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Teaming up for Training



Recently personnel from Beale AFB flew a T-38 into SMF to conduct a familiarization exercise with SMF staff. Photo courtesy Sac County Media

By Scott Johnson, Sacramento County

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - It's not uncommon for anyone traveling through Sacramento International Airport (SMF) to see a military aircraft, from nearby Air Force bases, operating on our runways and in our airspace.

Military cargo planes like the giant Lockheed C-5 Galaxy cargo plane, as well as the smaller and much more nimble Northrop T-38 Talon trainer, frequently use SMF and Mather Airport (MHR) for training.

"We are very proud to partner with our military colleagues and we are happy to provide them this opportunity," said Cindy Nichol, Director of Airports, Sacramento County Airport System.

Other military aircraft, including the Boeing C-17 Globemaster III, the McDonnell Douglas KC-10 Extender, and the Boeing KC-135

Stratotanker can also be seen conducting pattern and approach training exercises at SMF and Mather.

This is done for a variety of reasons, the most important being pilot familiarization for both military and commercial use airports.

Operating from a military airfield and into a commercial airport can provide a different environment for both military pilots and commercial aviation personnel. For the pilots of these aircraft, it's important to interact with civilian air traffic controllers and with civilian airfields in general.

"The reality is they need that training because they don't just use specific military airfields," said Joe Conklin, SMF Senior Airport Manager. "They have to be very familiar with different types of airport environments. It's important for them to understand that process."

Recently personnel from Beale AFB flew a T-38 into SMF to

conduct a familiarization exercise with SMF staff to share valuable information by taking a first-hand look at a T-38. SMF does not have a T-38 to train with, so SMF Airport Fire, Operations and Sherriff's deputies took the opportunity to educate themselves on things like how to release a canopy, make safe the ejection system and a variety of other life safety items.

"Should an incident ever occur at any of our Airports, this face-to-face and hands on training will make the response and recovery on both sides more efficient. It is important to sit down and talk about the needs and requirements on both side in advance; during any emergency is not the time to build those relationships," said Sheri Thompson-Duarte, Deputy Director, Operations & Maintenance.

Further site visits by aircraft from Travis AFB are currently being planned. ★

Economic Development Corporation Continues Investment in Local Businesses

By Brynda Stranix, Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation have raised \$125,500 through their investor's program to help businesses reopen, rebuild and recover amid the pandemic.

"The work YSEDC did for our business community by offering zero-interest loans at the onset of the pandemic and then subsequent management of grant programs throughout the region was a lifesaver for my business. Not only were they efficient in getting the money out to small businesses like mine but the assistance they provided in assembling Profit and Loss Statements was immeasurable. The P&L exercise reminded me of the importance of a monthly review, which I will continue to do going forward. I can't thank them enough for the assistance they provided." - Mary Jane Griego, Owner Duke's Diner

Program investments, including a recent one from Sutter Health, helps YSEDC provide financial and technical support to businesses through the pandemic and beyond. In addition to its Small Business Emergency Economic Relief program, YSEDC offers other support to the Yuba-Sutter region through its core programs. These core programs include business attraction, business retention and expansion, infrastructure enhancement and a revolving loan program.

To date, YSEDC and its community partners have provided grant and loan assistance to 355 businesses that represent 1,982 jobs and 36 non-profit organizations. YSEDC will continue assisting the counties with their grant programs as funds come available.

"We are truly grateful to partners like Sutter Health for selecting the Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation to help our local businesses survive the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic," said Brynda Stranix, President of the Corporation. "These funds will go a long way in our efforts to build a robust and vibrant Yuba-Sutter region, which helps contribute to the health of our overall community." ★

Running Out of Water and Time

By Julie Cart and Rachel Becker, CALMatters.org

When James Brumder and his wife Louise Gonzalez moved into their home tucked up against the mountains northeast of Los Angeles, he applied all his know-how to the task of undoing the thirsty garden they inherited.

Brumder, who worked for a commercial landscaping company, pulled up their weedy, unkempt lawn in Altadena and replaced it with native grasses, filled in garden beds with species that could make a living off the region's fickle rainfall, installed drip irrigation, set up rain barrels and banked soil to collect any errant drops of water. Whenever the backyard duck pond - a blue plastic kiddie pool - was cleaned, the water was fed to drought-adapted fruit trees.

It was 2013, a year



"I always felt like I might be the last one in the family to run cattle. I've just had a bad feeling. And this (drought) kind of makes it real, like my bad feeling was justified," said rancher Megan Brown of Oroville - Photo by Anne Wernikoff, CalMatters

before a statewide drought emergency was declared, but even then the water crisis was apparent to Brumder and most everyone in California: A great dry cycle had come again. Four years later, it receded

when a torrent of winter rains came. The drought, finally, was declared over.

Generals know that you always fight the last war. So California - already in the clutches of another drought emergency - is

looking over its shoulder at what happened last time, anticipating the worst and evaluating the strategies that worked and those that failed.

So is California in a

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Tips for 2021 Graduates to Prepare for a Fiercely Competitive Job Market

Commentary
by Krista Wignall

Colleges may return to normalcy in a few months as the rollout of COVID-19 vaccines continues. Meanwhile, in sharp contrast to that positive news, millions of college students will graduate this spring facing bleak employment prospects.

The COVID-19 pandemic caused unemployment to soar in 2020 and is expected to affect the job market for graduates again this year. Some labor analysts see the pandemic perhaps having this ripple effect on graduates for years to come. These sobering trends are why students should expand their preparation for the job market and know what action steps they need to take, says Vince Thompson (www.meltatl.com), founder and CEO of the marketing agency MELT and author of Building Brand You: How To Use Your College Experience To Find And Win Your First Job.

“Thanks to COVID-19, if you’re in college right now or recently graduated, you’re facing the toughest job market in our lifetime,” Thompson says. “With so many people unemployed and displaced, people will be willing to take a lesser job for a lesser salary just to get back in the market.”

“To use a fishing analogy, it’s going to take a lot of casts to get a few bites for interviews and ultimately land the job. But don’t let that discourage you. Instead, let it inspire you to grow and learn what you need to know to set yourself apart from other candidates. It’s all about positioning yourself



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by building your resume, brand, and your network. And being enthusiastic about the process.”

Thompson suggests the following tips for soon-to-be graduates as they prepare for a fiercely competitive job market:

Build your brand. The job market is so competitive that companies are looking for far more than candidates with a high GPA. “Hiring managers often seek well-rounded young people who can communicate, collaborate and create,” Thompson says. “They’re looking for people who have been active outside the classroom as well – in clubs, the community, volunteer work, etc. All of these aspects are part of your

brand. Also, the new litmus test in the job market will be, ‘What did you do to improve yourself and others during COVID? Or did you do nothing and feel sorry for yourself?’ Employers are going to be looking for those intangibles.” Organize your marketing playbook. “Utilizing a complete marketing playbook means leveraging your abilities and interests on social media platforms,” Thompson says. “This is where you display your public brand. Your profile, posts, photos, and videos reflect what you’re about. It’s key that your presentation and message are consistent on each platform that you use.”

Expand your networking. “Today, about 75

percent of new hires happen through networking,” Thompson says. “Build a target list of people to contact at companies that are hiring. Join discussion groups on LinkedIn that can expand your contacts and your knowledge. Connect with thought leaders and ask them questions to gain insight.”

Upskill. “Companies want young people who are versatile and able to learn new skills quickly,” Thompson says. “Research skills required in fields that you’re pursuing and get credentialed through online training programs. If opportunities are far fewer in your chosen field, research where your best skills apply in other industries.”

Prepare for virtual interviewing. “When you interview in person, your body language, enthusiasm, handshake and small talk help build a connection with the interviewer,” Thompson says. “Being interviewed on a screen demands that you be fully engaged, establish a rapport, have continual eye contact and express yourself clearly.”

“How you stand out from the crowd has always been the differentiator in hiring,” Thompson says. “It’s much a bigger crowd now for fewer jobs, so the importance of preparation in all facets has never been more important.”

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MELT, one of America’s most successful sports marketing and branding agencies, and author of Build Brand You. An award-winning brand builder and sports marketer, Thompson has worked on brand strategies for some of the most famous brands in the world, including The Coca-Cola Company and Aflac. Thompson has been named one of Atlanta Business Chronicle’s “Most Admired CEOs,” among the “500 Most Influential Atlantans” by Atlanta Magazine, the American Diabetes Association’s “Father of the Year,” one of Sports Business Journal’s “Power Players,” and was listed by BizBash as one of the top 1,000 people in the event industry. ★



Memorial Day May 31, 2021

A Grateful Nation Remembers ceremonies — at noon May 31 at Calvary Christian Center, 2620 Colusa Highway, Yuba City. Closing ceremony for the Freedoms Heroes War Terror memorial is at 3 p.m. **There will also be a ceremony at 10 am on May 3**

The Museum of the Forgotten Warriors — Open from 9 a.m. - until people quit coming on Memorial Day. Museum is located at 5865 A Road in Linda. There are no special services planned.

Memorial Day

at some of our local cemeteries:

Brownsville Cemetery will have flags on Veterans’ graves.

Browns Valley Cemetery will have flags on Veterans’ graves. Will highlight graves of selected wars and plan on opening the newly restored mausoleum. 11 am to 2 pm.

Peoria Cemetery will have flags on the Veteran’s graves.

Strawberry Valley Cemetery will have flags on the graves and will have a small ceremony at 4 pm.

Keystone Cemetery will have flags on the Veteran’s graves.

Sutter Cemetery, will have their Avenue of Flags.

Live Oak Cemetery will be putting flags on graves and lining the streets with flags.

Gridley-Biggs Cemetery will place crosses and flags at Veteran’s graves on Friday, May 28. On Saturday Casket flags will be placed and on display all weekend. There will be a ceremony at 10 am Memorial Day with a fly by by Beale Air Force.

Wheatland Cemetery will not have a Memorial Day service this year. The Wheatland Cemetery District Board of Trustees and the American Legion Post 789 will ensure that all veteran graves are marked with a cross and an American flag to honor these brave men and women’s sacrifices for our freedom.

Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture Awarded Grant from California ReLeaf

By David Read, Yuba Sutter Arts

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - “I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree,” or so goes the famous poem by Joyce Kilmer. Trees are lovely indeed especially when considering the many benefits they bring to any environment. Thanks to a grant recently awarded to Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, trees along with poems, murals and QR code accessible videos will soon brighten the Olivehurst landscape.

So what’s it all about? Proposition 68 was passed by California voters in 2018. It created Restoration Grant Programs to improve a community’s ability to adapt to the unavoidable impacts of climate change and natural disasters like floods and fires and to help enhance drought tolerance, landscape resilience, and water retention, restore habitat and create recreational opportunities.

California ReLeaf, a lead agency for the project in collaboration with CAL FIRE’s Urban and Community Forestry Program, have been giving grants to local nonprofits to plant trees to help reduce greenhouse gasses. There are other tree planting projects currently underway statewide, the most recent of which is Olivehurst.

The \$100,000 grant will fund a collaborative project with Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture as the lead agency along with the South Yuba County Rotary Club and SayLove. The plan calls for the planting of 300 trees at various sites including Lindhurst High School, Yuba Gardens Middle School, the American Legion grounds, Yuba County parks,

Yuba College, the Olivehurst Public Utility District office complex and a new Habitat for Humanity housing development. The locations are primarily in Olivehurst due to its designation as a reforestation disaster relief zone.

So where’s the art in all of this and why is Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture the lead? The grant comes along with a mandate to not only plant trees, but to also provide an educational component. Each site that receives trees will also receive a custom created pop-up mural. Each mural will be unique and will be designed by artists or art students. The visual art will be enhanced with poetry or prose related to trees and the environment. Each 4’x8’ mural will also have a QR code which will enable access to a video with a special message about trees and the environment covering the aesthetics as well as scientific value.

“We decided to undertake this project to again demonstrate our spirit of collaboration with so many groups in the community,” said David Read, Executive Director. “We are proud of all we have achieved and work hard every day to demonstrate how our creative and cultural community is an essential part of economic development for the region,” he added.

California ReLeaf works statewide to promote alliances among community-based groups, individuals, industry, and government agencies, encouraging each to contribute to the livability of our cities and towns and to protect our environment by planting and caring for trees. ★



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Running Out of Water and Time



Trucks are parked along the waters edge in the dry lakebed at Lake Folsom, a state reservoir. The water level is currently at about 48% of historical average. Photo by Anne Wernikoff, CalMatters

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better position to weather this drought? Some things are worse, some better: Groundwater is still being pumped with no state-wide limits, siphoning up drinking water that rural communities rely on. In northern counties, residents are reliving the last disaster as water restrictions kick in again, but in the south, enough water is stored to avoid them for now.

The good news is that in urban areas, most Californians haven't lapsed back into their old water-wasting patterns. But, while some farmers have adopted water-saving technology, others are drilling deeper wells to suck out more water to plant new orchards.

The upshot is California isn't ready – again.

"We are in worse shape than we were before the last drought, and we are going to be in even worse shape after this one," said Jay Lund, co-director of the Center for Watershed Sciences at University of California at Davis.

The most acute problem, experts say, is the lack of controls on groundwater pumping.

"Despite increasingly occurring droughts, we could be doing much better than we are doing," added Peter Gleick, co-founder of the Pacific Institute, a global water think tank. "We manage finally to get some statewide rules about groundwater, but they are not going to be implemented for years." As a result, he said, aquifers are still being over-pumped and land is sinking.

Three-fourths of California is already experiencing extreme drought, a designation that only hints at the trickle down of impacts on people, the environment and the economy. Nature's orderly seasons are upended: As the winter so-called "wet season" ended, Gov. Gavin Newsom declared a drought emergency in 41 counties.

This year's drought is steadily approaching the peak severity of the last one, climate experts say. It's a dangerous benchmark: 2012 through 2015 was the state's driest consecutive four-year stretch since record-keeping began in 1896.

Much of the state has received less than half of average rain and snow-fall since October, with some areas seeing as little as a quarter. For most of Northern California, the past two years have been the second driest on record.

The Sierra Nevada snowpack, which provides about a third of California's water, dwindled to 5% of average this month, equaling April 2015's record-low percentage. That signals trouble for California's reservoirs – even before the long, dry summer begins.

Already, the water stored in major reservoirs is far below normal as some

ivers' runoff has dipped below the last drought's levels. Lake Oroville, which stores water delivered as far away as San Diego, has dropped to just under half of its historic average for this time of year.

Megan Brown, a sixth-generation cattle rancher in Oroville, worries that climate change might finally make her the last of her family to run cattle in California. Dry pastures can force ranchers to sell livestock or buy expensive feed.

Usually, she said, the hills on her ranch are as green as Ireland in the spring. But by the end of April, dry golden grass had already started to claim the slopes. The blackberry-lined creek on Brown's ranch is so parched that her dogs kick up clouds of dust as they nose through the rocks.

All Californians were ordered to conserve, and state officials in 2015 mandated a 25% statewide cut in the water used by urban residents. Homeowners used smartphone apps to turn in neighbors for oversprinkling their lawns, and cities hired water cops to enforce the rules. Hotels notified guests of reduced laundry service. In restaurants, glasses of water that used to automatically appear were served only after patrons requested them.

Agriculture took a \$3.8 billion hit from 2014 through 2016. More than a half-million acres of farmland was taken out of production for lack of irrigation water, and an estimated 21,000 jobs were lost in 2015 alone.

The astonishing aridity also killed more than 100 million trees and weakened millions more, setting off a catastrophic cascade: The carpet of dead trees added fuel to California's wildfire epidemic. Fire season stretched year-round and into normally damp parts of the state.

As rivers heated up, their flows dwindled and about 95% of endangered winter-run Chinook salmon were lost below Shasta Dam in two consecutive years. A record number of commercial and recreational fisheries were shut down, and countless ducks and other waterbirds died as wetlands vanished.

Droughts are expensive for taxpayers. The legislature appropriated \$3.3 billion toward drought response from 2013 to 2017, including \$2.3 billion in voter-approved bonds. About \$68 million was spent on emergency drinking water for communities where wells went dry, but the biggest chunk funded projects to begin augmenting supply, such as more water recycling and groundwater management.

Now, to address the current drought, the Newsom administration has proposed spending another \$5.1 billion, for a start. But the "start" may be already too late. ★

Between 2013 and 2016, Californians on average reduced their residential use by 30%. Since then, per capita water use has ticked up, but Californians used 16% less water in recent months than they did in 2013.

The state's cobbled-together policies of carrots and sticks managed to reduce water consumption in cities statewide. California officials toughened standards for toilets, faucets and shower heads and ramped up efficiency requirements for new landscaping. Millions of dollars in rebates were offered by state and local water agencies to coax Californians into replacing thirsty lawns.

Katie Roberti of the California Cattlemen's Association told CalMatters that ranchers are facing the most severe conditions in decades. "Without precipitation many California cattle producers are going to be forced to make the difficult decision to reduce the size of their herds, some more drastically than others," she said.

Megan Brown, the Oroville rancher, already sold a third of her cattle – including all of her replacement breeders that replenish her herd – after the dry 2020 winter, when the grasslands they forage on dried up.

"We were ahead of the game because we saw the writing on the wall," she said. "If you don't have the grass, you're not going to make the money."

She sold "anything that looked at me funny, or had an attitude, or I thought would fail or wouldn't make me money," she said. "It was hard, some of these cows I've had for ten years."

The US Department of Agriculture declared a drought disaster that allows growers and ranchers to seek low-interest loans.

But Brown refuses to accept a loan. "Our family history has a saying that if you can't buy it in cash, you can't really afford it."

Brown has seen back-to-back calamities hit her land: drought, torrential rains and then fires that destroyed wooden flumes that ferry water from the west branch of the Feather River to Oroville and landowners like her along the way.

"It's all these things, bam, bam, bam, bam, bam – every year. It's not supposed to be like that. We're supposed to have these once in a generation," Brown said. "It's more. It's worse."

She's already weighing how to adapt her ranch to a changing California, such as raising heritage hogs and turkeys instead of cattle, and wondering whether there's a future in emus.

"It hurts, man, it hurts your soul," Brown said. "I always felt like I might be the last one in the family to run cattle. I've just had a bad feeling. And this kind of makes it real, like my bad feeling was justified." ★

The Weight of Memorial Day



For countless families across the nation, Memorial Day is a stark – and often painful – reminder of those loved ones who were never afforded the opportunity to be honored as veterans. Image by Matt Sawyers from Pixabay

Commentary by Robert Graves

For the second year in a row, Memorial Day may look a little different than in years past. However, the spirit of the day, along with our memories and emotions, remains the same. For countless families across the nation, Memorial Day is a stark – and often painful – reminder of those loved ones who were never afforded the opportunity to be honored as veterans.

Their sacrifice is a true expression of selfless service – something no one would pick for themselves. Whether they volunteered to fight in a war, served at a time of peace or never expected to wear our nation's uniform until their draft number came up, they represent the best America has to offer.

We feel their losses, from the sacred and silent hills of Arlington National Cemetery to the many other final resting places worldwide. Far too many mothers, fathers, siblings and children feel the immense weight of seeing an empty chair at the table year-round.

This fall marks the 20th year we've been at war, longer than any American conflict that came before. About 2.7 million Americans have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, over half of whom deployed more than once. Those returning veterans are now our fellow community members, neighbors and friends, who can speak of the bravery and sacrifices known only to those who witnessed it firsthand.

There are also incredible accounts of courageous heroes who cannot speak for themselves. For example, Sgt. 1st Class Alwyn Cashe will become the first black service member to receive the Medal of Honor for actions in Iraq or Afghanistan.

At 35 years old, and on his second deployment to the war-torn country following the 2003 invasion, Cashe didn't hesitate to sacrifice himself to save his fellow soldiers. His Bradley Fighting Vehicle had struck a

roadside bomb and was soon engulfed in flames. Drenched in fuel and under enemy fire, Cashe entered the blaze not once but three times to pull others out of the vehicle.

Cashe sustained second- and third-degree burns to more than 70% of his body, but despite his severe injuries, he insisted on being the last soldier on a medical evacuation helicopter.

Four of those soldiers perished, and Cashe succumbed to his injuries 22 days later, joining the ranks of those taken away far too soon.

While it is impossible ever to know what was going through his mind in those chaotic yet critical moments following the attack, we may catch a glimpse of what it could have been by listening to Medal of Honor recipient Army Capt. Florent "Flo" Groberg. With another soldier's help, Groberg put himself between a suicide bomber and a dismounted patrol in Afghanistan in 2012. Although Groberg thankfully survived, four soldiers were killed.

Groberg has said, "In combat, there might be a moment where you have to make a decision that will more than likely dictate whether or not you live or die. When you are willing to put yourself in front of that bullet, in front of that suicide bomber, in front of that mortar, in front of anything that is going to kill you for your men – that's love."

We know Cashe loved his soldiers – he made the ultimate sacrifice for them. The harsh reality of war, and military service in general, is that, sadly, not everyone will make it home.

As we gather together – whether safely in person or online – let us honor the memory of those heroes no longer with us, and let us strive to live up to the example set by such selfless patriots today and every day.

Robert Graves is California Director of Operations Department of American Veterans, California. ★



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Newsom Transforms Taxpayer Protection into Welfare



Ted Gaines

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California actually has a government spending limit, hard as that may be to believe, and Gavin Newsom is making a mockery of it, just as his predecessor did.

In 1979, a year after signing off on the revolutionary Proposition 13, voters passed Proposition 4, implementing the “Gann Limit,” which would peg California’s state spending to the 1978-79 level and only let it grow adjusted for inflation and population. State revenues above the voter-approved limit can be reckoned with several different ways, including refunding half of the excess revenues to taxpayers, with the other half going to schools.

Newsom is choosing the refund path for this year’s massive Gann Limit excess, which is currently estimated at \$16 billion dollars. But instead of sending their money back to the taxpayers in relation to how much they paid, giving everyone a slice of the rebate in proportion to their tax contributions, Newsom is turning the program into a giant transfer payment scheme.

Paul Gann, the father

of Prop. 13 and the name-sake of this taxpayer protection plan, would be dumbfounded by Newsom’s willful misunderstanding and shameless appropriation of his taxpayer-protection initiative.

The wealthiest taxpayers in this state, the top five percent, paid nearly 70-percent of California income taxes last year. Those citizens were also supposed to get relief from the Gann Limit. Instead, they get nothing.

Newsom is sending rebates to the bottom two-thirds of tax filers only. What about the top-third, who paid a whopping 97-percent of the total income taxes in 2018, for example? In Newsom’s redistribution plan these top payers are simply out of luck, even though it’s their payments providing the bulk of the excess. And before you shout, “tax the rich!” understand that in that same tax year, we are talking about people making \$60,000 a year.

It’s great that the Governor wants to help taxpayers during the pandemic, even though it was state policy that caused so much of the damage to small businesses and killed so many jobs. If the governor and legislature want to make more direct payments to citizens out of the general fund, after Gann Limit refunds have been fairly distributed, be my guest.

In fact, I challenge Governor Newsom and the legislature to find ways to make the state more affordable and livable for all citizens, starting with lower taxes on personal income, on business income, on gasoline, and by eliminating

green energy mandates that have forced our electricity prices up 9-times faster than the national average over the past decade. These steps would help every day of the year, not just on the day he announces his budget.

Getting money back into the hands of job-creators – by lowering costs and equitably rebating the Gann Limit dollars – would actually fuel a California rebound.

But to repurpose a taxpayer protection act, approved by voters, into a new tax and welfare plan, is bad-faith politics and speaks to why Newsom is facing a recall.

Governor Brown’s 2017 budget dodged the Gann Limit by magically reclassifying \$22 billion in spending as neither state nor local, as required by the original Proposition, making it disappear, along with the hopes of fiscal conservatives.

Brown would not adhere to the mandates of the 1979 Gann Limit reform; he tricked his way past the law and shafted taxpayers along the way. Apparently, Governor Newsom was watching and learning, waiting for his own opportunity to betray the intent of California’s voters.

Mission accomplished. Newsom’s plan is ugly political alchemy, where he mutates a rebate program into a new tax on the homeowners, small business owners, teachers, police and other middle-class people who will be paying the taxes they will never get back. He should refund ALL taxpayers according to their tax payments and quit manipulating the Gann Limit for his political needs. ★

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Awards \$54,500 to Support Literacy and Education

Dollar General Literacy Foundation Press Release

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN (MPG) - The Dollar General Literacy Foundation announced the award of approximately \$55,000 in literacy grants to California nonprofit organizations. These grants are part of the Dollar General Literacy Foundation’s recent \$10.5 million donation to support summer, family and adult literacy programs, representing the organization’s largest one-day grant donation in its 28-year history.

A comprehensive list of grant recipients may be found online at www.dgliteracy.org. The grants awarded to California organizations are expected to positively impact the lives of more than 3,069 residents.

“We understand the meaningful impact that the Dollar General Literacy Foundation investments and grants can have on local schools, nonprofits and libraries, and we are pleased to provide our largest one-day grant award to serve additional students this year,” said Todd Vasos, Dollar General’s CEO and Dollar General Literacy Foundation board member. “Our support of communities’ educational advancements remains unwavering. We are proud to champion the positive work by each of today’s recipients and are happy to help individuals increase their potential and pursue their dreams of a better tomorrow through the power of education and literacy.”

Grant recipients plan to use awarded funds to promote literacy and learning across a variety of programs including promoting childhood summer reading, helping adults learn to read and prepare for the high school equivalency exam and helping individuals to learn English.

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is also currently accepting applications for youth literacy grants through Thursday, May 20, 2021 until 10 p.m. CT. Youth literacy grants support schools, public libraries, and nonprofit organizations in implementing new literacy efforts or expanding existing ones. Funding can be used to purchase new technology, equipment, books, materials,

or software to enhance literacy programs. Grant applications may be found online at <http://www.dgliteracy.org>.

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation supports organizations that increase access to educational programming, stimulate and enable innovation in the delivery of educational instruction and inspire a love of reading. Each year, the Dollar General Literacy Foundation awards funds to nonprofit organizations, schools, and libraries within a 15-mile radius of a Dollar General store or distribution center to support adult, family, summer, and youth literacy programs. The Foundation also offers a student referral program for individuals interested in learning how to read, speak English, or prepare for the high school equivalency exam. Referrals to a local organization that provides free literacy services are available online here or through referral cards found in the Learn to Read brochures that are available at the cash register of every Dollar General store.

For additional information, photographs or items to supplement a story, please visit the Dollar General Newsroom or contact the Media Relations Department at 1-877-944-DGPR (3477) or via email at dgpr@dollargeneral.com.

The Dollar General Literacy Foundation is proud to support initiatives that help others improve their lives through Doliteracy and education. Since 1993, the Foundation has awarded more than \$197 million in grants, helping more than 14 million individuals take their first steps toward literacy, a general education diploma or English proficiency. Cal Turner, Jr. founded the Dollar General Literacy Foundation to honor his grandfather and Dollar General’s co-founder, J.L. Turner, who was functionally illiterate having dropped out of school in the third grade to support his family. The Foundation aims to provide support to schools, libraries and nonprofit organizations that seek to improve adult, summer, youth and family literacy initiatives. To learn more about the Dollar General Literacy Foundation, visit www.dgliteracy.org. ★

Employers Face Liability by Requiring COVID Shots

Liberty Counsel Press Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - The new guidance from the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) states that employers could be held liable if they mandate employees to take COVID-19 injections as a condition of employment and then they experience adverse reactions.

Under a “Frequently Asked Questions” section of OSHA’s website it states: “If you require your employees to be vaccinated as a condition of employment (i.e., for work-related reasons), then any adverse reaction to the COVID-19 vaccine is work-related. The adverse reaction is recordable if it is a new case under 29 CFR 1904.6 and meets one or more of the general recording criteria in 29 CFR 1904.7.”

Recording requirements of serious work-related injuries and illness may leave employers with worker’s compensation claims and impact their safety record.

To avoid potential liability, employers should not require employees to receive any COVID shot.

Some employers are now offering financial incentives, opportunities to win prizes, or paid time off to receive the COVID shots. Employees who chose not to receive the “voluntary” injection and therefore miss an opportunity to receive a prize could argue they suffered “repercussions” for their choice. In



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addition, the “professional advancement” of an unvaccinated employee who is not permitted to work at a particular job site may be affected. However, OSHA’s new guidance does not address these specific situations.

one of the COVID shots are approved or licensed by the FDA. They come under the Emergency Use Authorization, which means they cannot be forced or required.

On March 27, 2020, the Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary declared that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use (EUA) of drugs and biological products for COVID-19. That means people must be told the risks and benefits, and they have the right to decline a medication that is not fully licensed. The same section of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act that authorizes the FDA to grant EUA also requires the secretary of Health and Human Services to “ensure that individuals

to whom the product is administered are informed ... of the option to accept or refuse administration of the product.”

In addition to this federal law, the FDA includes the Nuremberg Code and the Helsinki Declaration on its website, emphasizing the fact that people cannot be forced to take experimental drugs without their full consent. Learn more at LC.org/Vaccine.

Liberty Counsel Founder and Chairman Mat Staver said, “Forcing employees to receive one of these experimental COVID injections is a violation of federal law. The COVID injections are not licensed by the FDA and are still in the investigation and experimental phase. No employer or government may force or coerce anyone to take these injections. Federal law requires full informed consent. Employers that require employees to take a COVID shot may be held liable for adverse reactions and death.” ★

PG&E Tips to Protect Against Scammers

By **Paul Moreno, PG&E**

SAN FRANCISCO, CA (MPG)

- With utility scams on the rise during the current pandemic, it is more important than ever for customers to be vigilant and to know what steps to take to prevent themselves or their families from falling victim.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, scammers have gotten deceptively creative with increased calls, texts, emails, and in-person tactics and are contacting electric and gas customers asking for immediate payment to avoid service disconnection. These impostors can be convincing and often target those who are most vulnerable, including senior citizens and low-income communities. They also aim their scams at small business owners during busy customer service hours.

However, with the right information, customers can learn to detect and report these predatory scams.

As a reminder, PG&E will never contact a customer for the first time within one hour of a service disconnection, and will never ask customers to make payments with a pre-paid debit card, gift card, any form of cryptocurrency, or third-party digital payment mobile applications. Here are some steps customers can take to protect themselves and their families against being victimized: **Register for My Account** - PG&E reminds customers that they can visit PGE.com and register for My Account. Signing in will provide instant access to balance information, payment history and other account details and will provide a first line of defense against scam. If a customer receives a call from someone requesting

immediate payment, they can log in to My Account to confirm whether their account is in good standing. Customers can also call PG&E Customer Service at 800-743-5000 if they think that they are being targeted by a scam. **Add a Family Member to Your Account** - As an added layer of protection, customers can designate family members or another trusted individual to speak on their behalf to PG&E call center representatives. For example, an elderly parent could authorize an adult child to speak to PG&E on their behalf and make that person their first call should they receive a call threatening disconnection. The adult child could then call PG&E to confirm their account details. To designate an individual to speak to PG&E on your behalf, contact 800-743-5000.

“Scammers are constantly changing their tactics and tricks, so awareness is more important than ever to keep our customers safe,” said Melissa Munoz, PG&E Contact Center Operations Director. “If an email, visit to your home or phone call doesn’t feel right, don’t fall for it. Delete it, shut the door or hang up. And, as a reminder, PG&E will never ask for your financial information over the phone or via email.”

Signs of a potential scam - Threat to disconnect: Scammers may aggressively demand immediate payment for an alleged past due bill. If this occurs, customers should hang up the phone, delete the email, or shut the door. Customers with delinquent accounts receive an advance disconnection notification, typically by mail and included with their regular monthly bill. **Request for immediate payment or**

a prepaid card: Scammers may instruct the customer to purchase a prepaid card then call them back supposedly to make a bill payment. PG&E reminds customers that they should never purchase a prepaid card to avoid service disconnection or shutoff. PG&E does not specify how customers should make a bill payment and offers a variety of ways to pay a bill, including accepting payments online, by phone, automatic bank draft, mail or in person at an authorized PG&E neighborhood payment center.

Refund or rebate offers: Scammers may say that your utility company over-billed you and owes you a refund, or that you are entitled to a rebate. Again, customers should immediately hang up and call PG&E Customer Service to confirm details. **“Spoofing” Authentic Numbers:** Scammers are now able to create authentic-looking 800 numbers which appear on your phone display. The numbers don’t lead back to PG&E if called back, however, so if you have doubts or have seen any of the above warning signs of a scam, hang up and call PG&E at 1-800-743-5000. If customers ever feel that they are in physical danger, they should call 911.

Customers who suspect that they have been victims of fraud, or who feel threatened during contact with one of these scammers, should contact local law enforcement. The Federal Trade Commission’s website is also a good source of information about how to protect personal information.

For more information about scams, visit www.pge.com and www.utilities-unioned.org. ★

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Merriam-Webster Alters Definition of 'Anti-Vaxxer' to Include Opponents of Mandatory Vaccination | 15 May 2021 | Recently, the Merriam-Webster dictionary (also called "The Ministry of Truth" in some circles) decided to broaden the scope of how to define the word "anti-vaxxer." Merriam-Webster's website now defines "anti-vaxxer" as "a person who opposes vaccination or laws that mandate vaccination." In other words, any person who does not believe in forcing a needle in the arms of others now falls under this term, regardless of their personal views on vaccines. "Welcome to '1984.' This is the Ministry of Truth," rapper and podcaster Zubey said on Twitter, in reference to George Orwell's dystopian novel.

Knock, knock. Have you had your vaccine yet? California sends out thousands to check | 19 May 2021 | Right now, thousands of people are out knocking on doors in order to get as many Californians vaccinated as possible. The state of California has kicked in 10 million to fund the effort, which is being led by Healthy Future California and UCLA, in partnership with 70 community-based organizations. There are an estimated 2,000 people who are employed "to make peer-to-peer appeals and provide support to help overcome barriers to vaccinations," according to Gov. Gavin Newsom's office... According to an April Public Policy Institute of California poll, nearly one in five Californians said they would either wait a year to get the vaccine or wouldn't ever get vaccinated.

OSHA Imposes New Guidance for Employer-Required COVID-19 Vaccines – Contractors criticize mandate to classify adverse reactions as recordable safety incidents | 3 May 2021 | New guidance from the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration is causing contractors to change their COVID-19 vaccine requirements, and many of them criticize the guidance as diametrically opposed to the Biden administration's stated desire to increase vaccinations. On April 20, OSHA released the new guidance in the frequently asked questions section of its website for COVID-19 safety compliance. The question asks whether an employer should record adverse reactions to COVID-19 vaccination if the employer requires the vaccine. OSHA states that if a vaccine is required, then any adverse reaction is considered work-related and therefore it must be recorded.

Starbucks, Walmart, Costco, Trader Joe's, Publix no longer require masks for vaccinated customers. | 15 May 2021 | A day after the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued new masking guidelines, retailers started announcing changes to mask policies for fully vaccinated customers. Trader Joe's, Walmart, Sam's Club, Costco, and Publix were the first to confirm updates to mask requirements, leading the way for mask-free shopping except where required by state or local mandate. In some cases, vaccinated store employees can also go to work without a mask... Starbucks updates its policy starting Monday and makes masks "optional for vaccinated customers beginning Monday, May 17, unless local regulations require them by law."

Biden admin diverts \$2B from COVID, health spending to care for migrant kids – Secretary Xavier Becerra pulled 850 million more out of a fund meant to replenish the Strategic National Stockpile | 18 May 2021 | The Biden administration has pulled more than 2 billion out of programs authorized by Congress for COVID-19 testing, emergency medical supplies and other health needs – and is spending it on shelter for the 45,000 unaccompanied migrant children that have flooded across the US border this year. The Department of Health and Human Services siphoned 850 million out of funds allocated for testing in Joe Biden's massive 1.9 trillion coronavirus relief bill, Politico reported Saturday. ★

Business Roundtable Calls on Governor & Legislature to Prioritize Unemployment Insurance Fund Debt

By Brooke Armour, California Business Roundtable

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The U.S. Treasury released its guidance on how states can use their share of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, which were part of the American Rescue Plan passed by Congress earlier this year. Under the guidance provided today, states can use their portion of the more than \$350 billion allocated by Congress on myriad COVID-19 related activities, including paying down a state's Unemployment Insurance (UI) Fund debt.

"While we are all celebrating a record \$75.5 billion surplus, we cannot forget the state also has a \$20 billion UI Fund debt. Now that we have clear guidance from the U.S. Treasury how the \$26 billion in unallocated federal aid California will receive can be used, the California Business Roundtable is calling on Governor Newsom and state leaders to prioritize paying down the state's record UI Fund debt with these federal funds," said Rob Lapsley, president of the California Business Roundtable.

California's UI debt is now more than \$20 billion, and it is growing at approximately \$1.2 billion per month. The current debt is more than double the debt the fund incurred

during the Great Recession. That debt took more than 10 years to pay off. Given the boom-bust cycle of the California budget, it is likely the current debt could not be paid off at our existing pace before another recession would drive the fund into further debt. This situation would result in constantly rising employment taxes just as businesses are struggling to rehire their workers, and undermines the fiscal integrity of a key element in California's income safety net.

"Addressing the UI Fund debt is a critical part of the state's economic recovery. The massive debt is a looming threat for every business in California. If unaddressed, the debt will lead to an automatic tax increase on every business in the state at a time when they can least afford it. California businesses already pay the highest UI Fund payments, plus a 15 percent premium that was added to pay off the last debt. Businesses did not cause this recession and should not bear the burden of paying off this debt," Lapsley continued. "Businesses need certainty more than ever right now, not even more threats of higher taxes. The governor and Legislature should take action now and help ensure businesses reopening after more than a year of closure can afford to stay open well into the future." ★

Inflated Job Numbers Prop Up Bullet Train



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

Whenever politicians spend large sums of taxpayer money on pet projects, they invariably overstate their supposed economic benefits, particularly creating oodles of "good-paying jobs."

They all do it, using a deceptive assumption that if one worker works one day on the project, it's counted as a "job."

Ralph Vartabedian, a reporter for the Los Angeles Times who – thank goodness – specializes in telling us what's really happening, or not, in the state's woe-begone high-speed rail project, punctures its job creation myth in a recent article.

Vartabedian cites a banner on a bullet train viaduct in Fresno claiming "5,000 jobs and counting" but reveals that while consuming many billions of dollars, the project has employed only about 1,000 construction workers at any one time.

"The boast of 5,000 jobs refers to the number of workers dispatched from union halls," he wrote. "Each time a worker is sent to a job site, whether for one day or hundreds of days, it counts as a job for the purpose of the banners."

"Rail authority Chief Executive Brian Kelly

defended the worker count as a valid measure of progress, saying the authority has been doing it for years."

In other words, since inflated job numbers have been used for years, Kelly would have us believe it's a valid practice.

In fact as Vartabedian discovered from analyzing bullet train data, "hourly workers have received about \$265 million of the \$6.1 billion that has been spent on construction, representing just 4%. Of the total \$8.1 billion spent on the project, the labor portion is even smaller, 3%. The \$265 million is less than what the rail authority spends every three months."

The much-inflated job creation claims are important because construction union support has been one of the most important factors in keeping the project alive despite lacking a rational justification.

The original vision, backed by voters, was for a statewide north-south system of high-speed travel, but no one ever came up with a plan for financing such a system, which would cost upwards of \$100 billion.

The Fresno structures, dubbed "Stonehenge" by local critics, are part of a very limited stretch in the San Joaquin Valley, financed by some state bonds, a federal grant and a share of proceeds from the state's auctions of greenhouse gas emission permits. At the moment, it would run from a few miles north of Fresno to a few miles north of Bakersfield.

Gov. Gavin Newsom came close to killing the project after taking office in 2019, only to back-track under pressure from construction unions.

Newsom then declared that he wants to expand the current project northward a few miles to Merced and southward a few miles to Bakersfield, assuming that someday it could be connected to the Bay Area and Los Angeles. But that also added billions of dollars to the projected costs.

Newsom's latest budget proposal would appropriate \$4.2 billion from remaining voter-approved bonds to advance his version of the project and mentions "potential federal funds" to fill the remaining financial hole – a reference to President Joe Biden's ambitious infrastructure program.

However, Newsom's plan doesn't sit well with some legislative leaders who would prefer improving commuter transit. Some bullet train money has already been shifted to electrifying the Caltrain commuter service on the San Francisco peninsula, and Southern California lawmakers, led by Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, want similar diversions for their region.

The commuter projects would probably use inflated job creation claims as well, but at least they would be serving real needs, rather than a unrealistic pipedream.

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

Gallagher Questions Governor's 'Transformational' Budget Proposal



James Gallagher

By Curtis Grima,
Office of Assemblyman
James Gallagher

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Assemblyman James Gallagher (R-Yuba City), released the following statement in response to Governor Newsom's 2021 May Revision:

"The Governor is right that this is a transformational time in our history. But the question is: What is California transforming into?"

Newsom in transforming us into a communistic dystopia where government is big, all-encompassing and mostly contributing to the problems we face. Blackouts and catastrophic wildfires have become the norm. Homelessness has skyrocketed. Affordability and access to housing, education, and overall quality of life are getting exponentially worse.

We need transforma-

tional policies that: Allows people to work more freely and flexibly (Repeal AB 5). Addresses climate change and our environment without putting people out of work and pricing us out of California. Brings greater understanding and reconciliation on issues of race instead of further dividing us with reparations and critical race theory. Allows innovation, not stagnation, in our education system so that all kids receive the best education possible. Puts Government to work for us, instead of the other way around." ★

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LIVE OAK CEMETERY DISTRICT
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RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-3
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
LIVE OAK CEMETERY DISTRICT
CONFIRMING INTENT TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Live Oak Cemetery District, acting as the legislative body of the Live Oak Cemetery Maintenance Assessment District, has previously ordered through Resolution 96-02 and 96-05 the formation of an assessment district pursuant to the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972, known as the Live Oak Cemetery Assessment District, for the purpose of financing certain cemetery facility improvements as specified in the District's Master Plan and for the purpose of funding maintenance operations of those facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, through Resolution 96-02 and 96-05, has ordered that the cemetery improvements specified in the original 1996 Engineer's Report, be constructed, and has estimated that the cost of such proposed cemetery improvements is greater than can be raised from a single annual assessment, and has ordered that the estimated costs of these improvements, other than the costs of maintenance and servicing, be raised by an assessment levied and collected in annual installments over a period of 20 years, commencing in fiscal year 1996-97 and ending after fiscal year 2015-16; and

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, April 13, 2016, the Board adopted a resolution, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code sections 22608 and 22585 et seq., declaring the intention to extend the annual assessment period an additional 20 years, setting a public hearing for June 8, 2016 and requiring that the notice of public hearing and assessment ballots be mailed to all District property owners as shown on the equalized tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the June 8, 2016 public hearing, the Board directed the Clerk to tabulate said votes; and

WHEREAS, the assessment ballots submitted, and not withdrawn, in opposition to the proposed assessment did not exceed the assessment ballots submitted, and not withdrawn, in its favor; and

WHEREAS, because there was no majority protest, the Board may proceed with this Resolution of intent to levy and collect assessments for fiscal year 2021-2022.

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Sections 22622, 22623, 22565 and 22661 authorize the preparation of an Engineer's Report on an annual basis which shall describe any proposed new improvements or any substantial changes in existing improvements, set forth an estimate of the costs of any improvements and/or maintenance, specify a diagram for the assessment district, specify the amount to be assessed upon various types of assessable lands within the assessment district, and include in the estimate and the assessment for fiscal year 2021-2022 the total amount of the annual installment assessment ordered in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, an Engineer's Report for fiscal year 2021-2022, as authorized and ordered by the Board, has been prepared, which Engineer's Report generally describes the general nature, location, and extent of the new improvements or any substantial changes in existing improvements and maintenance, provides an estimate of the costs of any proposed new improvements or substantial changes in existing improvements and refurbishments and maintenance, sets forth a diagram for the assessment district, specifies the amounts to be assessed upon various types of assessable lands within the assessment district, and sets forth the total amount of the annual installment assessment for fiscal year 2021-2022 ordered by this Board of Trustees in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, this Engineer's Report has been approved by the Board of Trustees of the Live Oak Cemetery District pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 22624,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, FOUND DETERMINED AND ORDERED as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The Board finds:

- the preceding recitals are correct;
- compliance has been had with all requirements of the Landscape and Lighting Act of 1972 and section 53753 of the Government Code;
- the tally of the assessment ballots timely received was in favor of the assessment as set forth above;
- the Board may proceed with the levy and collection of assessment as set forth herein; and,
- Said assessment is a valid property-related fee as defined in Article XIII D, section 6(b) of the California Constitution:
 - Revenues from the fee shall not exceed the funds required to provide the property related service: maintenance and expansion of the cemetery for exclusive use of property owners and families.
 - Revenue derived from the fee is not used for any purpose other than that for which the fee was imposed. The fee provides only for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery.
 - The amount of the fee imposed upon any parcel or person as an incident of property ownership does not exceed the proportional cost of the service attributable to the parcel. The fee provides only for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery.
 - The fee is imposed for a service that is actually used by, or immediately available to, the owner of the property in question. The charge provides for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery which is available to the persons paying the charge and not available to the general public.
 - The fee is not imposed for general governmental services where the service is available to the public at large in substantially the same manner as it is to property owners. The charge provides for the expansion and maintenance of the cemetery which is available to the persons paying the charge and not available to the general public.

Section 2. Declaration of intent to levy and collect assessments pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 22631.

- Said assessments will be levied and collected within the boundaries of the Live Oak Cemetery Maintenance Assessment District, which comprises all that area lying within the boundaries of the Live Oak Cemetery District. A full and detailed description of the boundaries of the Assessment District and the parcels of land within the district is contained within the Engineer's Report.
- The Board of Trustees declares its intent to continue to levy and collect assessments for fiscal year 2021-2022 within said District at a rate of \$23.52 per year per single family residential unit, apartment unit and/or condominium, all as set forth in the Engineer's Report. This is the same rate as that of the prior fiscal year. The total number of parcels to be assessed and an estimate of total annual assessment revenue are contained within the Engineer's Report. The estimated cost of the proposed cemetery improvements specified in the Engineer's Report is greater than can be raised from a single annual assessment, and therefore, the estimated cost of these improvements, other than the cost of maintenance and servicing, will be paid for by this assessment, which will be levied and collected in annual installments over a period of 20 years commencing in fiscal year 2016-17 and ending after fiscal year 2035-36.
- Improvements within said assessment district to be funded by said assessments shall include construction of expanded cemetery facilities at Live Oak Cemetery and ongoing maintenance items as detailed within the Engineer's Report which is incorporated herein by this reference.
- Reference is hereby made to the Engineer's Report which is on file with the Clerk of the Board for a complete description of proposed improvements to be undertaken in fiscal year 2021-2022 and thereafter, the cost thereof, and the proposed assessments upon assessable lots and parcels of land within the proposed assessment district.
- The Board hereby declares that this resolution of intention constitutes a notice of hearing regarding its intent to levy and collect assessments within the assessment district for fiscal year 2021-2022. This hearing shall be held at a meeting of the Board of Trustees on June 9, 2021, at 5:00 P.M., at the office of the Live Oak Cemetery District, 3545 Pennington Road, Live Oak, California. The clerk is hereby directed to publish this notice as a notice of hearing in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to the requirements of Government Code Section 6061.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the Live Oak Cemetery District this 12th of May, 2021, by the following vote:

YES 4: TRUSTEES: Scott Davis, Frank Spengler, Reyes Nava, Annette Bertolini
NOES 0: TRUSTEES:
ABSENT 1: TRUSTEES: Debbie Charlesworth
ABSTAIN 0: TRUSTEES:

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Chairperson
[Signature]
Secretary

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-106**

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

Rainbow Butterfly
9735 Stackhouse Ln.
Oregon House, CA 95962
Yuba County
1) Sorana Alexandra
Codrescu
13944 Concord Trail
Oregon House, CA 95962
This business is conducted by an individual.

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:
Sorana Alexandra Codrescu.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on April 21, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

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TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-107**

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

CWM Family Farm
11627 Oak Ridge Trail
Marysville, CA 95901
Yuba County
1) Yvonne Carey
11627 Oak Ridge Trail
Marysville, CA 95901
2) Steven Carey
11627 Oak Ridge Trail
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/22/2021.

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

Signed:
Yvonne Carey.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on April 22, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

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TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By MANDY LUIS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-123**

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

Reaching For Faith Ministries
714 10th St., Suite C
Marysville, CA 95901
Yuba County
1) Nancy Lynn Belser
167 Nantucket Way
Yuba City, CA 95993
2) Lyneda Patrice Lincoln
4277 Larson St., Unit 61
Olivehurst, CA 95961
This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1/11/2020.

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

Signed:
Nancy Belser.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on May 3, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

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TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By MANDY LUIS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-112**

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

Chester's International
5416 Lindhurst Ave
Marysville, CA 95901
Yuba County
1) Highway 70 Chevron
5416 Lindhurst Ave
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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:
Tejinder Singh Deol.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on April 26, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

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TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-113**

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

Magoo's Pizza
5416 Lindhurst Ave
Marysville, CA 95901
Yuba County
1) Highway 70 Chevron
5416 Lindhurst Ave
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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:
Tejinder Singh Deol.

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By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-116**

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

Sweet Diane's
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PO Box 763
Oregon House, CA 95962
Yuba County
1) Diane Astarita
9103 Nadowa Trail
Oregon House, CA 95962
This business is conducted by an individual.

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:
Diane Astarita.

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TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
May 7, 14, 21, 28, 2021.

T.S. No. 20-00832-NS-CA Title No. DS7300-20002606 A.P.N. 044-300-025-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 06/11/2007. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Janice A. Brauneisen, an unmarried woman as her separate property Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 06/15/2007 as Instrument No. 2007R-010262 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Yuba County, CA. **Date of Sale: 06/10/2021 at 1:30 PM Place of Sale: At the Front Entrance to the County Courthouse, 215 5th Street, Marysville, CA. 95901** Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$292,403.09 Street Address or other common designa-

tion of real property: **11439 Township Road Browns Valley, CA 95918 A.P.N.: 044-300-025-000** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be 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 the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown 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 postpone-

ments 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 or visit this Internet Web site www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 20-00832-NS-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. Date: 05/05/2021 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 855-219-8501; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com By: Rachael Hamilton, Trustee Sales Representative 05/21/2021, 05/28/2021 06/04/2021. CPP351079

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. 2021F-137**

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

Tiny Babes Studio
1460 Beford Street
Olivehurst, CA 95961
Yuba County
1) Jessica Basting
1460 Beford St.
Olivehurst, CA 95961
This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/01/2020.

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

Signed:
Jessica Basting.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on May 17, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

(I Herby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

TERRY A. HANSEN,
Clerk
By SARAH MULL,
Deputy Clerk
May 21, 28, June 4, June 11, 2021.

Death Notices

STRIPE – James Thomas Stripe, 88, of Browns Valley, passed away May 20, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

WIEHL – Jonnie Wiehl, 87, of Yuba City, passed away May 22, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

JAVED – Khalid Javed, 52, of Live Oak, passed away May 22, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

FLORES – Isabel Flores, 90, of Yuba City, passed away May 23, 2021. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.



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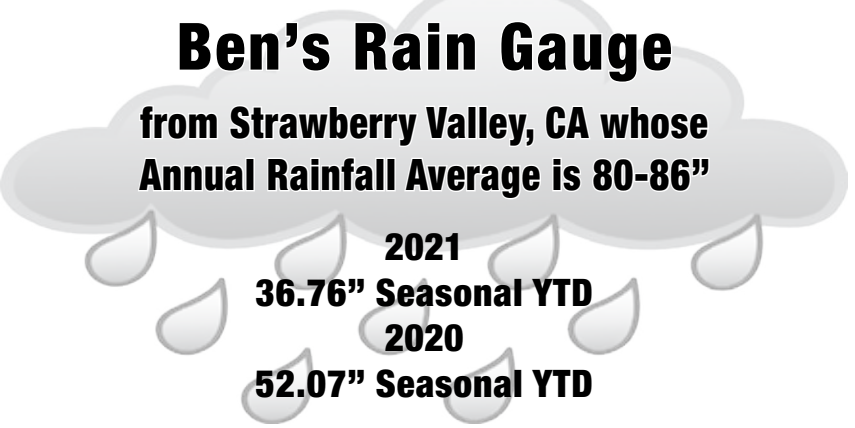
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Notice is hereby given that Erle Road Self Storage 5600 Lindhurst Ave, Marysville, CA 95901 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, known as the "California Self Service Storage Facilities Act", Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

The auction will be conducted online at www.bid13.com, starting Monday, June 7, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. and ending Monday, June 14, 2021 at 10:00 am. If there are no bidders, the property will be donated or disposed of accordingly. Property to be sold as follows: household goods, personal items, furniture, etc. belonging to the following:

- Name
Howard B. Wheatley
Timothy Martinez
Laura L. Goodwin
Junior Hubbard
Susan K. Hudgens
Axel Guadiana
Randall Sanderson
Antoinette Alcorcha
William Hubbard Jr.

All purchased items sold AS IS, WHERE IS, and must be paid for and removed within 72 hours of the end of the sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 530-634-9781 (5/28/21 & 6/4/21)



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Yuba County Community Services Commission will conduct a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.** at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation, 950 Tharp Road, Ste. 1303, Yuba City and via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83592268047?pwd=MzFWYStyMERwOVV4WUNDVGEzODVMUT09>

Meeting ID: 835 9226 8047
Passcode: 381116.
(669) 900-9128

The purpose of the public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to comment on Yuba County Community Services Commission DRAFT 2022-2023 Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) Community Action Plan.

Yuba County Community Services Commission is responsible for determining local needs and setting priorities for Yuba County's CSBG program. The basic goal of CSBG funding is to remove obstacles to enable low-income residents of Yuba County to achieve self-sufficiency. The Community Action Plan serves as a two year roadmap demonstrating how CSBG eligible entities plan to deliver services. Testimony received will help determine the use and distribution of CSBG funds for 2022-23. Participation of low-income residents of Yuba County is invited and encouraged.

The DRAFT 2022-23 Community Action Plan is available for review on June 1 at www.yubacares.org or for a copy, contact Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation at 530-751-8555. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments by June 16 on any aspect of the Community Action Plan to the office of Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation, 950 Tharp Road, Ste. 1303, Yuba City, CA 95993 or jslade@ysedc.org or by telephone (530) 751-8555.

The Yuba County Community Services Commission encourages those with disabilities to participate fully in the public hearing process. If you have any special needs to allow you to attend or participate in this public hearing process, please call (530) 751-8555 prior to the public hearing, so that we may accommodate you. (TD) May 28, 2021

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Sealed BIDS for OPUD Pool Resurfacing Project

at OPUD will be received by the Olivehurst Public Utility District at the office of the District until 3:00 P.M., July 7th, 2021 and then publicly opened and read aloud at 3:30 P.M. on the same day at the Olivehurst Public Utility District Office at 1970 9th Avenue.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following location:

Olivehurst Public Utility District
1970 9th Avenue
Olivehurst, CA 95961
Phone (530) 743-4657

Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be obtained from Olivehurst Public Utility District, upon the non-refundable payment of \$ -0- for each set.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1773.2 of the California Labor Code, this project is subject to the provisions of California's Prevailing Wage Laws and copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the office of Olivehurst Public Utility District, 1970 9th Avenue, Olivehurst, California 95961.

Prospective BIDDERS shall be licensed CONTRACTORS in the State of California and shall be skilled and regularly engaged in the general class or type of WORK called for under the CONTRACT. Each BIDDER submitting a bid shall have California Contractor's license appropriate for this type of work.

Date: 05/21/2021

Christopher Oliver, District Engineer



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TRACT MAP TSTM 2021-0001 (Kartikeya) & PLANNED SIGN PERMIT PROGRAM PSPP 2020-0001 (Stott Outdoor Advertising Sign) BEFORE THE YUBA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the Yuba County Planning Commission on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter. In compliance with California Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 (March 17, 2020), members of the Planning Commission and members of the public will participate in the meeting by teleconference via Go To Meeting.

Join Go To Meeting
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Access Passcode: 948-223-837

The Yuba County Planning Commission will consider the following:

Tentative Subdivision Tract Map TSTM2021-0001 (Kartikeya): The applicant is requesting a Tentative Subdivision Tract Map to subdivide a 10.35-acre property into six residential lots and a remainder lot, in the Olivehurst Community (APN 013-710-053). A determination has been made that the above referenced projects is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15061(b)(3), Common Sense.

Planned Sign Permit Program PSPP2020-0001 (Stott Outdoor Advertising Sign): The applicant is requesting a Planned Sign Permit Program to permit an off-site outdoor advertising sign adjacent to HWY 65. The sign will be 55 feet in height and will have two 14' X 48' sign faces (1,344 sq ft total) arranged in a "V" configuration in the Olivehurst Community (APN 013-710-053). A determination has been made that the above referenced projects is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15303(c), New Construction.

Any person wishing to testify on the above projects may attend the Planning Commission by teleconference via **Go To Meeting** at the prescribed time, or may submit written comments or objections to the Community Development and Services Agency at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901, prior to the hearing. Copies of the staff recommendations are available for inspection at the same address. If you have any questions, you may contact Ciara Fisher at (530) 749-5470.

The **Planning Commission's** action on the project may be appealed by any interested person to the Board of Supervisors by filing a written appeal with the Planning Department within 10 days following the **Planning Commission's** final action on the project. If the Board of Supervisors is the final Approving Authority, or if the project is appealed to the Board, the Board's action is final.

If you challenge the action of the **Planning Commission** on this matter in court, pursuant to Government Code section 65009 you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department at, or prior to the hearing. (TD) 05/28/21

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 2021 F-129

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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15482 Rosedale Way,
Camptonville, CA 95922
1) Moonshine Creek Ranch LLC,
15482 Rosedale Way,
Camptonville, CA 95922;
California

This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company.

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:
Rebecca Gregg,
Managing Member

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on May 12, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

TERRY A. HANSEN,
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By Bridgette Evans,
Deputy Clerk
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Date: 05/21/2021

Christopher Oliver, District Engineer

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Angel E. Walker Hendrickson, PETITIONER CASE NUMBER: CVPT 21-00467. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE:
July 12, 2021
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Angel E. Walker Hendrickson filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

- 1) from: **Sebastien Matthew Croteau** to: **Sebastien Matthew Walker**
- 2) from: **Ethan Christopher Croteau** to: **Ethan Christopher Walker**

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: May 12, 2021

Stephen W. Berrier
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

May 21, 28, June 4, 11, 2021.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

NAME STATEMENT

FILE NO. 2021F-108

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
LOVEYENERGY & BLESSINGS
10762 Forbestown Rd.
PO Box 214
Challenge, CA 95925
Yuba County
1) Maria Pugnalin
10762 Forbestown Rd.
Challenge, CA 95925

This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3-15-2016.

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

Signed:
Maria Pugnalin.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on April 22, 2021, indicated by file stamp.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

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By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
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May 14, 21, 28, June 4, 2021.

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YOUR ONE MINUTE NEWS DIGEST

by Don Rae



- Joe Biden claims that the past five Federal Reserve Chairs support his jobs plan. Two are dead and most likely aren't commenting. The only past Fed Chair to support the jobs plan is Janet Yellen, the Secretary of the Treasury. Yellen is the same snowflake promoting an international tax on Americans which would be handed over to the United Nations.
- Critical race theory? You're bad because you were born a certain color? The lefties are beyond help. They are flat out crazy. Not only that, but they need something to keep their brain in gear. They have entirely too much time on their hands to have come up with the "cancel" baloney.
- What in the world is this administration coming to? It seems every day there is something worse than the day before. Now Biden wants the press corps to turn over their notes for editing by Jen Psaki. If they don't fall in line then their credentials might be yanked. Biden, you are not going to edit anything in this column. We have a free press in this country. You do not get to edit anything.
- Biden has his finger on the button to cause nuclear war. He has appointed many anti-Jewish, anti-Israel people to State Department and look what is happening along the Gaza strip.
- Even Melinda Gates can't take Bill's crazy ideas. Why should the rest of us?
- Liberals want "birthing people" instead of mothers. We wonder how these folks' mothers feel about such craziness.
- All the President's men (and women) are a cabal of leftist babbling nincompoops. Well, Garamendi, your folksy smile on national TV is hollow. Why don't you pull up your big boy pants and support the folks? Quit your obfuscation and tell the truth for a change. We're waiting.
- Dinesh D'Souza makes a very sound

point, like it or not. The mainstream media is not running stories of the Black attacks on Asians because it does not fit the leftist narrative of white supremacy. The media is nothing more than political operatives, certainly not honest journalists.

- If you've kept up with Tucker Carlson's exposé about Dr. Fauci, you might come to the conclusion that he is anti-American, pro-Chinese and a liar to boot. Keep track of this information. You will learn something critical.
- Speaking of Tucker, he is creating chaos with the lefties. It would be no surprise to have the FBI, CIA, NCA and all the rest of the alphabet soup crowd banging on his door at 5am on a Sunday. Of course CNN, ABC, NBC and CBS will have been notified in advance to show their watchers Tucker doing a perp walk in his jammies while being taken to the Washington DC gulag.
- Can you really believe the chutzpah? Michele Obama claims her kids are oppressed.
- And speaking of chutzpah, how about Newsom deciding to take your tax dollars to the tune of \$12 billion to create instant slums for the homeless? Do you support this policy?
- So Iran is supplying missiles and other destructive hardware to Hamas and friends. Iran needs a good swift kick in the slats. Now.
- Hillsdale College wrote an instructive note about today's problems. "Above all we must have courage, the fundamental virtue required in our time. Courage to stand and speak the truth. Courage to withstand epithets. Courage to face the mob. Courage to shrug off the scorn of elites. When enough of us overcome the fear that currently prevents so many from speaking out, the hold of critical race theory will begin to slip and courage begets courage." Think hard about this. ★



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LOCAL FISHING

Sierra trout creek's; fly fishermen battle high winds, rain and snow. (g) North Fork Yuba River, Sierraville; snow flurries. Small caddis hatch. Fly fishers ... Use: Stimulator, or Copper Johns. (a)



T/B Stimulator, Copper John

SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

Bay; weather fair. Scattered halibut. One-fish per rod. (a) Delta; striper run pretty much over. Lower San Joaquin delta, Antioch Bridge and 3-Mile Slough producing a few stripers, on the last part of the incoming tide. Use: Deep diving Yo-Zuri (15-Ft). (g)

COASTAL WATERS

San Francisco coast producing lots of rock fish and ling cod. Use: Anchovy cut bait. (b) Farallon Islands; also producing lots of rock fish. Use: Anchovy cut bait (a)

LAKES RESERVOIRS AND RIVERS

Lake Oroville; made use of #7 floating camp site at Middle Fork Feather River. Hiked in to Feather Falls when not fishing. Large mouth bass on beds. Use: cut plugs w/ anchovy scent. (b)

Kings near the dam. [8lb 2oz]. 40-50 feet



Hoochie w/ Dodger

deep. Use: 360 degree flasher w/ Hoochie. (a) Lake Tahoe; boat traffic curtailed. Reason: low-water, Covid-19. Boat ramps closed.. (g) Lake Almanor; rain, wind, hail and sleet. Prattville water temperature 56 degrees. Downriggers at 10-15-foot catching 3-pound bows. Use: Speedy Shiners behind Dodgers. (a) Lake Camanche; rainbows chasing. Fast troll 3.0 mph at 20-30 feet in the AM and 45-foot during PMs. Use: Speedy Shiners. (b) Black Butte Reservoir; "Danger" Cyanobacteria infected waters, causing eye irritation, skin rash, mouth ulcers and liver failure. { Watch for...green, white, red, or brown algae that looks like paint on the water}. New Hogan Reservoir; "Danger" Leeches in the water. If bitten, clean with bottled water and seek medical help. Indian Valley Reservoir, Colusa Co; catfish on the bite. Fish Cache Creek channel. Use: Beef Brains w/ Limburger Cheese mix, wrapped in cheese cloth. (b) RIVERS REPORT: Fisherman's Comment: Salmon kill of 60-80 percent on the Klamath River main stem. Reason...Low water releases creates warm water (15C/60F) diseases. { Salmon Anaemia (ISA) } Symptoms: pale gills and swimming near surface, gulping air.

"Of two evils chose the least" ~ Brownie-



Food & Farm NEWS

Water Districts Seek Added Supplies

With farmers plowing under crops and removing trees due to water shortages, irrigation districts are trying to find supplemental supplies. Districts on the west side of the Central Valley face the prospect of receiving no water from a federal project. A gubernatorial drought declaration intends to streamline water transfers. Water district officials say transfers could "play a key role" this summer, but won't prevent significant agricultural losses.

Aquifer Recharge on Farms Could Aid Domestic Wells

Pouring water onto farmland in the wintertime could help nearby communities replenish their groundwater supplies. University of California research shows nearly 300 rural communities could benefit from "managed aquifer recharge." The research is part of ongoing work to determine how flooding farmland in the winter could refill underground water supplies. Scientists have been charting the impact on aquifers and on the crops and farmland involved.

Study of Plant Roots May Enhance Drought Tolerance

In a development that could improve the drought tolerance of crops, University of California scientists say they have identified genes that protect plants from drying out. Working with tomato plants, the UC researchers studied genes that regulate a moisture-barrier layer in plant roots. The barrier prevents a plant from losing water. The scientists say the new knowledge may help them breed crops that survive longer during drought.

Strawberry Sales Boost Demand for Transplants

People have been buying more strawberries during the pandemic, which has increased demand for the starter plants farmers use to grow the crop. Northern California nurseries that produce strawberry transplants report receiving more orders, as every growing region in North America increased plantings to meet customer demand. Plant breeders have also been developing strawberry plants that yield more berries per acre and resist plant diseases, while retaining high flavor. ★



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The Markets Sold Off Hard

The markets sold off hard on May 4, 2021, reportedly brought about by Secretary Treasury Janet Yellen (Former Federal Reserve Chief 2014-2018) and her comments during an economic seminar that interest rates may have to rise to cool off potential overheating in the economy.

"It may be that interest rates will have to rise somewhat to make sure that our economy doesn't overheat. Even though the additional spending is relatively small relative to the size of the economy, it could cause some very modest increases in interest rates."

An overheated economy is a nice way of saying inflation.

Note the comment on comparative stimulus spending being "relatively small compared to the economy". I would disagree.

Current estimates put U.S. spending on CoVid-19 programs north of 6 trillion dollars. On the table is another 4 trillion dollar in proposed infrastructure spending by Washington (CNBC May 5, 2021).

With the U.S. economy yielding a GDP somewhere in the area of 21 trillion, stimulus spending in the past 12 months amounts to about one third of GDP. If the infrastructure plan is approved, stimulus spending could be closer to 50% of GDP.

Many conservative and liberal economists alike view this percentage as unprecedented. Indeed recent outlays dwarfs all previous government spending programs.

Astute investors and past readers of this column know I have always said that where government spending goes, so goes inflation.

Yellen seems to be acknowledging that possibility and warning a preemptive strike on inflation with higher rates may be necessary. Higher interest rates tend to cool inflation by making money more expensive to borrow for both businesses and individuals.

With the May 4 comment, markets apparently were taken aback and the majority of sectors sold off hard.

Not but a few days later Yellen, who must have been read the riot act by somebody about her comments, backedpedaled on the statement, deferring to "I don't think there's going to be an inflationary problem. But if there is the Fed will be counted on to address them".

Yellen likely realized she had an "open mouth, insert foot" moment when markets tanked shortly after her initial statement. Not wanting to let markets fester on the

statement, her immediate recantation did not go unnoticed by financial columnists.

What Yellen and other monetary experts know is that trillions in stimulus money will likely lead to inflationary pressures, and Yellen warning that rates may rise to combat them is prudent Fed speak.

Markets don't like surprises, and forewarning policy moves is an attempt to avoid an unexpected rate increase that might cause a market panic. Historical precedent reveals many such examples.

Now the concern is since the warning causing a sudden drop in markets, the actual rate increase may cause an even worse problem.

Many argue with such sensitive reactions to every little thing the Fed says, the markets appear to be perched on a precipice on anticipation, and not in a good way.

If true, the Feds may have painted themselves into a very concerning corner.

With the government printing trillions of CoVid relief and infrastructure dollars, inflation may already be baked into the proverbial economic cake.

Stock markets participants however, may have yet to connect the dots that inflation cometh, and with it, mandated interest rate increases.

Markets hate rising interest rates, as increases choke off the available dollars that would otherwise go into stocks.

With the markets apparently now sensitive to just the mention of such policy moves, when rates actually do occur, markets may react in an even more highly unpleasant manner.

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With the lifting of masks and the increase of vaccinations, things are beginning to loosen up in our area with groups starting to meet again. Stone Soup will begin meeting for soup and salad on June 3. Lunch is served at noon, but come early and/or stay late to chat with friends and neighbors. There are puzzles and games available. The Mountain Learning Co op has been serving lunch to the public on Thursdays at noon as a kind of practice run. They will be helping the Stone Soup Group.

Art is happening at Books & More on Saturday mornings from 10:30 until about noon. David Giles and Jani Beckwith with share the lead with various art lessons. Books & More will be sponsoring two reading groups on Friday mornings. In conjunction with Mountain Learning we will have a book group for preschoolers or early readers at 10:00 and a second group serving readers at 11:00. This will happen on alternate Fridays at this point, starting June 4.

For more information please call Books & More: 675-3275.

Don't forget the big day at Yuba Feather Museum in Forbestown: June 5. That is their opening day this year and it will start with a Hero's parade at noon. Parking is limited so be prepared to walk a bit. The village will be open after the parade with food, music, vendors and docents. A new display this year involves Chinese memorabilia as there were several Chinese in our areas during the Gold Rush. The museum building itself will not be open this year but the village keeps expanding, so plan a visit sometime during the summer. Open weekend afternoons from noon to 4.

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16. Chieftain in Arabia
17. Frequently precedes "nonsense"
18. *Tabletop fun (2 words)
20. Passage in a coal mine
21. Clear the whiteboard
22. Sean's mom Yoko
23. Alpine structure
26. Slabbered
30. Clothing border
31. Incense burning container
34. Gauche or Droite, in Paris
35. In a frenzy
37. Unagi
38. Fancy necktie
39. Eye protection, sing.
40. Not dangerous to health
42. Dwight the President
43. Worked the dough
45. *Screen-free message
47. Hairpiece, slangily
48. Libra symbol
50. Buenos
52. *Dirty hobby?
56. African prairie
57. Like family lore
58. Don't let it hit you on your way out
59. *Ten-pin establishment
60. Challenge
61. Purse to match a gown
62. Lake of Scottish lore
63. *Between 'game' and 'match'
64. Deliver a tirade

- DOWN**
1. Belgrade native
2. Dessert sandwich
3. Pavlova, e.g.
4. Tube-nosed seabird
5. Tibetan priests
6. Japanese cartoon
7. Used to be
8. *Explore the great ____
9. ____ spumante
10. Editor's mark
11. Craggy peak
13. Official emissary
14. Bird-deposited fertilizer
19. Same as schlock
22. Famous Bobby, on ice
23. *Sidewalk art medium
24. Macho man
25. *Tell jokes, e.g.
26. Sub station
27. Permissible
28. Extract a memory, e.g.
29. Try to prevent
32. It's not a want
33. ____ Bernie Sanders, abbr.
36. *Guessing game
38. Administer an oil
40. *Don't make me ____!
41. With pleasure
44. Full of bunnies?
46. Full of gentleness
48. Rane's wrap
49. *Macrame or wood carving, e.g.
50. Expunge
51. Bodily disorders
52. Hermes and Apollo
53. 'I' in Greek alphabet
54. Person, place or thing

Crossword Puzzle Solutions on Page 10

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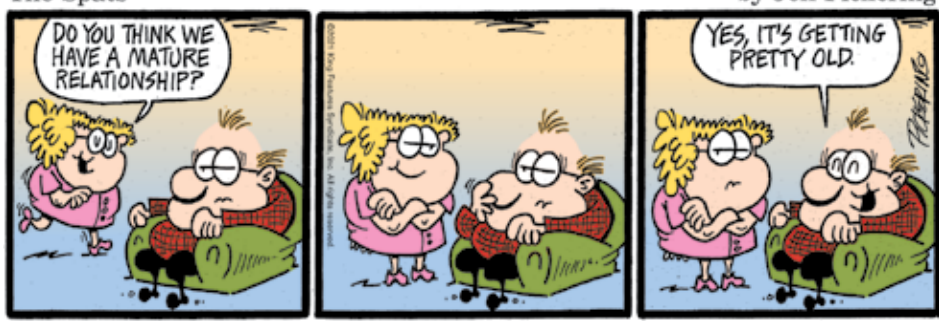
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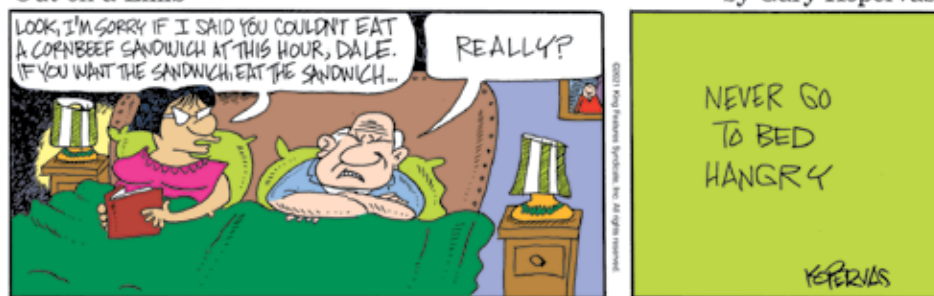
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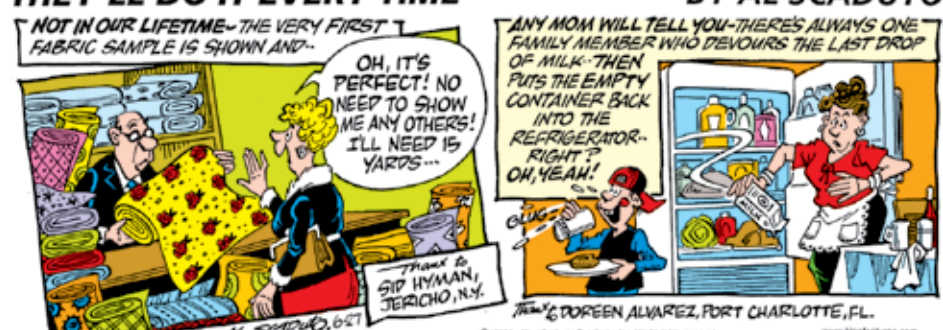
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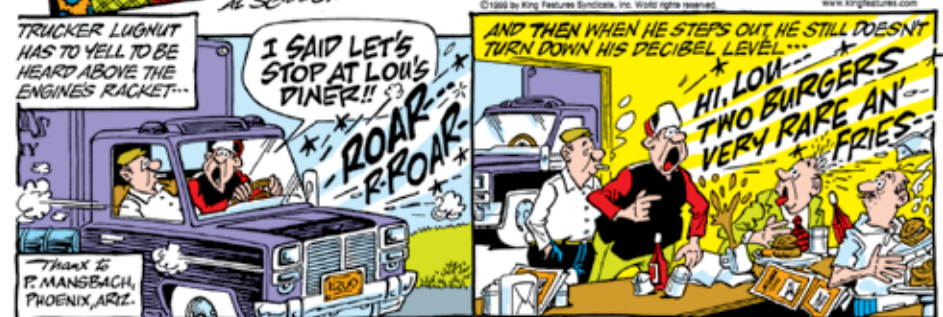
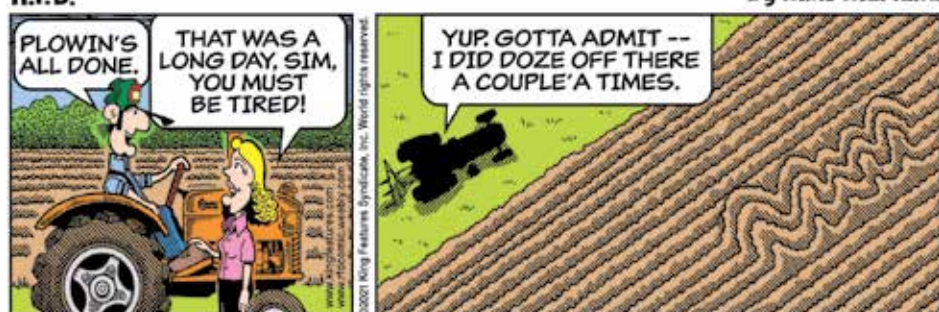
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WorldFest Day Will be Alternative to Annual California WorldFest

**Center for the Arts
Press Release**

GRASS VALLEY, CA, (MPG) - The Center for the Arts is excited to announce that they will host Ozomatli, Pamyua, and Two Runner for WorldFest Day to take place July 17 at the Nevada County Fairgrounds.

In the past The Center has hosted California WorldFest, a four day global music festival featuring performers from all around the world which included activities, group dancing, and the ever-popular Indigenous Peoples Village. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, however, they have adapted and are pleased to present a strong lineup which will serve as an early evening concert with safety protocols in place.

Ozomatli is a popular band known for their festive and multi-cultural blend of rhythms and eclectic sound. They have toured the world many times over and most recently released their album "Juana La Cubana." Main support Pamyua is an Inuit band who have made their name in the world music scene and will encompass much of which has put WorldFest on the map: an opportunity to learn about another culture through song. In an effort to showcase talent found locally, The Center tapped the band Two Runner to open the show as they remain dedicated to booking local artists.



The Center for the Arts presents WorldFest Day, an adapted version of its annual California WorldFest celebration. This year Ozomatli will headline. Photo: Center for the Arts

Taking into consideration the ongoing pandemic The Center for the Arts is intent on letting the public know that this WorldFest will look like no other. Instead of the multi-day and multi-stage format, the concert will take place in one evening. Two food vendors will be present and artist merchandise will be for sale, however those will represent the only vendors on site.

Additionally, patrons will be seated in "pods;" this means that tickets will require that all eating and dancing must take place

within the 8' x 8' pod you will be assigned upon arrival. Only VIP ticket holders will have the opportunity to select a pod within the first few rows of the seating area. At this time COVID regulations prohibit communal dancing.

To add to the experience, there will be \$35 advance drink packages available at time of ticket purchase as well as \$6 parking passes.

The Center is prepared to thank any patron who possesses tickets for 2020 WorldFest for their dedication by honoring them with a

ticket to WorldFest Day; their 2020 ticket will remain valid for 2022. WorldFest Day is also a way of showing appreciation for the community who have made its festival a success in the past while looking forward to a bright future.

Camping will not be provided by WorldFest this year, so any and all camping reservations will go through Nevada County Fairgrounds. Any ticket holders with camping passes for 2020 can keep them and use them for next year, when The Center is

more optimistic about the festival returning to its former formula. Please visit <http://nevadacountyfair.com/rv-park/> for more information on WorldFest Day camping.

Capacity will be determined by the Nevada County tier assignment at the time of WorldFest Day. At the time of this release, the county lies in the red tier so a limited number of tickets will be available. If and when we move to the orange tier more tickets will be released.

The Center for the Arts looks forward to seeing its friends and community members after what have been trying times for many.

For more information on this performance please visit thecenterforthearts.org or call (530) 274-8384.

Since 2000, The Center for the Arts, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit arts organization, has grown into a leading presenter of music, dance, theater, comedy, literary and visual art, and family programming, offering more than 150 events per year from its location in downtown Grass Valley. The Center recently completed a major renovation of its multi-use, 21,000-square-foot facility in downtown Grass Valley, making it a premier performing arts destination. The venue includes the Main Stage, which accommodates up to 492 guests in configurable theater seats and up to 700 patrons for dance shows, and a 90-seat studio theater. ★

Governor's May Revised Budget

**Nghia Nguyen,
Office of Senator
Jim Nielsen**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The state has an eye-popping cash windfall of \$76 billion. Governor Gavin Newsom today submitted his May Revision Budget to the Legislature. Senator Jim Nielsen (R-Red Bluff), Vice Chair of the Senate Budget Committee, issued the following statement: "To fend off his critics and make headlines, the Governor handed out money left and right all week. "Yet, he fails to address long-term fundamentals of budgeting to help the state prosper in future years.

"California's astronomical problems – wildfires, homelessness, learning loss, mental health, a hostile

business climate – will not go away because of a one-time windfall. Over a million Californians are stuck in EDD's backlog, and not receiving needed benefits to pay the bills.

"California does not have enough water storage to sustain citizens' needs during the drought years. Farmers are purposely destroying crops because the state government lacks planning. After decades, Sites Reservoir continues to sit empty.

"Governor Newsom takes credit for doing the basics – returning money to taxpayers and debt payment – that are required by law as passed by voters. "\$76 billion windfall is just that – a windfall. Clearly, Californians are overtaxed." ★

Lots of Weapons Seized from Yuba County

Yuba Sutter Narcotic & Gang Enforcement Task Force Press Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - On Thursday, May 14, 2021 at approximately 11:00 a.m., Agents from the Yuba-Sutter Narcotic and Gang Enforcement Task Force (NET-5), with assistance of the Yuba County Sheriff's Department executed a search warrant on the residence of Isidro Cedano (18 years old), located in the 5800 block of Riverside Drive in Olivehurst, CA. Just before the execution of the search warrant, a Yuba County Sheriff's Department Deputy conducted a traffic stop on Isidoro Cedano in the area of his residence. At the time of the stop, Isidoro Cedano had a modified, fully automatic handgun. The handgun was unregistered and un-serialized, commonly referred to as a "Ghost Gun."

During the execution of the search warrant NET-5 Agents located evidence




During the execution of a search warrant NET-5 Agents found illegal gun manufacturing, unregistered firearms, high capacity magazines, a stock pile of ammunition, a stolen firearm and a 3D printing machine.

of illegal gun manufacturing, several unregistered firearms (Ghost Guns), high capacity magazines, a stock pile of ammunition, a stolen firearm, and a 3D printing machine. Isidoro Cedano was booked into the Yuba County Jail for numerous weapons related violations to include: possession of a machine gun, possession of a stolen firearm, the illegal manufacturing of dangerous weapons, possession of un-serialized firearm, and possession of a concealed firearm inside a vehicle. ★

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