID-19 Vaccines - | 23 April 2021 | The pharmaceutical industry is pouring resources into the growing political fight over generic coronavirus vaccines. Newly filed disclosure forms from the first quarter of 2021 show that over 100 lobbyists have been mobilized to contact lawmakers and members of the Biden administration, urging them to oppose a proposed temporary waiver on intellectual property rights by the World Trade Organization that would allow generic vaccines to be produced globally. Pharmaceutical lobbyists working against the proposal include Mike McKay, a key fundraiser for House Democrats, now working on retainer for Pfizer, as well as several former staff members to the U.S. Office of Trade Representative, which oversees negotiations with the WTO. Several trade groups funded by pharmaceutical firms have also focused closely on defeating the generic proposal, new disclosures show.

California National Guard put fighter jet on alert in March 2020 for 'possible domestic mission' - report - An F-15C fighter was put on alert, sources told the Los Angeles Times | 24 April 2021 | California National Guard members say a fighter jet was put on standby for a "possible domestic mission" last year, raising concerns that the military could be used to disperse protesters in the early days of the coronavirus pandemic, according to a report. Four National Guard sources spoke to the Los Angeles Times about the matter, revealing that commanders were concerned about resistance to stay-at-home orders or chaos due to panic-buying. According to the sources, an F-15C fighter was put on alert, which raised concerns among Guard members that the jet could be used to "buzz" crowds – a tactic often used in combat zones to disperse the enemy. The orders were allegedly handed down orally or through text messages rather than formally in writing, which made them highly unusual, the sources told the Times. The Guard members described such a tactic as an "inappropriate" use of military force against U.S. citizens."It would have been a completely illegal order that disgraced the military," one source told the Times. "It could look like we're threatening civilians."

FTC takes censorship to a whole new level, charges and fines St. Louis man for questioning vaccines, promoting zinc and vitamin D | 22 April 2021 | The FTC recently charged a St. Louis man for making fraudulent claims about covid-19. The FTC is charging Eric Nepute and Quickwork LLC in a federal court for the heinous crime of advertising zinc and vitamin D to combat covid-19. Nepute is charged with ten counts of violating the Covid-19 Consumer Protection Act and the Federal Trade Commission Act. The FTC alleges that Nepute falsely advertised his products, which contain vitamin D and zinc – two important supplements that are scientifically proven to block viral replication and prevent hospitalization. In 2020, the U.S. Congress quietly installed a new censorship clause in a coronavirus emergency response and relief package. In HR 133, Congress gave the FTC supreme authority to target, arrest and fine anyone who doesn't follow the government's narrative on lock downs, masks, quarantines and vaccines. Anyone who promotes a healthy immune system can now be charged and fined for the "criminal" act of helping people treat and overcome respiratory infection.

The U.S. Postal Service is running a 'covert operations program' that monitors Americans' social media posts | 21 April 2021 | The law enforcement arm of the U.S. Postal Service has been quietly running a program that tracks and collects Americans' social media posts, including those about planned protests, according to a document obtained by Yahoo News. The details of the surveillance effort, known as iCOP, or Internet Covert Operations Program, have not previously been made public. The work involves having analysts trawl through social media sites to look for what the document describes as "inflammatory" postings and then sharing that information across government agencies. ★

CONVERSATIONS

By Loran Hoffmann and Shirley Humphrey

Are Members of City Hall and Residents Forward Thinking Enough?

Electronic charging stations supply electric energy to charge the batteries that power electric vehicles including cars, trucks, buses, and neighborhood electric vehicles. These charging stations are being installed around the world at service stations that offer petroleum products. Even in California, cities and towns are balancing whether they should be building new or replacing existing service stations that offer petroleum products with Electronic Charging Stations for electric vehicles. Recently Governor Gavin Newsom decreed that fossil-burning vehicle engines will be phased out by 2035. The Governor said the state will be purchasing electric vehicles only. We aren't sure how Solano County agencies and cities/towns fit into the Governor's mandate for the purchase of new vehicles.

Newsom did not provide specific plans to build the necessary infrastructure to support the inevitable change. Some cities/towns have stopped issuing permits for new service stations. In the town of Petaluma, existing service stations offering petroleum products aren't being shut down. It's just that no new ones will be built, because there are enough – one within a five-minute drive of every residential area in the city. The Santa Rosa Press Democrat wrote recently that the plan is to accelerate the adoption of electric vehicles, and Petaluma's City Council, with a population of around 60,000, feels the 16 existing gas stations are enough.

A Dixon resident, Ginger Emerson, recently counted the number of gas filling stations in Dixon. How many do you think there are? She counted 11 gas stations for our town's population of just over 20,000. How many electric vehicle charging stations are currently available in Dixon?

A decade from now, we expect the technology for the self-driving vehicles to be perfected and reasonably priced for mass consumers. The infrastructure to support electric vehicles needs to be in place as well as trackers or markers embedded in roads necessary for the self-driving vehicles. Dixon residents will want access to new transportation technology and will expect the city to provide the infrastructure to support these advances.

When will the movement to expand

service stations that are currently offering fossil fuels offer battery charging for electric vehicles as well? The movement is already underway in Europe and England. One company in England plans to roll out ultra-fast chargers at sites across the United Kingdom by the end of 2021.

In this column last week, we talked about the city council taking another look at Dixon's General Plan which will cover 2021 to 2040. Has City Hall considered the increasing number of electric vehicles and the demand for battery charging stations and whether or not service stations should include charging stations.

As citizens, we need to attend the city council meetings devoted to the general plan for next 20 years and ask questions. A brief look at the Lewis LLC proposal for a proposed new subdivision on North First coming into Dixon reveals that one possibility for a new business in Dixon is a Rotten Robbie service station—one could assume this is a standard gas station but it seems reasonable to ask the Planning Commission/City Council what role the Governor's mandate that fossil fuel burners be phased out by 2035 play in approving new stations.

Recently, the Planning Commission had a study session on the Lewis LLC. Many questions were generated and it is not clear what direction the city is going. The Planning Commission will agendaize this at a future meeting. This would be a good opportunity to ask the Planning Commission if or how, if the infrastructure to support electric vehicles is being considered in their decision making.

We are fortunate that one of the foremost experts on transportation works just a few miles away at UC Davis. Dr. Dan Sperling wrote a book called, "Three Revolutions: Steering Automated, Share, and Electric Vehicles to a Better Future. Second Edition." Perhaps the city could sponsor a forum on the future of vehicles and ask Dr. Sperling to speak. A well-publicized ZOOM presentation by Dr. Sperling is an option that would meet the needs of the residents and all of those at City Hall.

Also, those of you who are readers may want to buy a copy of Three Revolutions or check it out from the library to read. ★

Solano CHP Fatal Traffic Collison

By David Harvey, California Highway Patrol


FAIRFIELD, CA (MPG) - At 5:28 PM, a Dodge 2500 truck, was traveling on State Route 12 eastbound, west of Beck Avenue in the #1 lane. The Dodge failed to stop for traffic ahead and drove into the rear of a Chevrolet Camaro, subsequently



killing the Chevrolet's driver (solo occupant). This crash caused the Camaro to collide with two other

vehicles. After the Dodge struck the Camaro, the Dodge also struck two other vehicles and came to rest. The drivers of the other four vehicles sustained minor injuries. The Driver of the Dodge did not sustain any injuries and alcohol/drugs is not suspected. It is unknown if distracted driving was a factor. The cause of this collision is still under investigation. ★


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Dixon News Briefs

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Council Meets Tuesday
The Dixon City Council will be meeting the first Tuesday of the month which is April 6 at 7 pm via Zoom. There is a link on the city website (cityofdixon.com) or you can call (707) 678-7000 for information. You can also call in via your phone if you do not have computer access. The agenda is posted on the Thursday before the meetings.

Rentals Open
Amos Metz Rentals & Sales have officially opened after buying out Dixon's Rental Center at 851 North First Street across from Viva Market. They rent heavy equipment, among other things, but party supplies are still available for rent through Dixon Party Rentals which is now located in the back part of the Metz portion of the business.

Graduation will be here before you know it. Make sure to get your order before the rush. Tables, chairs, linens, umbrellas and everything you need, according to Polina Farias who runs that business.

Business Lunch
Mark your calendars for the next Chamber Lunch Bunch will be at Dawson's Bar & Grill on Tuesday, May 18, from noon to 1:30 pm and it's not just for Chamber of Commerce members, according to CEO Shauna Manina.

"We want other business people to come and see what the Chamber is all about," she said. "Besides, it's fun. Who doesn't enjoy good food and conversation?" For more information, call (707) 678-2650.

Lending Workshop
A special SBDC workshop to help Solano businesses receive access to capital and lending resources is available

Thursday, May 6, from 1 to 2 pm online. Money is on everyone's mind and what is possible for you and your business may be easier than you think, when you consider what lending is out there to help you accomplish your goals.

Attend and learn about what is possible for your business from SBDC community supporters and community lenders including California Statewide, SBDC Financial Center, Travis Credit Union, US Bank, Wells Fargo, Working Solutions. Register at solanosbdc.org.

NAMI Volunteers
The Solano County Chapter of the Council on National Alliance on Mental Illness is a grassroots, self-help and, support and advocacy non-profit organization dedicated to improving and helping families and individuals affected by mental illness. They are looking for volunteers. You can reach them at (707) 438-9510 or info@NAMIsolanocounty.org.

Grand Jury
The Solano County Civil Grand Jury that includes investigations in Dixon has released two reports: County Assessment and Taxation System (CATS) and REGISTRAR OF VOTERS Voting in Solano County.

The Solano County Civil Grand Jury is an investigatory body and part of the judicial branch of government. The results of Grand Jury investigations are reported to public officials and to the general public through written reports, which contain the Jury's findings and recommendations. Public officials are required to respond to Grand Jury findings and recommendations within 60 or 90 days.

These reports are available on the Grand Jury website, which may be accessed at www.solano.courts.ca.gov by clicking on "Grand Jury", then "Reports & Responses." ★

California Reverses, Now Shutting Prisons



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

As signatures on petitions It was 1981 and then-Gov. Jerry Brown had a problem. California's 12 prisons were bulging at the seams with more than 28,000 inmates, thanks largely to tougher sentencing laws he signed, and he was told to expect another 20,000 more inmates within a few years.

The state hadn't built a new prison in two decades, stretching back to when Brown's father, Pat Brown, was governor. The Department of Corrections, as the prison system was then called, wanted Brown to launch a major prison construction program to handle its rapidly growing inmate load.

The young governor, nearing the end of his second and final term, was reluctant to ask voters for billions of dollars in bond money to build new prisons. His state architect, Sim Van der Ryn, had even refused to endorse plans for new prisons, reflecting opposition by those on Brown's left flank.

Finally, after months of negotiations and debate within his administration, Brown took a minimalist approach, asking the Legislature to place a \$495 million prison bond issue

on the 1982 ballot, enough to build space for about 10,000 more inmates, a fraction of the projected need.

Voters approved the measure, and over the next two decades the number of prisons tripled. However, the state sidestepped the need for voter approval with a clever, if deceptive, system of financing that borrowed many billions of construction dollars. Under the "lease-revenue" system, a state agency legally separate from the prison system issued bonds to build prisons, then leased them to the corrections department.

Even though most inmates came from urban counties, particularly Los Angeles, their politicians resisted having new prisons. The single Los Angeles County prison was built in the remote Antelope Valley.

Therefore, most new prisons were located in rural communities eager for the payrolls that the human warehouses generated, with the first in Avenal, a tiny Kings County community that had once been an oil boom town.

Despite the frantic pace of prison construction, the inmate population still outpaced the number of new cells and eventually grew to six times what it had been in 1981, declining only when, during Brown's second governorship, federal judges intervened and declared that the overcrowded conditions were illegal.

Over the last half-decade, thanks to more lenient sentencing laws (some sponsored by Brown

2.0), diversion of felons into local jails and early releases due to COVID-19, inmate numbers have declined sharply to 94,000, scarcely half of the 173,000 peak and very close to the system's original design capacity.

It's now time, Gov. Gavin Newsom says, to start shutting down some of the state's three dozen prisons, citing the inmate decline and billions of dollars in looming costs to rehabilitate older facilities.

The first to go will be the 68-year-old Deuel Vocational Institution near Tracy. This month, it was announced that the second will be the California Correctional Center in Lassen County.

The Legislature's budget office projects that three more could be shuttered by 2025 and the local economic impacts could be heavy, particularly in rural areas. However, just as with the closure of unneeded military installations in the 1990s, that must be a secondary consideration. It's unfair to taxpayers to keep obsolete facilities open just because of their jobs.

That said, rural communities accepted prisons that politicians from urban areas refused and the state should foster the redevelopment of its prison sites for positive purposes, rather than leaving them as decaying eyesores of a previous era.

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

Sen. Dodd's Faithless Electors Bill Approved by Senate



Bill Dodd

By Paul Payne,
Office of Senator Bill Dodd

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)
- Legislation from Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, that would ensure California's presidential electors cast ballots for candidates who won the popular vote and do not instead switch candidates or abstain from voting was approved by the full Senate.

"This is a common-sense measure that

ensures electors uphold their responsibilities. Those who go rogue threaten the underpinnings of our democracy and cannot be tolerated," Sen. Dodd said. "We must protect the legitimacy of our free election process and prevent extreme partisanship from denying the will of the voters."

Sen. Dodd introduced Senate Bill 103 amid increased national attention on the manipulation of the Electoral College system following the 2020 presidential election. Although President Joe Biden was the clear winner over President Donald Trump, some groups in other states suggested electors might ignore the outcome and ratify Trump instead.

While 33 states and

the District of Columbia have laws requiring electors to uphold their voting pledges, many do not have any enforcement mechanism and a majority have no way to make sure electors faithfully comply.

Sen. Dodd's legislation governing California's 55 electors would void their vote if they cast ballots for a candidate who did not win the majority of support in the state. The faithless elector would be immediately replaced by a new elector who would cast a ballot for the winning candidate.

SB 103, sponsored by the bipartisan California Commission on Uniform State Laws, was approved in the Senate by unanimous vote. It heads next to the Assembly. ★

Search is on for Dixon's 2021 Mother of the Year

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Biden-Harris Gun Control Plan Violates the Constitution

Commentary
by Harold Pease, Ph.D.

Since gun control legislation has stymied in Congress, Democrats for it and the Republicans against, the Biden Harris Administration has opted once again to legislate by executive order. Biden has governed, bypassing Congress, with 39 executive orders in almost three months. In a April 7, 2021 news conference he revealed his plans to do the same on gun control.

This is not new. The Obama Biden Administration did the same thing over immigration by creating the DACA program by executive order because Congress would not give them authority to extend citizenship to past illegal entry foreigners. They justified defying Congress then with, “We can’t wait for Congress.”

This was a serious, even impeachable, breach of the separation of powers doctrine deeply imbedded in the Constitution as is Biden’s executive action that the Justice Department, an unelected body, propose new rules on gun control. Because one president defies the Constitution, and is unpunished, does not give authority for others to do the same. Constitutionally only the legislative branch can make law (rules). Why is this so dangerous? Past practice, once done, is the “go to” position, to maximize authority not actually in the Constitution or, in the 2nd Amendment case is opposite to it, and is the favored option for those wishing to destroy it. Constitutional perversion invites more constitutional perversion.

But at issue is a far greater violation of the Constitution than separation of powers. The 2nd Amendment specifically forbids either the executive, by presidential decree, or legislative, by congressional statute, branches from ANY alterations of the Amendment. It reads in part, “the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.” Period!! It is the most definitive sentence in the Constitution. Although not yet exercised, this also is an impeachable offense. Neither Congress nor the President can remove or

alter the peoples’ right to defend themselves without an Article V new amendment to the Constitution.

The first half of the Second Amendment tells us why no branch of the federal government can alter or remove the right of the people to keep and bear arms: “A well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state.” The militia was the people and it was understood that the government was always the lead threat to a free state. “I ask, Sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people. To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them” (George Mason co-author of the Second Amendment. See also Elliot, Vol. 3, June 16, 1788). The militia was defined in the Second Continental Congress as every able bodied male 17 years of age and older – the citizens.

The Bill of Rights was arranged in order of preference with the exception of Amendments 9 and 10 as they dealt with the powers retained by the people and those reserved to the states, not specific freedoms as are Amendments 1-8. Amendment 2 is important because it protects these amendments. It is well to remember that the 2nd Amendment exists because the states would not support the new Constitution without a guarantee that the government could never deprive its citizens of their right to bear arms – to resist as they had the British. The language was as strong as they could make it and aimed (pun intended) specifically at government. It preserved their right of revolution should their other freedoms be taken. What is it Mr. Biden that you do not understand about “shall not be infringed?”

Congress may not legislate the 2nd Amendment away by authorizing some types of weapons over others, or approving some types of ammunition and denying others. Nor may the President go into the Oval Office and unilaterally make an executive order limiting or denying these things. We must never forget the federal government’s 11-day siege of Randy Weaver’s mountain home near

Ruby Ridge, Idaho over Weaver’s sale of two sawed off shotguns. It ended August 31, 1992 with multiple deaths including his boy and dog and a sniper bullet took out his wife Vicki holding their baby in her arms in the doorway. A “friendly” reminder of then federal enforcement of unconstitutional alterations to the 2nd Amendment.

One might argue we now want federal involvement. If so, why not do it as required by the Constitution? Don’t just twist the Constitution to mean something never meant. George Washington warned: “Let there be no change by usurpation; for though this, in one instance, may be the instrument of good, it is the customary weapon by which free governments are destroyed” (Farewell Address).

Instructions for change in the Constitution are provided in Article V and can be proposed by either Congress or “on the application of the legislatures of two thirds of several states.” Notice that the president was not allowed to propose. Once proposed the federal government is removed from the picture altogether – it cannot empower itself. The states are given two ways in which they can pass their power to the federal government (remember, all power not listed in the Constitution belongs to the states and the people as per Amendment 10) but, either way, it requires 3/4th of the states to do so. Let Congress or the states initiate a proposed amendment to empower the federal government as we have 17 times before when the nation wanted a change.

The federal government, especially the president, does not like Article V because it requires permission from the states to enlarge federal jurisdiction. That is precisely why this Article exists; still, it remains the proper and only constitutional way to change the 2nd Amendment of the Constitution and anyone trying to do it in any other way should be removed from power as quickly as the Constitution allows. The biggest fatality in this gun debate is irreparable damage to the Constitution, and thus to freedom. ★

PG&E Urges Calling 811 Before Digging, More Important Than Ever

By Paul Moreno, PG&E

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (MPG) - With the arrival of spring, many Californians are thinking of starting projects to make their outdoor spaces more livable, and many of these projects will require digging. To help ensure these projects can proceed safely, and without disruptions to essential utility services that we all depend on to be able to stay connected during the ongoing pandemic, April is recognized as National Safe Digging Month. Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) and more than 1,000 other utilities support this nationwide public safety initiative to supported by to raise awareness about the importance of calling 811 to have underground utility lines marked in advance of any digging project.

Throughout the pandemic, many homeowners are using their extra time at home to complete projects that require digging, according to a recent national survey conducted by the Common Ground Alliance (CGA). In fact, the survey shows that one in five homeowners (20%) have been more likely to do a DIY home improvement involving digging since the pandemic began – particularly gardening projects, and 56% of homeowners who are planning to plant a tree or shrub this year said they were more likely to dig while having extra time at home. The most popular planned projects cited among surveyed homeowners who plan to dig include: Planting a tree or shrub: 62%; Building a fence: 37%; Building a deck or patio: 32%; Installing a mailbox: 20%; Installing a pool: 6%;

Something else: 26%
Additionally, of the millions of homeowners who plan to dig this year for projects like gardening, building a fence or deck, installing a mailbox and more, nearly two in five (37%) will put themselves and their communities at risk by digging without contacting 811 beforehand to learn the approximate location of underground utilities.

“With millions of Californians relying on essential utility services as they work and learn from home, it is of the utmost importance that everyone take advantage of the free call to 811 prior to digging. Our locate and mark crews are in the field every day helping to ensure digging projects of all sizes can proceed safely, without risk to life, health or property. Whether your project is large or small, from repaving a driveway to installing a fencepost, calling 811 three working days before excavating to have the locations of underground gas or electric lines marked will help keep you, your family and your neighbors safe and help you avoid potentially costly repairs,” said Joe Forline, PG&E senior vice president of Gas Operations.

According to the Common Ground Alliance’s damage information reporting tool, an underground utility line is damaged every nine minutes in the United States. This adds up to more than 200,000 preventable hits to underground utility lines nationwide annually. PG&E is urging customers to help prevent dig-ins by placing a toll-free call to 811 or an online request to have gas and electric lines

marked free of charge three working days before the project begins.

Key Facts - In 2020, there were over 1,400 third-party dig-ins on PG&E’s underground infrastructure across Northern and Central California. Of the over 1,400 dig-ins, nearly 800 resulted from not using 811 to have gas and electric lines marked in advance. Of the third-party (customers or construction crews) dig-ins to PG&E’s lines in 2020, residential dig-ins accounted for 31%. In 91% of residential dig-ins, 811 was not called in advance.

811 is a designated toll-free number for homeowners and professional excavators and is serviced by regional offices. Operators answering calls and emails will dispatch all necessary utilities to properly mark underground utility lines with paint or flags. Underground Service Alert of Northern/Central California and Nevada (USA North) is staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and will provide Spanish and other translation services.

PG&E Safe Digging Tips - Mark project area in white: Identify the digging location by drawing a box around the area using white paint, white stakes, white flags, white chalk or even white baking flour.

Call 811 or go online for a USA ticket three working days before digging: Be prepared to provide the address and general location of the project, project start date and type of digging activity. PG&E and other utilities will identify underground facilities in the area for free.

Dig safely: Use hand tools when digging within 24 inches of the outside edge of underground utility lines. Leave utility flags, stakes or paint marks in place until the project is finished. Backfill and compact the soil.

Mind the lines: If the utility line is visible, dig in parallel with the utility line and use all precautions when removing the soil from around the utility line.

Be aware of signs of a natural gas leak: Smell for a “rotten egg” odor, listen for hissing, whistling or roaring sounds and look for dirt spraying into the air, bubbling in a pond or creek and dead/dying vegetation in an otherwise moist area.

PG&E urges customers to call 911 and then PG&E at 1-800-743-5000 if there’s a suspected gas leak. If an accidental dent, scrape or other damage is made to a gas pipeline, those nearby must leave immediately and alert others to avoid the area. Only when a safe distance away should anything that might create a spark such as cell phones, matches, garage door openers, vehicles, or yard equipment be used.

CGA is a member-driven association of nearly 1,700 individuals, organizations and sponsors in every facet of the underground utility industry. Established in 2000, CGA is committed to saving lives and preventing damage to North American underground infrastructure by promoting effective damage prevention practices. CGA has established itself as the preeminent source of damage prevention data and information in an effort to reduce damages to underground facilities in North America through shared responsibility among all stakeholders. For more information, visit CGA on the web at <http://www.common-groundalliance.com>. ★



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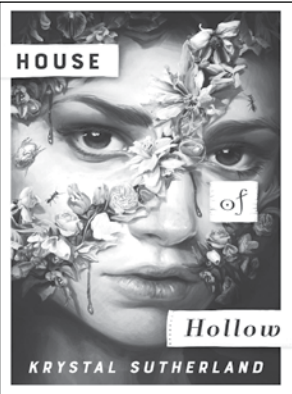
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Spells Trouble

by P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast

Hunter and Mercy Goode are twins, but also witches. Direct descendants of Sarah Goode, hung during the Salem Witch trials, makes them a powerful family and guardians of the five gates that act as portals between their world and mythological realms. On the night of their sixteenth birthday, as each girl calls up the goddess and god with whom they align, a portal door is opened, and devastation is left in its wake. After their mother gets murdered protecting them, it is up to Mercy and Hunter to embrace who they are, who they descent from, and discover the power within to help save the town, their friends, and themselves.

Authors of the well-loved *House of Night Series*, P.C. Cast, and Kirstin Cast, return with a whole new bewitching series, *Sisters of Salem*. With a brand new cast of characters, storyline, and setting, readers will be taken back to the very beginning, tracing ancestral paths down to the



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present day. With Hunter and Mercy both being direct descents, as well as baring the town's founding name, the magical ties are endless.

Spells Trouble delivers the beginnings of an exciting new series that will hopefully grow into a whole new cast of genealogy, ancestry, and magic. This storyline takes an unexpected turn from the average witch tale and introduces a complete new mortal danger, mythological beasts, and underworld realms. Ancient monsters

are delivered straight into a tiny peaceful town, leaving a band of teenagers to save the town and solve a string of brutal murders. Those familiar with the Cast's writing will be delighted to know that the true essence of their writing style remains the same, celebrating the thoughts, actions, and intimate urges that teenagers tend to have, leading to an even more authentic storyline. However, this book does leave quite a few plot holes that some fans will be left questioning and hoping that they will be answered in the next book in the series. The delightful idea of the family cat turning human to care for the girls opens the door to many enjoyable encounters while hoping that this new beloved character remains in the series. While the summer's young adult book lineup turns to celebrate magic, *Spells Trouble* is a fun first book in the lineup while also hopefully reintroducing the *House of Night* series to a whole new generation of readers. ★



Riley Reviews

“THE COURIER” DELIVERS TENSE SPY THRILLER; PBS PREVIEW

A TV Review by Tim Riley

“THE COURIER” RATED PG-13

Based on a true story that is ultimately more nuanced than what can be jammed into a film just shy of two hours, “The Courier” is an engrossing spy tale set in the early 1960’s in the run-up to the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Following on last week’s column about the “Spy City” series also set in roughly the same era, there’s something terribly gratifying about a suspenseful and propulsive spy thriller that taps into dramatic tension in the John Le Carre tone rather than excessive action stunts.

Benedict Cumberbatch’s Greville Wynne is an ordinary British engineer and salesman representing manufacturers who travels frequently to Eastern European nations peddling his products and attending trade conferences.

Wynne’s globetrotting to the East comes to the attention of top operatives in MI6 and the CIA, respectively Dickie Franks (Angus Wright) and Emily Donovan (Rachel Brosnahan), who think his talent for wining and dining clients makes for the perfect cover.

What the spooks have in mind for Wynne, without the benefit of any training in spycraft, is to assume the role of a courier to connect with a Russian colonel in the GRU, the military intelligence service, who wants to pass along intel to avert a looming nuclear showdown.

The experienced Russian agent is Oleg Penkovsky (Merab Ninidze), a patriot who finds himself conflicted over the bellicose and erratic nature of Soviet premier Nikita Khrushchev that has him worried the world is on the brink of annihilation.

On a first lunch meeting with Penkovsky, Wynne is asked if he can hold his alcohol, and the Brit replies “It’s my one true gift.” Wynne is a natural at boozing and losing golf games to clients on purpose.

A nice relationship develops between the two men, including frequent dinners, trips to the Bolshoi ballet and social gatherings that include their wives and children.

But not all is well for Wynne on the home front. Wynne’s wife Sheila (Jessie Buckley) grows suspicious of his repeated trips to Moscow, wary that he may be unfaithful. That he’s sworn to secrecy prevents him from reassuring his wife of his marital fidelity.

Even though Wynne is only assigned to bring back envelopes to London, a palpable sense of danger in Moscow is omnipresent and eventually the story takes a darker and more desperate turn.

We already know that Cumberbatch has the talent to capture the everyman quality of an unassuming salesman, but the real treat is Georgian actor Merab Ninidze, whose expressions and glances relay more

powerful emotions than most actors convey through words and actions.

“The Courier” is a stylish period piece and a cerebral exercise of historical significance that’s worth watching to remember the terror and horrors of the authoritarian nature of communism.

PBS PREVIEW

There appears to be some interest in the lives of British royalty, or maybe it’s just the tabloid fodder of Prince Harry, the Duke of Sussex, and his wife Meghan, Her Royal Highness, the Duchess of Sussex being in the news for ingratitude or whatever.

PBS is here to satiate your possible curiosity with its summer series of “Lucy Worsley’s Royal Myths & Secrets,” a travelogue across Britain and Europe visiting incredible locations where Royal history was made.

In beautiful palaces and castles and on dramatic battlefields, Worsley investigates how Royal history is a mixture of facts, exaggeration, manipulation and mythology. The first episode will explore how Queen Elizabeth I’s iconic warrior image shaped British national identity.

Put me down for the episode about the doomed Queen Marie Antoinette, who was notorious for her profligacy and love of fine clothes and parties. Worsley explores the famous myth of whether the last queen before the French Revolution uttered the phrase “Let them eat cake.”

Author of the hit debut novel “The Joy Luck Club,” Amy Tan’s seminal work was a commercial and critical success, and in honor of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month on May 3rd, American Masters presents “Amy Tan: Unintended Memoir.”

An intimate portrait of the groundbreaking author Amy Tan interweaves archival imagery, including home movies and personal photographs, animation, and original interviews to tell an inspiring story of the writer’s life and career.

Born to Chinese immigrant parents, Tan opens up with remarkable frankness about traumas she’s faced in her life and how writing helped her heal. The film traces her meteoric rise from the point she picked up fiction writing as a mental break from heavy freelance business writing.

During the winter press tour, Amy Tan, who appears to want to keep things private, noted that the documentary was a way to take what’s in “The Joy Luck Club,” which is “also very private, but putting it out there the way it was.”

Joking about seeing herself “age over 32 years,” Tan also said that the documentary was “uncomfortable at times, and yet it seems like the best way to make sense of my life.” One fun fact is that Tan performed in a rock band with humorist Dave Barry and other authors. ★



Water Shortages Lead to Legislative Efforts

With more California farmers facing significant water cutbacks, public officials have responded with legislation to address the state’s recurring water shortages. A plan in the state Legislature would allocate \$2 billion to accelerate a variety of water projects and programs. At the federal level, new legislation would restore canal capacity. Farm and water groups have also pressed to add water projects to a federal infrastructure package.

Farmers Could Gain Fire-Insurance Options

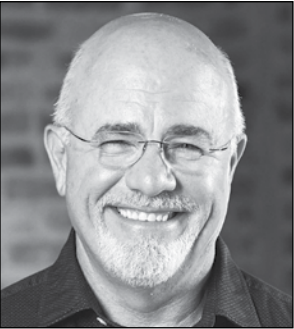
Two concurrent efforts aim to help farmers and ranchers insure their properties in fire-prone areas. Legislation sponsored by the California Farm Bureau would authorize the state’s insurer of last resort, the California FAIR Plan, to underwrite coverage for commercial farms and ranches that can’t find it on the open market. At the same time, Nationwide has begun offering supplemental insurance for farmers who qualify for FAIR Plan coverage.

Revived Food-Service Demand Would Help Dairy Farms

Dairy farmers will watch carefully as restaurants and other food-service facilities reopen. More than half of some dairy foods are typically consumed away from home. Dairy product sales to food service have increased and retail sales remain strong, but economists say future buying habits will be unpredictable as pandemic restrictions ease. With milk production expected to increase, analysts say food-service demand will be particularly important.

Cooler Bags Assure Cold Milk for School Meals

To keep milk available for students receiving meals via school drive-through services, California dairy processors have provided schools with large cooler bags. The bags can keep two crates of milk cold, and help assure it remains part of school meals distributed at drive-through locations. The California Milk Advisory Board says up to 5,000 cooler bags will be provided to schools in Central and Southern California. ★



Dave Ramsey Says

Live Like the Money isn’t There

Dear Dave,
I’m 24, single, and I make \$60,000 a year. I’m also debt-free and live in an apartment, plus I have about \$550,000 in a brokerage account that’s made up of 75 percent mutual funds and 25 percent single stocks. The money in the brokerage account was originally an inheritance of \$280,000 that has grown since I received it in 2007. Am I putting my money toward the best investment possibilities right now?
– Drew

Dear Drew
You’re in a nice place! I’m glad you’re taking your finances and your future so seriously.
First of all, I don’t play around with single stocks. There’s just too much risk there for me. Since I don’t invest in single stocks, I don’t recommend others do it, either. I look at two things when it comes to

investing – real estate and mutual funds.
I always pay cash for income-producing real estate. And when it comes to mutual funds, I invest in good, growth stock mutual funds with a solid track record of at least 10 years. Now, I don’t get mad at people if they want to dabble in single stocks a little, but I wouldn’t recommend having more than 10 percent of your investment portfolio wrapped up in them. The numbers on playing single stocks are just not that good for the individual, and besides that, I don’t like losing money!
If I woke up in your shoes, I’d move the 25 percent you have in single stocks into good mutual funds. And I wouldn’t use a brokerage account. I’d stick with a quality financial advisor, one who has the heart of a teacher. I think you’ll end up doing better with your money in the long haul this way. It might be a little boring, but boring is good when it comes to stuff like this. Exciting means you stand a good chance of losing a lot of money.
You’ve got a good income, especially for a single guy who’s 24, so

I’d make those adjustments and live like the inheritance money wasn’t there. Stay away from debt, live on a reasonable budget, and make sure you’re putting 15 percent of your income away for retirement. Then, when it’s time a few years down the road, use some of that inheritance money to pay cash for a nice home.
If you can manage to do all that, the money you inherited – even with buying a home – will likely grow to millions of dollars by the time you’re ready to retire. Pretty cool situation, Drew!
– Dave
Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 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. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions. ★

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15. Tall ancient monument
16. Daisy-like bloom
17. Much of it about nothing?
18. Commotions
19. "She's 'Bow' to Dre in TV sitcom "Blackish"
21. "Mother to Jo, Meg, Amy and Beth March in novel and movie
23. Before tac
24. Ripped
25. Part of Super Bowl entertainment, pl.
28. Homesteader's measure
30. "Game of Thrones" Lannister and mother to Joffrey, Myrcella and Tommen
35. Douses
37. Adjutant
39. Article of faith
40. Genuflecting joint
41. "TV mother to Alexis and David, "friend" to Jocelyn Schitt
43. "Will be," as sung by Doris Day
44. Perform in a play
46. Load sixteen tons, e.g.
47. Peacock's pride
48. "Mowgli's adoptive mother
50. Apartment
52. Skeleton in a lock
53. Part of a jousting outfit
55. Spelling competition
57. "Mother to Carlton in "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"
60. "Well, I'm a-standin' on a corner in ____ Arizona," from the Eagles "Take it Easy"
64. Country's LeAnn
65. Hoover's agency acronym
67. Piano practice piece, e.g.
68. Church song
69. What Usain Bolt did
70. Poisonous substance
71. "Wife to Papa, mother to Baby
72. Sum it up
73. Go on a buying spree
DOWN
1. Way, way off
2. ____ Verde National Park
3. Naysayer's favorite prefix?
4. What bloodhound is after
5. Croatia's neighbor
6. Nibble away
7. Affirmative action
8. Movie trailer, e.g.
9. Elementary particle
10. "Claire Dunphy and Mitchell Pritchett's mother
11. Soothing lotion ingredient
12. Bell and Barker, e.g.
15. Christopher Kimball's "Milk ____"
20. ____'s razor
22. Part of a circle
24. Tiresome
25. Questioner
26. "Mamma Mia!" mamma
27. Do this or forever hold your peace
29. '80s band "Quiet ____"
31. Catch one's breath
32. ____ a peak
33. Bone-chilling
34. Europe's "boot"
36. Short for seconds
38. "She played Ricky Schroder's stepmom on "Silver Spoons"
42. Defendant's excuse
45. Religious belief
49. ____ Khan
51. Plural of #39 Across
54. Below, prefix
56. Impede
57. "Everywhere you want to be" credit card
58. Muslim holy man
59. Plural of velum
60. "Ellen, Scarlett's mother in "Gone with the ____"
61. Like the best accommodations
62. War god in Norse mythology
64. Make one's way
64. Dashboard acronym
66. "Kunis, Hahn and Bell as ____ Moms"

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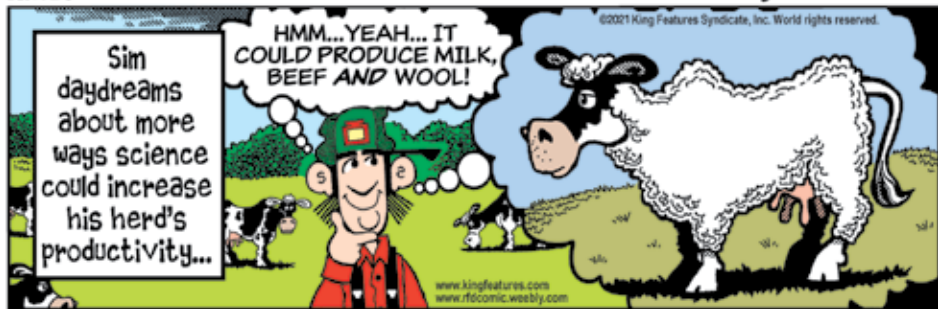
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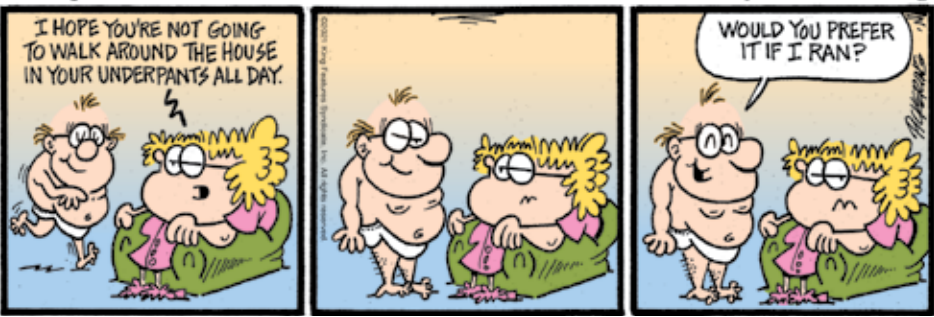
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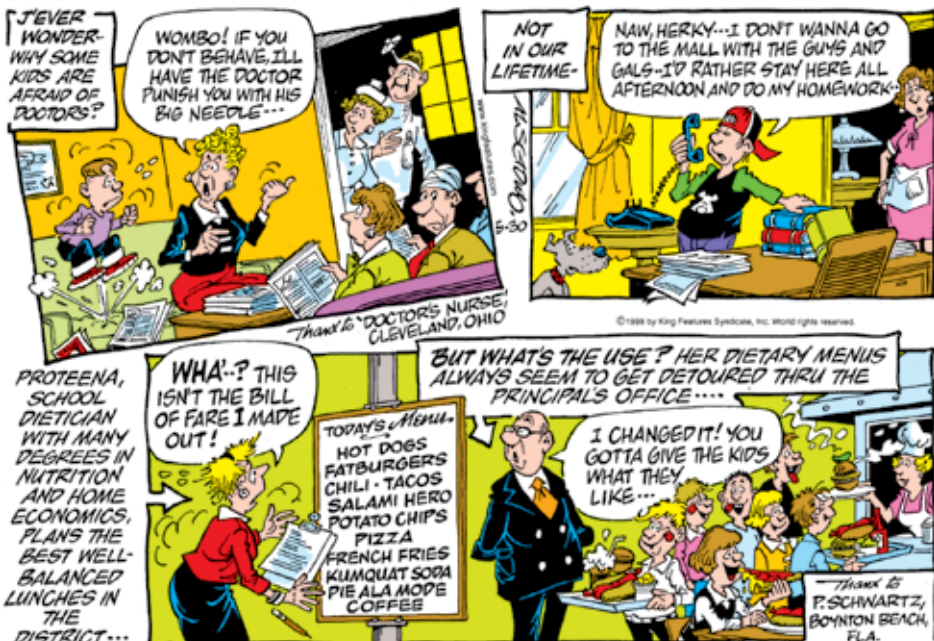
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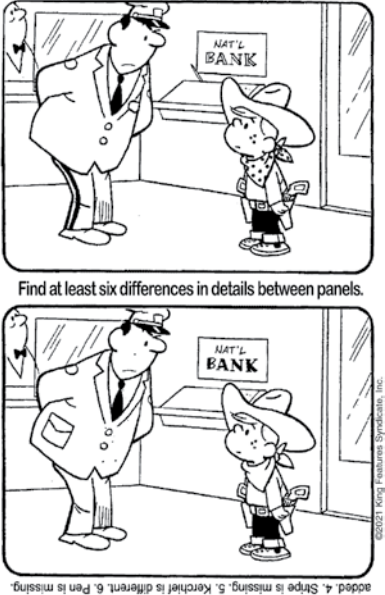
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