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From Left to Right—Anthony Emmolo Ezekiel Roa Baumler, Sofia Nelson, & Trinity Campbell Star In Wonder Plant Woman vs The Invasive Plant Monster.

Local School in Film Festival

A film created by Yuba Environmental Science (YES) Charter Academy staff and students will be featured at the Wild & Scenic Film Festival. Wonder Plant Woman vs the Invasive Plant Monster is an imaginative retelling of Yuba Environmental Science Charter Academy's 3rd and 4th grade students' study of native plants. In the course of their class project, developing a native plant trail around their 10-acre campus, they studied the plants of the Oak Woodland habitat, added native plants to the trail, encountered invasive blackberry, and started the removal process. They aspire to bring awareness and appreciation of native plants to their audience through education and humor. They issue a call to ac-

tion to remove invasive plants and to preserve and plant native plants.

The film was written and produced by Louise Miller, YES Charter Academy principal, and filmed and edited by Radu Sava, YES Charter Academy photography/videography teacher. Actors in the film are current and former YES Charter Academy students. "It's an honor to have a film selected for the Wild & Scenic Film Festival. It's the largest one of its type," said Radu Sava. "I'm proud of the work our staff and students have done," said Louise Miller. "We empower students to become leaders through project based learning."

The Wild & Scenic Film Festival partners with schools to

screen high quality films for Kindergarten through High School age students. The festival offers engaging, age-appropriate film sessions alongside extension curriculum packets for teachers wanting to integrate festival content into their lesson plans before and after the program. Wonder Plant Woman vs the Invasive Plant Monster will be screened at the Del Oro Theater in Grass Valley in the K-4 program on Jan 16-17, 2019. Over 2,000 schoolchildren will view the film making it a tool to educate the next generation of environmental stewards. Advance reservations are required. For more information call (530) 265-5961 or go to www.WildandScenicFilmFestival.org

Officer Involved Shooting

On January 5th at 9:39PM, Marysville Police Dispatch received several 911 calls regarding a male subject with a firearm in the 700 Block of 10th Street, Marysville CA. Once Marysville Police Officers ar-

rived on scene the subject discharged a firearm and began advancing towards officers. An officer returned fire striking the suspect. Medical personnel arrived on scene and transported the male suspect to Ad-

ventist Rideout Hospital where he is reported to be in stable condition.

This is an ongoing investigation and further details will be released as the investigation continues.

Vehicles Pursuit Leads to Mail Theft Suspect



Smartsville, Ca.

Just before midnight 12/27/18; a Yuba County Deputy on patrol on Timbuctoo Place in Smartsville attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a Jeep Cherokee with obstructed plates, that matched the description of a vehicle suspected of involvement in recent mail thefts from the Yuba County foothills. The driver failed to yield and a pursuit ensued south-east on Timbuctoo Place at approximately 50 mph, then onto Hwy 20 eastbound toward Nevada County at speeds up to 80 mph. The suspect vehicle then made a U-turn and

proceeded west bound Hwy 20, turning south onto Hammonton-Smartsville Rd toward Smartsville, where it continued onto southbound Chuck Yeager Rd before turning east onto Daugherty Rd then south onto Mosswood Ln, where it crashed near the intersection of Boulder Way and Mosswood Ln, Smartsville.

The single vehicle accident caused the suspect vehicle to flip, leaving a male driver and one female passenger trapped as smoke began to come from the overturned Cherokee. The pursuing Deputy was able to pull both subjects from the vehicle prior to it catching fire. The driver, identified as 29-year-old Damien Cooper appeared unconscious and the female passenger, identified as 25-year-old Kerstin Toutjian, was conscious but complained of knee and head pain.

Driver Cooper was transported by air to a Sacramento area hospital where he did not appear to have any injuries but was being evaluated; and Passenger Toutjian was transported by ambulance to a local hospital for evaluation. The pursuit was over a distance of six miles and

lasted approximately 8 minutes.

The suspect vehicle was searched at the scene of the accident and contained over 50 pieces of suspected stolen mail from various addresses in Loma Rica, Browns Valley, and Smartsville. A bicycle also located in the suspect vehicle was reported stolen from Oakland, Ca. Suspect Damien Cooper, a parolee, was wanted for violating his parole.

The mail thefts remain under active investigation and have been referred to the US Postal Inspectors. Cooper is expected to be booked into the Yuba County Jail upon his release from the hospital, with initial charges of violation of parole, felony evading, and possession of stolen property.

Update:

Damien Cooper was life flighted from the accident in Smartsville, following the pursuit, to a Sacramento area hospital. He was discharged from the hospital without the knowledge of the Yuba County Sheriff or parole's; and fled. He remains wanted at this time.

FPPC and Measure K

by Lou Binninger

There is an uptick in news about sales tax measures and bonds being promoted by government to bail-out politicians and budgets. These efforts are temporary fixes to overspending since the real problems are a corrupt state pension system and unaffordable government-run healthcare. Another seldom noted nemesis is a Calizuela state government that is adding mandates while bleeding tax money from poorer rural counties.

Read the informative article by Jon Coupal, President of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association in this paper and a Cal Matters Dan Walter's piece "Finally, a crackdown on misuse of taxpayer money" in the Appeal Democrat.

Both articles address the fact that though there are laws to prevent an abuse of power by government usurping the Constitutional rights of its citizens, if there is no enforcement of the law then the law is impotent and rights are lost.

The FPPC (Fair Political Practices Commission) recently voted unanimously to impose a \$7,500 fine on BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) for not reporting its spending on a bond issue as a campaign contribution. The violation involves the pitching of a \$3.5 billion bond issue to voters. The fine is chump change to BART and an encouragement to ignore the law once again.

The FPPC asked the State Attorney General and Bay Area district attorneys to prosecute BART for violating the law prohibiting the use of public funds for political campaigns. Earlier, Los Angeles County was also cited by the FPPC for misuse of taxpayer funds in an election campaign.

Locally, numerous Yuba County citizens filed complaints with the FPPC accusing County Supervisors of inappropriate use of public funds for the Measure K campaign to raise sales taxes to 8.25%. The initial FPPC response was to request evidence

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More Rules for Calizuelans

by Lou Binninger

Each January, Calizuelans are notified that their legislators have made nearly 1,000 new laws as aspects of our lives are discovered that they don't control. This year, 1,016 bills were signed into law of the 1,217 sent to Governor Brown.

If you think in terms of 10 years that's about 10,000 more state laws each decade to keep us under subjection. For some reason that seems more ominous than by the year. And to think we started with just 10 rules.

You remember...Worship only God. No graven images or idols. Don't cuss using God's name. Honor the Sabbath day. Honor your father and mother. Don't murder. Don't commit adultery. Don't steal. Don't slander your neighbor. And, don't covet.

Lawmaking has gone downhill from there. The Supreme Court in 1857 ruled thought Black people could be owned, bought and sold like property. Dred Scott, an enslaved African American man, unsuccessfully sued for his freedom and that of his wife and two daughters. Nope, can't have that.

Then after that decision was corrected another Supreme Court found that killing unborn babies was the right thing to do. In 1973, the Supreme Court ruled that states could not criminalize or restrict access to abortion.

In 1966, Republican Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun's 19-year daughter Sally, a sophomore in college, became pregnant. The family was embarrassed and Sally then married the boyfriend. Three weeks after the marriage, she had a miscarriage. The couple divorced after 6 years and the ordeal delayed Sally's pursuit of a law degree. We can't have that.

Blackmun sought the opinion of Sally and his wife Dorothy in his effort to legalize abortion. A strategic family's time of difficulty led to the killing of 50 million babies so far. Laws often come to us for un-Godly reasons.

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Ben's Rain Gauge from Strawberry Valley, CA whose Annual Rainfall Average is 80-86"

2019

25.15" Seasonal YTD

2018

23.79" Seasonal YTD

January Blood Drives

GRIDLEY
Gridley Community Blood Drive Tuesday, January 29th 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Located in the Cultural Hall 400 Spruce Street, Gridley
Give blood with Vitalant and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

– 3:30 p.m. Located on the bloodmobile 2690 Feather River Blvd, Oroville
As a thank you, receive a movie pass and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

Rd., Wheatland
As a thank you, receive a long sleeve shirt and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

OROVILLE
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints – Oroville Blood Drive Thursday, January 17th 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Located in the Cultural Hall 2390 Monte Vista Avenue, Oroville
Give blood with Vitalant and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

WHEATLAND
Beale Air Force Base Blood Drive Wednesday, January 23rd 11:00 a.m. – 3 p.m. Located on the bloodmobile BX Parking Lot
Give blood with Vitalant and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

YUBA CITY
Vitalant Winter Classic Blood Drive Saturday, January 26th 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Located at Vitalant Yuba City on the bloodmobile 1290 Stabler Lane, Yuba City
As a thank you, receive an insulated Vitalant travel tumbler and grant wishes with Make-A-Wish.

Wheatland High School & Community Blood Drive Wednesday, January 30th 9:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. Located in the Library 1010 Wheatland

Enjoy hot chocolate and delicious refreshments after your donation. Call 530.674.3140 or visit vitalant.org for more information.

AAUW Monthly Meeting

Yuba City, Ca.
On Saturday, January 19, at 11:30 a.m., the Marysville-Yuba City branch of the American Association of University Women will hold its monthly meeting at the Sutter County Memorial Museum, 1333 Butte House Road, Yuba City.
Our speaker will be Museum Director Jessica Horgan.
Lunch will be catered by Chef Salim of Café Collage, and will include Caesar salad, mixed seasonal vegetables, lasagna Bolognese, and

tiramisu.
Visitors and potential members are always welcome at AAUW meetings. Space is limited and reservations for lunch are required, \$18 payable in advance. Send check to AAUW, P.O. Box 3031, Yuba City, CA 95992, to arrive no later than Monday, January 14. For more information contact Kathryn Jankowski, 713-4467.
Projects of the Marysville-Yuba City Branch of the American Association of University Women are the Math Science/

STEM Conference for 8th grade Girls, scholarships for 7th grade girls to the Tech Trek Science Camp at UC Davis, and other scholarships for girls and women. For additional information about AAUW see our branch website www.aauwmarysvilleyubacity.com or AAUW.MVYC on Facebook.
AAUW is a national organization dedicated to promoting equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

Wheatland Historical Society 2019 Calendar of Events

The January 2019 events, include our Wheatland History Museum hours of 10:00

a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays, Jan. 5th and Jan. 19th. Our museum is located at 111 Main

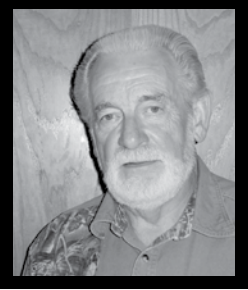
Street, Wheatland and more information follows. In addition, we have our annual "Election of Officers" on Thursday, Jan. 17th at our regular 6:00 p.m. meeting which will be held at 610 3rd Street, Wheatland.

The Wheatland History Museum
Open on the first and third Saturday of each month from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Admission is free and donations are gladly accepted. Items in the museum reflect the history of the Wheatland and local area. Displays change and include agriculture, business, schools, military, and pre-Wheatland artifacts. For more information, please visit our website: wheatland-historymuseum.org

FISHIN' TALK

by Boots Johnson

Dan "Boots" Johnson has fished and hunted in California for more than 75 years. Anyone with questions or comments can email him at boots3@syix.com



Welcome to a wet and cold New Year. We hope all had a good holiday. We certainly did and are looking forward to 2019. Currently the weather is wet and cold. Our weather source predicted this a month or so ago so we called him for an update. He advised, according to his records since the 40's, to expect things to get back to normal this year with lots of rain, snow, wind and colder temperatures compared to what we have experienced for a long time.

The current weather system, which we are told will be around awhile, will muddy up the rivers and bring the sturgeon upstream. Many of you out there fish for the prehistoric monster and we know this rain will bring smiles to your faces. Also, the steelhead season is upon us and we expect to see good fishing in local rivers for the next month or so.

Currently, according to a report from that area, Lake Berryessa has gone hog wild last week as bass, perch, crappie and trout turn on in this reservoir. Expect the lake to turn murky with

the rain we are experiencing. Those who were on the water before the current storm had a ball fishing.

Those folks who braved the cold last week caught some nice trout at Collins Lake above Browns Valley. Fish were brought in which weighed up to five pounds.

Several years ago we were invited up to Lake Almanor before the Holiday season in Mid-December. Back then we encountered snow on the highway and snow just about everywhere. At the lake it was a beautiful sight with the

blue water and the white snow. We fished off the bank in several areas without much success, but we did have frozen fingers and cold noses before we returned to the cabin. It has been some time since we have had that kind of weather and it appears we will once again see the Sierra Nevada Mountains with deep snow all around.

Closing thought: "Bring out the long johns, the sweaters and that extra warm coat that have been sitting in the closet for years and enjoy a normal, regular winter season."

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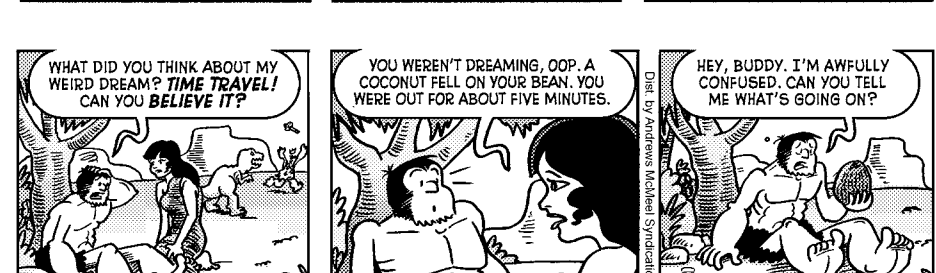
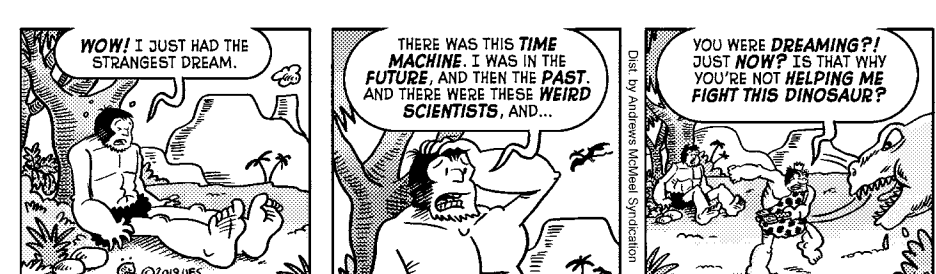
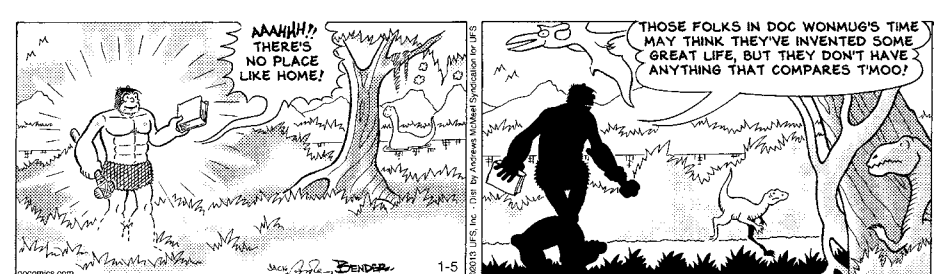
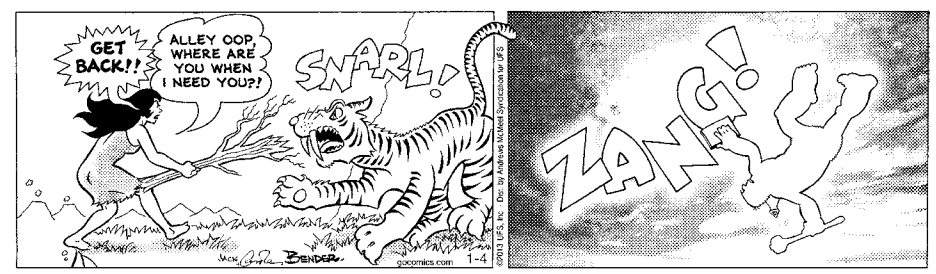
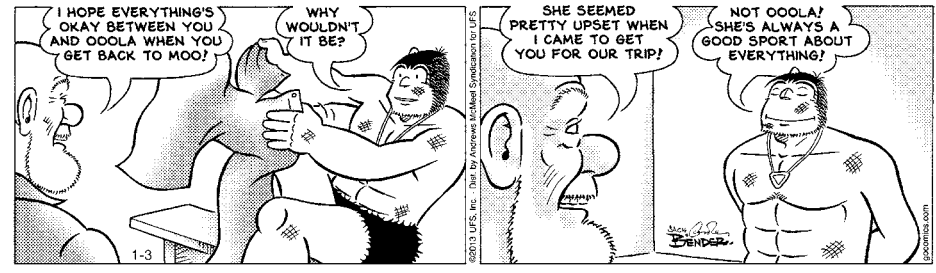
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FPPC and Measure K

to support accusations of those residents filing complaints. That information has now been submitted.

If the FPPC finds Yuba County at fault in its advocacy of Measure K then who will enforce and prosecute this violation - the FPPC, The Attorney General (AG), the Yuba County District Attorney (DA)?

The FPPC can fine but in Yuba County's case will taxpayers' funds be used to pay the amount? That public loses again. In LA County there is a request to prosecute supervisors individually. Per capita, Yuba County spent more money on its measure than did LA.

The AG's office has not been a factor in

helping when requested in our rural counties. Would the DA's office pursue Yuba County for misuse of public funds? Not likely, since DA Pat McGrath (now retired) was a spokesperson for Measure K.

Some have confused the lawsuit filed against the county to stop Measure K with the FPPC's role in legally critiquing the campaign. The legal action by Bell, McAndrews & Hiltachk questions the legality of the content of the Measure K ordinance. The FPPC will evaluate the "free speech" violation where government is forbidden from using public funds to raise taxes.

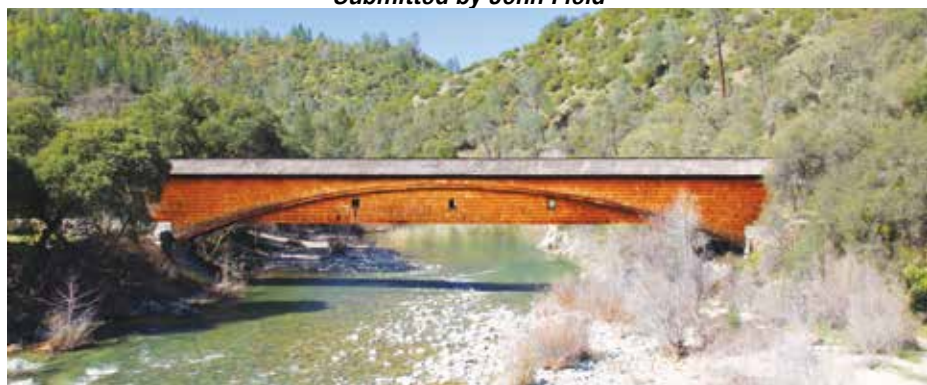
Counties, cities and

jurisdictions up and down the state have been violating election laws to financially save their mismanaged ship. Will they be held accountable or will the public lose again?

Prop 218 and Prop 13 requirements on how taxes are raised may go the way of the Brown Act, being useless unless they are sincerely and honestly enforced along with deterrent-level penalties. The Ralph M. Brown Act was passed in 1953 to ensure the public's right to openness in government and to keep politicians from avoiding public scrutiny. Since the Act has no enforcement powers it has had little to no impact.

Historic Bridgeport Covered Bridge Restoration Project Is A Go!

Submitted by John Field



The longest, historic covered single span wood bridge left in the world, located right here in Nevada County, is about to be fully restored! The Project, located in the South Yuba River State Park, is fully funded, all permits are in place, a qualified contractor (the Spectra Company) has been selected with a signed and approved contract and the Notice To Proceed (NTP) issued. Mike Brown, Project Manager for the Bridge Project, California Department of Parks and Recreation, (DPR), reports: ... "that (the) contract has

been executed by both DPR and Spectra. This means our agreement is finalized and we can look forward to beginning the submittal process."

Submittals by the contractor for the materials to be used and the processes to be employed in the restoration will begin, with actual construction work to start in the Spring of 2019, with a completion date set for the end of 2019. There are many factors that may impact this specialized Project, such as weather and river levels, condition of the structure as it

is disassembled and the availability of the materials needed to restore the Bridge to its original historic condition.

We have come far, accomplishing much and overcoming many challenges over the past seven years with the support of the whole community. Nevada County District 4 Supervisor Hank Weston comments "I am happy to see all the hard work by everyone will soon be accomplished and I look forward to crossing the covered Bridge as member of the community knowing all the hurdles we had to overcome." We are indeed excited to finally see this iconic structure restored. We will Save Our Bridge!

Planning is already underway for a multi-day celebration once the Bridge is restored and ready for public access. We look forward to many future generations of visitors experiencing what it was like to cross the wild Yuba River on this unique Bridge, built in 1862, to carry them on their way to the gold and silver fields in California and Nevada.



Yuba Feather Community Services

Submitted by: Buck Weckman

Over 30 years ago, Yuba Feather Communities Services (YFCS) was formed as a Non-Profit Corporation. The stated mission was to develop Health Services, Fire Protection and Recreation to the area communities. These communities included: Brownsville, Forbestown, Rackerby, Challenge and Clipper Mills. Initially, the YFCS Board of Directors obtained use of the closed California Department of Forestry (CDF) Fire Station in Brownsville and 50 plus nearby acres of Bureau of Land Management (BLM) vacant land. Close cooperation with CDF, BLM and Yuba County was an integral part of this effort. Yuba County continues this cooperation by providing the lease mechanism with BLM.

The CDF Fire Station garage provided housing for Brownsville's first fire engine. The CDF barracks was used as the location for our current Health Center. That was a long time ago, but YFCS's efforts was one of the catalysis that evolved into our first rate Fire Department and Health Center. We owe YFCS our gratitude.

The vacant BLM land, still managed by YFCS, now has a large Community Center, two baseball fields, amphitheater, basket ball court, tennis courts, hiking trail, chil-

dren's play ground and picnic areas. These facilities did not just magically appear; they were the result of years of hard work by YFCS. Certainly the Board of Directors had considerable support from local volunteers and businesses such as Ray's Hardware and Soper Wheeler Logging Company. The Community has enjoyed the fruits of these efforts through hundreds of Little League Baseball Games, Music Festivals, Theater Arts Presentations, Public Meetings, no cost holiday dinners and so many other benefits. This has been a major accomplishment for these small mountain communities.

Recreation, the Community Center and Ponderosa Park continues to be the main focus of YFCS.

The current nine member Board of Directors and a few faithful volunteers are working overtime to maintain existing facilities and provide a good

number of yearly community events. However additional help is needed if the facility and park are to remain in good repair. Volunteers to work in the park or on the buildings would be appreciated. Another area of need is a person with Grant Writing experience. There are numerous Grants available that could provide us with additional resources. With a little guidance from a YFCS Board Member a volunteer could complete applications at home. Contact Colene Weckman at 675-3221 if you have an interest.

There will be a YFCS Membership Drive Dinner on Saturday, January 26, 2019. Current and new Members will be admitted at no charge. Membership is \$15.00 for an individual and \$25.00 for a family. The dinner will be at the Community Center on Ponderosa Way in Brownsville; additional information will be released at a later date.

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CASTELLANOS - Maribel Castellanos, 55, of Wheatland passed away December 24, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

CURTIS - Robert Curtis, 74, of Marysville passed away December 26, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

KRULETZ - Larry Kruletz, 48, of Yuba City passed away December 26, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory. 530-751-7000.

VILLALOBOS HARRIS - Katrina K. Villalobos Harris, 29, of Gridley passed away December 27, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

IHENE - Douglas R. Ihene, 73, of Olivehurst passed away December 27, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

DALPORTO - Teresa A. Dalporto, 81, of Olivehurst passed away December 28, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

HARRISON - Marshall T. Harrison, 39, of Oroville passed away December 28, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

BIVINS - Marceline J. Bivins, 92, of Live Oak passed away December 29, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

WILLIAMS - Enda L. Williams, 95, of Plumas Lake passed away December 31, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

COLEMAN - Donna Coleman, 81, of Live Oak passed away December 31, 2018. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory. 530-751-7000.

SEEFRED - Ronald H. Seefred, 82, of Browns Valley passed away January 1, 2019. Arrangements are under the direction of Lakeside Colonial Chapel Funeral & Crematory, 530-749-9277.

CAUCHI - Kenneth J. Cauchi, 55, of Yuba City passed away January 3, 2019. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory. 530-751-7000.

ASHRAF - Muhammad Ashraf, 76, of Live Oak passed away January 3, 2019. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory. 530-751-7000.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Matter of MacPherson. PETITIONER CASE NUMBER: CVPT 18-02107. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE: February 4, 2019
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Matter of MacPherson filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

- 1) from: **Tyler Wallace Thiel** to: **Tyler Wallace MacPherson**.
- 2) from: **Hunter Douglas Thiel** to: **Hunter Douglas MacPherson**.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court in Department 4 of the Yuba County Superior Court located at 215 Fifth Street, Suite 200, Marysville, CA on February 4, 2019 at 9:30 A.M. and then and there show cause, if any they have, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this order to show cause be published in the Territorial Dispatch, a newspaper of general circulation published in this county, at least once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the date of the hearing.

DATE: December 21, 2018

STEPHEN W. BERRIER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

January 2, 9, 16, 23, 2019

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Matthew Kenji Osterman. PETITIONER CASE NUMBER: CVPT 18-02060. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE: February 11, 2019
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Matthew Kenji Osterman filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

- 1) from: **Matthew Kenji Osterman** to: **Kenji Kurio Ash**.

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: December 12, 2018

STEPHEN W. BERRIER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

January 9, 16, 23, 30, 2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2018F-349

The following person(s) are doing business as **Have A Heart** 5654 Tish Cir Olivehurst, CA 95961 1) Silvia Aguilar 5654 Tish Cir 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 April 23, 2009. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed: **Silvia Aguilar**. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 10, 2018, indicated by file stamp. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). By: **TERRY A. HANSEN**, County Clerk By: **BRIDGETTE EVANS** Deputy Clerk. (TD) December 19, 26, 2018 & January 2, 9, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2018F-363

The following person(s) are doing business as **Crystal's Ranchito** 7351 Ames Road Marysville, CA 95901 Yuba County 1) Serafin Alvarez-Torres 7351 Ames Road Marysville, CA 95901 This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01-01-18. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed: **Serafin Alvarez Torres**. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on Dec. 28, 2018, indicated by file stamp. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). By: **TERRY A. HANSEN**, County Clerk By: **DAISY HENDRICKSON** Deputy Clerk. (TD) Jan. 9, 16, 23, 30, 2019..

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF Dominga Pasquala Torchia Case NO. CVPB18-00121

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of (specify all names by which the decedent was known): **Dominga Pasquala Torchia**

A Petition for Probate has been filed by (Name of Petitioner): **Carol Ann Marshall** in the Superior Court of California, County of (specify): Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that (name): **Carol Ann Marshall** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Sates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: January 28, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Steven A. Geringer 123 South I Street, Madera, California 93637 **Phone No.:** 530-312-0690

PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH: Dec. 26, 2018 and Jan. 2, 9, 2019

YSCDSG Meeting for Type 1 Diabetes

January 18, 2019 - The Yuba Sutter Diabetes Support & Resource Center will be holding their bi-monthly support group meeting for type 1 diabetics on January 18, 2019, from 7-8:30pm located at 990 Klamath Lane, Suite 1, Yuba City. Join us as Sutter County Public Health will be speaking on Tobacco Prevention. You don't want to miss this meeting. Meetings are always free!

January 29, 2019 - The Yuba Sutter Diabetes Resource Center will be holding our monthly Diabetes Class on January 29, 2019, from 3-4pm, located at 990 Klamath Lane, Suite 1, Yuba City. Join us as Jan Beeler will be speaking on "What is Diabetes?". If you are newly diagnosed or you think you might be diabetic, please join us. Everyone is welcome to come. Bring a friend. Classes are always free!

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T.S. No.: 9987-7705 TSG Order No.: 180422181-CA-VOI A.P.N.: 060-170-012-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/24/2013. 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. Affinia Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded 10/28/2013 as Document No.: 2013R-013790, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yuba County, California, executed by: ADAM W SMITH, A SINGLE PERSON, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by 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). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. **Sale Date & Time: 01/31/2019 at 01:30 PM Sale Location: At the front entrance to the County Courthouse, 215 5th St., Marysville, CA 95901** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: **9793 BRETT WAY (Unincorporated Area), DOBBINS, CA 95935** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said 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 said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$194,159.35 (Estimated) as of 01/10/2019. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. 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 postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, 916-939-

0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 9987-7705. 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. 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. Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd. Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 833-290-7452 For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: 916-939-0772. Affinia Default Services, LLC, Omar Solorzano, Foreclosure Associate This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. However, if you have received a discharge of the debt referenced herein in a bankruptcy proceeding, this is not an attempt to impose personal liability upon you for payment of that debt. In the event you have received a bankruptcy discharge, any action to enforce the debt will be taken against the property only. NPP0346006 To: TERRITORIAL DISPATCH 01/09/2019, 01/16/2019, 01/23/2019

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2018F-351

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Dollar General #16821**, 11898 Smith Rd., Loma Rica, CA 95901-9562. Yuba County Mailing Address: 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072 1) Dolgen California, LLC 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072; Tennessee This business is conducted by Limited Liability company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/14/2017. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed: /s/ **Steven R. Deckard, CEO** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on December 12, 2018, 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, County Clerk By Daisy Hendrickson, Deputy Clerk 12/26/18, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16/19 CNS-3204403# TERRITORIAL DISPATCH

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2018F-352

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: **Dollar General #15086**, 1920 Highway 65 Ste. 200-270, Wheatland, CA 95692, Yuba County Mailing Address: 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072 1) Dolgen California, LLC 100 Mission Ridge, Goodlettsville, TN 37072; Tennessee This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/23/2014. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed: /s/ **Steven R. Deckard, CEO** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on December 12, 2018, 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, County Clerk By Daisy Hendrickson, Deputy Clerk 12/26/18, 1/2, 1/9, 1/16/19 CNS-3204401# TERRITORIAL DISPATCH

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2018F-347

The following person(s) are doing business as **It's Party Time Photo Booth Rental** 5543 Meadow Brook Way Linda, CA 95901 1) Kendra Pepper 5543 Meadow Brook Way Linda, CA 95901 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: **Kendra Pepper.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 10, 2018, indicated by file stamp. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). By: TERRY A. HANSEN, County Clerk By: MANDY LUIS Deputy Clerk. (TD) December 26, 2018 & January 2, 9, 16, 2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2018F-356

The following person(s) are doing business as **GTO Tire and Auto Repair** 5834 Lindhurst Ave Linda, CA 95901 1) Juana Isabel Zuniga 1930 Glenmore Dr. 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 N/A. (I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct). Signed: **Juana Isabel Zunga.** This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 10, 2018, indicated by file stamp. (I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office). By: TERRY A. HANSEN, County Clerk By: BRIDGETTE EVANS Deputy Clerk. (TD) December 26, 2018 & January 2, 9, 16, 2019.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF Sheila A. Rooney Case NO. CVPB18-000160

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of (specify all names by which the decedent was known): **Sheila A. Rooney**

A Petition for Probate has been filed by (Name of Petitioner): **Diane L. Schultz** in the Superior Court of California, County of (specify): Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that (name): **Diane L. Schultz** be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Sates Act.(This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: January 28, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within **the later** of either **(1) four** months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58 (b) of the California Probate code, or **(2) 60** days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California Law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Petitioner: Diane L. Schultz
4116 Briarwood Ln. Wheatland, CA 95692
Phone No.: 530-633-4515
PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH:
Jan. 2, 9, 16, 2019

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Jesus Rios Rocha and Jessica Munoz Rios. PETITIONERS CASE NUMBER: CVPT 18-002109. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE:
February 4, 2019
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Jesus Rios Rocha and Jessica Munoz Rios filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
1) from: **Stephanie Rios Munoz.**
to: **Stephanie (NMN) Rios Munoz.**

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: December 21, 2018

STEPHEN W. BERRIER
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

January 9, 16, 23, 30, 2019

California will clean up voter list

By Stephen Frank

This is big. The Election Integrity Project CA won a settlement against the Registrar of Voters of Los Angeles County AND the Secretary of State of California. L.A. is forced to remove 1.5 million voters from the "inactive" rolls. But the agreement goes much further:

"Under the terms of the settlement, Mr. Padilla and Mr. Logan are required to make regular reports of their corrective actions and results. Progress and compliance will be subject to enforcement by a federal judge and validated by EIPCa researchers."

Evidence of compliance is not going to be certified by a government agency—but by a private non-profit, Election Integrity Project CA. This shows, to me, how corrupt the Judge feels government has become, that a private organization, which brought the lawsuit gets to validate the work done by a government agency. More importantly, though the

case was against Los Angeles County, the Secretary of State is mandated to do the same in the 57 other counties. This is a great first step in bringing honesty back to elections. Congratulations to the great Team at Election Integrity Project CA. I would not be surprised if more lawsuits are brought by them to ensure honest elections—the work that should be done by government officials, instead being done by private citizens.

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(Continued from Page 1)

More Rules for Calizuelans

Here are a few of the new state laws. Calizuela is the first state to mandate a vegan meal option in prison. This law includes hospitals and healthcare facilities, as well.

Under the category of "free enterprise," Sacramento Socialists now forbid restaurants to offer plastic straws without a request. After a couple

warnings then it's a \$25 fine per incident up to \$300 a year for habitual criminals. At Lumberjacks last Sunday we requested a handful of contraband.

Also, under kids' meals, the default drink now is water or unflavored milk. If you insist, other drinks are there for the children. Neither the business nor you are

able to have it your way without a fight. A person gets elected to office and now wants to tell you what to eat.

Then, legislators just felt something was lacking. We don't have an official state sport. Although people in the State of Jefferson would have preferred snowboarding or skiing we now have surfing. Feel better? You

know, LA calls the shots for all of us.

Now, not only will the state accidentally register thousands of illegal voters via the DMV but all mail-in ballots will have prepaid postage. That saves corrupt vote harvesters the time and money to come up with stamps.

Under employment law, if you ever wonder whether rookie workers are considered stupid by the nanny state this proves it. The arrogant government has nothing invested in any private enterprise but insists on managing the payroll. It cannot allow an employer and potential employee to agree on pay and working conditions.

So, employers break the law by paying less than \$12 an hour if they have 26 or more workers.

Employers and landlords are evil in the eyes of Calizuela judges. Try going to court on frivolous injury and compensation disputes or evictions. It's better to pay free-loaders off rather than face a tainted judge.

Remember SB 54, the "Calizuela Values Act." This is the new Sanctuary State law where illegal alien criminals are more "valued" than law enforcement and citizens. The problem is that the protected killers and rapists seem to target conservative victims rather than the

families of Democrat lawmakers. Fourteen of 58 counties and 20 cities have rejected being a Sanctuary County / City. However, no jurisdiction in the Yuba and Sutter area has taken a stand against the insanity.

Your next driver's license can list you as male, female or non-binary for in-between. Let's all go nonbinary next renewal for fun. And if you find yourself in a care home and you are a guy feeling lady-like you can use the girls' room regardless of your God-issued plumbing.

Finally, our rulers now tell pet shops what pets they can sell. There are a thousand more new rules just like these.

Yuba County Pet of the Week

Meet the kittens of the week. These babies are just a few of the beautiful cats at the Yuba County shelter, and more are available on a daily basis. Cats make wonderful pets and there are many to choose from; all are looking for forever homes. Start your year off with a new furry friend. If cats aren't for you, we also have some canine companions that are seeking extra special friends to adopt them! Come by and take a look...you will be glad you did!



day – Friday 10am – 3:30 pm and Saturdays 10 am – 2 pm. You can also go to www.petharbor.com or www.petfinder.com to see all of our adoptable animals and look for your lost family pets, or check out our Facebook page, Yuba County Animal Care Services@yubacountyACS. We also have an Amazon wish list if you would like to help support the shelter. The link to our wish list is; Amazon.com <http://a.co/7qGE7r0>.

TOPICS OF INTEREST

STARS Volunteers: Volunteers are needed for the animal shelter. If you have time on your hands and would like to help out,

become a STARS volunteer. Contact Rosa Leon at the Yuba County Sheriff's Office or come by the shelter to find out how.

Donations: The STARS help support the ACS Shelter. Donations are used to help offset spay and neutering costs, feed costs, and other costs associated with the care of the animals. If you would like to donate, you may send donations/checks to YCACS STARS at the Animal Care address: 5245 Feather River Blvd. Olivehurst, CA 95961. You can also donate via our Facebook page. Thank you in advance for any help you can provide.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Low Cost Rabies Clinics: January 26, 2019: Yuba County Animal Care Services, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Brownsville Substation, 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Yuba County Animal Care Services is located at 5245 Feather River Blvd., Olivehurst. The phone number is 530-741-6478. Kennels are open Mon-

at 11:30 will meet at the Sutter County Memorial Museum, 1333 Butte House Rd, Yuba City. RSVP required. For info or tickets contact Kathryn Jankowski 713-4467.

JANUARY 25 – SUTTER BUTTES GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY meets at 7 pm at the Feather River Baptist Church, 5400 Chestnut Rd, Olivehurst. Guests always welcome. Info call 916-677-6696.

JANUARY 29 – YUBA SUTTER DIABETES RESOURCE CENTER MEETING from 3-4 pm, 990 Klamath Ln, Suite 1, Yuba City. Speak on "What is Diabetes". Bring a friend. Meetings are always free.

LOMA RICA SENIORS MEET ON THE LAST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH SEPT. THROUGH JUNE at the Loma Rica Church, 11234 Loma Rica Road, Loma Rica from 10 am to 2 pm. Potluck and bring White Elephants for bingo. For more info call Lonnie or Marcia at 530-743-7246.

AMERICAN LEGION POST 789 IN WHEATLAND MEETS FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 6 pm at the Pioneer Hall, 315 B Street, Wheatland. Info call David Avers at 530-633-0287 or Smokey Davis at 530-633-2463.

MARYSVILLE ART CLUB BRIDGE MEETS THE 1ST & 3RD THURSDAY of the month, at Clubhouse, 420 10th St, in Marysville at 12:30 pm. No bridge on the 3rd Thursday April due to upcoming tea. New friends always welcome.

TOASTMASTERS: Peachbowl Dawnbreakers, 6:30 am Friday

at Waffle Barn, 590 Colusa Ave. Info: Joyce 300-6712. Mission Staters Club, Noon Tuesdays at Sutter-Yuba Assoc. of Realtors, 1558 Starr Dr, Yuba City Info 530-570-7681. Fun Talkers, 5:30 pm Wed. Intero Pride Real Estate, 868 Richland Rd, YC Info: 300-6712. Marysville, 11:30 am 1st & 3rd Thursdays, Jody Jones Room #175, Caltrans, 703 B St, Marysville Info: 740-4915. Beale Whisperers, 1st and 3rd Tues at Contrails Dining Facility, Beale AFB. Membership restricted to military and contract personnel, Info 530-634-2645. Advanced TM Club 10 am 1st Sat each mo. The Pour House Restaurant, 855 E. Ave, Ste 270, Chico. Info Eva 530-701-4897.

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GOOD VIBRATIONS SQUARE DANCE CLUB MEETS EVERY MONDAY at Veterans Memorial Hall, 17th and B, Marysville. Dancing starts at 6:30. Info Call Don at 530-673-8828 leave message if no answer.

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Stock Market Silver Lining

Those of us looking at the markets for a living have seen happier holidays. That being said there is some good news in all of this. With declining stock prices comes opportunity. Although portfolio balances have likely decreased with even profits minimized or negative, we have a chance when the market bottoms to lock in some great yields on solid companies. Companies that are the bedrock of the American economy. Names that have been around for decades, some over a century and I am excited about what this means for investors.

Many of these great companies pay dividends which are scheduled payments to stock holders every so often, usually every quarter. Since dividends are listed as a dollar amount, when the price of a stock drops its yield on your investment goes up. Many of them have increased dividends for decades and paid them for as long.

For instance, if stock "ABC" Company (fictional) says it will pay one dollar a share annually and the price last month was \$10, your annual yield would be 10%. Now along comes our nasty correction over

the last few months and stock of ABC drops to \$8 which is a 20% drop in price and many stocks in this recent setback have seen this percentage drop.

If the company pays the dividend as scheduled, you spend \$8 a share buying it and then get the buck in dividends. That payout equals 12.5%.

Bingo- the stock got hammered but buyers at the new level of 8 bucks get a much higher return than buyers before the crash.

With the markets suffering the worst December since 1929 (CNBC) and from the article below note the quote: "About 38% of companies on NYSE, Nasdaq trade at 52-week lows. Only eight days since 1984 saw more stocks hitting new bottoms. The worse December since 1929".

We now have a unique opportunity unfolding. Remember when bad things happen, opportunities can arise and right now I see a tremendous potential opportunity being given to us with this market rout.

Yes your balances may have been hit, and yes it may look somewhat bleak right now, but when I get the chance to pick up great companies at bargain prices paying nice

dividends which were higher before this seasons market set back, I take a hard look at altering strategies to take advantage of this opportunity.

The S&P 500 sat at 2929.00 on 9/17/2018 and closed at 2351.00 12/24/2018 which is 19.8% decrease. That said, the window is opening wider every down day and I cannot ignore it. That means if we pick up some of these great US stalwart companies that make up some of the best regarded companies in the country at beat up levels, we can possibly lock in great dividends and also have the possibility of a recovery lifting the prices of these stocks as well.

Historically when the markets fall hard and fast, the pendulum effect sometimes comes into play in a big way. In 2009 the Dow sat at 6,626 and in about 8 years skyrocketed to 26,828. That is a 404% increase.

Add dividends to that and you imagine the results for those grabbing stocks at the bleakest of times that pay dividends.

What is the opportunity now?

While most investors and advisors might be seeing darkness and lots of red, I see opportunity. I was always a fan of dividend paying stocks of great companies, and now I am super concentrated on this strategy again. Great opportunities in life don't happen every day, but when they do, you have to sit up and take notice, have vision, and while the blood runs in the streets, look toward the sky and find the hidden opportunities. This is my thinking today.

Who wouldn't want

to own a basket of solid companies with the possibilities of some great dividends, with higher yields because of beat up prices?

And even if the market goes lower, our possible yields will only go up from there. In a weird way, we can hope the market goes even lower! Strange how things can be perceived.

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Hope to see you around Brownsville soon!

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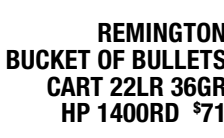
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THINK About It!

By Charlie McNiff



Promises Made ... Promises Kept

Hoping you enjoyed last week's "step off the political train" with the rendering of Johnny Cash's "Christmas Guest. Have a Joyous and Prosperous New Year.

Every once in a while we hearken to other more accomplished journalists for some insights "from the horse's mouth." Here is a recent writing, in part, from Marc A. ThiessenTheWashington-PostWritersGroup.

Donald Trump may be remembered as the most honest president in modern American history. President Trump does, however, stretch the truth sometimes. He said that he "enacted the biggest tax cuts and reforms in American history" (actually they are the eighth-largest) and that "our economy is the strongest it's ever been in the history of our country" (which may one day be true, but not yet). In part, it's a New York thing — everything is the biggest and the best.

But when it comes to the real barometer of presidential truthfulness — keeping his promises — **Trump is a paragon of honesty.** For better or worse, since taking office, **Trump has done exactly what he promised he would do.**

Trump kept his promise to move the U.S. Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, something his three immediate predecessors also promised yet failed to do. He promised to "crush and destroy ISIS," and two years later he is on the verge of eliminating Islamic State's physical caliphate. He promised to impose a travel ban on countries that he saw as posing a terrorist threat, and after several false starts the final version of his ban was upheld by the Supreme Court.

Trump pledged to nominate Supreme Court justices "in the mold of Justice (Antonin) Scalia," and now Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh sit on the high court. Trump also pledged to fill the federal appellate courts with young, conservative judges, and so far the Senate has confirmed 29 — more than any recent president at this point in his administration.

Trump promised to cancel President Barack Obama's Clean Power Plan, withdraw from the Paris climate accord, approve the Keystone XL and Dakota Access pipelines, and open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to exploration. He fulfilled all of those pledges.

On trade, he kept his promise to withdraw from the Trans-Pacific Partnership and impose tariffs on steel and aluminum. He also committed to renegotiating

the North American Free Trade Agreement and the U.S.-Korea Free Trade Agreement — and recently signed new deals with Mexico, Canada and South Korea. He committed to imposing tariffs on China to force it to open its markets and stop its theft of intellectual property — and is following through on that pledge. Whatever one thinks of Trump's trade policies, he is doing exactly what he said.

Where Trump has failed to keep promises, such as building the wall or repealing Obamacare, it has not been for a lack of trying. Only in a few rare instances has he backtracked on a campaign pledge — such as when he admitted that he was wrong to promise a complete withdrawal of U.S. forces from Afghanistan and reversed course.

But whether one agrees or disagrees is not the point. When Trump says he will do something, you can take it to the bank. Yes, he takes liberties with the truth. But unlike his predecessor, he did not pass his signature legislative achievement on the basis of a lie ("If you like your health care plan, you can keep it") — which is clearly worse than falsely bragging that your tax cut is the biggest ever.

The fact is, in his first two years, Trump has compiled a remarkable record of presidential promise-keeping. He'd probably say it's the best in history — which may or may not end up being true. It's too soon to tell.

More Insight on Tijuana Border Chaos

An activist group that escorted thousands of Central Americans to the U.S. border is under fire from allies and some of the migrants themselves. They say the organization downplayed the dangers of the trek and misled them about how long they would have to wait around to apply for asylum. Pueblo Sin Fronteras, or People Without Borders, made up of about 40 U.S. and Mexican activists, is defending itself, saying the migrants made their own decision to press on toward the United States.

Thousands of Central Americans journeying toward the United States were 2,500 miles from their destination in October when they reached a moment of decision: Should they press on toward the U.S. border? Or should they stop and put down roots in Mexico, where the government offered to let them stay? Pueblo Sin Fronteras, warned the migrants that the offer might be too good to be true and called a voice vote on

whether to continue. "Let's keep going!" the crowd yelled amid applause.

And they kept going. Thousands are now in Tijuana on the U.S. border, where they are likely to be camped for months or longer with no easy way to get into the United States, creating what is fast becoming a humanitarian crisis in this overwhelmed city. Adelaida Gonzalez, 37, of Guatemala City, who joined the caravan with her 15-year-old son and neighbor, said that now that she is in Tijuana, she wishes she had accepted Mexico's offer to stay and work in the southern Mexican state of Chiapas.

"We were never told along the way that it would be this hard," said Gonzalez, after seeing the border wall topped with razor wire and the long waiting list for asylum seekers.

A Pueblo Sin Fronteras leader, Irineo Mujica, emphatically rejected the criticism.

"Our commitment first and foremost was protecting the lives of migrants and giving them as much information as possible," Mujica said. "To blame the people who are helping is crazy."

Pueblo Sin Fronteras maintains it simply accompanies the migrants to protect their rights. But the organization clearly plays an essential role: It helped charter the route, arrange bus transportation and negotiate with Mexican officials to provide protection. It also raised more than \$46,000 online for emergency housing and food.

But traveling with the caravan was not without risks. One migrant was killed when he fell off a truck. Another was run over and killed on a highway. Two were stabbed and strangled after leaving a Tijuana shelter. Others have been attacked with rocks by local residents angry over the mass arrival. "There is no reason to make these inhumane journeys,"

Alejandro Solalinde, a Mexican priest recognized for his work with migrants, said of the caravans. Esmeralda Siu, a Tijuana shelter manager, said many caravan members knew nothing about the difficulty in getting asylum. "They come in desperation and so they hear what they want to hear," she said. As for their escorts, "it seems like they are putting the migrants at great risk."

Corona, Pueblo Sin Fronteras' founder, said that the caravans served their purpose but that he doesn't foresee the organization accompanying any more of them.

Sutter County Grand Jury

What happened to the Sutter County Grand Jury Report? It seemed it was the largest scandal that had hit in 50 years. Now the main reason they did not want us to see it was like a small child afraid to show his father a bad report card. Some-

one got caught with their hands in the cookie jar and since it's so wide spread they were worried it would stop. Do people know the grand jury is a safe guard that our tax paid workers are doing good. That report belongs to the tax pay-

ers. Just in the Appeal Democrat that a tax payer had packages stolen when the police got there he was told that it's not worth their time to look into it. That is your police in action.

Donald E. Lewis
Marysville , Ca.

Follow the (Climate Change) Money

by Stephen Moore, cnsnews

The first iron rule of American politics is: Follow the money. This explains, oh, about 80 percent of what goes on in Washington.

Shortly after the latest "Chicken Little" climate change report was published last month, I noted on CNN that one reason so many hundreds of scientists are persuaded that the sky is falling is that they are paid handsomely to do so.

I said, "In America and around the globe governments have created a multibillion dollar climate change industrial complex." And then I added: "A lot of people are getting really, really rich off of the climate change industry." According to a recent report by the U.S. Government Accountability Office, "Federal funding for climate change research, technology, international assistance, and adaptation has increased from \$2.4 billion in 1993 to \$11.6 billion in 2014, with an additional \$26.1 billion for climate change programs and activities provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in 2009."

This doesn't mean that the planet isn't warming. But the tidal wave of funding does reveal a powerful financial motive for scientists to conclude that the apocalypse is upon us. No one hires a fireman if there are no fires. No one hires a climate scientist (there are thousands of them now) if there is no catastrophic change in the weather. Why doesn't anyone in the media ever mention this?

But when I lifted this hood, it incited more hate mail than from anything I've said on TV or written. Could it be that this rhetorical missile hit way too close to home?

How dare I impugn the integrity of scientists and left-wing think tanks by suggesting that their findings are perverted by hundreds of billions of dollars of taxpayer handouts. The irony of this indignation is that any academic whose research dares question the "settled science" of the climate change complex is instantly accused of being a shill for the oil

and gas industry or the Koch brothers.

Apparently, if you take money from the private sector to fund research, your work is inherently biased, but if you get multimillion-dollar grants from Uncle Sam, you are as pure as the freshly fallen snow.

How big is the climate change industrial complex today? Surprisingly, no one seems to be keeping track of all the channels of funding. A few years ago, Forbes magazine went through the federal budget and estimated about \$150 billion in spending on climate change and green energy subsidies during President Obama's first term.

That didn't include the tax subsidies that provide a 30 percent tax credit for wind and solar power — so add to those numbers about \$8 billion to \$10 billion a year. Then add billions more in costs attributable to the 29 states with renewable energy mandates that require utilities to buy expensive "green" energy.

Worldwide the numbers are gargantuan. Five years ago, a leftist group called the Climate Policy Initiative issued a study that found that "global investment in climate change" reached \$359 billion that year. Then to give you a sense of how money-hungry these planet-saviors are, the CPI moaned that this spending "falls far short of what's needed" a number estimated at \$5 trillion.

For \$5 trillion we could feed everyone on the planet, end malaria, and provide clean water and reliable electricity to every remote village in Africa. And we would probably have enough money left over to find a cure for cancer and Alzheimer's.

The entire Apollo project to put a man on the moon cost less than \$200 billion. We are spending twice that much every year on climate change.

This tsunami of government money distorts science in hidden ways that even the scientists who are corrupted often don't appreciate. If you are a young eager-beaver researcher who

decides to devote your life to the study of global warming, you're probably not going to do your career any good or get famous by publishing research that the crisis isn't happening.

But if you've built bogus models that predict the crisis is getting worse by the day, then step right up and get a multimillion-dollar grant.

Now here's the real scandal of the near trillion dollars that governments have stolen from taxpayers to fund climate change hysteria and research. By the industry's own admission, there has been almost no progress worldwide in combatting climate change. The latest reports by the U.S. government and the United Nations say the problem is getting worse, and we have not delayed the apocalypse by a single day.

Has there ever been such a massive government expenditure that has had such miniscule returns on investment? After three decades of "research" the only "solution" is for the world to stop using fossil fuels, which is like saying that we should stop growing food.

Really? The greatest minds of the world entrusted with hundreds of billions of dollars can only come up with a solution that would entail the largest government power grab in world history, shutting down industrial production (just look at the catastrophe in Germany when they went all in for green energy), and throwing perhaps billions of human beings into poverty? If that's the remedy, I will take my chances on a warming planet.

President Donald Trump should tell these so-called scientists that "you're fired." And we taxpayers should demand our money back.

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Your One Minute News Digest

by Don Rae



- Elizabeth Warren, a former Native American, has started her presidential campaign with a glowing speech – and a beer. Except for one minor point – there wasn't a policy position to be heard.

- Did it surprise you to see Warren run off stage to get a beer?

- Three salamanders may scuttle the project to raise Shasta Dam. Who brought them into California? Another Moonbeam legacy? And where were these critters when Shasta Dam was built in the first place?

- A reminder to the “Progressive-socialists” flapping their lips – **“Any man who thinks he can be happy and prosperous by letting the government take care of him better take a closer look at the American Indian.”** – Henry Ford.

- Apparently Democrats want to see police officers killed. Changing the standard of when the police can use deadly force is a game changer. The legislators must be insane or have no family members in law enforcement. Under these circumstances why would anyone want to join the police force?

- There has been a trade war with China (and other countries) for decades. Trump is simply taking the offensive, which prior Presidents did not. Ever bought sterling silver from China? Fake. Do you trust steel from China? Unsafe for building. Communist China is not our friend.

- The Federal government has a law that shortly goes into effect which requires you to have a “real ID” card in order to get on a plane. Remember the long lines recently at DMV where people were getting the new ID? Well, California, of course, has screwed up and handed out millions of so-called “real IDs” which don't meet the federal standard. That means when the law is fully enacted in October 2020, you will not be allowed on a plane or train leaving California unless you have the real McCoy. So, back to the long lines. Talk about incompetence at the DMV.

- Does she think her policies sound better when buzzed? Maybe that is why she sounds conflicted when asked policy questions.

- The mainstream media just can't get it straight. Another ridiculous article about how the Sierra snowpack is going to shrink by 79% by the end of the century. Now how would anyone know that for certain. Local TV and media “meteorologists” can't get the weather straight for the week ahead, much less the next day. How about dropping the fear-mongering articles and write something worthwhile.

- And in his last days, Moonbeam shouts out that Trump needs to “wake up” to the wildfire danger. Moonbeam has been in office longer than Methuselah and has continued to support policies which increase the danger. And now he leaves flapping his lips? Good riddance.

- PGE is being threatened with Murder. How about threatening the politicians and bureaucrats who allowed property owners to build in dangerous fire-prone areas? How about propane companies who put tanks, destined to explode during fires, in these remote areas?

- In case those who write the California Commentary don't know or forgot, a bunch of the postage stamp sized cities in LA County were carved out and paid for by gambling interests. The result; sometimes there were extended families running the so-called cities and stealing everything including the kitchen sink.

- Crime is creeping up in California with some speed. Why? Ballot measures letting criminals back onto the streets, making more innocent people victims of policies loved by Moonbeam and the

Democrats. In the latest crazy maneuver, Moonbeam is suing to stop a ballot measure from appearing on the ballot that would put criminals in jail. Goodbye Moonbeam. Off to the ranch you go. Your rocking chair awaits you.

- California ranks No. 1 among the 50 states for the percentage of its residents 25 and older who have never completed ninth grade, and 50th for the percentage who have graduated from high school, according to new data from the Census Bureau. Los Angeles Unified is so conflicted some 45% of the diplomas it gave out were to students with a “D” grade average. In more common terms, these are functional illiterates. Really, that statistic is not new. In the late nineteen fifties when I was student teaching in LA Unified, I observed seniors in their last semester of high school who didn't know which way was up when shown a piece of paper with writing on it. That is what passes for education in California under Democratic administrations.

- Okay, let's get back to climate change and the hysteria that we are all going to die in a soggy heap next week. Taking a page from the government's own reports, 2018 will go down in history as the first year in modern recorded history that America did not have any violent, killer tornados. Have there been tornados that destroyed property? Yes. Have some people died this year from tornados? Yes. But this is the first year since the government started keeping records that there were no so-called killer tornados of EF4 or EF 5 force. We have never heard of this fact from the usual lamestream sources. Another unreported story, there really wasn't a Texas-sized load of plastics in the Pacific Ocean.

- Nearly every Democrat in the country is throwing a hat in the 2020 Presidential race. It appears that the bar for the highest office in the land is so low any fool can aspire if they have a “D” behind their name.

- Romney lost. His views have been rejected on the national scene. He needs to step up to the plate to help Trump achieve his objectives, which the people voted for. Having met the man, I can say he isn't the sharpest pencil in the box.

- Somewhere along the line a pundit mentioned that 1/3 of a Central American country's living population live in the United States. The question is, which country are they a citizen of? In the 1920s about 1/3 of all Norwegians lived here.

FPPC Ups the Ante on Illegal Expenditures

by Jon Coupal president of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association



Over the last several years, this column has exposed multiple instances of government entities using taxpayer dollars for political advocacy, a practice that is illegal under both state and federal law. Because progress in stopping these violations has been difficult, taxpayers will be pleased to hear that on December 20th, California's campaign watchdog agency, the Fair Political Practices Commission, conducted a hearing on illegal activity by the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART).

The FPPC stated that BART used public funds to pay for a campaign of “YouTube videos, social media posts, and text messages to promote Measure RR, which authorized BART to issue \$3.5 billion in general obligation bonds.” Under California law, spending money on a political campaign to pass the bond measure caused BART to qualify as an “independent expenditure committee” and required it to file campaign finance reports, but the transit agency ignored the requirement.

“BART failed to timely file two late independent expenditure reports in the 90-day period preceding the November 8, 2016 General Election; failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement for the period covering July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016; and failed to include a proper disclosure

statement in its electronic media advertisements,” the FPPC said.

The FPPC imposed a fine of \$7,500, which critics of BART, including Senator Steve Glazer, rightfully complained was inadequate and no deterrent to future misconduct with taxpayer funds. In fact, the minimal fines may incentivize illegal activity because the ROI (return on investment) is frequently in the millions, if not billions, of dollars. Not only that, because the fines themselves are paid with taxpayer dollars, there are rarely any real-world consequences imposed on public officials who misappropriate public funds for political advocacy.

But things may be different now. In addition to imposing the fine on BART, the FPPC also directed its staff to prepare a letter to the California Attorney General and local District Attorneys asking for criminal prosecution of these cases.

It's about time.

The Free Speech clauses of the federal and state Constitutions prohibit the use of governmentally compelled monetary contributions (including taxes) to support or oppose political campaigns because “Such contributions are a form of speech, and compelled speech offends the First Amendment.” *Smith v. U.C. Regents* (1993) 4 Cal.4th 843, 852.

Moreover, “use of the public treasury to mount an election campaign which attempts to influence the resolution of issues which our Constitution leaves to the ‘free election’ of the people

(see Const., art. II, § 2) ... presents a serious threat to the integrity of the electoral process.” *Stanson v. Mott* (1976) 17 Cal.3d 206, 218.

While taxpayer organizations have been successful in several lawsuits challenging these illegal expenditures, they haven't fully deterred lawbreaking by the state or local governments. The recommendation of the FPPC to prosecute these cases under criminal statutes could be just the shock that public officials need to bring them into compliance.

The FPPC letter in the BART case could also prove to be a real headache for Los Angeles County. In March of 2017, the county placed Measure H, a sales tax hike, on the ballot. The County's use of nearly a million dollars of public funds for the political campaign unquestionably crossed the line into political advocacy and the FPPC found probable cause to charge L.A. County, as well as the individual members of the Board of Supervisors, with 15 counts of campaign finance violations.

Taxpayers are hopeful that California's Attorney General and District Attorneys take the FPPC letter recommending criminal prosecution seriously. Much lip service is paid to protecting the integrity of California's election process. Here's an opportunity for those charged with enforcing the law to do something meaningful to protect both election integrity as well as taxpayer dollars which should never be spent taking sides in election contests.

YWA Current Thoughts:

A Compromise – good for the fish and the economy

by Brent Hasteley



Happy New Year! There are many things to look forward to in the new year and the ever-changing landscape of water policy. Some of the biggest topics to keep an eye on are the ongoing Bay-Delta negotiations and the proposed voluntary settlement agreements.

The State Water Resources Control Board has proposed flow requirements for rivers that feed the Delta based on a percentage of ‘unimpaired flows’, which would require a large portion of each watershed's total flow to be dedicated to the Delta. If approved, this ‘unimpaired flows’ approach would have significant impacts on farms, communities throughout California and the environment.

We join many other water agencies in our belief that alternative measures, specific to different rivers and areas of the region, can achieve California's co-equal goals of water supply reliability and ecosystem protection, finding balance among the diverse interests of local, state and federal agencies, as well as farmers and environmental groups.

We recently agreed with the Brown administration on a framework, following months of negotiations and years of work, that would provide water supply reliability for fisheries and our local farmers, and ensure significant fish and wildlife habitat restoration for many years to come.

Our proposal for the lower Yuba River includes releasing more water to the Delta, habitat restoration, and new funding to improve conditions for salmon and steelhead.

Representatives from the California Department of Water Resources and Department of Fish and Wildlife presented this framework to the state water board on Dec. 12 as part of a

package of agreements from water agencies throughout the region, as an alternative to burdensome regulatory requirements.

We have specifically proposed to release up to 50,000 acre-feet of water annually for fisheries, the restoration of up to 100 acres of habitat at a cost of up to \$10 million, and an annual \$520,000 investment for a new Bay-Delta watershed science program. This innovative agreement would allow us to receive compensation for releases to the Delta, estimated at \$80 million over the term of the agreement. That critical funding could do a lot to further reduce flood risk here in Yuba County.

The state water board's actions in December opened the door for their consideration of these voluntary agreements as they determine the best way ahead. The board will take action on this issue in March, so stay tuned for some big news.

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CRITIC'S CORNER
by Matt Woolery
AQUAMAN
Starring: Jason Momoa, Amber Heard, and Willem Dafoe. Rated: PG-13, Runtime: 2 hrs. 23 min.

A princess flees from a loveless arranged marriage and ends up finding her love in a solitary light house keeper. When her kingdoms troops come looking for her she leaves her love and child behind to protect them from further attacks. Her son grows to become the hero the world needs to prevent a world war.

Aquaman, earns five out of five, Trident Wielding Monkeys. The story brings in elements from the comic book that subtly explains the new look of Aquaman. A fun story with one odd arc that could have used a bit of rework. A sleeker costume for the human villain would have helped. The action sequences are very busy and almost overwhelming in scope. The acting itself is pretty good. I can't imagine making, riding a seahorse look cool, is an easy feat to pull off. All in all a fun film I would pay to see again.

Uncle Dale's A

By Doug Ahlers



1948 John Deere Model A as I received it June 2017

One afternoon I received a phone call from my cousin Matt Brugmann who is a cousin on my mom's side of the family. He said, Doug, I have a tractor that needs to belong to you. "Having no idea what he was thinking I said, "What are you talking about Matt." He knew I had an interest in farming, tractors, and equipment that dates back to when I was a little boy. I grew up next to my maternal grandparent's farm and spent many days with my grandpa, better known as "Papa", and my Uncle Buster on the farm. Before I was legally able to drive, after school and on weekends, or on summer days, I would wait in the front yard for Papa to drive by. He would stop and I would jump in his pickup not knowing where we were going, but farming was usually involved. Sometimes there was a quick trip to town for an ice cream. When I was in high school, as soon as classes were done for the day, I would drive directly to the fields and jump on a tractor or harvester. I loved those days, and love spending time with Papa and Uncle Buster, and the equipment used in farming.

Back in the 1960's and 1970's I can remember taking trips with my parents to North Highlands, California

to visit my uncle Dale and Aunt Pat. Uncle Dale was my dad's oldest brother. Dale and Pat owned Highland Sales, a salvage business that carried hardware, tools, building supplies and just about anything uncle Dale could find at auctions, close outs, and the like. Dale loved his business and loved purchasing boxes to see what was in them. Dale and Pat later owned the hardware store at Elkhorn Blvd and Watt Avenue in North Highlands. Somewhere along Dale's travels he acquired a 1948 John Deere AW 42, serial number 607122. I can remember Uncle Dale using the tractor to take care of his acreage in North Highlands. Several years ago Uncle Dale passed away.

After some time, Aunt Pat started spending time with a family friend named Ray Dirks. Ray was a little like Uncle Dale in the fact that he liked attending auctions and trading to find the next treasure. Somehow along the way, Ray ended up with the John Deere A. Ray owned some property in Sutter, California that he began to divide up and sell during his retirement years. Unknown to me at the time, Ray hired my cousin Matt

to build a house pad on one of his parcels. Being the trader Ray was, Matt ended up with my Uncle Dale's A as part of the payment for building the house pad. So now Uncle Dale's A is owned by my cousin on my mom's side of the family. Matt spent some time working on the tractor before he decided to make the phone call to me. When Matt first received the tractor the engine was locked up. He was able to break it free. He opened up the crankcase, cleaned it thoroughly, added some fresh oil and a new filter. The mag was not producing a spark so a rebuilt mag was purchased and put on the tractor. Matt said he was able to get the old A to fire off and run.

I picked up the A in June of 2017. It was not in running condition, but not far from being able to run again. The seat cushions were missing, the tires had rotted off, and of course, the paint was in terrible condition. The first thing I noticed was a missing fuel bowl. I purchased a new authentic fuel bowl and installed it. I put some gas in the tank, and checked for leaks. I hooked up a battery and gave the starter a try. The tractor engine cranked

over but would not fire. I checked for spark and there was none. I opened up the mag and gave the points a cleaning. Cranked on the starter again and all I could get was a pop. Well, it is a Johnny Popper! I took the carburetor off, disassembled it and gave it a good cleaning. After re-installing the carburetor, I cranked on the starter and the old John Deere A came to life. Fantastic! She runs! Time to make her look good again.

The disassembly of the tractor for cleaning, prepping, and painting started in January of 2018. I worked on the tractor on weekends, after work, and any time I could get to the shop. I had set a goal. I wanted the A to be at tractor days in Oregon House in May. I wanted to take my dad to tractor days, he had never been. I also wanted my dad to drive his late brother's tractor on its' first drive at tractor days. So off to work I went. I used a steam cleaner to clean the years of oil, grease, and dirt build up. The steam cleaner worked so well it even removed the old paint. It was a slow process but I took the time to make sure the A was thoroughly cleaned. The tractor and all of the parts were prepped and primed in John Deere Buff primer. Then came the John Deere classic green paint. Wow! Looking like a proud green John Deere again. The wheels were sand blasted, coated with Buff primer and then some John Deere yellow. Time to re-assemble the tractor.

Much care was taken during the re-assembly process. I didn't want any scratches on the new paint. All of the parts went back together very well. New decals were installed as well as new lights, seat cushions, and new tires. A new battery was put into the battery box. The tractor looked like a brand new 1948 John Deere A. Ready to start the engine and take a drive. Or so I thought. I engaged the starter, the tractor engine fired up, and blew all of the oil out of the oil bath air cleaner. The oil traveled back up the air pickup tube, all over the hood of the newly painted tractor and all over the under-side of the hood as well. My heart sank. This is one week before tractor days and the old A has a serious illness. After cleaning up the oil mess, I went home feeling a bit

defeated. I was also troubleshooting in my mind. For the oil to be pressured out of the air cleaner and back up the intake tube, there was only one possible answer. There has to be a stuck intake valve. But how? The engine was running so well before disassembling the tractor. Ah! Steam cleaning. I thought I had sealed up everything very well before steaming on the tractor. Somehow, water must have found its' way into one of the intake valves and rusted up the valve guide. The next day the valve cover was removed and sure enough, a stuck intake valve. I was able to use some lubricant on the valve guide and some pressure to move the valve back and forth to free the valve. Didn't take much – just enough to break the hold the rust had on the valve stem. Back together and the engine was once again running. The old John Deere A sounded really good. That defeated feeling now turned into excitement. Tractor Days here we come!

On the side of the tractor frame was a magnetic sign that said, "Dale's A," 1948 John Deere AW 42. The "W" meaning the tractor has a wide front, the "42" meaning the rear tires are a tall 42 inch tire. The John Deere A was loaded onto a trailer and hauled to Oregon House for tractor days on Friday, May 4, 2018. Saturday morning the tractor was wiped down and ready for the first drive. I showed my dad how to run the tractor with a hand clutch (which he had done before but he is 80 and it has been a long time since using a hand clutch). I drove my 1948 John Deere M and dad followed with the 1948 John Deere AW 42, wearing his farming hat and a big smile. After the drive, my dad shared with me that he thought his brother Dale would be very proud to look down and see his tractor living again. I had met my goal. Yes a lot of work, and a few frustrations, but worth every minute.



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