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# Yuba City JROTC Boasts Leaders



California Loses More **Population** Again

#### Commentary by Ted Gaines

California reigned for decades as the unmatched destination for people around the country. Now people can't leave fast enough. Recently released numbers from the U.S. Census Bureau indicate that between July 2021 and July 2022, California lost roughly 343,000 residents to other states. This number is a "domestic net migration" figure, meaning that 343,000 more Americans moved out of California over those 12 months than moved here from other states.

Where are they going? The number-one net migration winner over that period was Florida, which gained around 319,000 residents from other states.

It's too easy to say exclusively that Newsom is driving people out of state and Florida Governor Ron DeSantis is attracting them, but to the extent the two governors symbolize different approaches to taxation, regulation, and liberty, it holds true. People are leaving Newsom-like states and flocking to DeSantislike states. If you want to handicap the 2024 presidential election, this is a good place to start. The states shedding domestic population are progressive strongholds, with extensive regulatory regimens, strong public employee unions and other Democrat policy priorities. They are, simply, big government states. High tax, high cost of living states. Joining California in the top five net losers are New York, Illinois, New Jersey, and Massachusetts. States attracting Americans are lower-cost, lower-tax, Republican strongholds. Trailing Florida in the top five net gainers are Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. And even if your individual tax burden is not too bad in California, big government, supported by high taxes (regardless of who pays them) indicates a mindset that the state should always be doing more and additional money for government is inherently good.



#### Cadets from the Yuba City JROTC march during their annual pass and review inspection ceremony on Thursday, January 19 in the North Gym at Yuba City High School.

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Story and photos by Steven Bryla YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - The

Yuba City Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps 60 participants packed the North Gym at Yuba City High School on Thursday, January 19 with a ton of family of friends watching on as they celebrated their yearly anniversary inspection.

Retired US Navy retired Lieutenant Maury Castaneda oversees the program that has students from Yuba City and River Valley High school to make up the 60 students in the 2022-23 school year.

Castaneda told the



**Retired Lieutenant Maury Castaneda embraces Yuba City** JROTC after their annual pass and review inspection ceremony on Thursday, January 19 in the North Gym at Yuba **City High School** 

program is a place where students come to be leaders

Dispatch that his JROTC and learn life lessons, unlike the most common belief that it is a military class.

The yearly inspection consisted of making sure the uniform was ready for proper wear at a special event.

Ribbons were to be placed in the correct order, boots shined to see a great reflection and covers (hats) were placed at proper angles to eventually be rendered for hand salutes are some of the minimum requirements the Yuba City JROTC went through in their inspection.

At the event, the students displayed military traditions such as drill (rifle) tosses, marching and awards were given out for hard work.

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This bigger-is-better approach leads to government solutions in search of problems.

It's why California government seeps into every crack of your life, blocking the exercise of what Continued on page 4

# A Wild Morning at Raley's

#### Yuba City Police Department Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - On Sunday January 22, 2023 at 6:40 A.M. the Yuba City Police Department received several 911 calls related to an adult male, later identified as 44-year-old Larry Reed from Olivehurst, damaging a vehicle in the parking lot of Raley's in the 700 block of West Onstott Frontage, using a hatchet.

Mr.Reed smashed windows of an occupied vehicle before walking

away. The occupant of the vehicle was not injured. As officers were responding, Mr. Reed walked back to the parking lot and confronted a male employee of Raley's who had just arrived to work. Mr. Reed struck the employee in the leg with the hatchet causing a non-life-threatening injury. The employee ran into the store in an attempt to get away from Mr. Reed, but Mr. Reed chased after the employee.

Once inside the store, some employees and customers fled outside for their safety. As Mr. Reed was running through the store, an additional employee grabbed Mr. Reed by his sweatshirt and struck him with a product scanner in an effort to subdue him. Mr. Reed was detained by two Raley's employees until Yuba City Police officers arrived on scene and placed him into custody. Mr. Reed was transported by Bi-County medical personnel for the non-life-threatening injury he sustained. He was treated for his injury at Adventist Rideout Hospital and later booked into the Sutter County Jail for charges of Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Felony Vandalism, Possession of a Dirk/ Dagger, and Possession of Methamphetamine.

The motive for Mr. Reed's actions is unknown, as he did not know any of his victims and this appears to be an isolated incident. This case has been referred to the Sutter County District Attorney for prosecution.

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# December New Home Sales Up 45% from November



While we will see challenges in 2023, we believe the market will likely gradually improve as buyers continue to adjust to the new normal in mortgage rates. Image by Paul Brennan from Pixabay

#### NSBIA Press Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - New home sales rebounded in December around the greater Sacramento region, with 372 sales recorded in the eight-county area, a 45% increase from November, the North State Building Industry Association reported today. Excepting the past two pandemic years, that is the best December BIA homebuilders enjoyed since 2006 and the best month in 2022 since April.

The solid December figures pushed the year's total sales to 5,010, in line with the yearly totals recorded between 2015 and 2019.

Michael Strech, the BIA's President, and CEO said the yearly totals show that the demand for new homes in the region remains strong.

"It's clear that if we look at the year as a whole and not just the slowdown in mid-summer caused by the steep interest rate increases, sales continue to move towards levels we saw in the years before the pandemic generated the sharp increase in sales in 2020 and 2021," Strech said.

"The demand for housing, particularly for new homes, remains as strong as ever in the region, so while we will see challenges in 2023, we believe the market will likely gradually improve as buyers continue to adjust to the new normal in mortgage rates."

Highlights of the monthly and annual sales figures (excluding the additional 120 sales during the year) include:

Sacramento County sales broke Placer County's six-month winning streak in December, but just by one sale, 169 to 168. Sacramento County sales narrowly outpaced sales in Placer County for the year as well.

Yuba County reported the third-highest sales totals in the region, outpacing El Dorado County.

Because very few homes are still available in the \$300,000-\$350,000 range as those older communities are now nearly sold out, the monthly total was actually -3 in that price range as three previous sales were canceled.

Strech said the fact that most sales are in the \$500,000 range and above shows the impact of higher government fees, a limited supply of land on which to build, and regulatory delays and barriers that make production of more-affordable homes extremely difficult.

"As our poll showed last fall, an overwhelming majority of Sacramentoarea residents are deeply concerned that their children and grandchildren will not be able to afford to buy a home in our region," Strech said. "It's essential that state and local policymakers enact reforms to encourage new home construction to bring the market back into balance. Otherwise, the affordability crisis will only grow worse."

The BIA's sales figures cover Sacramento, Placer, El Dorado, Yolo, Yuba, Sutter, Amador, and Nevada counties. ★

# Yuba City JROTC Boasts Leaders

Continued from page 1 Distinguished guests such as Yuba City Unified School District Superintendent Doreen Osumi were present for the event along with multiple staffers of the Yuba City administration.

Castaneda expressed to the Dispatch that he wanted to give back to the youth post his active military when he was honorably discharged in 2016.

"I saw the opportunity to teach tomorrow's youth, who are the future leaders of tomorrow and to attempt impact to help them lead in the future," Castaneda said. Castaneda also got the

students and fans pumped with his battle cry followed by former wrestling superstar Rick Flair's famous Woooo!

As an advisor of the program, Castaneda placed members (students) to be in charge of the group. As Yuba City JROTC follows the USN style, three students were overall at the top of the chain of command included with the Commanding Officer (first), Executive Officer (second), and Command Master Chief (highest enlisted senior personnel).

Yuba City senior Trevor Pullar was promoted to his newest title of Master Chief during the evening for his hard work and countless efforts throughout the program and Castaneda surprised many everyone during the night with doing it on the spot.

"Every other rank I received, I was told you're gonna be this rank on this day, I worked hard for it," Pullar expressed to the Dispatch.

Pullar enlisted in the United States Marine



Cadets from the Yuba City JROTC drill team perform during their annual pass and review inspection ceremony on Thursday, January 19 at Yuba City High School.

Corps as a combat engineer and is set to leave for boot camp on June 12.

River Valley senior and Cadet Lieutenant Commander Anthony Valdez is the Commanding Officer for Castaneda's crew and is a leader by example.

Valdez exclaimed to the Dispatch that a good leader does everything the leader says they want their personnel to follow so he is always front and center when he is giving an order/command to his fellow cadets.

"I do my best by not just telling people what to do, but actually being out there and doing it with them," Valdez said.

Valdez said one of the biggest lessons he has learned from Castaneda was a quote from his freshman year in the program when he heard that life isn't fair so don't keep score, stuff happens and you need to work through it.

Valdez enlisted in the Marine Corps as a member of a helicopter flight crew and leaves in June around the same time as Pullar.

Yuba City senior Joseph Deards and Cadet Lieutenant, who is the Executive Officer mentioned that after he moved to Yuba City, just before his junior year began, he saw the JROTC program one day after school and had no idea what it was so he inquired Castaneda about the program.

Deards expressed to the Dispatch for people who have no idea what the JROTC career class is about.

"It's more focused on building leadership skills with basic skills that are needed to succeed during life," Deards said.

Deards added, no matter what path you decide to take beyond high school whether joining one of the second armed forces branches or further education, the class will help you build the fundamentals and help you succeed.

Deards is attempting to apply to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland to become a commissioned officer to become a naval aviator.

With this senior class being Castaneda's first graduating class, he said his favorite memory will be to have been able to see their growth over time in the program.



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#### THE DISRESPECTFUL **GOPHER**

First of all, I would like it understood that I am a lover of animals. I do not hunt or fish. I do not attempt to do away with yappy dogs. Although I don't have a canine companion, I have shared our home with three cats over the years. I loved Cesar Millan's The Dog Whisperer television series. However, Jackson Galwas just plain weird.

mounds one of those little bugproperty.

I figured the little guy else's yard.

Two days went by,

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were marketed to discourage the little rodents. I tried the pellets for a couple of days and saw no more mounds. This axy of My Cat from Hell time, six days went by before Carl reappeared. So, when I found a Yes, I had named him. small mound of dirt in He stuck his head out of the middle of my lawn the hole, raised his paw in 2020, I was conflict- in what appeared to be ed. I was familiar with an obscene gesture, and the numerous gopher disappeared. This time, throughout in his effort to disrespect shoots pellets. It's time my golf course, but now me, he left his burrow open. I moved to the gers had taken up resi- next step: a smoke bomb. dence underneath my I purchased a pack of them and shoved one of My first attempt at the small cylinders into kill him. I just want him warfare was to pack the hole, lit the fuse, and the mound down hard. quickly covered it. I was assured that this was still would be discouraged nonlethal. Carl would care guy giving me grief, and exit through an es- simply evacuate the bur- I decided to do the deed. cape hatch in someone row through another Carl's end was quick, and exit.

and I was encouraged. pearance on the morning Then on the third day, of day twelve. I was eating a new mound appeared breakfast and looking out next to the old one. at the new mound. Carl This was not good. My appeared on the mound, pristine lawn was being faced my window, did mommy, so all was well. destroyed. On a visit what I swear was a victo- I repaired the lawn and to the local hardware ry dance with a couple of hoped I would never see store, I found a package pelvic thrusts, and dove one of those critters in of pungent pellets that into the burrow. Now I my yard again.

was steaming. Again, it was open, so I shoved a garden hose into the hole and turned on the water. At this point, I wasn't sure he would survive, but I didn't care. I let the water run for about ten minutes, sure that I had flooded him out.

Day fifteen arrived with a fresh mound in the lawn. Man! I thought I had done all I could to discourage Carl. Animal lover or not, I love my lawn too. My lawn care guy smiled when I told him of my frustration.

"Are you ready to get serious now?" he asked.

"I guess. What do you mean?" I responded.

"Do you have a pellet gun?"

"A what?"

"You know, a rifle that for you to quit fooling around and just shoot the damn thing. His mounds are ruining my mowers."

"But I don't want to gone."

At my wits end as to what to do and my lawn-I went over to examine Carl made his next ap- my work. That was when I discovered that Carl was really Carla. Reaching back into my biological education, I surmised that Carla was not a \*

# **Gallagher Statement on Newsom Budget Proposal**

#### Assembly Republicans **Press Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher (Yuba City) issued the following statement on Gov. Newsom's 2023-24 budget proposal:

"Democrat politicians have wasted a record surplus on new social programs and pork projects, while allowing our aging infrastructure to



crumble. Now we are faced with a \$22 billion deficit as a result of their fiscal recklessness. It's high time we refocus our budget on the core functions of government.

"As California bounces between flooding and drought, it is abundantly clear that we need new water storage, and yet there is still no dedicated funding this year or next to meet that need. Instead, the Governor protects failed programs that haven't made a dent in our state's highest-in-the-nation poverty rate."

# **Getting Firearms and Drugs Off Our Streets**



Officers located 3 firearms. One firearm was stolen out of Texas and the other two had serial numbers removed. Additionally, Officers located suspected Fentanyl, Xanax, and Hashish Oil with other items related to drug sales. Photo courtesy Yuba City Police Department

#### Yuba City Police Department **Special Release**

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Last night, (January 22, 2023), our B-Graveyard Shift conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for running stop sign near Garden Highway and Second Street. The vehicle stopped and was driven by, 18 year-old Bryan Reyes. There was a passenger in the vehicle as well, 19 year-old Miguel Fernandez.

Through the investigation, Officers searched the vehicle and located 3

firearms. One firearm was stolen out of Texas and the other two had serial numbers removed. Additionally, Officers located suspected Fentanyl, Xanax, and Hashish Oil with other items related to drug sales.

Officers completed a probation search of Reyes' residence as well, and located an AK-style rifle magazine and additional ammunition.

Both Reyes and Fernandez were booked into Sutter County Jail on a multitude of firearm and drug charges.

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you can eat, what house you build, what car you drive, how much you keep of the money you earn, down to such trivialities as what drinking straws you can get in a restaurant. Do you feel as though you personally need government monitoring your straw usage, or is that a decision you are competent to make as an adult? Florida trusts you to choose your own straw, California does not.

The California government mindset drives up costs in every area of living. Looking at taxes alone doesn't tell a complete story of government-imposed costs. How many taxes would have to move lower to make up for policy-driven expenses in California? Would a one-percent decrease make up for gas that's two-dollars-a-gallon higher than the national average? Would slightly lower sales taxes offset electricity costs 80-percent higher than the national average? Exactly what tax would offset the cost of an \$800,000 starter home, driven in part by extraordinary regulatory costs in our state?

California will always be desirable for the wealthy. I defy another state to produce a Yosemite, a Golden Gate, giant redwoods, Lake Tahoe, Big Sur, Santa Monica beach... the list of our wonders is long, if you can afford to enjoy them. But our unmatched beauty is apparently overwhelmed by policy failures of colossal dimension. People are voting with their feet and moving.

It says so much about our government's misguided agenda that hundreds of thousands of people last year abandoned everything this state has to offer because of everything this state takes away. It's time for an affordability revolution in California to turn us once again into a destination state.

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# **Transit Ridership Falters, Posing a 'Fiscal Cliff'**



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

California utopians, including those holding public office, envision a state that by 2045 will have achieved zero net emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases.

The largest source of those emissions is transportation - the cars, trucks, buses, airplanes and railroad engines that carry Californians, the goods they need to live and the inputs and outputs of the state's \$3.4 trillion economy.

To that end, the California Air Resources Control Board has issued seemingly countless decrees, including one that would ban the sale of autos with gas- or diesel-powered engines by 2035.

Public transit is central to the state's hopes of reducing transportation emissions. Officials want more Californians to park their cars – or not buy them in the first place – and use buses and light and heavy rail systems for commutes and other personal trips.

Despite those hopes, transit ridership is going the other way, and transit system operators and advocates are using terms such as "fiscal cliff" and "death spiral" as farebox revenues decline and there is greater demand for taxpayer

operations.

Transit usage cratered when the COVID-19 pandemic hit the state three years ago and millions of workers either lost their jobs or shifted to working at home. Ridership picked up a bit when pandemic closures eased and employment finally returned to pre-pandemic levels. However, the California Transit Association says that as of the third quarter of 2022, overall ridership was averaging just twothirds of what it had been prior to the pandemic.

"Some agencies have returned to pre-pandemic ridership levels and above, while others continue to struggle with ridership counts that are one-third of previous totals," the organization says in a new "strategic plan" it unveiled in December.

The plan "comes at a moment when our industry faces serious existential threats – slow ridership recovery, a fiscal cliff, and a widening workforce gap," Karen King, who chairs the organization's executive committee, said.

The plan makes obtaining more financial support, particularly from the state, its highest priority, citing not only declines in ridership and operational revenue, but the state's mandate that it get rid of its hydrocarbon-fueled buses and replace them with battery-powered vehicles. The cost of zero-emission buses and the infrastructure to operate them is tabbed at more than \$11.6 billion.

Gavin Newsom proposed newspapers.

money to shore up their a new budget for the 2023-24 fiscal year with spending reductions to close what he said was a \$22.5 billion deficit, thanks to a projected decline in revenues.

> Transit officials and their supporters didn't like the budget's treatment of transit, particularly a \$2 billion reduction in transit infrastructure. The industry's top legislative advocate, Scott Wiener, a Democratic state senator from San Francisco, pledged to seek restoration of the funds and more money to cover transit's revenue declines.

Wiener said, "We must not let our public transportation systems go over the impending fiscal cliff and enter a death spiral - where budget shortfalls lead to service cuts that lead to ridership drops that lead to further budget shortfalls and service cuts. The state must serve as a financial back-stop against this fiscal cliff to ensure our transit systems survive."

The transit dilemma typifies the conflicts and tradeoffs that permeate the state's hopes for achieving carbon neutrality 22 years hence. As a recent CalMatters analysis of the state's ambitious but tortured plans to rid itself of hydrocarbon-fueled cars underscores, it's one thing to declare such a goal on paper, but it's quite another to make it reality when the precise steps needed are complicated, time-consuming and expensive.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for nearly 60 years, spending all Three weeks after the but a few of those years plan was released, Gov. working for California



### To Advise or Not to Advisor

Now that many investor portfolios have been cut to ribbons, the phones are ringing with investors asking familiar questions like should they sell their stocks, buy more stocks or do nothing and just sit there.

My first question to anyone who calls is to ask the investor if they had protective stops in place (predetermined sell points) and sold some positions as the market fell, or did they instead follow the "buy and hold for the long term" crowd which possibly led them down the rat hole of devastating losses.

I am of the opinion that most people practice sound money management when playing a slot machine. Simply put, at a certain point they pick up their chips and walk away.

In my opinion, investors should practice a similar strategy with their investments. After all, your lifetime's savings are much more important than the few hundred dollars you might forfeit at a one armed bandit.

I am always surprised at the number of advisors and investors who do not practice nor even consider having predetermined sell points to protect against severe market crashes.

Most professional traders I know who use their own money or manage large funds use stop loss strategies to protect against devastating losses. Just tune into CNBC sometime. You'll eventually hear many of the big traders discuss principal protection as being tantamount to successful trading.

Why many professional advisors may not use stop loss strategies is a mystery to me. They stick to the old adage "hold for the long term" and just ride a market down to wherever it might end up and where it ends up might not be a very nice warm and fuzzy place.

Instead, it could be a place where one loses sleep, his sanity, his or her spouse as financial pressures mount along with a good portion of their lifesavings.

I can hear the familiar chant of "the markets always comes back" from the peanut gallery right about now and I doubt that this time around those words are providing much comfort to those that have lost a good portion of their retirement accounts in the 2022 sell off.

Although prolonged market crashes of this magnitude are rare, they do happen, and when they do, the ongoing damage to portfolios can take years to recover. Consider this: if buying and holding forever and a day is your long term strategy, why not consider sitting on one of the myriad of index funds available on the

My point is if you know a little bit about the markets and trading stocks yourself but you're strategy is to never sell, then why use an advisor?

For the most part, that may be pretty much their plan as well, so why pay someone to do what you can do yourself?

If you do decide to go it alone and hold for the long term no matter what, then the question becomes what index funds does one buy to wade through the thick and thin of the market's boom or bust cycles?

I can't answer that here for obvious reasons but there are plenty of resources out there to guide you through the selection process.

In my opinion, one of the best reasons to use an advisor is for providing some sort of principal protection. That means they should have a plan for exiting or at least reducing market exposure in downturns.

Although in recent decades investors and many younger advisors thought they had seen the pattern that markets always come back, this time around the crash of 2022, which may be continuing into 2023, has taught them a valuable lesson: Markets always come back until they don't. And if they do always come back, the damage from a prolonged market hammering can be costly.

As in very costly.

Keep in mind, had an investor sold at least some stocks on the way down, there would be lots of cash to pick up some stocks as better prices materialized.

In conclusion, this article is probably not going make me a lot of new advisor friends.

But realizing that all financial advisors are supposed to be fiduciaries (have the investor's best interest at heart over their own) I just had to at least put it out there right?

To find out if your advisor has a loss prevention strategy, just ask the question: "At what point will you sell me out or at least lighten up on my stocks in a market crash"?

In my opinion, their answer should be immediate, concise and definitive.

"Watching the markets so you don't have to"

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#### Storms Bring Hope for Agriculture. but Inflict Damage on Crops

Historic storms over the past two weeks piled deep snow in the Sierra Nevada, provided some relief for depleted reservoirs and brightened water-supply prospects for agriculture. But they also inflicted a harsh toll, with showers, mudslides and fierce winds combining to ruin thousands of acres of crops with filthy water while wreaking havoc on orchards. Crops from strawberries to broccoli suffered damage in the Salinas Valley. Wheat and alfalfa took a beating elsewhere. And farmers fretted as uncaptured stormwater poured into the ocean.

#### California Cage-free Rule Creates Financial Headaches for Egg Farmers

California egg farmers say they have been hard hit by costs of going cagefree, as is now required under state law. Many say the demands are causing them to miss out on high current egg prices. John Lewis Jr., president of Farmer John Egg Farm in Bakersfield, said the operation will close at the end of this month because it can't afford \$4 million to \$5 million in costs to retrofit the farm to comply with the law. Frank Hilliker of San Diego said he is producing about half of his normal eggs because some barns aren't yet compliant.

#### U.S. Agriculture Secretary: Prosperity **Remains Elusive for too Many Farmers**

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack says record U.S. agricultural production isn't translating to increased earnings for the average family farm or ranch. In an address to the American Farm Bureau Federation convention in Puerto Rico. Vilsack noted that 50% or more of American farm families had negative income, even as U.S. agriculture recorded overall record profits over the past two years. "We need to create more opportunities, more revenue streams, more markets, more help," Vilsack told the AFBF gathering.

#### Farmers Share Expertise on Planting Cover Crops in New Database

California orchard and vineyard growers have partnered with University of California agricultural researchers to create a searchable database to share information on planting cover crops. The database includes a compilation of experiences of farmers who planted cover crops in hopes of reaping benefits for soil health and water retention. The project is being undertaken by the UC Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education Program, UC Cooperative Extension, the Napa Resource Conservation District and the Community Alliance with Family Farmers.

public market and fire your advisor? Not that I recommend against using a financial advisor. After all, I am in the financial industry.



Valentine's day is coming up. Have discussion each week. This group has you made any plans yet? Let's look to our local bakers for something special. I remember the time Bud and I ate out in Clipper Mills (I forget the name of the old restaurant) with Bells and Kanauths. The guys had ordered red roses for their "gals". It made the night special.

Don't forget the YFCS Spaghetti Dinner on Feb. 4 at the community center in Brownsville. Members of Yuba Feather Community Assn can eat free or one can join YFCS and then eat free. Of course, you can always just pay for your dinner, too. There will be a raffle and a dessert auction, all to make some money that will support our community center.

Books & More to consider for your new year. Two book groups meet weekly. A study group meets from 1:00 - 2:30, reading a non-fiction book together, with a soon. Yvonne

become very close socially, but is looking for "new blood". We will start a new book in February. The second group just shares what they have read during the week, usually bringing a book or two to share, meeting from 2:30 - 3:30. They there is a writing group that meets on alternate Saturdays from 1:00 to 3:00, joining on the second and fourth Saturday of the month. We bring samples of our writings, and then respond to each others writings. If you don't manage to write that week, oh well, you can always respond to others. Come join us.

Look Back in Time - In 1898 Julia E. Kumle sold a one-tenth interest in the A couple of interesting groups meet at Red Ravine Mine at Indiana Ranch to L. T. and William Crane of Sharon Valley (Kumle Road is in Brownsville, tho).

Hope to see you in Brownsville  $\star$ 



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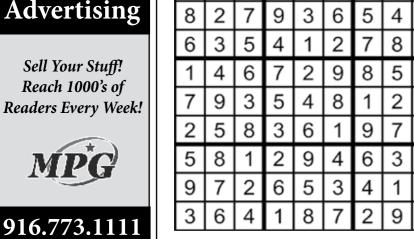




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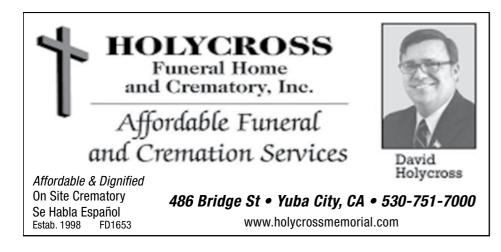
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### **Death Notices**

PEREZ - Trinidad Perez 58, of Yuba City, passed away January 14, 2023. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

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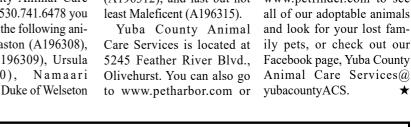
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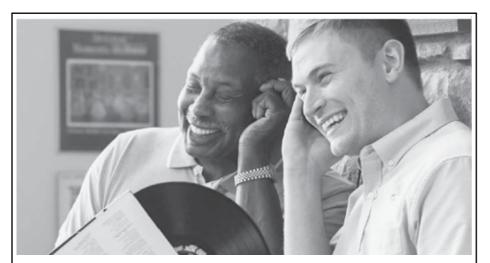
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PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) and (d), THE SUM-MARY OF INFORMATION RE-FERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.

NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROP-ERTY OWNER:

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 05/21/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PRO-CEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

Trustor: Alain Marcel Poulet, an unmarried man Duly Appointed Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC

Deed of Trust Recorded 05/25/2007 as Instrument No. 2007R-009016 in book --, page--- and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yuba County, California. Date of Sale: 02/21/2023 at 09:00 AM Place of Sale: The Fifth Street Entrance, Yuba County Courthouse, 215 Fifth St., Marysville, CA 95901

Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 515,108.17

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self. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on this property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWN-The sale date shown ER: on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (866)-960-8299 or visit this Internet Web site https:// www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx using the file number assigned to this case 2020-01524-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2023F-015 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Davari Tripidakis Law

#### Group / Greek USA Lawyers 12313 Emerald Way Oregon House, CA 95962 County of Yuba 1) DAVARI, Kalliopi Maria 12313 Emerald Way Oregon House, CA 95962

This business is conducted by an individual.

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(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed:

#### Kalliopi Maria Davari

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on January 17, 2023. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). DONNA HILLEGASS, County Clerk

NELIDA WILLIAMS Deputy Clerk January 27. February 3, 10, 17, 2023.

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2022F-337 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Dick's Dumping & Hauling** 4567 Arboga Road Olivehurst, CA 95961 County of Yuba

> 1) Richard Allen Perez 4567 Arboga Road Olivehurst, CA 95961

2) Jennifer Marie Perez 4567 Arboga Road

Olivehurst, CA 95961 This business is conducted by a married couple.

registrant The commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11-13-2020.

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#### **Richard Perez**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 9, 2022. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS, **County Clerk** NELIDA WILLIAMS **Deputy Clerk** Rerun 1-27, 2-3, 2-10, 2-17, 2023.

#### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023F-017 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SC Bookkeeping & Tax 7901 Hallwood Blvd Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba 1) Shonna Chandless 7901 Hallwood Blvd. Marysville, CA 95901 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant com-

menced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/01/2022.

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#### Signed:

**Shonna Chandless** 

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#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023F-011 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Dolita Creations** 1824 River Run Drive Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba 1) Dolita F. Martin 1824 River Run Drive Marvsville, CA 95901

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menced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 05/09.2022. (I declare that all informa-

tion in this statement is true and correct). Signed:

#### Dolita F. Martin

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on January 11, 2023. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). DONNA HILLEGASS, **County Clerk** NELIDA WILLIAMS Deputy Clerk January 20, 27. February 3, 10, 2023.

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2023F-020 The following person(s) is

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A-003 A-015 A-025, 026 & 027 A-029 A-033 B-038 B-040 C-006 C-020 RAYMOND JOHNSON D-015 MICHELLE ANDERSON I-011

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#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023F-013 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Importaciones Lupita's 525 E Street Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba

1) Ramon Antonio 1365 Tori Lane Yuba City, CA 95993

#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2023F-016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Asim Goods 5794 Grove Ave Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba 1) Asim Shaikh 5794 Grove Ave Marysville, CA 95901

NAMES: SHERI WARREN TAMI COLE DANIELLE SHURTZ **DIANA ELLIS** VINCENT ARNOTT MAURICE HARSTON VALENTIO BELL **RICHARD O'NEAL** LEE CARPIO

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Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt.

If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse.

The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BID-DERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itDate: January 6, 2023 Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/o 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 238 Ventura, CA 93003 Sale Information Line: (866) 960-8299 https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx

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#### **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT File No. 2022F-323

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Full Spectrum Performing** Arts Academy 409 4th Street Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba 1) Glen Hogue 417 7th Street Marysville, CA 95901 2) Alexander Yamada 417 7th Street Marysville, CA 95901 This business is conducted by Co-Partners.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

#### Signed: **Glen Hogue**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 6, 2022. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). DONNA HILLEGASS, **County Clerk** NELIDA WILLIAMS **Deputy Clerk** January 6, 13, 20, 27, 2023

#### NOTICE OF TRUTH ACT COMMUNITY FORM

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Government Code section 7283.1 (d), during a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday February 28, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Chambers, at the Yuba County Government Center located at 915 8th Street, Marysville California, a public community forum will be held to provide information to the public about Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) access to individuals that was given by County law enforcement departments and to receive and consider public comment. MARY PASILLAS

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(are) doing business as: Makes Family Honey 1914 Harris Street

Marysville, CA 95901 County of Yuba 1) Matthew Davis 1914 Harris Street Marysville, CA 95901 This business is conducted by an individual.

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(I declare that all information in this statement is true

and correct). Signed:

#### Matthew Davis

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Solar Kit Builder

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1) E-Comm Holdings, LLC 18752 Abernathy Road Challenge, CA 95925 This business is con-

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## Community **Events**

#### **\$25 FOR ALL CLASSES MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

EasyEverything and Native Reflections are offering half price classes with all supplies included. 325 D Street, Suite B, Marysville

Call either Debbie 530-300-2513 or Gina 707-266-4792 to find out classes available and to schedule an appointment.

#### **OLIVEHURST VFW POST 4095** BINGO 6 pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays 4965 Powerline Rd, Olivehurst. Info: 530-777-9057

Hilltop Gang Breakfast, 2nd Sunday of the Month at Brownsville Community Center downstairs on Ponderosa Way. Complete breakfast includes: Coffee, orange juice and peaches. Choice of ham or sausage. Choice of pancakes, french toast or biscuits and gravy. Adults \$8, Children under 12 \$4, 3 & under Free.

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9761 Marysville Road, Dobbins open is taking a break to celebrate the holidays with family and friends. We will be back Feb. 4th.

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# CLG NEWS UPDATES Hate Crime Defendant

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#### DOJ seizes more classified docs from Biden's Wilmington home after 12-hour FBI search

21 Jan 2023 | The Justice Department seized additional classified records from Joe Biden's Wilmington, Delaware, home after an FBI search on Friday, Fox News has learned. "On Jan. 20, 2023, the FBI executed a planned, consensual search of the President's residence in Wilmington, Delaware," Joseph D. Fitzpatrick, an assistant U.S. attorney to U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Illinois John Lausch, told Fox News Saturday. Lausch was the DOJ official running the investigation into Biden's improper retention of classified records ahead of the appointment of Special Counsel Robert Hur... The FBI search began Friday morning at 9:45 a.m. and concluded Friday night around 10:30 p.m.

#### Customs officials are seizing eggs [instead of fentanyl] at the U.S.-Mexico border

20 Jan 2023 | U.S. customs officials are cracking down on egg smugglers. With egg prices soaring in the U.S. over the last year, more Americans are crossing into Mexico to buy the food item and trying to sneak cartons of raw eggs along some areas of the southern border, including California and Texas. "We are seeing an increase in people attempting to cross eggs from Juarez to El Paso because they are significantly less expensive in Mexico than the U.S.," U.S. Customs and Border Protection spokesman Roger Maier told CBS MoneyWatch. "This is also occurring with added frequency at other Southwest border locations."

#### Border agents confirm 1.2 million 'gotaway' migrants under Biden administration – Illegal immigration continues to skyrocket under Biden

22 Jan 2023 | U.S. border agents have confirmed that 1.2 million illegal migrants "got away" from authorities while crossing the border under Joe Biden's administration, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) sources told Fox News on Sunday. CBP tracks hundreds of thousands of migrant encounters at the U.S.-Mexico Border every month, but that stat does not include the number of known "gotaways," or migrants who were detected by authorities but not apprehended. Since Biden entered office in January 2021, border crossings have exploded, and at least 1.2 million migrants successfully evaded authorities. The first half of Biden's four-year term saw monthly border encounters rise from 101,000 in February 2021 to 251,000 in December 2022, according to CBP stats.

#### Border Patrol nabbed 17 people on FBI terror watch list at southern border in December

21 Jan 2023 | Border Patrol agents stopped 17 people on the FBI's terror watch list at the southern border in December, bringing the total of individuals arrested at the southern border to 38 already for the current fiscal year. Customs and Border Protection's (CBP) latest numbers for December, released on Friday, revealed Border Patrol has arrested 17 people at the southern border whose names match on the FBI's Terrorist Screening Database (TSDB) - which contains information about the identities of those who are known or "reasonably suspected" of being involved in terrorist activities. December's numbers bring the total number of terror watch list arrests between the ports of entry to 38 since FY 2023 began on Oct 1. There were 98 terror watch list arrests in FY22, 15 in FY21 and just three in FY 20 at the southern border caught between ports of entry.

#### Where Did All the Workers Go?

20 Jan 2023 | In a November 30, 2022, speech on "Inflation and the Labor Market," Federal Reserve chairman Jerome Powell blamed most of the 3.5 million estimated shortfall in the U.S. labor force on premature retirements. He also blamed a large portion - between 280,000 and 680,000 - on "long Covid." In a footnote, however, Powell acknowledged a far more somber factor: an estimated 400,000 unexpected deaths among working age people... In 2020, Covid did not take very many lives of healthy young and middle-age people - for example, the types of people who are employed at large and mid-size companies and who have group life insurance. ...[G]roup life insurance benefit payments in 2020 were barely higher than in 2018... In 2021, however, group life payments exploded by 20.7 percent over the five year average and by 15 percent over the acute pandemic year of 2020. Why would healthy young and middle-age people suddenly begin dying in large numbers in 2021 when they'd navigated 2020 with relative success? Especially when we consider that in 2021, the US administered 520 million Covid-19 vaccine doses. Shouldn't healthy people employed in good jobs with good benefits, now protected with vaccines, have fared better in 2021 than in 2020?

# **Found Incompetent**

#### **Butte County District** Attorney Press Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Butte County Superior Court judge yesterday found the Chico man accused of committing recent hate crimes in Chico to be mentally incompetent to stand trial.

Thomas David Bona, 37, is presently in custody without bail facing vandalism, arson, and hate crime charges involving the burning and defacing of the sign of a Chico synagogue and a Chico mural. On November 16, 2022, his public defender expressed a doubt as to Bona's ability to understand the nature of the criminal proceedings against him. Bona was then evaluated by a court-appointed psychologist who opined Bona could not presently understand

the nature of the criminal proceedings or assist his counsel in the conduct of a defense in a rational manner. Based on the psychologist's report, the judge found Bona incompetent to stand trial.

Bona's vandalism charge stems from an October 7, 2022, incident where Bona was captured on surveillance video throwing a large rock through a window of a local Chico restaurant. Then, on November 2, 2022, a local synagogue's sign was found to be burned and marked with numerous swastikas.

After Bona's arrest, Chico police determined Bona was also responsible for damage to a Chico tribute mural to missing or murdered indigenous women. Similar to the synagogue's sign, the mural was marked with swastikas and hate messages.

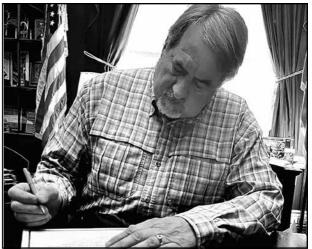
The Butte County District Attorney's Office filed a felony count of vandalism, and two counts of felony arson each including a hate crime allegation. At the time of the current alleged offenses, Bona was on supervised release from state prison where he had been sentenced to six years for previous hate crimes. If convicted of all counts and allegations on his current cases, Bona could receive up to nine years in state prison.

The next hearing is set for February 15, 2022, when the court will determine where Bona will be placed for treatment to regain competency to stand trial. Bona remains in custody on a no-bail hold for violating the terms of his previous prison release and \$150,000 bail for his new charges. ★

# **Prioritizing Rural America**

Commentary by Congressman Doug LaMalfa

Early Saturday, (January 8, 2022) morning I was sworn into my sixth term as a Member of the United States House of Representatives for the 118th Congress. I am ready to get to work implementing policies that benefit rural California and stop the bureaucratic assault on our freedoms from derailing our nation's prosperity. We don't need excessive government spending that drives up inflation further, green new deal policies taking away our water and land rights, or increased government surveillance of citizens - but these have been the priorities of the Biden Administration for the past two years. We need a reduction of overbearing taxes and fees that that make everything from gas, food, housing and electricity too expensive. We need to fund more water storage in the west to overcome drought and roll back on regulations that hinder quick, efficient construction. We need proactive wildland management to remove overgrowth, minimize the risk of catastrophic wildfires, bring jobs to rural areas, and restore health to our forests. We need safer towns and cities, and the only way to achieve that is by overhauling our soft-on-crime laws and supporting law enforcement properly. These are the things we need, and the policies that I will continue championing for this session. In the first few days of the new session I will introduce critical pieces of legislation that will give certainty to farmers and irrigators and hold the Bureau of Reclamation accountable for proper water delivery. Additionally, I have reintroduced my bill from last Congress to exempt thousands of fire victims who are receiving compensation from the Fire Victim Trust from having to pay federal income tax on their settlement money or attorney fees that are included in the settlement. I introduced this bill with Congressman Mike Thompson from Napa last year, and we had it included in the end of the year government funding package before all tax and disaster relief provisions were removed. It is frustrating that Fire Victim Trust beneficiaries still have this needless tax headache and uncertainty. Fire victims need for this to get done immediately. With this new Congress also comes new district lines, due to the 10-year Census and redistricting process



Representative Doug LaMalfa. Courtesy photo

as done by the California Citizens Redistricting Commission. I still represent Butte, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Tehama, and Siskiyou Counties, and will now add the counties of Colusa, Sutter, and a portion of Yuba. As such, California's First District loses Plumas,

wildland firefighters. I also focused on getting financial relief to wildfire survivors. In December, a bill I introduced to protect survivors of natural disasters by preventing FEMA from taking back their disaster relief funds for their bureaucratic mistakes was signed into law.

#### Federal agencies withholding data behind pilot heart condition change, COVID vax stroke reversal

20 Jan 2023 | Federal agencies are withholding the data behind recent decisions that relate or may relate to COVID-19 vaccines and severe adverse events, fueling speculation that they are putting both vaccinated and unvaccinated lives at risk. The Federal Aviation Administration told Just the News it widened the acceptable range of heart rhythms for commercial pilots, who were initially subject to industry-wide vaccine mandates, in light of "[n]ew scientific evidence" that it has yet to specify. The Oct. 26 update to the heart arrhythmias section of the FAA Guide for Aviation Medical Examiners made two key changes. The agency raised the maximum so-called PR interval for first-degree atrioventricular block to 300 milliseconds, with no regard to age, on the list of "normal variants" that don't require deferment in the absence of "symptoms or AME concerns." FAA spokesperson Ian Gregor provided a modified version of the statement the agency released last spring after American Airlines pilot Robert Snow blamed his in-flight cardiac arrest on coerced vaccination.

#### 'Bombshell' Emails Reveal Fauci Was Part of NIH and Who Conspiracy to Silence Wuhan Lab Leak Theory

21 Jan 2023 | Dr. Anthony Fauci, once considered America's top Covid doctor, conspired with influential scientists around the world, including at the World Health Organization, to quell concerns that SARS-CoV-2 may have leaked from the Wuhan Institute of Virology, newly un-redacted emails show. The newly released emails raise questions about Dr. Fauci's motives in dispelling public scrutiny over the potential the novel coronavirus had escaped from the Wuhan laboratory. Fauci had misled Congress over the extent that the National Institutes of Health had funded the Wuhan lab as a subcontractor of EcoHealth Alliance. The Wuhan laboratory was also funded by the Pentagon, contract awards show. The un-redacted NIH emails show how public questioning that SARS-CoV-2 may have escaped from a laboratory was a concern for the group's scientists lest it become a "conspiracy theory."

#### FDA assigned Pfizer's COVID vaccine a license number months prior to actually licensing it

6 Jan 2023 | Back in July 2020, when the U.S. Government committed to purchasing millions of doses of Pfizer's Covid vaccines prior to the vaccines actually being authorized for use in the American public, some wondered whether the FDA's "review" process for granting Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) was just a mere formality... Based on an FDA document that ICAN's (Informed Consent Action Network) attorneys recently obtained, it appears we can now say that the FDA's post-EUA procedure for determining whether to formally license Pfizer's Covid vaccine was indeed just that - a mere formality. On June 17, 2021, the FDA drafted a memo announcing that it was issuing a license number for Pfizer's Covid vaccine. But the FDA didn't actually license the Pfizer's Covid vaccine until several months later on August 23, 2021. In the document, the FDA makes the stunning admission that, while granting a BLA license number prior to actual licensing was a "deviation from [the FDA's] normal practice," it was doing so to "facilitate product labeling and distribution" because it had reviewed "much" of the information in Pfizer's licensing application.

Sierra, Nevada, and Placer Counties. As such, my staff is in the process of moving our Auburn office location to Yuba City. Look for our opening soon!

#### 2022 in Review

Even though the House was in the minority for the last four years, we had some successes working on the needs of rural America and Northern California. The legislation that I introduced in this past session was focused on helping my constituents by repealing burdensome government regulations, combatting overreach from the Biden Administration, and helping California recover from wildfire damage while enacting common-sense measures to help prevent future wildfires.

Combatting overreaching COVID-19 policies and medical tyranny from the Biden Administration was a major focus. It is not the place of the government to mandate that Americans get vaccinated, especially against their will. To this end, I introduced several bills to keep the COVID-19 vaccine voluntary, and to forbid businesses, government agencies, Amtrak, and airlines from denying services to people based on their vaccination status.

After another deadly fire season in Northern California, reforming the federal government's fire management systems and getting relief to victims of wildfires was as important to my staff and I as ever. I introduced several bills to motivate the Forest Service to fight fires before they become out of control, to increase vegetation management practices to reduce risk of fire, and increase pay of

As always, my offices strive for excellent customer service and work to help our constituency. I'm pleased to report that my office directly helped 421 residents with individual casework involving federal agencies. My office recovered \$5,198,516 in funds from the IRS, VA, or Social Security Administration. Most of this money was already owed to them by these agencies, but they were either being slow in processing or refusing to pay their obligations. Additionally, my Washington, D.C. office managed to work around overbearing COVID restrictions, leading 62 Capitol tours to Northern California residents who came to visit our nation's capital city.

Over the past two years, I was able to obtain nearly \$31 million through the new Community Project Funding process, bypassing lengthy and costly bureaucratic actions that only delay important community work and siphon away dollars that could be used in the projects. By working with county governments, local agencies, and special districts, a total of 21 projects were prioritized and had Federal funding approved. These priority projects included \$5 million for wildfire defense and evacuation routes, \$4 million for broadband expansion, \$3 million for veterans' facilities, and \$7 million for various Sheriffs Offices and Police Departments to be used for body-worn cameras, new radios and communications infrastructure, drones for search and rescue, vests and other personal safety equipment. For transparency, information on each project I supported can be found on my website ★

# Blood Sweat and Tears: A Dad, a Son, and a Gym

#### By John Raspanti

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - The gym is situated off an alley in an older part of town.

The door to the red square building is old and scarred, like a face that's taken to many blows.

Creaking steps lead to the entrance which is covered with pictures of a fighter over the words "Rest Easy Taj Fields."

Boxing lore is filled with places like this. The young Cassius Marcellus Clay (later Muhammad Ali) learned to box in a basement gym in Louisville, Ky. "The Brown Bomber," Joe Louis, found boxing at a Brewster Recreation Center in Detroit, Mich. Brewster's was small, smelly, and cramped, but soon became a second home to Louis, and sometime later, another youngster, born Walker Smith, who would be known to the world as Sugar Ray Robinson.

If there had been no tiny gym in Kentucky, and a recreation center in Michigan, the boxing world might have never witnessed the boxing prowess of Ali, Lous, and Robinson.

Without these work-aday places, their dreams migh have died.

Hit Squad Boxing is such a place. Once a nightclub, the gym found life in 2004. The man who opened it was a fighter of some renown. His talent was obvious to those who worked with him. He lived boxing to the fullest. To him, there was nothing else. As a young boy, he grew up listening to his grandmother tell stories about her cousin, professional boxer Joe Vargas, who fought for a world title in the 1920s.

The young man could feel her pride with every word she spoke.

"My dad was ten when he walked from Marysville to a gym in Yuba City to learn how to box," said Miguel Fields, son of Taj Fields. "It was owned by Mr. Romero. He watched world champions Bobby Chacon and Tony Lopez train."

Three years later, Fields was in Oakland working with Charles King in a rundown gym made famous years later by Olympic gold medalist, and world champion, Andre Ward.

"My dad had a pretty stellar amateur boxing career," the younger



Miguel Fields, stands ready to fight, trained in the sport by his father, Taj Fields. Miguel continues his father's legacy, opening his own gym Hit Squad Boxing Center at 414 E Street, Marysville to train up-and-coming boxers. Flores says, "My father was a special person." Photo provided by John Raspanti

introduced to Sammie Lacross, Bill Silva, and Louie Jordan.

"It was my lifetime opportunity to learn with experienced trainers," said Fields.

Soon, his dad was back in the picture.

"My dad was a perfectionist," Fields said. "He was all about standards. We're in the gym and my dad pointed out a fighter who wanted to go to the Olympics. Dad told me, 'You see him? You've jumped more rounds than him. "He planted it in my head at a young age about what a work ethic was. "'If someone beats you, son," he told me, "I'm OK with that. That's part of the game. We'll come back, but if you lose by getting tired - that's not

Then we'd argue."

The professional ranks beckoned, but disagreements had become commonplace. Even Fields' boxing style was a point of contention.

"I was a boxer-puncher, Dad was a slugger," recalled Fields. "I came up in the era of (Hall of Famer) Roy Jones. Drove my dad crazy. He always said, "keep your hands up." Everything he told me needed

community, no one has ever done," Fields said. "He put this community on his back for these kids. Dad wanted to train a world champ, but



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A few months later, still aimless, Fields received a call from a young kid his dad had been training. The kid needed a trainer. He wanted Fields to train him, but the answer was no. The kid persisted. Finally, Fields agreed.

"We would meet at a school and later at a church garage," remembered Fields.

"One day I heard a knock at my door," said Pastor David Dena. "It was Miguel. His dad used to come here. The gym was shut down after the shooting. He told me he had to do something to help the kids. I told him to go for it. We had some bags in the garage."

Soon, Fields was training several youngsters.

"It felt so natural," Fields said.

"When you give, you receive," Dena said.

The training helped Fields mourn, but his sorrow ran deep.

"I had a lot of regrets," Fields said. "Sometimes I'm upset with my own dad, even though he had passed away, and other days I'm upset with myself."

Fields then made a decision he wasn't sure he could keep. He would reopen his dad's gym.

"I didn't know if I had the courage, "Fields said. "I've been here (in the gym) since I was thirteen years old. There's so much history."

And ghosts of the past in every corner. But Fields soon realized that even with the pain, came redemption. The gym was like home. His joy was obvious when the doors reopened to his dad's sanctuary nearly a year after his dad's tragic death.

Fields felt reborn.

"It gave me power, said Fields. "I had the keys back."

Losing the gym had been almost as bad as his dad's shocking death.

Success soon followed. Fields has trained two Northern California champions, a 2021 National Junior Olympics Silver medalist, and has two boxers, Kaden Freeman, and Felix Guzman, ranked in the top five. He has high hopes for

Fields said.

Taj Fields won over 100 fights, capturing the top spot in many California tournaments. He split two fights with future world champion Clarence "Bones" Adams and was crowned California State Golden Gloves Champion in 1996.

Fields was a dad at 17 and a professional fighter soon after. The to be said. I was just young and hardheaded."

Fields wanted to be his own man. "I'd be getting ready for a fight, we'd have a fight, I'd go stay with my mom," Fields said. "Happened a bunch of times. I was also drinking and smoking. Being a world champion has been a dream of mine since I was four years old. I'd be home and see these other guys getting opportunities. I was lost."

More arguments, more silences.

"I know dad was training a top ranked fighter, "Fields said. "We were in one of those things when we weren't talking."

his life. My little brother went to get help. He had to step over my dad's body. He's my hero."

Fields saw what was happening and shielded his son. The assailant fired several shots, all striking Fields who died where he fell - exiting the gym he loved.

He was 42.

Information came out later that the shooter was a friend of the family who worked at the gym.

"He had a lot of talent, but started hanging with the wrong crowd," Fields said. "He went to jail and was later treated for schizophrenia. After he got out of jail, my dad wanted to help him out. He started helping in the gym, but he was still having mental issues.

"We got close over the years. The guy was like a brother to me. He told me one time that my dad was more of a dad to him than his own dad. I never thought he would do anything. He waited for my dad to come down the stairs..."

Senseless. Fields was numb. And lost. The gym went dark.

"What my dad did in this

16-year-old Guzman.

More importantly, Fields feels centered. As much as he misses his dad, he doesn't brood about it.

"I've made my peace," he says with a smile. "Now that I'm older, I know that everything my dad was trying to do, he had my best interests in doing it. He needed boxing. He did everything to the best of his ability."

Fields is the man at the gym. He's Coach Fields. Pictures of his dad adorn the walls as if watching over him.

"That was the cloth I was cut from," Fields said. "This is my paradise. I felt so bad before when the kids in the community weren't getting a chance to do stuff. That hurt."

The feeling is alive and electric in the gym. Kids smile. And work. Hard. Fields watches over all them as his dad used to.

As hard as it is to walk up the stairs where his dad died, Fields does it. It feels right.

Somewhere Taj Fields is smiling down and filled with pride.

He lives on through his son.  $\star$ 

acceptable."" future looked rosy until an injury

at his day job ruined his hip. Fields, who had compiled a record of 10-1 as a pro, was finished as a boxer. He was 24 years old.

He channeled his love of boxing to his young son, Miguel. They'd be a team.

"I can remember training next to my dad here in Marysville when I was four years old," says Miguel Fields with a smile. "There were times it was fun, and times when it was hell"

But Fields knew that his dad was molding him into a good fighter. A family problem caused the thenseven-year-old Fields to train in Modesto. Through his dad, he was

The boxing ring elicits many memories for Fields. Photo provided by John Raspanti

"I was up at four am running miles. If it wasn't up to his standards, there would be a problem. But there weren't many problems, because I knew what he expected."

Fields, like his dad, would win a number of amateur tournaments. He made it to the National Silver Gloves - competing with future professional champions Rasheen Warren, Adrien Broner, and Danny Garcia. His record was an outstanding 30-4, but there were problems between father and son.

"I didn't fight that much," said Fields. "Dad wanted everything to be ready and perfect. I'd train for six to eight weeks and no fight.

Honoring thy father. A small shrine-like area is dedicated to Taj Fields, amateur boxer and later, trainer at his son's gym, Hit Squad Boxing. Photo

being here with the kids was his calling. He was a special person."

Near the anniversary of his dad's death, Fields woke up one day and asked himself what the hell he was doing. Not much, he answered. Soon after, he made a decision. He would fight, not in the amateurs, but as a professional. He had no choice. The itch was back. The dream of being a champion still burned. He had to find out.

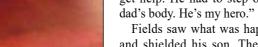
"I lost sixty pounds in three months," says Fields shaking his head. "I had to fight for my mental health. For dad. But he wasn't here to train me. First time."

Fields thought he would be fighting someone of equal inexperience but ended up tangling with the Mexican National champion. He did pretty well in the early going but grew weak after losing so much weight. He ended up getting stopped.

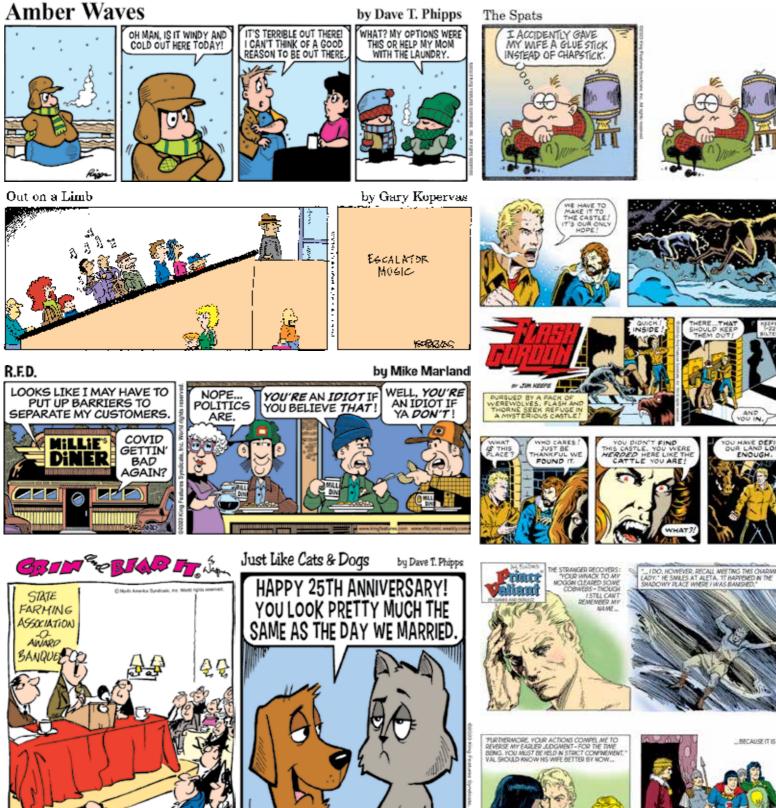
Disappointed and angry, Fields searched for answers.

"I was upset with boxing," said Fields. "I put my blood, sweat and tears into this. I knew I had the skills."

The months dragged by. November 2, 2016, seemed like a normal day until the unthinkable happened. Fields hadn't spoken to his dad in eight months. "I was sleeping. My Mom comes into the room screaming," said Fields. "Dad had been shot. We provided by John Raspanti didn't know who did it. My little brother was with my dad. He saved



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# Hot Air Balloon Lands Safely



Photo from one of our Officer's body camera showing the balloon landing. Photo courtesy Yuba City Police Department

#### From Yuba City Police Department

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - This evening some of you may have seen a hot air balloon flying over town. The certified pilot was using the balloon at a local event, near Butte House Road and Stabler Lane, as a prop for children to take photos in.

During the event, a gust of wind blew

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the balloon into a parked vehicle. In order to cause minimal damage, the pilot, who was the only occupant, lifted the balloon into the air, and flew it until there was a safe and suitable location to land. The balloon was able to land near Live Oak Boulevard and Downie Street.

No one was injured during the incident and the FAA was contacted.  $\bigstar$ 



#### LOCAL FISHING

We took a passel of kids to Rancho Seco Recreation Park. This 400 acre park has an old 160 acre nuclear cooling pond fed by the Folsom South Canal. The pond is chuck full of bass, bluegill, crappie, redear sunfish, and catfish, also on this sunny day many pounds of catchable rainbow trout were planted. Electric boats, rowboats, canoes, and sailboats are available for rental, but the kids chose to fish from the banks. In this way they could scurry back to the picnic area, and grab a quick snack, before hurrying back to their favorite fishing spot. Fishing gear, worms, chicken livers and selected lures were provided, along with several avid adult instructors. The fish out was enjoyed by all, and will be repeated soon.

*P.S. I know that we need the rain, but it did not rain this day.* 

#### SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

San Pablo Bay; halibut on the bite. USE: Live Anchovy. (a) Delta 7-Mile Slough; 5-6 lb. stripers. USE: Sardine. (a) Headline News: "Striped Bass Bootleggers Nabbed in the Delta"

Five striper fishermen were apprehended in the San Joaquin Delta, they hid illegal small stripers in their hip boots. Definition of Bootleggers: In the 1920's, illegal traders of goods smuggled items in tall boots.

#### **COASTAL WATERS**

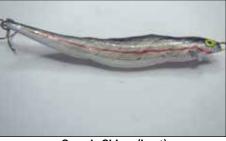
Diabolical weather keeps Charter Boats in port. Capital Wharf broke in half,



Capital Village flooded. Stinson Beach; surf perch bite getting better. USE: Lucky Craft Jerk Bait. (a)

#### LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS

Lake Oroville; slow dragging for bass...USE: Ned Rigs. (a) Lake Amador trout; bank anglers. USE: Power Bait. (b) {Five pound Cutbow released.} Pyramid Lake, Nev. Shore fishermen doing well... Fly fishermen. USE: Popcorn Beetle. (b)



Speedy Shiner (bent)

Folsom Lake; Lake level fluctuating? Some trout to 3 lbs. USE: Speedy Shiner (bent). (a) Lake Almanor, Hamilton Branch. Mix of rainbows and browns. USE: Rapalas. (a)

#### RIVERS

Sac. River system: Sturgeon fishing will get better once the river stabilizes. USE: Salmon Roe, Eel. (a) Rio Vista/ Antioch Bridge. King tide 7.2 ft high. American River; fluctuating flows of 35,000-7,000-10-000 CFS hamper steelhead fisherman. Spinning... USE: Shrimp w/ Soft Red Bead behind Bobber. Note: A surprise Chinook Salmon was hooked. Immediately released. Season Closed.

Jumpin Jehoshaphat (\*Jumping gee hosa fat). Its raining cats and dogs out here, but no fish descending.

\* 1800s minced oaths. Something to use as a swearword. **BROWNIE** 



State Fast-tracks Groundwater Recharge Pilot Project to Capture Flood Waters



#### **DWR News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) is partnering with the State Water Resources Control Board to fast-track efforts to capture flood waters to recharge groundwater basins. Water captured during extreme wet periods such as the one California is now experiencing will be stored in groundwater basins for use during dry periods.

Governor Newsom's "California Water Supply Strategy, Adapting to a Hotter, Drier Future" calls on DWR and the State Water Board to work with local agencies to significantly expand the State's ability to capture water from winter storms and adapt to more extreme weather patterns caused by climate change. DWR and the board are working together to expedite the regulatory steps necessary to store significant rainfall and excess water underground, while still ensuring protections for the environment and other water users as required in State law.

"The State is capturing more water supply by accelerating groundwater recharge permitting and projects that mitigate the impacts of prolonged drought and support long-term sustainable groundwater management," said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. "Projects that capture available precipitation, stormwater, or floodwaters to recharge depleted groundwater basins need to be ready to capture high flows when they are available during each wet season, typically October through April in California."

The State's efforts reached a milestone January 6 when the State Water Board approved a six-month permit that will enable multiple landowners to divert excess flows from Mariposa creek near the City of Merced to recharge a key groundwater basin. The Merced Project permit, the first approved under a new pilot regulatory assistance program, is expected to pave the way for future projects to allow water from wet-weather storms to be captured and diverted. The permit will cover multiple diversions by multiple landowners in a coordinated fashion managed by a groundwater sustainability agency.

The pilot program began in August 2022 with an application from the Merced Irrigation District and the Merced Irrigation-Urban Groundwater Sustainability Agency to divert and store water from the Mariposa creek. The permit application authorizes diversion of up to 10,000 acre-feet of water from the creek during periods of high flows that would otherwise likely flow through the system. The Merced Subbasin is one of 21 basins in the state of California identified as Critically Overdrafted by DWR.

"The review process for these permits is complex and must consider impacts to the environment and existing water rights, including those dependent on specific Delta conditions and state and federal water project requirements," said State Water Board Chair Joaquin Esquivel. "In acknowledgement of this complexity, we have streamlined the process so we issue them in a timely way and help local agencies succeed in capturing stormwater for recharge and bringing stressed groundwater basins into balance."

Since 2016, the State Water Board has approved 20 temporary permits. Currently there are five applications pending, with two more projected to be approved next week. The remaining three are going through a public noticing process.

As part of the Newsom's Administration water supply strategy, the State is looking to expand groundwater recharge by at least 500,000 acre-feet in potential capacity. By expediting groundwater recharge projects, the State can help local agencies prepare now to take advantage of future heavy precipitation events. Early pilot project efforts, like the Merced Project, will demonstrate the feasibility of capturing available high flows for groundwater recharge while minimizing flood risks, and provide insight to support further streamlining of this process.

Groundwater basins serve as the state's water savings account and are intended to provide a reliable water source when we have less rain and snowmelt. As weather patterns have become more variable and extreme from the effects of climate change, resulting in more frequent and consequential droughts and high flow events, replenishment of depleted groundwater basins is an essential part of California's long-term water resilience and drought mitigation efforts. Significant expansion of groundwater recharge projects such as the Merced Project will be required to support environment, agricultural uses, and ability to withstand future droughts.

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