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### City Hall to Postpone Re-Opening to the Public



City Hall has a confined indoor space and will not lend itself to the state's mask mandate. Photo: City of Marysville

#### City of Marysville

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Marysville City Hall will postpone re-opening its doors to the public until further notice.

In light of Governor Newsom's more restrictive facial covering requirements that were announced on Thursday, June 18, City Administration has determined that it would be especially difficult for City Hall to comply with the new order while allowing members of the public to enter the building due to City Hall's confined indoor space and the State's new facial covering

requirements. As a result, City Hall will remain closed until the facial covering requirements are relaxed.

In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact City Departments should you have questions regarding any city services, completing and submitting applications, and making payments. Please contact City Departments via phone and/or email at the following phone numbers and email addresses. Limited in-person appointments are also available. Contact the appropriate department below for more information on meeting in person with City staff.

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PD can also be accessed via its call box at 316 6th Street. ★

### Expanded Personal Care Services Are Now Open

By Rachel Rosenbaum,  
Yuba County

**YUBA-SUTTER COUNTIES, CA (MPG)** - Nail salons, tattoo parlors, massage therapy, and estheticians can now reopen, under new guidance issued by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). The Yuba-Sutter Health Officer said allowing these businesses to open their doors is the right thing to do, but they still need to take every required safety measure seriously, to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19.

The personal services listed in this latest round approved by the State are by their very nature higher risk for spreading COVID-19, because they require close contact between clients and customers.

"We are pleased that more residents are able to return to work and a sense of normalcy," Yuba-Sutter Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu said, "but please don't re-open businesses as if COVID-19 is no longer a threat — it remains a very real danger. We believe residents and businesses can do what needs to be done to protect themselves and others from getting infected."

As part of the Health Order, each business must prepare a COVID-19 infection prevention and control checklist, to ensure their operations are guarding against all possible risks for infection. The checklist and assistance in achieving compliance with the new rules can be found online at [www.BePreparedYuba.org](http://www.BePreparedYuba.org) or [www.BePreparedSutter.org](http://www.BePreparedSutter.org) and clicking "Business Toolkit."

All businesses now open — even those "essential" businesses that never stopped operating — must also review industry guidance and put into place safety protocols. State guidance for all businesses cleared to operate are available at [www.covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance](http://www.covid19.ca.gov/industry-guidance).

In her May 4 Public Health Order, Dr. Luu outlined how most personal care services could safely open, even though state restrictions at that time did not allow that to happen. Now that the State has given a nod to those businesses, Dr. Luu said they need to adhere to both the new guidance released by CDPH and to her additional guidance outlined in an amended bi-county Health Order issued.

The recent rise in cases in Yuba-Sutter have been linked, in part, to these "essential" businesses not utilizing protocols like temperature/symptoms checks for employees, and the wearing of facial coverings for employees and customers. Rise in COVID-19 cases are also linked to household contacts of already-positive cases, and people with symptoms attending social gatherings. ★

### Yuba Sutter Arts is Looking for a Few Good Artists

By David Read,  
Yuba Sutter Arts Council

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Yuba Sutter Arts, recently re-branded as Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, is expanding its reach in Yuba City and Sutter County. Kalakara Art Studios (Punjabi for artist), is a new workspace for creatives just a block off Plumas Street and Bridge Street. This convenient location, near a prime retail and entertainment district, make these studios ideal for local artists looking for an affordable space to work. Studios are available ranging in size from 170 to 320 square feet. The address is 565 Reeves Avenue at Walnut Street. The buildings are actually on Walnut Street.

This is a unique opportunity as artist studio space in an arts-centric environment are not generally available in Yuba-Sutter. The studios are in three separate buildings with private gated parking and a tree covered public space for future art shows, festivals, and art crawls.

"We are creating a new arts center and outpost in Yuba City in order to further the services we are able to provide in the community," said David Read Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture Executive Director. "We will also use the studios as home base for



Kalakara Art Studios (Punjabi for artist), is a new workspace for creatives just a block off Plumas Street and Bridge Street Photo: Yuba Sutter Arts

our new grant-funded arts mentorship program led by Artist-In-Residence Tina Linville," he added.

Artists who work in all media are invited to apply for space. YSA wants to create a supportive artist community to help support this important sector in Yuba-Sutter. By providing affordable workspace, artists will be able to create and help contribute to the creative community.

Having a separate workspace can help an artist focus and give them access to their muse by minimizing distractions. It is important to create specific and distinct boundaries that can separate

work from daily life.

Artists know how hard it is to switch gears when working on their art. It takes time to find the focus needed when they first sit down and maybe even more time to mentally put it away when they are ready to be done for the day. Artists can be more productive if they can go to a separate space to work, especially if it is a specific studio place.

Yuba Sutter Arts wants to help local artists "be all they can be" by providing studio space in our community. For more information, contact Yuba Sutter Arts by calling Abbie at 530-713-8784 or email Abbie at

[abbie@yubasutterarts.org](mailto:abbie@yubasutterarts.org).

About YSA: Yuba Sutter Arts is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance and service to artists, organizations and residents of Yuba and Sutter Counties. The official agency for Yuba and Sutter of the California Arts Council, its programs include the Murals of Live Oak, Cover It! Utility Box Murals, Shakespeare Readers' Theatre, Veterans Initiative in the Arts projects, Very Special Arts Festival, Harvest the Arts, Arts in Education, Poetry Out Loud, Arts in Corrections, Art Everywhere and many more. ★



# News Outlook



By Josh F.W. Cook

Wal\*mart announced that store No. 359 in Fayetteville has been converted to a self-checkout only location. No cash register, no cashier, just walk in get what you want, and walk out. Amazon is also testing a store configured in this way. According to Wal\*mart it is an attempt to make the check-out process more efficient, with less person-to-person interaction. They did not mention it is a way to get out of constant minimum wage increases, workers' compensation costs, and regulations around working conditions and liability. That was not said. There are many innovations in the wings, on the sidelines, and now the Global zombie apocalypse end of days Armageddon pandemic lockdown (and economic collapse) are causing some of these type ideas to move forward. Every time I get less than I expected customer service somewhere I think to myself - the robots are coming - and they are going to change how we do almost everything. There are many forecasters prognosticating that there will never be a return to the kind of business travel we had before March 2020. As businesses start to grow their way out of their 2020 setback, they will probably encourage people to use video conferencing services instead of

getting on a plane and flying to Southern California or places Eastward for meetings. We live in a time of great change and it looks like we're getting on a footing for even more change. Not to wax philosophical - but it is interesting that when we are fat dumb and happy, and everything is going very well we are not interested in major changes to how we do things. In times of trial and upheaval, new ideas get called up off the bench and put into the game.

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In the last Territorial Dispatch I read with great sadness that Boots Johnson, a Navy man, had passed away. I read his obituary with great interest. His wit had graced the pages of this iconic local newspaper for many many years. I remember on early morning Saturday radio shows he would call in and tell people where to go fishing. His knowledge of rivers and lakes and the behavioral patterns of fish is truly amazing. It baffles me to think of how many fishing secrets he took with him to the next life. There are a myriad of stories regarding how fishermen guard their secrets about where the good fishing spots are; Boots was truly a good man because he loved to share, and his information was always updated. He will be missed, truly a community-minded individual has left us, let us fish this season in his honor.

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I miss Baseball. I associate this time of year and this weather with a trip to the smallest MLB™ stadium in Oakland to see the Athletics® with my lovely

bride. The Gold Sox are also wonderful and on a hot summer night when the sun finally goes down far enough to create shade on all the bleachers, as well as the field, it is quite relaxing and pleasant. For some reason going to a baseball stadium always seems to make me relax and forget my worries.

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The construction foreman at the The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints building on Butte House Road has had to shoo away many a looky loo as the heavy equipment has started tearing down their synagogue to make way for a huge Temple building. The local church higher-ups finally had to put out an email telling people to stop dropping by. I think that the local leaders should be happy, their people are so full of vibrant faith they don't even fear being crushed by heavy equipment. It's one thing to say you believe in an afterlife and a bodily resurrection, it is another level of commitment to run onto a construction site where they are knocking down brick walls.

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We note with sadness and despair the loss of 23 Indian Soldiers in a border dispute last week. Many people here - have families there - and the Indian Soldiers died honorably in defense of their homeland. We remember them and hope for healing, peace, and justice. As Americans, India is our best friend and ally in Asia.

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Josh F.W. Cook is a public administrator and educator. ★

## Discounted \$10 General Public Monthly Pass Now Available



### Yuba-Sutter Transit Press Release

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Yuba-Sutter Transit's basic general public monthly bus pass for use on all local and rural routes has been discounted from the regular price of \$30 to just \$10 a month. The \$20 subsidy for this three-year demonstration program is being funded through the State Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP).

This new program will reduce the financial impact for current transit riders as

fare collection will resume Wednesday, July 1st on the local fixed route system. The cost for this new discounted pass will now be more equitably priced with the \$5 monthly pass for eligible youth, seniors and persons with disabilities that has long been subsidized by grant funds from the Feather River Air Quality Management District. As a result, all cash fare passengers can now purchase a monthly pass and recover the cost in just over three roundtrips.

For information on how to purchase a monthly pass, call Yuba-Sutter Transit at (530) 634-6880, email [info@yuba-suttertransit.com](mailto:info@yuba-suttertransit.com) or on-line at [www.yubasuttertransit.com](http://www.yubasuttertransit.com). ★

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## Get the Most Bang For Your Buck!

By David Dickstein

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Northern California's three major fireworks distributors – TNT, Phantom and Discount Fireworks Superstore – are going big this season in hopes to release the inner Uncle Sam and Lady Liberty from within a population feeling blue over a topsy-turvy world dealing with a pandemic and pandemonium.

Believing that the joy of fireworks will help shake the blues by adding red and white in honor of America's 244th birthday, these

companies are rolling out a record 24 new fireworks in the Golden State this season – nearly double the previous mark. The 2020 freshman class also includes one new limited-edition assortment, and never has there been more buy one get one free and mix and match deals to woo buyers.

That's a lot of shapes, sizes, colors and prices among the rookie lineup, and while variety usually bodes well for fundraising non-profits running the stands, perplexed consumers will ponder the obvious questions: What's new? What's loud? What's unique?

How long does it last? What gives me the most bang for my buck?

Help has arrived. Our annual and unbiased fireworks buyers guide has reviews of the new items and the very best of the returning rest. For the 19th year, new fireworks are graded on a 5-star scale, judged on performance, duration, distinctiveness and value.

Promotions are noted where applicable. Every Phantom firework this season is a buy one get one; the freebie can be the same item or any firework of like or lesser price. TNT is countering with its own mix and match deals

plus limited-edition items in commemoration of the company's centennial anniversary of selling fireworks. DFS, which TNT took over in California last year, save for a handful of locations up in the Redwood Coast, tends to have lower prices overall and a wider range of brands.

A star-spangled shoutout to the Sacramento Fire Department for cooperation with this season's test. Special thanks to Fire Marshal Jason Lee and Capt. Keith Wade.

Let the sparks fly!

### new FOR 2020



**CENTENNIAL FOUNTAIN XL (TNT), \$60** – Burn time is shorter than most 500-gram finales at this price point, but this special-

edition fountain proves that duration is sometimes overrated. Wows with a mesmerizing mélange of effects and medley of transitions – droplets to fish to crackle to birthday cake to a shock-and-awe eruption. Here for this season only. 80 seconds. ★★★★★

**COLORAMA (DFS), \$52.99** – Pretty droplets of gold, orange, green and red, and a strong crackling finish aren't enough to compensate for slow tube-to-tube transitions and an uneven performance. 110 seconds. ★★★

**CAPTAIN NUCLEAR FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$49.99 FOR TWO** – Decent crackling sparks mixed with pearls, chrysanthemums, multi-colored glitter and flowers build to a less than satisfying climax. 80 seconds. ★★

**LIVING THE DREAM (TNT), \$49.99** – Like ordering TNT's exquisitely named Wild Side (see Best of the Rest) and saying, "make it a double." 500 grams get you two awesome minutes of super-charged crackles, though at a dear price. 120 seconds. ★★★★★

**FIERY MEADOW FLOWER FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$49.99 FOR TWO** – Proving that hybrid fireworks often make for big crowd pleasers is this combo fountain-wheel featuring titanium crackles and spinning finale. On a smooth surface, the centrifugal force makes this unique rookie rotate. 68 seconds. ★★★★★

**FLOWER PATCH KIDS (TNT), \$40 FOR TWO** – The first few seconds are absolutely gorgeous with deep red droplets that produce the prettiest start of any California firework. The rest of the flowers in this patch aren't nearly as beautiful. 77 seconds. ★★

**TAKE A HIT (TNT), \$40 FOR TWO** – Love the rarely seen lavender droplets and nice palms, but this batter got two bases on a bloop single and error. 75 seconds. ★★

**JUNGLE FLOWER (TNT), \$39.99** – The intense crackle and vivid colors are pleasing. Just wished it had a more exciting overall and longer performance for the price. 49 seconds. ★★

**PINK ICE (TNT), \$30 FOR TWO** – Nice to see pink, but blink and you miss it. And what's with the 10-second delay between tubes? 26 seconds. ★

**REVOLUTION (TNT), \$30 FOR TWO** – You say you want a revolution? Not sure even Paul and Ringo would want this disappointingly short newcomer despite loud three whistles and crackling pink and blue sparks. 34 seconds. ★★

**WAR FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$29.99 FOR TWO** – Colors change with each stage of fiery crackles. Great duration and intensity. 82 seconds. ★★★★★

**FLOWER POT FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$29.99 FOR TWO** – Low-noise fountain enthralls with multicolored droplets against a near-constant shower of silver glitter. Use of blob-producing nitrocellulose reduces burn time. Worth it. 52 seconds. ★★★★★



**TNT TORCH (TNT), \$24.99** – Judge this mundane-looking firework by its cover and you'll miss out on beautiful – no, *beguiling* – shimmering golden stars reminiscent of cones from the early '70s. This pyro's pyrotechnic earns "Best New Firework" honors. 72 seconds. ★★★★★

**COSMIC VELOCITY FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$21.99 FOR TWO** – Intense crackling fountain with pretty reds and greens, but needs BOGO promo to offset fleeting duration. 52 seconds. ★★★

**GALACTIC RADIANCE FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$21.99 FOR TWO** – Sub-minute burn time isn't cool, but rest of this colorful crackle-crazy fountain is. 46 seconds. ★★

**ELECTRIC MANIPULATION FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$21.99 FOR TWO** – What's dubbed as a "silky blue explosion" in the second half makes up for an unimpressive opening of standard crackles and colors. 53 seconds. ★★

**SAVAGE FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$21.99 FOR TWO** – While there's titanium crackle fountains more savage than this, newcomer satisfies with various spark types of red, white, gold, silver and green. 70 seconds. ★★★★★

**SPARKLE BERRY (TNT), \$19.99** – Cavalcade of color changes to crackling frenzy after a piercing whistle at the 40-second mark. 65 seconds. ★★

**FLARING STARS FOUNTAIN (PHANTOM), \$15.99 FOR TWO** – Virtually noiseless beauty featuring swarming fish effect in red, gold and green. Shorter version of Phantom's late great Flying Stars. 54 seconds. ★★★★★

**OLD GLORY (DFS), \$15.38 FOR TWO** – Veteran TNT fountain debuts in California rebranded as a Freedom item. Colorful and crackly, but there's better out there. 49 seconds. ★★



**TOXIC BARREL (TNT), \$12.99** – Green toxic sludge blobs and loud crackles make this a freaky rookie sensation even with the fleeting duration. It's your "Best New Firework" runner-up. 45 seconds. ★★★★★

**CENTENNIAL FOUNTAIN (TNT), \$12** – Good height, crackle, color and burn time for the price. Bummer it's only here for TNT's 100th anniversary of fireworks sales. 77 seconds. ★★★★★

**KOOL KAT (TNT), \$9 FOR TWO** – Billed as a new firework, it's actually a rewrap of Cool Breeze that debuted last season and is being sold at closeout prices. 43 seconds. ★

**TORNADO GROUND SPINNER (PHANTOM), \$3.99 FOR TWO PACKAGES OF 6** – Spinning novelty sounds like fun, but if using the Enhanced Fujita Scale for tornadoes, this cyclone gets a rating of EF0. Buy a pack of ground bloom flowers instead. 3 seconds. ★

**ALSO NEW FOR 2020 ... CENTENNIAL ASSORTMENT (TNT), \$110.99** – The only new state-approved assortment this season features 15 respectable fountains named after oldies but goodies and clad in retro labels. Limited-time item commemorates the 100th year of fireworks sold by the Alabama-based company that would become TNT. Best in the box: Big Bomb, Freedom, Red Devil and Ace fountains. ★★★★★

For reviews of the "Best of the Rest," access this newspaper's online edition by first visiting [www.MPG8.com](http://www.MPG8.com).

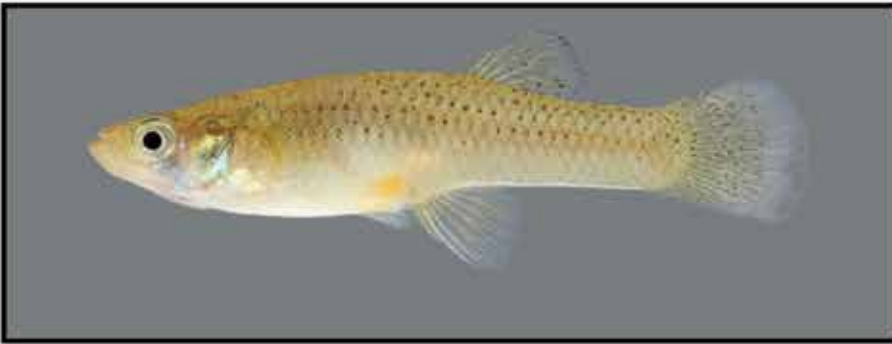
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## ARE MOSQUITOES BREEDING IN YOUR POOL?

### Green Swimming Pools

One, unmaintained, green pool can produce 100,000 mosquitoes over a summer. This is a significant concern as West Nile Virus is regularly detected in our area annually. So green pools that we learn about have become a priority. To discover unmaintained pools, the District hires an aerial photography contractor each year to fly the urban areas within the District at the end of May. The contractor provides a photo of each suspect pool and it's address. Our staff makes a visit to each home where a pool may be producing mosquitoes. When an inspection shows that mosquitoes are breeding in a pool, treatment is simple, quick and free. Application of a thin film of a coconut based oil quickly kills the immature mosquitoes living in the water. For a long term solution, mosquitofish are introduced. No unrelated data is collected or shared regarding any property. There is no charge, penalty or fee for an inspection or treatment to a pool. You can still get your pool ready for swimming later.



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# State Sticks Counties with Needles



**Commentary by  
Lou Binninger**

Americans love their narcotics but what do we do with addicts? With all this wealth and opportunity why are people so miserable? Democracy, capitalism and the Protestant work ethic can produce some fantastic incomes quickly but beneficiaries that don't know what's missing, where they came from or where they are going need help.

Government workers can't talk to addicts about virtue and knowing God because the state has rejected our founding documents and employees often can't even remember what they mean. Some agency people would rather that addicts drop dead than get Jesus on board and be delivered from addiction.

So, the best government can do is give out money, syringes and narcotics thinking that is compassionate. Recently, in the Covid-19 hysteria San Francisco moved addicts into hotel rooms, purchased and delivered alcohol and drugs to them. Now, north valley counties are having syringe distribution programs inflicted upon them to reduce harm.

Marvin Olasky, author of 'The Tragedy of American Compassion,' says the problem is that government cannot love people but instead gives hand-outs. Poverty fighters in early America, before government usurped their role, actually cared about people. They knew them, their kids, and about the family dynamics. They avoided creating dependency and fought for their clients' independence and dignity.

People can love people, but government clients become a number, a last name, an application. Then

there are regulations and forms, applying on-line and making an appointment next week. Sorry - closed for Covid, no NA and no AA right now. After work hours, government lights are out.

The state's recent letter to Yuba-Sutter supervisors and city council members announcing the upcoming syringe access and disposal services touted the benefits but left out some data. The paternalistic state cherry-picked the stats to argue its case versus supplying data so community leaders could think for themselves.

The letter mentioned that Yuba - Sutter Counties ranked very high in drug overdose/poisoning deaths compared to the state averages. And, said that in 2017, 10% of those infected with HIV in Sutter County and 9.9% of those infected in Yuba County reported injecting drugs as their means of using. However, the letter did not say that is how people got HIV rather than by sexual relations.

For example, needle drug users can also be homosexuals and/or prostitutes, both considered high risk groups for HIV etc. Unfortunately, there was no data noted in the letter for the number of HIV patients in the counties leaving the size of the problem to the speculation of local leaders.

According to county health profiles online, the average number of Yuba-Sutter HIV patients for 2015/16/17 was 79.7 in Sutter County and 73.3 in Yuba. So, the state letter is saying there are 7.97 HIV positive people in Sutter and 7.25 in Yuba that admitted injecting or about 15 HIV people total that inject among 170,000 residents in the 2 counties.

Yuba-Sutter does not have an urban injection problem causing HIV. Maybe the state should address how to curb sexual behaviors.

The state's letter highlights the opportunity that syringe delivery sites offer, namely HIV and Hepatitis C Screening and Care, referrals for addiction treatment, overdose education and prevention. Maybe that

will happen or maybe not - is there any other government service that is easily accessed and performs well in the state?

If the government is looking for places to expedite delivery of assistance to addicts it certainly has not taken advantage of existing opportunities.

Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health controls all the money for treatment locally but is cumbersome to deal with when addicts are desperate, broke, ill, and with no transportation. The addict still must see a Behavioral Health intake person to get funding even after being accepted by a rehab. Addicts have no tolerance for bureaucracy or a "He's not available today."

Addicts exiting jail could be given a health card, a starter strip of Suboxone, a doctor's appointment and/or a prescription for medication. Nearly all inmates have drug and alcohol problems and the counties could curb addiction and overdoses with an exit plan. So far, there has been no motivation to coordinate government services for a release strategy though it is used elsewhere with great success.

Drug Court has been undermined with a reduction of sentences for crimes and the new catch-and-release approaches. Detaining addicts should not be viewed as an arrest but as a rescue using incarceration to provide them services. Drug Court rescues addicts.

Parole and probation offices, pharmacies, law enforcement, jail, physicians and hospitals are all contact points for addicts. Each could do a part to curb addiction and overdoses (overdose prevention, rehabs, HIV, Hep C, etc.) if there was a strategic plan.

San Francisco (SF) is handing-out 4.5 million syringes each year, but Yuba-Sutter is no SF. With only 15 HIV patients admitting injecting drugs the urban syringe campaign seems premature here.

(Get Lou's podcast at "No Hostages Radio" and his articles at [nohostages-radio.com](http://nohostages-radio.com)) ★



## The Brownsville Bailiwick & Beyond

Many of us enjoyed the parade that honored the recent graduates, from all levels of education. What fun to hear the sirens, hollaring, waving and all. Even some candy was tossed to onlookers. We are all proud of the hard work it took to graduate during this crises. However, several said, "Let's do it again next year." Let's give it some thought because it brings us together as a community.

As we begin to look ahead to July 4th activities, we wonder how affected we will be by the Covid virus. So far our area has been lucky. We do see some masks, especially when we head to town. However, we plan for gatherings like Peddler's Fair, festivals

and group gatherings, we wonder how we will be affected. Christmas in the Foothills is being talked about, but how to plan for it is still under discussion. Regular gatherings like Hill Top Gang breakfasts and Stone Soup are sorely missed and we're just not sure when we can start again. Perhaps an immunization is on the way.

Look Back in Time - In 1904 the hotels in Clipper Mills and Woodleaf were filled with summer tourists, enjoying hunting, fishing, and reading (there was no AC in the valley).

Hope to see you in Brownsville soon.

~ Christine and Yvonne



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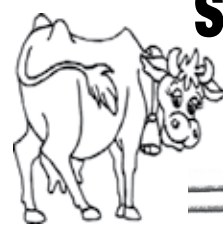
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## United we Rise. Divided we Fall.

United we rise. Divided we fall. And so goes it with economies. And since economies are made up of people, how a nations people go, so goes their economy.

Not in recent memory have I seen such divisiveness in our country. Obviously the current Whitehouse resident has unarguably caused a firestorm of controversy since day one. With another election coming up, I can imagine, or maybe I can't, what will happen with the politically left should the incumbent get the nod for another 4 years.

But that is then and not quite now.

Not to ease up on mankind in any way, shape or form, enter the newest threat, CoVid 19. Not that a virus should divide a populace. Indeed, you would think it would unite us. And one could argue it did, at least for a while. The entire planet had to cope with the little bugger, and one could sense we were all in this together, because we were.

But like an anxiety plagued schizophrenic waiting for the other shoe to drop, mankind would not enjoy his unity for long. We are sinful by nature don't ya know and so it was bound to happen.

First governments shut down the world. Can't recall ever reading about that before. The damage was massive. Now hundreds of companies will go four feet up in bankruptcy, millions are out of work, some jobs will never come back and thousands will die of starvation in the months and years to come as governments struggle for funds.

And isn't that the way of it?

Don't kid yourself. Some struggling governments will cut off food supplies, as some governments always do when things are tight. The permanent damage is hard to estimate but it's safe to say it will be immeasurable except to say it will be more than anyone can imagine and I can imagine a lot.

In the midst of the economic implosion thrust upon us some cop murders a black man. Then another. And the world reacts. Protests everywhere. Yes, in the midst of a viral pandemic thousands stand shoulder to shoulder and for good cause.

But a virus like the highly contagious CoVid lives for shoulder to shoulder proximity. And now cases are spiking again. And therein lies the next divisor.

With statues heads rolling in the streets, literally, the anger is palatable. It could be argued some of those angrily tugging on the toppling ropes are expressing deep rooted angers that compound with the racial outrage. Anger against economic equality as well.

Who's to say they know all the reasons.

The human psyche runs deep.

Whatever the reasons, the nation is hurting. Economies are hurting. People are hurting. And with the societal anger compounded with the economic damage, CoVid 19 seems to be in the right place at the right time, at least for a virus.

World governments now say they will not shut down again. The damage was too great. So the question is: is that statement an absolute?

Never say never. And another reason to argue with thy brother arises. The mask/no mask debate arises with a vengeance.

Not satisfied to limit discussion to healthy exchanges, the anger over boils again. And it seems at least to me it falls along party lines, unfortunately.

No surprise there. The devil is very thorough in his mayhem.

Some insist all wear masks. To not do so means you're inconsiderate in the least, and a cold blooded murderer at worst. Insist everyone wears a mask on the other hand and you are barraged with the cat-calls of fear mongering at best to being perfect volunteers for the next train to Auschwitz.

I can't tell you where all of this is going but I can tell you where we've been.

To hell and back in the last year or so, while some will argue longer.

But if the devil does exist, he (or she so cool your jets) is playing a masterful hand.

In conclusion, I am an admin on a large Facebook social media page called Nevada City Peeps. I have the main photo of a lock bridge in Austria. This photo garners some comments how that relates to Nevada City. Some want me to change it.

Considering the hate and outrage I witness daily on this page from my brothers and sisters toward one another, I am considering changing the photo showing two people, nose to nose, screaming in anger at each other.

It's that bad.

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## Fauci Blames Americans



### Commentary by Lou Binninger

Tony Fauci, the Mr. Science 'superhero' cast to do what no other could do, eradicate the Common Cold, has declared that Americans are anti-science and anti-authority. He blames the public's rebelliousness for his failure to stop the nemesis.

However, Americans 'smell a rat' and it's coming from Tony, Deborah Birx and Bill Gates. Their goals from the start were population control and mass vaccinations, but let's play-along with Fauci's contention.

Americans once had a love affair with science until they didn't. They honored and respected the profession. So, what changed?

Science went searching after wealth and political agendas breaking with its financial backer, the public. Science sacrificed fidelity, honesty and transparency, thereby cheating on its partner. It descended into faux or junk science now used to push social agendas.

For more than one hundred fifty years students have been force-fed Charles Darwin malarkey that humans came from monkeys. Darwin and his peers were racist, anti-God eugenicists believing that black people were less-evolved, more closely resembling their 'primate cousins.' School teachers conveniently left-out the racist bent of evolution thinkers.

While Darwin's suggested link between humans and primates has never been found, numerous 'scientists' have fabricated 'finds' to prove Darwin correct and garner riches and Fauci-like celebrity status. Upon closer examination the 'scientists' instead were exposed as charlatans.

Fauci's days in the lime-light are numbered as well as he has compromised his ethics and maybe the law.

There is no science that says masks protect the wearer or those nearby from getting a virus. In fact, masks are hazardous to your health according to doctors and government (OSHA and Dept. of Labor) websites. Isolating well-people and social distancing compromises healthy immune systems.

Fauci, butt-hurt because his social engineering quest was rejected, even blames the anti-vaccine movement. However, most Americans are not anti-all vaccines but rather oppose toxic vaccines, the overuse of vaccines and vaccines forced on the public where scientists and pharmaceutical companies have immunity to lawsuits.

The Bayh-Dole Amendment in 1980 allowed taxpayer-funded scientists and entities with government research contracts to own and financially benefit from their discoveries and inventions and also to have immunity for their medical failures. In fact, our deep-pocket government now assumes that liability. But, try getting the government to pay damages.

This law-change financially incentivized rushing to obtain patents and putting products on the market though not fully vetted. These developments made scientists rich and vulnerable to all the wrong motives for bringing forth new drugs.

Fauci can't comprehend the public's current lack of faith in scientists. However, there is ample evidence. In the 'Population Bomb' Stanford University Professor Paul R. Ehrlich predicted in 1968 a world-wide famine in the 1970s and 1980s due to overpopulation. He, like Fauci and Gates wanted immediate action to limit population growth via birth control, sex selection, abortion and sterilization. Erlich wanted to add sterilants to the water supply or staple foods. Gates' drug companies add sterilants to some

vaccines. Erlich became famous but his predictions were 100% wrong.

Scientists that are atheists like to mock the faith community. However, global warming, oops, climate change advocates need blind faith. A 30-second internet search can locate 'Wrong Again: 50 Years of Failed Ecological Predictions' and numerous other articles discrediting junk science and the professors swearing we need to surrender our freedom so government can save us. Here is a sampling of predictions from our 'scientists.'

The ice cap will be gone by 2014, killing the polar bears, tides will rise to flood Manhattan, and there is a coming Ice Age by the 21st Century due to pollution blocking out the sun. How about the disappearing ozone layer, or acid rain will be our end, and oceans will rise one to six feet. It will be hot for so long children will not know what the word rain means. In May 2014 there were just 500 days left to avoid climate chaos.

The solution is to abandon plastic straws and single-use plastic bags. If we would just recycle, sell our fossil-fuel cars for mass transit, and abandon our rural home for a stack and pack apartment.

'Science' tells us more nonsense like trade-in the most cost effective and efficient power sources in the world – fossil, hydro and nuclear for solar and wind both of which are horribly ineffective and expensive, and are dependent on fossil fuel to function.

Fauci wants us to trust scientists who are repeatedly caught falsifying data to support their objectives. Attending church is Covid positive and Home Depot Covid negative. Faucites even destroy the careers of naysayer scientists. And they seem more interested in stardom, money and social agendas than real science nowadays.

Muzzles and a summer flu season? No Tony, we'll pass.

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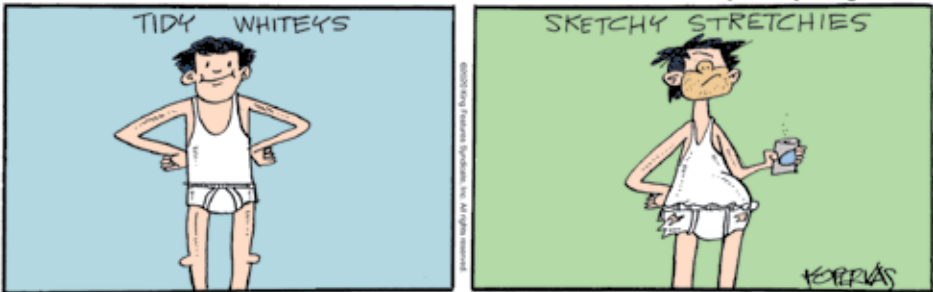
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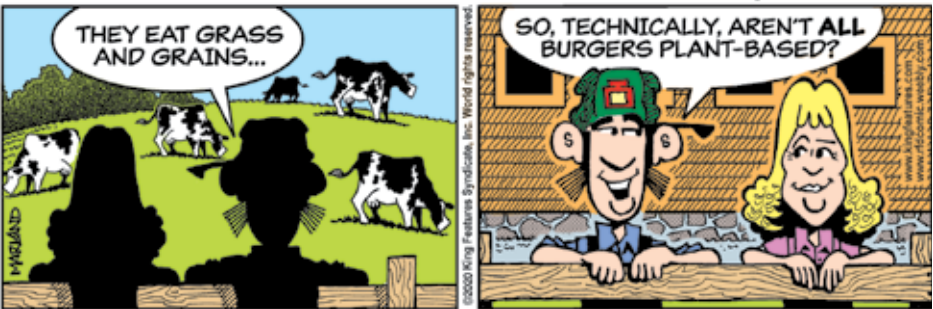
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by Jeff Pickering

## THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME



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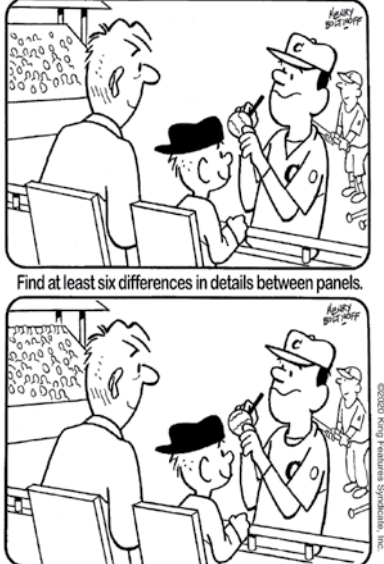
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BY HENRY BOLTON



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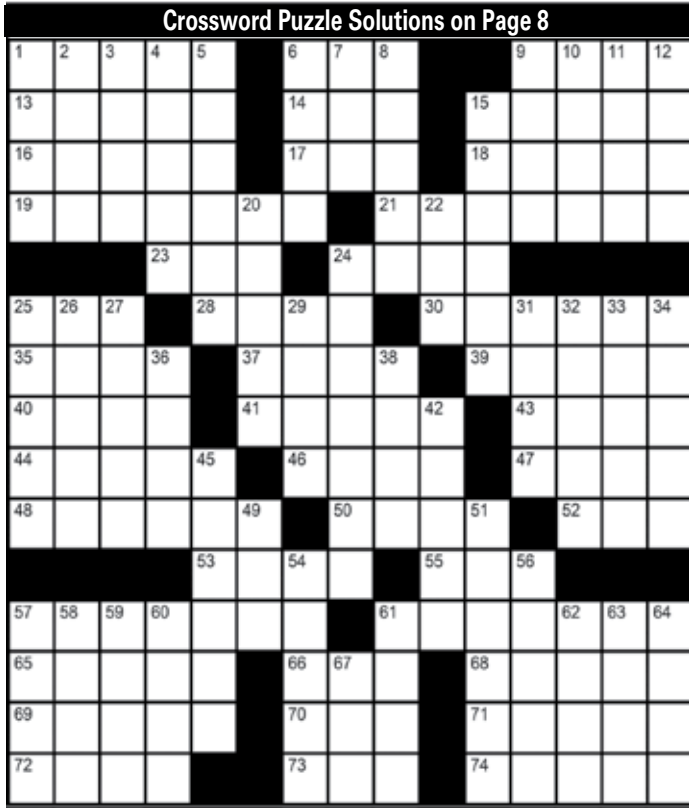
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- ACROSS
- Angelou and Rudolph
  - Mason's lead
  - Bobby Pickett's "Monster"
  - Infection from contaminated water or food
  - Formerly Cassius Clay
  - Slow, musical speaking
  - Ste. Marie, Ontario
  - Bonding words
  - Like draft beer
  - Cognac, orange liqueur, lemon juice
  - Tropical cocktail favorite
  - Motion of approval
  - Home of pisco sour
  - Smoker's residue
  - Big butte
  - It has both white and dark rum
  - Popular BBQ side
  - Pea houses
  - Hold your drink aloft in honor
  - "Downton Abbey" countless
  - Subject of 17th century Dutch mania
  - Cote d'Azur locale
  - Teatro alla Scala offering
  - Sushi selection
  - Kind of jeans fit
  - She famously disliked the eponymous drink
  - Chesterfield or ulster
  - Bro's sib
  - Long and lean
  - Petting spot
  - Negroni and boulevardier ingredient
  - Time for the big bowl games
  - Unethical loaner's practice
  - Designed to guarantee equal rights
  - Cooler manufacturer
  - #38 Down, pl.
  - Atlantic catch

- DOWN
- Difficult situation
  - Antioxidant-rich berry
  - Common contraction
  - Kind of wrench
  - TV's popular portmanteau
  - Let it down to relax?
  - \*...fashioned
  - D in LED
  - Take-out handout
  - Nay sayer
  - Sun, e.g.
  - Indigenous people of northeast Arizona
  - Nespolino fruit
  - Highly skilled
  - Elbow rest
  - Portable lock
  - Fancy tie
  - Ski run
  - Sheik's bevy
  - Whiskey
  - Charged particles



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# Food & Farm News

## Winemakers, Growers Assess Tasting Room Reopening

As tasting rooms reopen at many California wineries, vintners and grape growers wait to see how customers respond to new requirements. Counties that have allowed tasting rooms to reopen also require smaller groups of patrons, observing social distancing, with masks for staff and visitors. The closure of tasting rooms during the pandemic has been especially difficult for small wineries that depend on them for most of their sales.

## Online Sales Aim to Aid Artisan Cheesemakers

To help artisan cheesemakers who have lost sales during the pandemic, the California Milk Advisory board has partnered with a private firm to offer boxes of assorted cheeses for sale directly to consumers. The California Cheesemakers Select boxes will feature four different cheeses in each collection, available online. The Milk Advisory Board says artisan cheesemakers have suffered from restaurant closures and restricted retail offerings during the pandemic.

## Survey Points To Changes In Snacking Behaviors

Many Americans have been snacking more during shelter-in-place protocols. A survey commissioned by the California Walnut Board shows nearly half of respondents acknowledging they have been snacking more, with 40% saying they expect that trend to continue as the mandates recede. About 30% of survey participants said their snacking had led to weight gain. The Walnut Board says people might avoid that by snacking on walnuts.

## Almond Farmers Expect Record Harvest

The crop in California almond orchards is so heavy that when high winds blew through the Central Valley earlier this month, a number of trees toppled. Observers still expect the crop to reach a record of around 3 billion pounds. Farmers and crop advisors credit the large crop to near-perfect weather when trees bloomed. The Almond Board of California says both domestic and export shipments rose during the weeks of the pandemic before declining in May. ★

# Butte County Sheriff's Office Announces Arrests Related to Berry Creek Shooting

## Butte County Sheriff's Office Press Release

**BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) announced the arrests of Darrell Jordan of Berry Creek, 64 and Sarah Jordan of Berry Creek, 43. On June 9, an individual called BCSO and reported a juvenile had been shot at a residence located in the 200 block of Graystone Lane, Berry Creek. The reporting party stated the juvenile was being transported to the hospital in a private vehicle. An ambulance responding to the residence intercepted the vehicle transporting the juvenile. Paramedics took custody of the juvenile and transported the juvenile to a local hospital. Upon arrival at the hospital, doctors performed emergency surgery on the juvenile. The juvenile is in serious condition and is currently receiving medical treatment at a local hospital. Detectives later responded to the hospital and confirmed the juvenile's injuries were caused from a gunshot.

Deputies responded to the residence where the shooting occurred (located in the 200 block of Graystone Lane, Berry Creek) and determined Darrell Jordan was the individual responsible for shooting the juvenile. Detectives obtained a search warrant for the residence and interviewed Darrell. Darrell told detectives he was involved in an altercation with a 20-year-old relative. The altercation ended and Darrell went to a shed and retrieved a

handgun. Darrell pointed the handgun at the 20-year-old relative and a second altercation took place. At some point during the altercation the handgun discharged, and the juvenile victim was struck with a bullet fired from the handgun.

Deputies and detectives contacted multiple individuals at the residence where the shooting occurred to include three additional children and Sarah Jordan. Detectives determined Sarah Jordan was the children's mother, and Darrell Jordan was the children's grandfather. The children, Sarah and Darrell all reside on the property where the shooting occurred. During a search of the residence and property numerous evidence items were located to include over 60 marijuana plants, approximately 139 pounds of processed marijuana, and a handgun. Detectives noticed the residence and property were in deplorable condition and were unsafe for children. All four children were detained by Children's Services.

Darrell was placed under arrest for one felony count of assault with a deadly weapon, one felony count of child endangerment, one felony count of possession of a firearm by a prohibited person, one felony count of possession of ammunition by a prohibited person, and one misdemeanor count of brandishing a firearm. Sarah was placed under arrest for four felony counts of child endangerment. The Sheriff's Office is asking anyone with additional information to contact Detective Vaj Thao at 530-538-7671. ★

# Bucks Lake and Spanish Creek Recreation Sites Open

## Lee Anne Schramel, Plumas National Forest

**QUINCY, CA (MPG)** - Plumas National Forest is opening additional recreation sites on Friday, June 19, 2020. Included are Bucks Lake recreation sites: Hutchins Group, Sundew, Mill Creek, and Whitehorse Campgrounds, in addition to Sandy Point Boat Ramp, Picnic, and Beach day-use plus Bucks Lake Kiosk. Spanish Creek recreation sites include Spanish Creek and Spanish Creek Group Campgrounds in addition

to the day-use area.

The Crocker Guard Station recreation rental is also open.

Reservation options for these campgrounds/recreation rental may be found at <https://www.recreation.gov>. See [www.outdoors-inplumas.com](http://www.outdoors-inplumas.com) for other information including fees and site amenities.

Please see <https://recreation.pge.com> for information about PG&E managed sites in the Bucks Lake area.

Campfires are allowed at open Forest Service developed campgrounds

but are not allowed outside developed sites (some exceptions apply). Portable propane campfire pits with shutoff valves are a handy substitute, with a valid CA campfire permit (<http://www.preventwildfire.ca.org/Campfire-Permit/>).

Forest visitors are asked to follow Center for Disease Control and Plumas County guidelines for recreating safely.

For a more complete list of fire restrictions and other forest recreation information, please visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/plumas> ★

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING YUBA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Yuba County Board of Supervisors will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday July 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter will be heard, in the Board of Supervisors Chambers located at 915 8th Street, Marysville, California, in order to discuss the submittal of an application in response to the June 5, 2020 State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coronavirus Response Round 1 (CDBG-CV1) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA), and to solicit citizen input.

The major activity categories are: Assistance to businesses and microenterprises impacted by COVID-19 stay-at-home orders and shut-downs; Public services related to COVID-19 support; Facility improvements related to COVID-19 healthcare and homeless housing needs; and Acquisition of real property to be used for the treatment or recovery of infectious diseases in response to COVID-19. Projects funded with CDBG General allocations must meet the National Objective of Benefit to Targeted Income Group (TIG) persons.

The Community Development and Services Agency on behalf of the County of Yuba intends to submit an application to the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to request the jurisdiction's funding allocation up to \$228,607.00, under the NOFA for the following eligible activities:

### Activity 1:

**\$228,607.00** – Public Services Program, related to COVID-19 support.

The Public Service Program will provide a County-Community partnership that seeks to bolster the local economy in such a way that provides built-in-safeguards to help mitigate the risk against potential surges in COVID-19 cases. The goal is to be a good community partner by offering educational material and resources that will aid consistency within the community, providing better protection for the employer, employees, and business patrons. Learning how businesses have been impacted by COVID-19 and finding a way forward that works for individual needs is vital to navigation and recovery of this new landscape.

The purpose of the public hearing is to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known of the proposed activities/application. If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, please contact Karma Ferguson at (530) 749-5452.

Written comments are invited and should be received no later than the date of the public hearing. Written comments may be sent to the attention of Kevin Mallen, Director of Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency, 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901.

In addition, information is available for review at the address below. You may call or visit the Community Development and Services Agency between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday or at the address below:

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to: Community Development and Services Agency

915 8th Street, Suite 123

Marysville, CA 95901

(530) 749-5430

All members of the community are encouraged to attend and comment on the plan uses and purposes, especially low-income residents who benefit from the CDBG program. The County of Yuba promotes fair housing and employment opportunities and makes all its programs available to low and moderate income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preferences, marital status or disabilities.

If adopted by the Board of Supervisors, following an opportunity for public comment and participation, the will be submitted and on file at the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development. (TD) June 26, 2020

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