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Please remember to know the risks of fireworks, only use legal fireworks and stay safe when using. If you see or suspect illegal firework usage, please report it! Image by Jill Wellington from Pixabay

By Janna Haynes,
Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - With Independence Day just around the corner, COVID restrictions rolling back and anticipated parties, please remember to know the risks of fireworks, only use legal fireworks and stay safe when using. If you see or suspect illegal firework usage, please report it!

The County has teamed up with our cities, fire and law enforcement jurisdictions to educate our community members on how to celebrate safely, how to spot a safe and sane firework and how to report illegal fireworks usage. In addition, many jurisdictions are enforcing stricter penalties this year for illegal fireworks usage.

Calls for service throughout the county increase dramatically on July 4th and emergency response resources are stretched extremely

thin. During the holiday weekend, please use 9-1-1 for emergencies only – like an active fire or injury. Each jurisdiction has provided an alternative method to report illegal fireworks sale and usage.

Together, we can ensure that Independence Day celebrations are fun, safe and do not cause undue injury or fire in our communities.

Know the Risks: The unsafe use of fireworks can cause severe burns, amputations, blinding and even death; Damaging fires occur when children use fireworks unsupervised by adults; Parents are responsible for any property damage or injuries caused by all fireworks.

Keep it Legal: All legal fireworks in California are called Safe and Sane Fireworks and must bear the State Fire Marshal's seal; Safe and Sane Fireworks may only be used and sold from noon June 28 through midnight on July 4; Any

firework that goes up in the air or explodes is illegal and dangerous.

Keep It Safe: Always have a bucket of water to dispose of fireworks and leave in the water overnight before disposing; Always have a hose connected to water available in case of fire; Do not use fireworks near dry grass or other flammable materials; Do not use fireworks while under a canopy, covered balcony, covered patio or under a tree or bushes.

How to report illegal sale and usage: Unincorporated – (916) 874-5115 or reportfireworks@saccounty.net; Sacramento: 916-808-5471 or "Nail 'Em" App; Folsom: 916-355-7231; Elk Grove: fireworks@elkgrovepd.org or "Nail 'Em" App; Rancho Cordova: 916-362-5115; Citrus Heights: 916-727-5500; Galt: 209-366-7000

Aren't sure who or how to report? Call 3-1-1 to be connected to the right place! ★

Behavioral Health Youth Advisory Board Established

By Samantha Mott,
Sacramento County

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance establishing the Sacramento County Behavioral Health Youth Advisory Board (YAB); the next step in an ongoing effort to promote the engagement of youth in developing programs that affect the behavioral health and wellbeing of youth in Sacramento County.

"If we want to create successful programs that meet the needs of our youth we need the youth perspective to help guide the process," says Ryan Quist, Sacramento County Behavioral Health Director. "The creation of YAB provides an empowering and supportive space for youth to advocate for youth-friendly, culturally relevant programs."

As experts in their own lived experience, youth can offer the County a unique perspective to make County programs more effective and responsive to their needs. The YAB will serve as a diverse and empowered group of youth who will advise policy leaders on how to create a "youth behavioral health friendly" community, provide direct input and feedback regarding behavior health and wellness needs of youth, and create a network of trusted peer-to-peer messengers around youth behavioral health and well-being.

"Youth engagement in the creation of programs has been missing in our community," says Eboni Stallworth, California Youth Empowerment Network Board Member and youth mental health advocate. "This board creates a foundation for current and future youth to have their voices heard."

The YAB will be composed of 10 Sacramento County youth, ages 14-24, two youth representatives from each district. Once empaneled, the board will be trained and supported to work collaboratively with County Mental Health Board and the Youth Commission regarding programs and policies related to youth mental health. ★

Loving Rural Rio Linda!

By C. L. Feser

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - Only in Rio Linda have I seen horses being ridden around neighborhoods, almost common now. Yet, always surprises in our town. I was going into town, and saw this coming down the street. So cool. I pulled over, asked if I could take their pictures, it was, "one of those moments" where I was glad I always have my camera, pad and paper.

Meet Roni Jennings of Elverta her friend, Tisha Withers from Sacramento and their horse Gypsy. Roni wanted to let those who see the picture of Gypsy that she has a "fly" mask on the horse's face, not blinkers. I asked her about her, "carriage."

"This is a cart, not a



Gypsy giving Roni Jennings and Tisha Withers a cart ride heading to Dry Creek Trail. Note: That is a "fly mask" on Gypsy's face. Photo by C. L. Feser

carriage," Roni told me. Nothing meant by it except to tell me that a cart, is two

wheels, where a carriage is four wheels. Always, willing to learn something

new. Roni said they were on the way to ride the Dry Creek Trail. ★

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By David Dickstein

Fireworks are a symbol of America’s independence, but with so many state and local limitations placed on them it’s hard for Californians to feel all that liberated when celebrating Independence Day.

Reasons for that generally pertain to safety concerns. Authorities contend that injuries and fires are minimized by allowing the sale and use of only safe and sane fireworks in certain communities and for no more than seven days a year. Not helping matters is the fact that our founding fathers signed the Declaration of Independence during one of the hottest months of the year.

“With California entering warmer weather with drought conditions in place, it is important to remember that fireworks are illegal in certain areas of California,” State Fire Marshal Mike Richwine told Messenger Publishing Group. “Each year serious injuries and millions of dollars in property loss occur from wildfires sparked by fireworks.”

Adding to this season’s challenges, the domestic fireworks industry is dealing with another type of drought – as in the potential lack of product due to unprecedented delays in receiving ordered products from suppliers in China, maker of nearly 100 percent of product for the U.S. market.

As a result, according to Linda Hass, Sacramento-based Phantom Fireworks West Coast operations manager, “Our industry shipping costs have dramatically increased from a year ago. In addition, space on the container ships is limited, and we are experiencing delays and backlogs in the Western U.S. ports.”

Phantom and its largest California competitor, TNT Fireworks, which also owns most Discount Fireworks Superstore stands in the state, are expecting product to arrive much later than usual at their distribution centers.

“This is a very challenging year for the entire industry,” Hass said. “Fingers crossed! Shop early!”

Prices, promotions and product new for the 2021 season will likely not be determined until right up to when non-profits kick off their fundraisers where fireworks are allowed. Due to all the uncertainty and lack of new product to test by press time, our 20th annual buyer’s guide covers the highest-rated fountains likely to return this season at TNT, Phantom and Discount Fireworks Superstore locations in this region. Listed alphabetically by recommended show order are state-approved fireworks that have earned at least 4 1/2 stars on a 5-star scale judged on performance, duration, distinctiveness and value.

Opening Acts

- **Crickets** (DFS) – If hearing crickets indicates silence, this colorful little powerhouse is sorely misnamed. Has more snap, crackle and pop than a milky bowl of Rice Krispies. 42 seconds.
- **Flaring Stars Fountain** (Phantom) – Virtually noiseless beauty featuring swarming fish effect in red, gold and green. 54 seconds.
- **Kool Kat** (TNT) – Pint-sized dynamo is packed with crackle, color and longevity

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Fiery Meadow is a wise buy if your legally lit fireworks show needs a solid fountain-novelty hybrid item; photo courtesy Phantom Fireworks. TNT Torch is one of the best fountains being sold this season along with Kool Kat, a pint-sized dynamo for the price at TNT Fireworks stands; photos courtesy TNT Fireworks.

effect. Great crackles, reds, greens and palms. Was 2020’s “Best New Fountain” runner-up. 95 seconds.

• **Flower Pot Fountain** (Phantom) – Low-noise fountain enralls with multicolored droplets against a near-constant shower of silver glitter. Use of blob-producing nitro-cellulose reduces burn time, but worth it. 52 seconds.

• **Illuminati Triangle** (Phantom) – Long-lasting fountain features multi-color pearls, sprays, flying stars and titanium crackle. 184 seconds.

• **Moondance Premier** (Phantom) – Super-sized version of Phantom’s little Moondance Fountain. 100 seconds.

• **Power On** (TNT) – Former

“Best New Fountain” electrifies with towering crackling sparks and unique fusing that moves from end to end. 85 seconds.

• **Psychedelic** (DFS) – Non-stop crackle, ice-white palms, multi-colored showers – crowd-pleasing fan fountain. 96 seconds.

• **Quiet Riot** (DFS) – This oldie but goodie features a rainbow of colors, crackles and boisterous finish. Long lasting and 500 grams, but not enough oomph for finale status. 180 seconds.

• **Red White & Blue Jubilee** (Phantom) – Patriotically pleasing with white chrysanthemums, and red and bluish fish and pearls. 110 seconds.

– Must-buy 500-gram fan emits radiant colors and clamorous whistles and crackles. 105 seconds.

• **Delirium** (TNT) – Granddaddy of California’s fan fountains, it’s the must-buy senior identical cousin of Phantom’s Coral Reef.

• **Fiery Meadow Flower Fountain** (Phantom) – Proving that hybrid fireworks often make for big crowd pleasers is this combo fountain-wheel featuring titanium crackles and spinning finale. 68 seconds.

• **Living the Dream** (TNT) – Like ordering TNT’s exquisitely named Wild Side (see above) and saying, “make it a double.” Super-charged crackles give punch to this 500-gram winner. 120 seconds.

• **Opening Show** (TNT) – Budget permitting, this envy-inducing finale is a 500-gram must-have. Back up a few feet at the minute-40 mark. Trust us. 130 seconds.

• **Pyrotastic** (DFS) – Five-hundred grams are brilliantly distributed among 12 tubes bearing diverse effects and memorable performance. 181 seconds.

Finales

- **Brew Haha** (Phantom) – Let’s toast to this beer stein-shaped fountain with vibrant colors, wide spread and loud opening whistle. 145 seconds.
- **Coral Reef** (Phantom)

For stand locations and additional product information, visit the retailers’ websites: tntfireworks.com, fireworks.com (Phantom); and dfsfireworks.com (Discount Fireworks Superstore). Check local laws and take all safety measures before buying and lighting.



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Fatal Collision on Elkhorn Boulevard

By Officer A.J. McTaggart,
California Highway
Patrol

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On June 14, 2021, at approximately 9:00 PM, North Sacramento CHP Area units were dispatched to a call of a collision that occurred in the area of Elkhorn Boulevard west of Dry Creek Road. Upon arrival on scene, units discovered a 24-year-old male from Sacramento was driving a white BMW 323i on Elkhorn Boulevard westbound. For reasons still under



investigation, the driver of the BMW lost control of the vehicle, traveled off the roadway and collided with a pole. The 24-year-old male was pronounced deceased at the scene of the collision by emergency medical personnel. The cause is

still under investigation and it is still unknown whether alcohol and/or drug intoxication was suspected of the driver involved in the collision. Any persons who may have witnessed this collision or who can provide any additional information should call Officer A.J. McTaggart at the North Sacramento Area CHP office at 916-348-2300 or by cell phone at 916-798-0975. Follow us on Twitter @CHPNsac, Facebook: chpnorthsac, Instagram@chpnorthsac, or Nextdoor. ★



By County Supervisor
Sue Frost

Through the generosity of the The Rio Linda News, this column serves to provide an update about matters affecting the community of Rio Linda.

Many of you may have recalled me writing about Laura's Law in the past, as well as other measures in Sacramento County to address the growing concern around mental health. When I previously wrote about Laura's Law, it was from the perspective of an ambivalent public servant with an impending decision on whether or not to implement the law in Sacramento County. Now I want to write from the perspective of someone who decided to support Laura's Law and is excited to see what we can achieve with this new tool at our disposal. If you have not been following along, I will provide a refresher.

Laura's Law was signed into law in 2002 following the tragic death of a young woman in Nevada County by a man with severe, untreated mental illness. Laura's Law established the ability for counties to provide for assisted outpatient treatment (AOT) of individuals who pose a threat to themselves and those around them. For those sentenced to AOT, it means they will be connected with mental health treatment they otherwise may have resisted or simply not had access to. Since its creation, a majority of large counties in California have adopted Laura's Law and those that have, have seen significant improvements in their communities.

Successes for communities that have implemented Laura's Law have many looks. Success looks like health

Rio Linda Community Update

Embracing Laura's Law

improvements with reductions in hospitalizations and homelessness. It also has a financial component. As I am sure you can imagine, the costs associated with treating the mentally ill in hospitals, in shelters, and even in jails, are substantial. Counties that implement Laura's Law naturally see their expenses relating to hospitalizations and incarceration go down as the mentally ill take up fewer beds in either facility. In Nevada County, the origin of Laura's Law, those reductions were 46.7% for hospitalizations, and 65.1% for incarcerations. Most notably, Nevada County saw a 61.9% reduction homelessness, something I am sure we can all agree would benefit Sacramento County.

So why now has Sacramento County decided it was time for Laura's Law? In the past, the county had explicitly opted out of Laura's Law. It was before my time on the Board, but as I understand, there were originally concerns for the cost associated with providing AOT. Then, I am told that the County was confident it had provided adequate resources for those most in need of mental health resources. Following legislation passed last year, the County was put in a position of either opting-out again, or automatically being opted-in. To opt out, the County would have had to submit a compelling reason for doing so. This required a thorough assessment of current service available in addition to community outreach. Ultimately, the decision came to the Board of Supervisors.

Even with the information available to me, I initially did not support Laura's Law. I had personal liberty concerns with forcing people to receive treatment. Still, I maintained an open mind, and as I often do,

I asked my constituents for their views on the issue. One stood out more than others as a constituent approached me at a community meeting and shared with me the story of her son and gave me a book that discussed the realities of serious mental illness. I found the story compelling and it truly helped me understand the need for Laura's Law. It helped me understand more about Anosognosia, also called "lack of insight." It is a symptom of severe mental illness experienced by some that impairs a person's ability to understand and perceive their illness. It is the single largest reason why people with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder refuse medications or do not seek treatment, and we are not helping these people by sitting back while they suffer.

AOT is a simple but effective tool that can save not only the lives of those afflicted with mental illness, but it can improve the lives of everyone around. Especially those closest to them. I am confident that we have given a tool to law enforcement, local hospitals, and the countless number of people and organizations working to get our homeless population under control. I am glad that we have finally embraced Laura's Law and I look forward to seeing how it helps our community improve our health and well-being.

Thank you for reading – and as always, if you want to contact me, call me at 916-874-5491, or e-mail me at SupervisorFrost@saccounty.net.

Sue Frost represents the 4th District, which includes all or part of the communities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, Orangevale, Antelope, Rio Linda, Elverta, Gold River, Rancho Murieta, North Highlands, Carmichael, Foothill Farms and Fair Oaks. ★

Sacramento Public Library is Fine Free

Sacramento Public
Library News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As of July 1, Sacramento Public Library (SPL) will be fine free. The library board voted unanimously to permanently end fines on overdue Sacramento Public Library materials last month. "This is long overdue for the Sacramento region and a game changer for the communities we serve,"

said Library Director & CEO Rivkah Sass. "By eliminating overdue fines, we're able to remove barriers to learning resources and opportunities that are especially critical in these times and that go far beyond books. Last year, the library temporarily suspended overdue fines to increase library access during the pandemic. Such fines can deter users from checking out materials, and prevent

access to vital library services. A Sacramento Public Library card unlocks the payroll in front of more than 40 online resources, language learning tools and thousands of professional classes and tutorials with Gale Courses and LinkedIn Learning. Library patrons who have overdue books can return them at any library location without incurring late charges. Learn more at www.saclibrary.org. ★



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How Should California
Confront Wildfire Threat?

Construction Begins on
Emergency Drought Barrier



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

Physicist Albert Einstein is widely, albeit erroneously, thought to have said that “insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results,” but regardless of its source, the aphorism accurately reflects California’s attitude about wildfires.

Year after year, destructive fires whip through communities in the “wildland-urban interface,” often killing those who cannot or will not leave their homes and causing untold billions of dollars in property losses.

The frequency and severity of wildfires appear to be increasing as our climate changes, droughts persist and greenery dries and becomes explosive fuel. What was once a relatively brief fire season in late summer and early fall has morphed into a year-around peril.

And yet, more often than not, burned-over land soon sprouts new housing whose owners and tenants once again place themselves in harm’s way.

A new study by UC Berkeley’s Center for Community Innovation, commissioned by the think tank Next 10, attributes this seemingly loony practice to misguided state and local policies that incentivize reconstruction in

fire-prone areas.

“Wildfire threatens the lives and homes of more than one-quarter of California’s population,” F. Noel Perry, the founder of Next 10, said in a statement that accompanied the report. “We must overhaul local and state policies and planning procedures to ensure that we are not incentivizing actions that elevate wildfire risks.”

The study found that replacing current homes in high-risk areas would cost at least \$610 billion and that huge number scares insurers. As they pay out huge sums to burned-out policyholders and the danger of future catastrophic losses increases, insurers either shun coverage altogether or impose steep hikes on premiums.

“With climate-fueled wildfires scorching hundreds of thousands of acres, causing the loss of life and property, wildfire insurance availability has shrunk while the premiums charged have increased,” a commission appointed by Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara declared recently.

Insurance is required by mortgage lenders and many property owners, unable to purchase coverage in the private market, have turned to a statewide insurance pool of last resort that has high premiums and limited coverage.

The Next 10 study recommends that the wildfire risk be approached by overhauling land use policies that lack “incentives to avoid building in fire-prone areas” and thus are “contributing to the persistent and increasing risk of significant economic and human costs associated with wildfires.”

Land use in California is

largely controlled by state and county governments through zoning and construction permitting. The state’s housing crisis has demonstrated that those governments are often reluctant to approve high-density housing, especially that meant for low- and moderate-income renters, within urban areas.

However, as the Next 10 study points out, they tend to be more supportive of housing, especially single-family homes, in urban peripheries, which also tend to be the areas of the highest wildfire risk.

The report proposes “moving homes out of the WUI (Wildlands-Urban Interface), incorporating greenbelts and wildfire buffers, increasing density in existing commercial cores, adding gentle density in the form of ‘missing middle’ housing and accessory dwelling units to areas not in the WUI, and embracing manufactured housing as an affordable-by-design approach.”

Lara’s commission, meanwhile, suggests insurance premiums based on forecasts of future peril, rather than past experience, blanket policies that spread risk, rewards for making homes more resistant to damage and other steps that can mitigate not only wildfire impacts but the less obvious risk of destructive flooding.

Both studies underscore a fact we ignore at our existential peril: Despite its many attributes, living in California means living with constant threat of catastrophe.

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

California Department
of Water Resources

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In response to worsening drought conditions in California, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) began construction on a temporary emergency drought barrier on the West False River in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The barrier will help slow the movement of saltwater into the central Delta and prevent contamination of water supplies for Delta agriculture and municipal supplies for millions of Californians.

“California is experiencing a second consecutive dry year and snowpack runoff into our state reservoirs has been far less than anticipated, so we are taking emergency actions to protect the state’s water supply and environment now,” said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. “DWR along with partner agencies is looking at all options to bolster the state’s drought response and mitigate drought impacts.”

The barrier will help prevent saltwater contamination of water supplies used by millions of Californians who rely on Delta-based federal and state water projects for at least some of their supplies. The emergency barrier will also help conserve critical water supplies in upstream reservoirs for later use by avoiding the need to send large volumes of water into the Delta to repel salinity this summer.

“Keeping saltwater from intruding into the central Delta is essential as a large portion of the state’s fresh water for urban and agricultural use goes through this part of the Delta,” said Ted Craddock, Deputy Director for the State Water Project.

On June 1, a temporary urgency change petition to modify State Water Project and Central Valley Project water rights conditions was approved by the State Water Resources Control Board, which will allow for water to be conserved for later instream uses and water quality requirements. These modifications are needed to help protect cold water pools for salmon and steelhead and maintain water quality while ensuring some water supplies are maintained if drought conditions persist next year.

Simultaneous to the drought barrier’s construction, DWR is pursuing long-term planning and permitting in anticipation of



Rock is loaded onto barges at the California Department of Water Resources Weber Rock Yard near the Port of Stockton, California. The purpose of the rock barrier is to prevent the Delta from becoming too salty for irrigation, drinking water, or fish. Photo by Florence Low/California Department of Water Resources

future drought conditions. There will be opportunities for public involvement during this process, which will continue into 2022.

DWR is working to get the temporary emergency drought barrier in place as soon as possible. The approximately 800-foot-wide temporary barrier consisting of nearly 90,000 cubic yards of rock will span the West False River and prevent salty tides and slower moving salinity from intruding into the interior Delta. Construction is expected to be completed by July 1. The barrier will be removed no later than November 30.

The barrier will block watercraft passage on West False River until its removal and will be marked by warning signs, lights, and buoys. Alternative routes between the San Joaquin River and interior Delta will be available.

On April 21, Governor Gavin Newsom signed an emergency order directing state agencies to take immediate action to bolster drought resistance across the state. The installation of a West False River drought salinity barrier during the 2012-16 drought proved to be an effective tool for reducing the intrusion of salt water into the central and south Delta and helped preserve fresh water supplies for future critical uses including drinking water and the environment. The West False River drought salinity barrier is just one of many actions DWR is taking to mitigate drought impacts consistent with the emergency order.

For more information, visit DWR’s drought webpage at water.ca.gov/Programs/All-Programs/Drought ★

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Will We Be Served Coffee in Heaven?

Dr. James L. Snyder

The last several weeks have truly been hectic in every sense of the word. Trying to catch up can be a never-ending job. When I think I'm caught up, I see another thing I need to do.

This week I reached a three-week milestone. I was delighted.

That milestone was, I had accomplished every job that I needed to do. I don't have to tell you that that doesn't happen very often; in fact, this may be the first time it has ever happened to me.

Reaching this milestone, I was utterly exhausted. I came home and sat in my easy chair, hoping I'll never have to get up again.

As I got comfortable, the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage asked, "Would you like a cup of coffee?"

I can't think of any time or place I would say no to that offer.

She got herself a cup of coffee and joined me in the living room to sit back and relax after all of this work.

As I'm sipping that first sip, I just feel the weight of the world lifting off my shoulders. What would my life be without coffee?

As we were sitting there, she asked a question, "Do you think they will serve

us coffee in heaven?"

All the good my coffee does for me would cause me to hope there is coffee in heaven.

No matter what my day is like or how stressed I am, a nice hot cup of coffee takes my focus off of the problems I'm having.

Quite often, when I'm out doing things, I try to find a little place where they serve coffee so that I can sit down and relax.

In one little café I visit, I have a strict rule, "Refill my coffee every five minutes." That takes care of my anxiety.

Back to my wife's question, "Do you think they will serve us coffee in heaven?"

For one, there is no stress in heaven like we have in our world today. Just when you think our world can't get any more stressful, surprise! It does.

Just when you think you have seen the worst, surprise! You haven't.

Without stress in heaven, it would not be necessary to have coffee. However, I would be delighted to sit down somewhere with the apostle Paul and have a cup of coffee together. You learn things over a cup of coffee that you can't learn anywhere else.

There's a whole list of

people I would like to sit down with and have coffee in heaven.

The coffee there would not be for taking care of stress but rather enjoying fellowship together. That is another aspect of a hot cup of coffee.

Imagine if you would, a bunch of us in heaven sitting around the table enjoying a cup of coffee when at the head of the table is none other than Jesus Christ.

Drinking coffee with friends releases a spirit of fellowship like none other.

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ" (1 John 1:3).

I'm not sure about the coffee in heaven, but I do know we will have a stress-free time of fellowship with other believers as well as with Christ himself. I'm looking forward to that.

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Social Security Matters

Update my Mother's Social Security Benefits?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: When my father passed away and we went to update my mother's Social Security benefits, a question arose that I was confused by. We were asked "Do you want to claim just your father's benefit (which was larger) or claim my mother's benefit and the difference between the two?" Either way it would come to the same amount. Is there a reason to claim one way over the other? Perhaps a caveat that we are unaware of? Is there a loophole that we are missing that may potentially benefit the survivor? We are soon to face this question again as my father-in-law is very ill. **Signed: Curious**

Dear Curious: Well, they are basically the same amount but there is a nuance in the rules that many survivors aren't aware of. Here's why Social Security asked that question: It is possible for a surviving spouse to claim only the survivor benefit and defer claiming their own SS benefit until a later age if their personal benefit would be more than the

amount due as a survivor. But the choice to claim the survivor benefit only is an option if the survivor has not yet reached 70 and if their own benefit could later be more than their survivor benefit.


So, the question is – which option did your mother choose? And is your mother-in-law under age 70? If your mother's own benefit at age 70 would not have been higher than her survivor benefit from your father, then it doesn't matter which way it was recorded. And if your mother-in-law is over age 70, it doesn't matter either. But if not and either personal benefit at age 70 would be more than their earlier survivor benefit, then opting for the survivor benefit only and waiting to claim their own later would be (or have been) a better choice.

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Yolanda Reyes from ARC is Awarded Prestigious SMART Scholarship



Yolanda Reyes

Los Rios Community College District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Yolanda Reyes, a Computer Science and Physical Science/Mathematics student at American River College, was awarded the Department of Defense Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship.

This award provides students with full tuition for up to five years, summer internships, a stipend and full-time employment with the Department of Defense after graduation. This unique opportunity offers students hands-on experience at one of over 200 of the nation's most innovative laboratories across the Army, Navy, Air Force and larger Department of Defense. During summer

internships, SMART Scholars work directly with an experienced mentor, gaining valuable technical skills. After graduation Reyes will work at the National Air and Space Intelligence Center located at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio.

Reyes is currently studying Computer Science and Electronics Technology, with a special focus in Computer Engineering. Reyes said about the award, "It took me six years to finish my Associates of Science and transfer to California State University, Chico. In order to stay motivated I decided that I would strive to gain enough scholarships to fund my undergraduate degree even though I had never applied for one. I never could have imagined my hard work and dedication would not only fund my undergraduate degree but a master's degree as well as pay me to stay in school. This award has made all my dreams come true and put me on a path toward a rewarding career as a civil servant supporting our United States Air Force. I am eternally grateful to the taxpayers and elected

officials that support and work towards expanding programs such as the Pell Grant and the Science, Mathematics and Research for Transformation scholarship. Thank you!"

The Department of Defense is the largest employer of scientists and engineers in the nation with nearly 300,000 STEM professionals. For over a decade, SMART has trained a highly skilled STEM workforce that competes with the evolving trends of industry to support the next generation of science and technology for our nation.

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Sutter Health Park Announces New Twist to July 4th Celebration

By Conner Penfold,
Sacramento River Cats

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sutter Health Park's 4th of July Celebration has returned as Fourth on the Field Remix featuring the Sacramento Philharmonic and Opera, presented by Xfinity. This year's event will once again take place on the field as guests have the opportunity to lay on the pristine Sutter Health Park outfield grass, enjoy family friendly music as performed by the Sacramento Philharmonic and Opera, and end the night with one of the only fireworks shows in the area – a patriotic display performed in sync with the Philharmonic.

The event will feature three ticket options to choose from; VIP tickets in front of the stage include a reserved space with blanket on the outfield and access to private drink and restroom locations, general admission field

access, and reserved seating bowl tickets. All guests will have access to a mid-summer classics inspired menu as well as some of Sacramento's favorite local craft brews.

Gates will open at 7:00 p.m. and the family friendly performance will begin shortly after 8:00 p.m. The Fourth of July fireworks extravaganza will begin at 9:30 p.m.

Tickets will go on sale soon; please visit rivercats.com for more information.

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Ask Toni Why Did COBRA Cost Me \$40K in Medical Expenses?

Reader Alert: Many employer benefit group plans terminate the day you are no longer working full-time. Explore employer group medical plan rules and options with Medicare if you or your spouse are 65 or older.



Toni King

Toni:

I need your Medicare guidance because this March, I was rushed to the ER because of kidney failure caused from stage 4 of prostate cancer that has now spread to my pelvic bones.

Because I was working full-time, I took a leave of absence with short-term disability in January for 60 days while receiving my cancer treatment. Short term disability ended on March 15th and so I was placed on long term disability.

I was informed, while in the hospital for cancer treatment, that I had qualified for long term disability and would no longer be part of the company's health plan since I was not a full-time employee. COBRA would begin immediately.

My wife and I enrolled and paid for COBRA, so that I could continue with medical care where I am having cancer treatment. It took 6 weeks to get the paperwork to Social Security for me to enroll in Part B, since I was not working full-time, and my Medicare Part B began June 1st.

Now my Cobra nightmare begins... because COBRA

is only paying the 20% of medical/doctor bills and I was billed the 80% because I was not enrolled in Medicare Part B which has totaled over \$40K.

Please help me solve this COBRA financial nightmare.

~ Thanks, Robert, San Diego

Robert:

The Toni Says team will do all that we can to help you solve this problem with your \$40K Medicare Part B medical bill fiasco.

Those reading this article need to realize the seriousness of Medicare and insurance rules.

The Medicare & You handbook discusses topics such as "Special Enrollment Period" and "Should I Get Part B". It states that COBRA is not considered coverage based on current employer benefits.

You have **8 months** to sign up for Medicare Part B without a penalty if you are not "working full-time or have lost your company benefits whichever comes first. The 8-month period will run whether you choose COBRA or not. If you choose COBRA, do not wait until your COBRA ends in 18 months to enroll in Part B. This time period is past the 8-month period, and one will receive the famous "Medicare Part B penalty which go all the way back to when one enrolled in Medicare Part A.

Robert, you did everything correctly to enroll in

Medicare Part B by contacting Social Security and faxing the CMS-L564 form "Request for Employment Information" signed by your company's HR and CMS-40B form "Application for Part B". You were within the correct time limits.

You are in a Medicare "glitch" and the insurance plan is using "Coordination of Benefits" as their ruling.


Group health insurance plans are a state regulated plan not a Medicare regulated plan. Since you are past 65 and already enrolled in Medicare Part A, the health plan is passing the 80% of the doctor/medical bills on Part B to Medicare. You were not enrolled in Medicare Part B yet to pick up the difference.

It will take time to straighten this out but there is hope for you. The Toni Says® Medicare team is here to fight for you!

The good news is that COBRA plans are a creditable prescription drug coverage plans and you are eligible for a Special Enrollment Period for Medicare Part D without receiving a Medicare Part D penalty.

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- Steps to the river, in India
- Hot springs resort
- Meal in a shell
- Driver's misbehavior?
- "Grilling technique"
- Medal of Honor descriptor
- Cracked open
- What Knave of Hearts stole from Queen of Hearts, sing.
- Raise one's rank
- "July 4th pyrotechnic display"
- Hubble Space Telescope operator, acr.
- Chip dip
22. i topper
- "Main Street tradition on the 4th"
- Superlative of funny
- Ribonucleic acid
- Store as fodder
- Moonfish
- Rose oil
- Number cruncher
- Fairytale garden dweller
- Indian Lilac tree
- Extinct type of zebra
- Steampunk decoration
- Did 2 + 2 (2 words)
- Crocheted blanket
- Swedish shag rug
- Ancient port city in Israel
- Smiley face
- "First President to hold July 4th celebration at the White House"
- Snoopy Dogg's "Gin and "
- Medicinal succulent
- Hit the bottle
- Earthenware pots
- View from a high-speed train?
- Observer
- "Glengarry ____ Ross"
- G, in solfa
- "The Fountainhead" author

DOWN

- Former tennis pro Steffi
- One who's made the pilgrimage to Mecca
- Petri dish filler
- Mother of Calcutta
- Roebuck's partner
- a.k.a. anorak
- A in B.A.
- "No ____ without representation"
- Unfortunately, exclamation
- "Drink to wash down burgers and hot dogs?"
- Table scrap
- Steal, past participle
- What haters spew?
- Crane or heron
- Expecting woman's date
- Life force in Sanskrit
- Chipped in
- What Motion Picture Association of America did
- "Most popular July 4th decoration"
- Notable period
- Polynesian island country
- Feudal lord
- Fish a.k.a. porgy
- Beer acronym
- "Lee Greenwood's "Proud to Be an ____"
- Blooper
- Sine ____ non
- Old-timer
- Force units
- Wedding tossable
- Jiggly dessert
- Run ____ of the law
- Type of sea bird
- Agitate
- Kickboxing moves
- Miso bean
- U.S. ____ in golf or tennis
- Egghead
- Leisurely run

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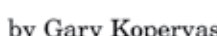
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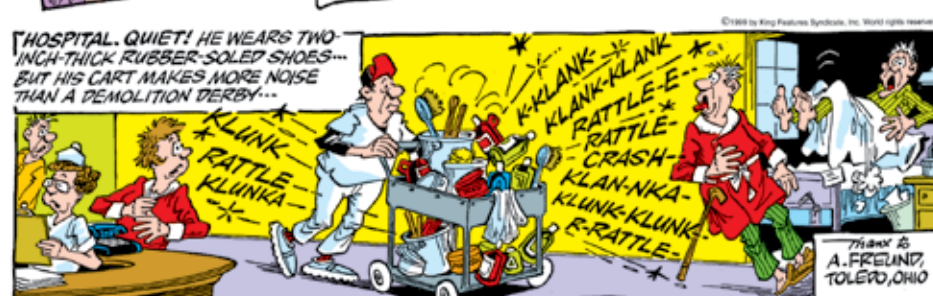
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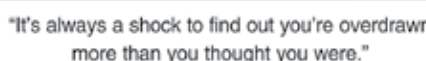
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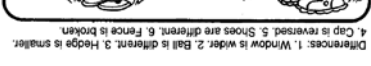
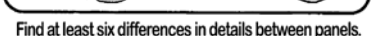
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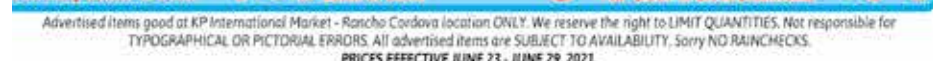
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New Home Sales in Sacramento Region Ease Back in May

North State Building Industry Association Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - New home sales in the Sacramento region eased back during May from the frenetic pace reported during the past 12 months, but still were well above historical averages for the month, the North State Building Industry Association reported.

During May, area builders reported selling 570 new homes in the greater Sacramento region, including Sacramento, Placer, Yolo, Sutter, Yuba and Nevada counties. That is the lowest number since November,

when 523 sales were reported and down sharply from the 760 sales reported in April, said Michael Strech, the BIA's president and CEO.

"Despite the modest drop-off in sales last month, the demand for new homes in our region remains incredibly strong," Strech said. "Sales during the month were far above the 448 builders have seen on average during May since 1997, and historically, March and April have been the strongest months for sales, which then gradually fall off through the rest of the year."

"It's also important to note that last month's sales were higher than all but one May's figures since 2006 and

that year – 2019 – was a five-week month." Sales that month totaled 585.

Strech said that even as pandemic restrictions are easing, many buyers are still looking for homes that provide the space and amenities they need, and today's new homes – particularly in the Sacramento region – meet those needs.

Still, builders are seeing headwinds, including the high price of lumber, other supply chain constraints and now a growing concern about available lots in the region as builders have ramped up production. It can take years to get government approvals to build new communities which hinders builders' ability to keep pace.

In addition, he said the excessive fees charged to builders in the Sacramento region mean some communities simply aren't feasible.

"The fee study we released last week shows that government fees average \$95,000 per home in our region, which is \$40,000 more than comparable fees in the Central Valley and the Inland Empire region in Southern California. These other jurisdictions have cracked the code and everything should be on the table. We will work closely with local officials around the region in the months to come to find ways to reduce these fees and still ensure that new communities include needed amenities."

May sales were above the monthly average. New home sales in the region were comparable to May sales totals in recent years, but still far above average for the past decade.

Placer County sales just ten fewer than in Sacramento County. Buyers were particularly interested in new homes in Placer County communities as sales totaled 246 – just ten fewer than in developments in Sacramento County.

Buyers continue to purchase higher-priced homes. The vast majority of purchase continued to occur between \$401,000 and \$750,000 during May. ★

How to End California's Homelessness Crisis

Commentary by Kerry Jackson and Wayne Winegarden

Homelessness is a growing problem in virtually every state. Nowhere is it more pressing than in California, which in the past three years spent more than \$13 billion, roughly \$30,000 annually for each homeless person, to address it. Tragically, its "housing first" approach is a colossal failure. Overall, says the state auditor's office, California's homelessness programs are disjointed and poorly managed.

Despite little progress, policymakers keep throwing more money at the problem. Rather than adopting California's current government-centric approach, other states should learn from its mistakes by embracing reforms that directly tackle the core issues.

Many homeless suffer from mental illness and substance abuse struggles that require creating a pathway to recovery. Unfortunately, the legal precedent

of *Martin v. City of Boise* is creating a "right to live on the streets." Policy changes such as California's voter-approved Proposition 47 have effectively discouraged the enforcement of shoplifting items up to \$950, creating a means for the addicted or mentally ill homeless to support their habits.

Instead of enabling homelessness, states should ensure appropriate punishment for those who violate the law. However, interactions with law enforcement should be viewed as opportunities to connect homeless individuals with the help and resources they need.

One innovative approach is homeless courts that "sentence" offenders to treatment, then expunging their records once successfully completed, as proposed in the California's Compassionate Intervention Act. At the same time, the developing "right to sleep on the street" needs to be challenged through legal channels.

To complement these efforts,

states should partner with private nonprofits that have successfully helped many transition off the streets. Even President Barack Obama has acknowledged that "the private and philanthropic sectors are responsible for some of the best thinking, innovation, and evidence-based approaches to ending homelessness."

Shelters to Shutters represents exactly what he was talking about. The Vienna, Virginia, nonprofit emphasizes job placement and housing based on the mantra that "the solution truly needs to be about both." Another strategy initiates contact with the homeless by providing necessities, including bag storage, transportation, Internet access, and a sitting room. While offering these services, the Crossroads Welcome Center in Tennessee determines each client's needs and tries to direct them to institutions for further care.

Given the severity of today's crisis, the homeless need to be relocated with an urgency. San Diego's use of large tents that

serve as transitional housing for about 700 a night and cost roughly \$11.3 million shows how this can be done.

California's infamous unaffordability problems are also a causal driver of homelessness. Policymakers nationwide should implement regulatory reforms that lessen excessive living costs to alleviate the economic pressures driving too many people into the streets.

The California Environmental Quality Act, the biggest barrier to homebuilding, increases costs, and causes extended construction delays. It, as well as similar laws elsewhere, is overdue for reform.

States should pursue zoning regulatory reform to simplify multi-layered restrictions, speed up the building-permit process, and ease restrictions on building duplexes, triplexes, and granny flats in order to expand the stock of affordable housing. Eliminating rent control would also meaningfully expand the supply of housing and reduce costs, particularly in

cities where housing is the most expensive.

Sustainably addressing the homelessness crisis in California and every state is a moral imperative and an economic necessity. Current conditions are the unintended consequence of policies implemented by state and local governments. Though the situation is dire in California, the good news is states can make a meaningful difference if they reject the Golden State's ill-advised policies. Adopting the right policies should be at the top of every state's legislative to-do list.

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