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A Choice for Life

Life Center Awarded \$15,000 Grant

*By Kristin Thébaud,
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SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Life Center has received grants of \$10,000 from American River Bank and \$5,000 from Kelly Foundation to provide free health care, resources and needed items for Sacramento-area low-income pregnant women and new moms as the COVID-19 pandemic continues into 2021.

"Because of the pandemic and resulting unemployment, we are seeing double the number of patients needing items from our baby needs closet, as well as increased demand for our free maternal health care during and after pregnancy and Medi-Cal sign-up assistance," said Marie Leatherby, executive director, Sacramento Life Center. "We are grateful to Kelly Foundation and American River Bank for recognizing the needs of pregnant women and new moms in our community during this trying time and giving so generously."

The Sacramento Life Center provides free health care services, including pregnancy tests, STI tests, ultrasounds, well woman exams and more. Every woman who comes into the center meets with a patient advocate to determine resources and supports needed, from housing to food and clothing. For pregnant women who do not have health insurance, patient advocates help them enroll in Medi-Cal's Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women so they can have coverage when they go to a clinic for prenatal care. The center provides low-income pregnant women and new moms



The Suarez family receives an ultrasound at the Sacramento Life Center, which recently received grants from American River Bank and the Kelly Foundation. Photo: Thébaud Communications

with supplies needed during pregnancy and for up to two years after birth, including prenatal vitamins, formula, diapers, wipes, baby clothing and more.

The Sacramento Life Center's mission is to offer compassion, support, resources and free medical care to women and couples facing an unplanned or unsupported pregnancy. The Sacramento Life Center's licensed Sac Valley Pregnancy Clinic includes a primary clinic and mobile clinic that provide all services for free,

including pregnancy tests, STD tests, ultrasounds, patient advocacy for men and women, education and resource referrals. In 2018, the Sacramento Life Center achieved accreditation by the Accreditation Association for Ambulatory Health Care, which ensures the group has met nationally recognized standards for the provision of high-quality health care. The nonprofit also offers a 24-hour hotline and program for women who have experienced pregnancy loss. For more information about the

Sacramento Life Center's Sac Valley Pregnancy Clinic, visit www.svp-clinic.com. For more information about the Sacramento Life Center or to make a donation, visit www.saclife.org.

Dignity Health is a multi-state nonprofit network of 10,000 physicians, more than 60,000 employees, 41 acute care hospitals, and 400-plus care-centers, including community hospitals, urgent care, surgery and imaging centers, home health, and primary care clinics in Arizona, California, and Nevada. ★

Dignity Health Launches

#OrangeRibbon Heroes Gratitude Campaign

*By Yessenia Anderson,
Dignity Health*

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)

- One year ago this month, a global pandemic began claiming the lives of what would end up being more than 500,000 Americans. In an effort to keep themselves, their loved ones and their communities healthy and safe - health care workers began doing the impossible. This included innovating on their feet to treat a virus we knew very little about; wearing layers of protective gear not normally needed to carry out their job; in some cases, isolating themselves to reduce exposure at home; and, not to mention, adjusting to the pandemic's byproducts of lockdowns and distance learning. While no amount of "thank you's" will ever be enough, Dignity Health wants to honor our thousands of extraordinary health care workers for going above and beyond the call of duty. From that desire, the #OrangeRibbonHeroes campaign was born.

The multiphase campaign began this month with the erecting of large signs expressing gratitude for health care workers, now on display at Sacramento-area Dignity Health hospitals and select clinics. The second phase will provide an opportunity for community members to share their appreciation by submitting notes/comments on either a specific care team member, department or facility. The messages will be featured across Dignity Health hospital social media pages, videos and some will be printed and turned into lawn signs.

"Over the past year, there has been an overwhelming amount of support shown by our communities for our health care workers, and what we found to be most moving for them, were the words of encouragement and messages of appreciation," said Dr. Todd Strumwasser, Northern California Division President for CommonSpirit Health. "We want to keep that momentum alive and create visual reminders of these heartfelt sentiments. Our hope is that as they walk into work every day, these words inspire them as they continue to carry out their critical work."

As the last phase of the campaign, Mercy Foundation, Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation and Woodland Healthcare Foundation will be providing opportunities to send messages of gratitude accompanied by a

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Rio Linda Man Pleads to EDD Fraud Charges; Sentenced to Prison

**Sacramento County
District Attorney**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Walter Lee Dawson pled to five counts of fraudulently applying for unemployment benefits (EDD Fraud) and possession for sale of marijuana. He also admitted to a prior 2015 strike conviction for residential burglary. Dawson was sentenced to 9 years and 4 months in state prison.

Dawson was arrested on December 3, 2020, when

Sacramento Probation Officers and Sheriff's Deputies conducted a probation compliance search and recovered a Glock style pistol with no serial number, multiple rounds of 9 mm ammunition, approximately \$58,000 in cash, approximately 3.8 pounds of marijuana, and packaging material consistent with marijuana sales. Dawson was arrested and charged with felon in possession of a firearm, felon in possession of

ammunition, and possession of marijuana for sales charges in Sacramento Superior Court case number 20FE019364.

During the search, nine EDD debit cards issued in different names were also recovered as were approximately 20 additional EDD documents in various people's names. After Dawson's arrest, a joint investigation by the District Attorney, Probation Department, Sheriff's Office, and the

California Employment Development Department (EDD) Investigations Division revealed that approximately \$219,000 had been fraudulently acquired by Dawson when he obtained the nine EDD cards.

Dawson was ordered to pay \$219,964 in restitution to EDD. The \$58,155 in cash and all money left on the EDD cards that were found during the probation search will be turned over to EDD as restitution. ★

Second Installment of Property Taxes Due April 12

Sacramento County News

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The deadline for paying the second installment of your 2020-2021 Sacramento County property taxes is coming up very soon. Payments are due no later than April 12, 2021. Late payments will incur a 10 percent penalty plus a \$20.00 cost for each tax bill. Partial payments are not accepted.

Payment must be received in the Tax Collector’s Office by 5 p.m. on April 12, 2021, or either postmarked or paid through our website by April 12, 2021. The Tax Collector also wants to remind property owners to include the appropriate installment payment stub from the tax bill or website, or write the parcel number of the property on the check being submitted to make sure that you receive proper credit for the payment.

Payment may be mailed to P.O. Box 508, Sacramento, CA 95812-0508. Be sure to mail your payment early enough to ensure a timely postmark and avoid penalties.

Making Payments - Property taxes may be paid by e-check or credit card through Sacramento County’s Property Tax Bill Information System or over the telephone at 1-844-430-2823, using the 14 digit parcel number. For a convenience fee, a contractor will process your credit card payment if you elect to pay the annual property tax

bill using this method. This convenience fee is not revenue to the County. **There is no fee to make a payment via e-check.** To avoid penalties, transactions made either on the internet or over the telephone must be completed before midnight on the payment pay by date. Debit and credit cards will be processed as a credit transaction, and therefore the convenience fee will apply.

Please plan ahead and do not wait until the last minute to make your payment. If you are unable to get through on the internet or telephone, causing you to miss the payment deadline, penalties will NOT be waived. Please verify your data entry very carefully when making online payments. If your payment is rejected by your financial institution **FOR ANY REASON**, you will be charged a \$53.00 return payment fee as well as penalties if your payment is rejected after the due date.

If you use your bank’s Online Bill Pay service, a paper check will be printed and mailed to the Tax Collector. Because the check is sent without a payment stub, please enter the parcel number, current year’s bill number and installment being paid in the online account number field for payment identification. The date on the check issued by your bank is considered the postmark, make sure you are aware of the bank’s timeline on issuing the check. Some banks take 5 to 7 business days before the

check is issued, and penalties will apply if the check is dated after April 12, 2021.

How to Obtain Information About Your Tax Bill - If you have not received a tax bill, you can obtain your tax bill information and payment stubs (coupons) at the Tax Collector’s website, over the automated telephone system, or by contacting the Tax Collector’s Office at (916) 874-6622.

Sacramento County offers an online email subscription service for property tax information to receive e-mail notifications when the annual secured property tax bills are available each year and reminders before the first and second installments delinquent dates. This service is provided at no cost to subscribers. Visit the Sacramento County Homepage and enter your email address or mobile number under the “Connect with us” header, located at the bottom right-hand of the page.

For additional information about property taxes, the Sacramento County Tax Collector’s website provides answers to the most common questions from taxpayers regarding property taxes and links to tax bill information and online payments.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the property owner of their liability to pay taxes in a timely manner or give the Tax Collector reason to cancel penalties imposed for late payment. ★

Water Users Urged to Reduce and Conserve During Dry Conditions

State Water Resources Board

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As dry conditions persist throughout California, the State Water Resources Control Board mailed early warning notices to approximately 40,000 water right holders, urging them to plan for potential shortages by reducing water use and adopting practical conservation measures.

Reservoir and groundwater levels are significantly below average, and despite recent storms, snowpack is only 58% of average as of March 10. After two years of below average precipitation, officials don’t expect the April 1 snow survey to reveal significant improvement in the water supply outlook this year. April 1 is typically the peak of California’s snowpack, which in an average year provides 30% of the state’s water supply.

“Planting crops and other decisions that are dictated by water supply are made early in the year, so early warnings are vital,” said Erik Ekdahl, deputy director for the Water Board’s Division of Water Rights. “These letters give water users time to prepare and help minimize the impacts of reduced supplies on businesses, farms and homes.”

Agricultural water users can implement practical actions now to improve their drought resilience, including reducing irrigated acreage, managing

herd size, using innovative irrigation and diversifying water supply portfolios. Urban water users can conserve by putting in drought-resistant landscape, reducing outdoor irrigation and replacing older house fixtures and appliances with more efficient ones.

Additionally, all diverters are legally required to report their annual water use to the State Water Board. Accurate and timely reporting of information is crucial to managing the state’s water resources.

In preparing for potential droughts, the State Water Board partners with multiple state, local and federal agencies, including California Department of Water Resources, Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Forest Service, Tribal governments and water management organizations. Staff will continue to coordinate as it monitors the situation and engage more frequently with water users if conditions continue or worsen.

Current drought conditions can be found on the National Integrated Drought Information System website.

The State Water Board’s mission is to preserve, enhance and restore the quality of California’s water resources and ensure proper allocation and efficient use for the benefit of present and future generations. ★


Sac Native Prepares COVID-19 Vaccine Aboard US Navy Warship

By Rick Burke, Navy Office of Community Outreach

SAN DIEGO, CA (MPG) - Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class Jessica Young, a native of Sacramento, California, prepares the COVID-19 vaccine aboard Nimitz-class nuclear aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70). Vinson is currently pierside in its homeport of San Diego.

U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Mason





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Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 should consult their physician for testing and notify their coach, athletic trainer and/or school administrator of their symptoms and test results. Photo credit: Twin Rivers Communications Department

Twin Rivers Unified School District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - It's a go! High school sports are back in Twin Rivers Unified. Beginning in March all outdoor sports are allowed for practice, with the first football, softball and baseball games being played this month. While this will be an abbreviated season, it's wonderful news for the entire TR school community, especially our student athletes, coaches and families.

Missing out on the traditional high school sports was something no one could control, due to the COVID-19 pandemic that closed schools and shut down high school sports and other activities. On Feb. 19, the California Department of Public Health announced that youth and recreational sports are allowed to resume in counties with fewer than 14 positive COVID-19 cases per 100,000 residents. The new rules – Outdoor and Indoor Youth Recreational

Adult Sports – apply to all organized youth and adult sports and took effect in February. As the virus continues to pose a severe risk in our community, we must continue to follow strict state and local public health guidelines on and off the field, including limiting fans to immediate household members of our student athletes. Even though challenging times are still ahead of us, we're just happy this moment has finally arrived, for our students. ★

Watt Avenue and A Street Homicide under Investigation

By Sergeant Rod Grassmann, Sacramento County Sheriff's Office

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At 2:32 p.m. on Sunday, March 21, 2021, the Sacramento County Sheriff's Office Communications Center received a call from a citizen near the intersection of Watt Avenue and A Street in North Sacramento stating that someone inside a vehicle had been shot. Deputies arrived at the intersection and found a male victim with multiple gunshot wounds and began administering medical aid. Metro Fire arrived, continued CPR then transported him to a nearby hospital where medical staff later pronounced the adult male deceased.

CSI arrived and collected evidence. Homicide detectives interviewed witnesses and are still investigating. No suspect information is available. No other information is available at this time. The identity of the victim in this case will be released by the Sacramento County Coroner's Office after identification and notification of next of kin. Detectives are asking anyone with information relating to this incident, to please contact the Sheriff's Office at (916) 874-5115 or Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers at (916) 443-HELP. Tip information may also be left anonymously at www.sacsheriff.com or by calling (916) 874-TIPS (8477). ★

Learn about Drug and Alcohol Facts

By Andrea Sandoval, Sacramento County

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Teenagers and scientists across the United States are taking part in "National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week®" March 22-28, 2021. The weeklong health observance is organized by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), both part of the National Institutes of Health. The goal of the observance is for teens to feel comfortable to ask questions about drugs and alcohol and to get scientific answers from experts. While drugs can put a teenager's health and life in jeopardy, many teens are not aware of the risks. Even for those teens who do not abuse drugs, many have friends or family who do, and they are often looking for ways to help them. **Let's Shatter Three Drug and Alcohol Myths According to NIDA!** **Myth:** Cannabis is legal in California, so I shouldn't worry if a teen is experimenting with cannabis use. **Fact:** Cannabis can be addictive and can have long-term effects on teens' brains, which are still developing. Studies have shown links between cannabis use and psychosis, anxiety and depression. These are important reasons why recreational use of cannabis is only legal for adults age 21 and over in California. **Myth:** White youth drink less alcohol than other groups their age. **Fact:** A greater proportion of California students who are white report having consumed alcohol at least four times more.

While substance use disorders are not more common in communities of color, people of color are less likely to access treatment. That's because communities of color have faced longstanding discrimination, institutional racism and barriers to insurance coverage. **Myth:** Using tobacco is a normal part of growing up **Fact:** Fewer than one in eight California students report using tobacco, so NOT smoking actually is far more popular. Sacramento County Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Services would like to remind the community of their prevention and treatment services for youth and families. The program contracts with an array of community-based service providers throughout Sacramento County including outpatient treatment, medication-assisted treatment, withdrawal management (detoxification), residential treatment, perinatal services, and sober living environments/recovery residences. "We want teens to have the opportunity to learn what science has taught us about drug and alcohol use, abuse and addiction," said Lori Miller, Division Manager, Substance Use Prevention and Treatment, Sacramento County. "There are so many myths about drugs and alcohol cluttering our popular culture. National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week® is for teens to get honest answers about drugs so they can make good, informed decisions for themselves and share accurate information with friends." A presentation by Sacramento County Office of Education on How to Talk to Kids about Alcohol and Drugs is available to view on the Sacramento County website at www.saccounty.net/Pages/default.aspx. ★

Administrators Announce District Teachers of the Year

Twin Rivers Unified School District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Congratulations to Kayla Ulrich (2nd grade teacher, Babcock Elementary) and Erin Tobias (CTE teacher, Foothill High) on their selection as the 2021-2022 District Teachers of the Year! Both of these exemplary educators go beyond the day-to-day demands of their position to create exceptional learning environments for



Kayla Ulrich



Erin Tobias

students. They motivate, challenge and inspire excellence and will represent Twin Rivers Unified in the Sacramento County Teachers of the Year program. District administrators and principals made the surprise announcement to Kayla and Erin during a Zoom meeting. ★

Twin River Classified Employees of the Year Awarded

Twin Rivers Unified School District

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Congratulations to Rhima Blenkhorn (Cafe Team Lead I, Orchard Elementary), Jamie Manalo (Professional Development/Curriculum & Instruction Program Specialist, District Office) and Diana Rose (Library Media Tech, Foothill Ranch Middle

School) for being selected as Sacramento County Classified Employees of the Year for 2021! All three of our County Classified Employees of the Year will represent Twin Rivers USD and all of Sacramento County in the State Classified School Employees of the Year competition. Learn more here: https://www.scoe.net/news/library/2021/march/08county_coys/ ★



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Local United Way CEO to Step Down for Position at Seattle Foundation



Stephanie McLemore Bray, president and CEO of United Way California Capital Region, will leave her position as she transitions to her new role as chief engagement officer for Seattle Foundation in May.

By Kristin Thebaud, Thebaud Communications

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Stephanie McLemore Bray, president and CEO of United Way California Capital Region, will leave her position in mid-April as she transitions to her new role as chief engagement officer for Seattle Foundation in May. Amber Lovett, chief resource development and marketing officer at United Way California Capital Region, will transition to interim president and CEO on April 1 while the organization undergoes a nationwide search.

“It has been a privilege to lead United Way California Capital Region for the past seven years,” Bray said. “I am proud of our work to end poverty, starting at school, by removing barriers to student success for low-income children. Through our partnerships with nonprofits, government, school districts, donors and community members, we have helped many families move from crisis to thriving. Our local United Way is well-positioned for its next leader to continue that great work.”

Bray launched United Way’s Square

One Project in 2015, which continues to show improved education outcomes for low-income children in the region. She also completed a successful merger with Woodland United Way and brought in more than \$16 million since March 2020, including a \$10 million gift from renowned philanthropist MacKenzie Scott.

As chief engagement officer for Seattle Foundation, the Seattle region’s community foundation, Bray will oversee engagements and relationships with the organization’s hundreds of philanthropists, investors and donors. With more than \$1 billion in charitable assets and committed bequests, Seattle Foundation awards more than \$100 million annually to nonprofit organizations working to make Greater Seattle a stronger, more vibrant community for all.

“Stephanie has been a tireless advocate for people who are marginalized in the greater Sacramento area, and Seattle is fortunate to have her join the community,” said Steve Lins of SMUD and chair of United Way’s board of directors. “We are grateful for all she has done for United Way, and we know she is leaving us in an outstanding position to continue accomplishing important change in our community under a new leader.”


For nearly 100 years, United Way California Capital Region has brought local people together to make community change happen. Today, the nonprofit is bringing people together across Amador, El Dorado, Sacramento, Placer and Yolo counties for its Square One Project, a 20-year promise to significantly increase the number of students in our region who graduate from high school ready for success in college and beyond. United Way believes ending poverty starts in school and is working to ensure kids meet important milestones and their families receive support and resources. To learn more and make a donation, visit YourLocalUnitedWay.org. ★



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Social Security Matters

Will Inheritance Money Affect My Social Security?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social
Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will turn 66 this year and am considering claiming my Social Security. I have already applied for Medicare. My parents passed on several years ago, and the estate will probably settle this year. I would like to know if my inheritance money will have any effect on my social security benefits. If so, how? **Signed: Wondering Heir**

Dear Wondering: No, your inheritance money from your parents' estate will not affect your gross Social Security benefit in any way. Your monthly SS benefit is based solely on your lifetime earnings record from working, and income from other sources is not counted when computing your Social Security benefit amount. But if you claim your benefits and have your Medicare Part B premium deducted from your Social Security payment, it's possible your inheritance could affect your Medicare Part B premium amount, thus lowering your net Social Security payment. Most Medicare beneficiaries pay a standard premium of \$148.50 per month (2021 amount) for Part B, which is coverage for doctors and other outpatient services. But there is also a special provision known as "IRMAA" (Income Related Medicare



Adjustment Amount) which adds a supplemental amount to the standard Part B premium if your "provisional income" from all sources exceeds certain levels. Your "provisional income" would include income from all sources, including any money you receive from an inheritance, any tax-advantaged investment withdrawals, tax free interest, and half of the Social Security benefits you received during the tax year. The name for this is your "Modified Adjusted Gross Income" (MAGI), and the clip levels which cause IRMAA to affect your Medicare premium are different depending on your IRS filing status. If you file your income tax as "married/jointly" and your MAGI is over \$176,000, then IRMAA will apply and you'll pay a higher Medicare premium thus reducing your net Social Security payment (if you file as a single, the clip level is \$88,000). IRMAA can cause your Part B premium to go to anywhere from \$208 to \$505 per month, depending upon how high your MAGI is. Note that your Medicare premium for the current year is determined by your MAGI from 2 years prior, so if that inheritance money is reported on your 2021 income tax return, it would be your 2023 Medicare premium amount that would be affected. And the higher Medicare premium would

self-adjust back to a lower level if MAGI for subsequent years are below the IRMAA level. The other way your inheritance might affect you is through income taxes on your Social Security benefits. If your MAGI exceeds \$32,000 filing as married/jointly (\$25,000 if single), then 50% of your Social Security benefits will become part of your taxable income. Or if your MAGI is more than \$44,000 filing as married/jointly (\$34,000 if single), then up to 85% of your Social Security benefits for the tax year will become part of your taxable income at your standard IRS tax rate. The bottom line is this: Your gross monthly Social Security benefit amount will not be affected by your inheritance, but if your inheritance increases your Medicare Part B premium your net SS benefit will be temporarily lower. And the inheritance may also influence how much of your Social Security benefits are subjected to income tax. *This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance. It presents the opinions and interpretations of the AMAC Foundation's staff, trained and accredited by the National Social Security Association (NSSA). NSSA and the AMAC Foundation and its staff are not affiliated with or endorsed by the Social Security Administration or any other governmental entity. To submit a question, visit our website (amacfoundation.org/programs/social-security-advisory) or email us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org.* ★

Message from Steve Martinez, Ed.D.

Superintendent of Twin Rivers Unified

To Staff and the Twin Rivers School Community,

Our much anticipated Spring Break is finally here (March 29 – April 5). I hope everyone uses the week to unplug. Get off your devices. Set the computers, phones and other electronics aside, and get outdoors! The weather is great, and spring is all around us. Enjoy your down time before we return to campuses for in-person teaching and learning on Tuesday, April 6.

Over the break, please be aware that we must continue to do our part to help protect our health and the health of others. Mask up. Maintain distancing. Keep the groups small. As we have learned since last March, this public health crisis is constantly changing. All of us want a safe reopening for our students, staff and community.

Students and families, please take a moment to review the procedures for returning to school before April 6. Your principals are sending important information regarding masking, signage that indicates proper physical distancing and traffic patterns on your campus. Please review the information, and please do your part to follow the guidance.

While our Road to Reopening has been a long journey, it's far from over. We want our hybrid model return to be the first in a series of steps that will bring us back to full-time, in-person instruction for all students. To this point, our District administrative team is studying the new guidelines for physical distancing, which shifted from a recommendation of 6 feet to 3 feet. This change in guidance provides options that must be explored. Returning to hybrid instruction, with some on campus and some online, is our new starting point after the break, but we will continue to amend our plans as the guidance changes. I thank you in advance for being flexible and patient.

As you unplug, unwind, and enjoy the beautiful outdoors, please stay healthy and safe. Your TR family is very much looking forward to seeing all of you after the break.

All the best,

Steve Martinez, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Twin Rivers Unified
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Dignity Health Launches

#OrangeRibbonHeroes Gratitude Campaign

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donation. Funds will be used uniquely by each foundation and include the purchase of cancer center equipment, employee appreciation and wellness, and more.

"Like everyone, healthcare workers navigated their own COVID losses and struggles, but with an armor of PPE gear, the uncertainty of their own safety, and the fear they could harm their families just by coming to work. This past year has felt like an eternity at times," said Dr. Nicole Braxley, Mercy San Juan Medical Center Emergency Room Physician and Medical Director. "Words of encouragement and the heartfelt thanks from the community kept us going through the darkest days. This campaign is a wonderful way to give your thanks to the heroes behind the masks."

To participate in the campaign, follow local Dignity Health hospital pages and watch out for #OrangeRibbonHeroes posts. We encourage the community to share messages of gratitude with us and you might just see your sign up at a local Dignity Health hospital/clinic near you. If people would like to make a gift in honor of our Orange Ribbon Heroes, and have your message of gratitude shared with them, please visit the following websites: Mercy Foundation supporting Mercy General Hospital, Mercy Hospital of Folsom, Mercy San Juan Medical Center and Methodist Hospital of Sacramento; Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation; Woodland Healthcare Foundation. ★



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California and The Political Food Chain

Ants, Ants, Ants, Where's the Uncles



By Dan Walters
CALMatters

While the relationships among the various levels of American government are often cooperative, always lurking in the background is what one might characterize as a political food chain.

Officials plot constantly to impose their will on counterparts occupying lower links of the chain while avoiding similar efforts by those above them – all in the name of better governance, of course.

We're seeing one example of the syndrome now in the efforts of California's legislators and Gov. Gavin Newsom to confront California's housing crisis. They want to compel local governments, particularly cities, to make more land available for high-density housing to serve low- and moderate-income families, and override local zoning laws that favor single-family homes on large lots.

Local officials tend to view the state's efforts as heavy-handed, one-size-fits-all violations of their traditional rights to control land use and thus shape the atmosphere of their communities. But advocates of state intervention say it's needed to overcome not-in-my-backyard resistance that discriminates against the poor and

the non-white.

As state officials strive to impose their will on local governments, they often resist the federal government's efforts to do the same on states. California's former attorney general, Xavier Becerra, filed more than 100 lawsuits against the federal government during Donald Trump's presidency, many of which asserted the principle of states' rights to resist decrees from Washington.

Becerra now heads the federal health and welfare agency and can be expected to crack the whip on any states that resist federal policies in the programs he manages. That's how the food chain works; it's not personal animosity, just institutional jousting for control.

The recently enacted \$1.9 trillion "stimulus" that Becerra's new boss, President Joe Biden, pushed through Congress provides another example. It gives state and local governments \$350 billion in aid, supposedly to make up for revenue losses during the COVID-19 pandemic. But one provision prohibits recipients from using the windfall to reduce taxes, and that has generated criticism from state officials of all ideological stripes that it interferes with their finances.

In California, politicians and interest groups on the left say it could prevent them from reducing tax burdens on the poor, such as expansion of the earned income tax credit, and small businesses.

State Finance Director Keely Bosler told Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen

in a letter that strictly applying the tax cut prohibition would "limit a state's ability to adopt policies that support federal goals and could thus constrain the economic benefits that were intended by the authorization of these funds."

"We're trying to provide additional relief to businesses that took it in the teeth during the recession," H.D. Palmer, a spokesperson for Bosler's Department of Finance, said. "We don't want to go down that road until we've got further clarification from Washington."

California business groups, meanwhile, say that the tax cut ban would undermine efforts to restore two business tax breaks that the state suspended last year when it appeared that COVID-19 would devastate state finances. With state revenues now running more than \$14 billion over-estimates, business leaders say that the tax breaks, which amount to more than \$4 billion a year, should be reinstated.

The business-backed California Taxpayers Association and 16 other state taxpayer organizations also sent a letter to Yellen seeking clarity on what states can and cannot do under the tax cut language. The stimulus law gives her the authority to make those decisions in a classic example of how the intergovernmental food chain works.

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

By Rev. James L. Snyder

I have learned in my life that the small things are the ones that get you down.

The little things in life, usually unnoticed and ignored, cause most of the problems.

But then there is the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage.

She never met a problem she can't fix and fix right away. No problem, in her mind, goes without being fixed right now.

For example, when something isn't working right, she stops whatever she is doing and fixes it, and if it can't be fixed, then it really isn't broken.

This is quite different from me. There is nothing I can fix. If it isn't broken, I can't even fix it. That's why we make an excellent team.

But then recently I discovered something new about her.

My wife and her daughter and granddaughter spent three days doing some thrift store shopping in St. Augustine. That meant I was in charge of the house for three days. I still don't understand why she left me in charge for that long of a period, but I don't look a gift horse in the mouth.

Anyway, I was in charge, and I tried to be as careful as possible, so I wouldn't

get into any trouble. However, someone in the house dropped some cat food by the door as they fed the cats. I'm not at liberty to reveal that person's name.

My wife came home on a Thursday, and that night we went to bed, and early the following morning, as I was shaving, I heard a loud voice coming from the kitchen area.

"What are you doing in here?"

I almost cut myself shaving, thinking we had an intruder, and I better get out there to see what's happening.

When I got to the kitchen my wife was at the door, looking down with some can of spray in her hand, yelling, "Get out of here and never come back."

I did not know what she was talking about or who she was talking to. As I got closer, I looked down at the floor, and much to my surprise, there was a whole colony of ants that had invaded her kitchen. I have never seen so many ants in all my life.

By afternoon, I had forgotten all about that morning incident.

We went to bed that night, as usual, thinking everything was okay.

The following morning as I was in the bathroom

shaving, I again heard her screaming, "You're not back again, are you?"

I had forgotten about yesterday, so I ran out to the kitchen to see what was going on in the world.

There at the door, my wife was looking down and yelling and spraying something, and I noticed it was the ants again.

"I told you not to come back again!"

They were back again, and for the next few days, they returned every morning. Eventually, my wife had her way, and the ants disappeared. I have no idea where they went, but I'm hoping they don't come back again, or they will be in real trouble.

During the day, I happened to think of the Bible verse that said, "The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer" (Proverbs 30:25).

Ants are so little, and yet they can create such a big problem if not taken care of. Where are the uncles?

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Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
WEEKEND 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02105 Tea Espressions LLC, 11925 Muldon Way Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Artic Fox Shaved Snow and Desserts, Arctic Fox" 2340 Sunrise Boulevard Suite 15 Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 4, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
ARTIC 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02967 Capitol Compliance Management, LLC, 701 12th Street Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CCM, The Seed Group" 701 12th Street Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 25, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
CCM 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02768 Brenda Mosley, 2638 Ensenada Way Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Children of the World Childcare, Look to the Stars Professional Services" 2638 Ensenada Way Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 23, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
CHILDREN 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02503 Tania Proo and Migheal A. Herrera, 6468 Channing Drive North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Remix Radio" 6468 Channing Drive North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 16, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
SAC 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02601 Rancho Therapeutic LLC, 11925 Muldoon Way Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Therapeutic Leaf" 5360 South Watt Avenue Suite 110G Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 18, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
THERA 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02921 Sierra Motors, 2338 Gold River Road Suite Y Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sierra Motors" 2338 Gold River Road Suite Y Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 25, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
SIERRA 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-01560 Pli-Dek, LLC, 150 Dascomb Road Andover, MA 01810 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pli-Dek Systems" 150 Dascomb Road Andover, MA 01810. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 19, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
PLI 180201 4-23-21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FBNF2021-02667 MJVA, LLC, 2380 Watt Avenue #150 Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Luchador Coffee" 2380 Watt Avenue Suite 135 Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 22, 2021
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
LUCHADOR 180201 4-23-21

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
FBNF2019-07338 The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of "Face Dance Entertainment" located at 1725 K Street, Apt. 803, Sacramento, CA 95811. Derrich Lamont Gullette, 1725 K Street, Apt. 803, Sacramento, CA 95811. The Fictitious Business Name Statement referred to above was filed on September 4, 2019 in the County of Sacramento. Publish: March 26, and April 2, 9, 16, 2021
FACE 170707 4-16-21

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00294796
Sandeep Kumar Lingamaneni and HimaBindu Angalakurthi have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Vaishu Lingamaneni to SriNidhi Lingamaneni.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on April 14, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 19, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 12, 19, 26, and April 2, 2021
LINGAMANENI 180101 4-2-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295022
Pila Thao has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Pila Thao to NouCi Tracy Thao.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on April 15, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 24, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 12, 19, 26, and April 2, 2021
THAO 180101 4-2-21

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00294917
FNU Soria aka Soria has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of FNU Soria aka Soria to Soria Bigzad, FNU Hamtaa to Hamtaa Bigzad, and FNU Hasanaat to Hasanaat Bigzad.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on April 15, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 23, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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BIGZAD 180101 4-2-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295270
Benjamin Valsvik and Xue Hui Wu have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of August Wu Elder to August Wu Valsvik.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on April 20, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 26, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 12, 19, 26, and April 2, 2021
ELDER 180101 4-2-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295272
Sherman Norris has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sherman Norris to Sherman David Hill, III.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on April 20, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 26, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwals, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 19, 26, and April 2, 9, 2021
NORRIS 180101 4-9-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295573
Sarah Pace and Gloria Valle have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Delilah Everleigh Pace to Delilah Everleigh Valle Pace.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on April 27, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 4, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwals, Judge of the Superior Court
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PACE 180101 4-9-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295780
Francisco Ramos has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Francisco Armando Ramos Ortiz to Frank Ramos.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on April 29, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 4, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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RAMOS 180101 4-9-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296315
M Nasiruddin has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of M Nasiruddin to Nasir Mohammad Nuristani, Farzana Nasir Nasir to Farzana Nasir Nuristani, Waqas Nasir Nasir to Waqas Nasir Nuristani, Maaz Nasir Nasir to Maaz Nasir Nuristani, Kobra Nasir Nasir to Mishaal Nasir Nuristani, Akash Nasir Nasir to Akash Nasir Nuristani, Wasam Nasir Nasir to Wasam Nasir Nuristani.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 15, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
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NURISTANI 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296297
Jonathan Wesley Peck has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jonathan Wesley Peck to Jonathan Wesley Yarbrough.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 5, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 15, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
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YARBROUGH 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295531
Jeremy J Van Winkle has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Lucas Arthur Stodola to Lucas Arthur Van Winkle.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on April 27, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Room 212, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 3, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 26, and April 2, 9, 16, 2021
WINKLE 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296208
Karen Sue Dickinson and Terrance Brian Bates have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Brian Allen Dickinson-Bates to Brain Allen Bates.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 5, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 12, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 26, and April 2, 9, 16, 2021
BATES 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295949
Khushminder Kaur has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Azeez Gill to Anhad Gill.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 4, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 9, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
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GILL 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295686
Leonidas and Flora Tasakos have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ekaterini Apollonia Tasakos to Ekaterini Anastasia Apollonia Tasakos.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on April 29, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 9, 2021
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TASAKOS 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296154
Tran Hanh Nguyen Nguyen vs Huy Tranh Tran have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Bao Han Tran to Kylie Tran.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 5, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 12, 2021
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TRAN 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296519
Kevin Edward Roberson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kevin Edward Roberson to Kevin Edward Robinson.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
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ROBINSON 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00295763
Michael Sean Collard has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Michael Sean Collard to Sean Michael Dunne.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on April 29, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 12, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 26, and April 2, 9, 16, 2021
DUNNE 180101 4-16-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296482
Ghulam Reza Alzali has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ghulam Reza Alzali to Reza Alzali.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 16, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
AFZALI 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296326
Chao Cheng has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Chao Cheng to Sid Chao Cheng.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 15, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
CHENG 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296528
Osita Chuba Junior Okonkwo has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Osita Chuba Junior Okonkwo to Osladimma Chuba Gabriel Okonkwo.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 11, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 17, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
OKONKWO 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296470
Eva Denis has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Eva Denis to Eva Marie Parker-Bulgakova.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 16, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
DENIS 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2019-00266019
Osamah Al Neama and Zainab Muslim has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Hussein Osamah Mousa to Adam Mousa.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 18, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 19, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
MOUSA 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296926
Kristen Elizabeth Derby has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kristen Elizabeth Derby to Kristen Elizabeth-Limbach Swanson.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 18, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 19, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
DERBY 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296955
Christopher James Kendall has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Christopher James Kendall to Christopher Michael Hingst.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30p.m. on May 18, 2021, in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 22, 2021
Shama H. Mesiwala, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
HINGST 180101 4-23-21

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#34-2021-00296494
Christine Fuhman has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Christine Fuhman to Christine Rose Morgan.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 9:00a.m. on May 6, 2021, in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 17, 2021
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2021
FUHRMAN 180101 4-23-21

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PUBLIC NOTICE
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on April 13, 2021 at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Governing Board of the San Juan Unified School District, the Governing Board will conduct a public hearing beginning at 6:30 pm regarding California Montessori Project to renew its charter to operate a public school within the San Juan Unified School District. The meeting will be held online; to attend go to www.sanjuan.edu/board. Anyone requesting more information may contact San Juan Central at 971-7179.

Carmichael Times April 2 & 9, 2021

LEGAL NOTICE
RESOLUTION NO. 3038
RESOLUTION BY THE SAN JUAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO CONVEY EASEMENT TO THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS
WHEREAS, San Juan Unified School District ("District") owns real property located at 8248 Villa Oak Drive, Citrus Heights, California, in the County of Sacramento, State of California, bearing Assessor's Parcel Number (APN 224-0162-024-0000);
WHEREAS, City of Citrus Heights ("City") has requested that the District convey to the City, Multi-Use Trail Easement ("Easement") for easement purposes, over an area real property on APN (224-0162-024-0000) of approximately 22,763 square feet+/-, as generally described and depicted in Attachment A ("Easement Area");
WHEREAS, the purpose of the Easement is for the City to construct, reconstruct, repair and forever maintain an easement for a public multi-use trail;
WHEREAS, pursuant to Education Code section 17557, before so conveying property, a school district's governing board must adopt a resolution in an open meeting by a two-thirds vote of all of its members declaring the intention to convey the property;
NOW, THEREFORE, the San Juan Unified School District Board of Education does hereby, finds, determines, declares, orders, and resolve as follows:
Section 1 Recitals. The foregoing recitals are hereby adopted as true and correct.
Section 2 Intent to Dedicate, Terms, and Conditions. Pursuant to Education Code sections 17556, et seq., it is the intention of the District to convey to City the Easement generally described and depicted in the attached Exhibit A for the purposes described herein.
Section 3 Public Hearing. On the 13th of April, 2021, at the hour of 6:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the District's Governing Board shall hold a public hearing upon the question of making the conveyance of the Easement to City pursuant to Education Code sections 17558 and 17559, at which time any interested person may appear and be heard thereon.
Section 4 Notice of Adoption. Notice of adoption of this Resolution shall be given by posting a true copy of this Resolution in three (3) public places in the District not less than ten (10) days before the date of the public hearing described above. Notice of said public hearing shall be given by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation published in the District or in a newspaper published in Sacramento County that has general circulation within the District not less than five (5) days before the date of the public hearing described above.
The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the San Juan Unified School District Board of Education at a meeting of the Board on March 23, 2021, by the following vote:
AYES: 5 [Villescaz, McKibbin, Creason, Costa, Hernandez]
NOES: 0
ABSENT: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
Attest:
Paula Villescaz, President
San Juan Unified School District
Board of Education
Published in the Carmichael Times on April 2, 2021 and April 9, 2021

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ACROSS
1. *Kennedy and Ruby
6. Credit card acr.
9. Just in case
13. Yemeni's neighbor
14. Scheduled to arrive
15. *First full-disk image of it was taken in 1966
16. Alleviated
17. Wildfire remains
18. One born to Japanese immigrants
19. **"Catch-22" author
21. "Oscar-winning leading lady of "Mary Poppins"
23. Green or black beverage
24. Piercing woodwind
25. Mom in U. K.
28. ____ and drab
30. Good-for-nothing
35. *TV's Batman, ____ West
37. Figure skater's jump
39. Make happy
40. Hitchhiker's quest
41. *"Vlt the ____" of pro basketball
43. Femur, e.g.
44. Cut it out
46. Away from port
47. Largest organ of human body
48. Like anti-cruelty society
50. Same as #42 Down
52. Even, to a poet
53. Roaster's spot
55. *It's the loneliest number
57. *Sam Walton's company
61. *Haircut popularized by the Beatles
64. Relating to axis
65. PC brain
67. *Sting Ray and Mustang, e.g.
69. Threshing hand tool
70. *"On ____ Majesty's Secret Service"
71. Dostoyevsky's novel, with The
72. Seaside bird
73. Tibetan ox
74. Condemn

DOWN
1. *Hasbro's G. I.
2. Same as ayah
3. Four six-packs
4. Genuflected
5. Sashayed
6. Month of Purim
7. Abscess contents
8. Repair
9. Bear's den
10. Gaelic tongue
11. Meat and potato dish
12. Not that
15. Take to one's heart
20. ____ Grey and James ____ Jones
22. Noggin or dome
24. #24 Across players
25. * ____ on Washington
26. Farewell in Paris
27. Address to a woman
29. Just a little
31. Young socialites, for short
32. Call forth
33. *Barbara Eden starred as one
34. *First American astronaut to orbit the Earth
36. Table in Spanish
38. Type of bargain
42. Best not mentioned
45. Ultimate goal
49. Slightly pointed on a Hobbit
51. Pro bono
54. Scratchy's nemesis
56. Chopin piece
57. Drift
58. Rod for a hot rod
59. One with pants on fire?
60. Street in Anytown, USA
61. Darkness or gloom
62. Relating to ear
63. Poverty-stricken
66. Cause of Princess' downfall
68. Pig's home

Crossword Puzzle Solutions on Page 9

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Ask Toni

Need A Medicare Supplement Guaranteed Issue Plan?



Toni King

and B when he turned 65 and remained on my company benefits due to having health issues.

He has recently began taking heart meds for blood clots and his cardiologist's office manager expressed concern over my husband's insurance changes from group insurance to Medicare since he may have to have serious medical needs.

Please explain how we enroll in our Medicare plan. Thanks, Sheila from Tulsa,OK

Hello Sheila:

When you enroll in Part B the wrong way or may be too soon, it can cause you to not qualify medically for the Medicare Supplement you desire.

Medicare provides special rules for employees or spouses who are "still working" and are covered by an employer group health insurance.

Sheila, I know how worried you are about Seth's health issues but there is a Medicare answer to his Medicare Supplement enrollment. He enrolled in Medicare Part B when he turned 65 over 5 years ago and he must answer underwriting questions to qualify for a Medicare Supplement.

Therefore, enrolling in Part B, the correct way, when "still working" full-time with true company benefits is so important. Not only to keep from receiving a Medicare Part B penalty, but also to be able to enroll and be accepted in any Medicare Supplement/Medigap plan due to medical underwriting.

Seth may not be able to pass Medicare Supplement underwriting due to heart issues. There is a Medicare Supplement rule which can keep him from answering underwriting questions.

Since he is leaving your company benefits, he qualifies for the 63-day guaranteed issue period to apply for a Medicare

Dear Toni:

I have decided to retire when I turn 65 in June and will need to enroll in Medicare Parts A and B. My husband, Seth is 70 and he enrolled in Medicare Parts A

Supplement/Medigap plan without medical underwriting. He will need your company benefit termination letter to prove to the Medicare Supplement plan that he is in a guaranteed issue period.

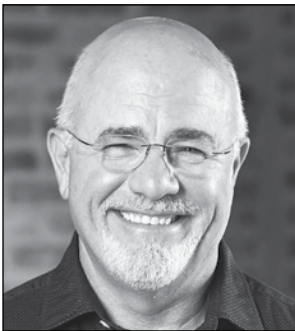
With guaranteed issue, an insurance company must:

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- Cover all your pre-existing health conditions.
- Cannot charge you more for a Medigap/Medicare Supplement policy, regardless of past or present health problems.

Sheila, I have great news for you! You are "turning 65" and have a less stressful Medicare enrollment than Seth because you are in your Medicare Supplement/Medigap Open Enrollment Period and in the Medicare & You handbook it states, "The best time to purchase a Medicare Supplement/Medigap policy is during your Medigap Open Enrollment Period. This 6-month period begins on the first day of the month in which you are 65 or older and enrolled in Medicare Part B. After this enrollment period, you may not be able to buy a Medicare Supplement/Medigap policy. If you are able to buy one it may cost more."

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It'll Work Out Better In The Long Run

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are having a financial disagreement. I would like to go ahead and fully fund our Roth IRAs, even though we have about \$10,000 in car loan debt. She, on the other hand, thinks we should pay off the debt first. We can probably have either one completed by the end of the year. What do you think we should do?

—Mark

Dear Mark

I've got to go along with your wife on this one. I'm glad you two are having money discussions,

Dave Ramsey Says

and working toward making decisions together, but you'll never get control of your finances until you rid yourself of the mindset that debt is okay. Once you lose that idea, you'll begin to understand missing a year of funding your Roth IRAs isn't going to kill you. It's also not going to prevent you from becoming wealthy and living like no one else when it's time to start thinking about retirement.

If you stay in the mindset that having debt is okay, or that you're going to let it hang around, eventually it will really mess you up financially. Winning with money is more about behavior than math. Don't get me wrong, you need to crunch the numbers and be mindful of them, but all the mathematical components are nothing but theory if the behavior doesn't kick in.

So yeah, I'm siding with your wife on this

one. Just follow the Baby Steps plan. Have all your debt paid off, except for your home, and an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses saved and set aside before you start any long-term investing. A lot of folks will tell you my way isn't mathematically correct, but it will work better in the long run – for your money, your marriage, and in other areas of your life!

—Dave

Dave Ramsey is a seven-time #1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert, and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 16 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions. ★

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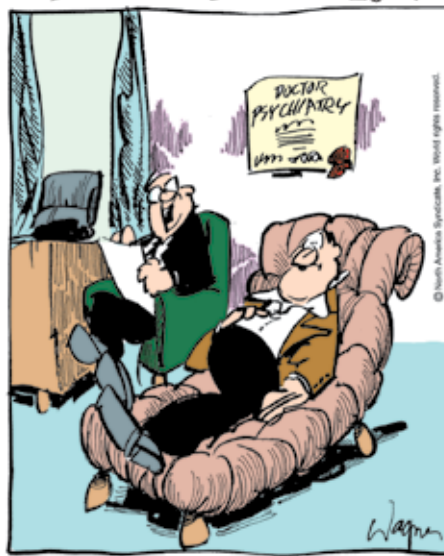


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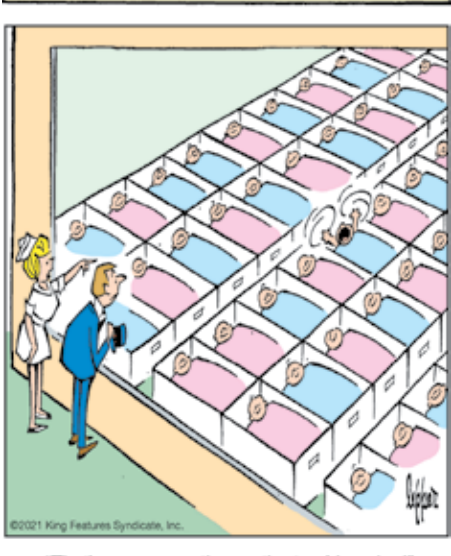


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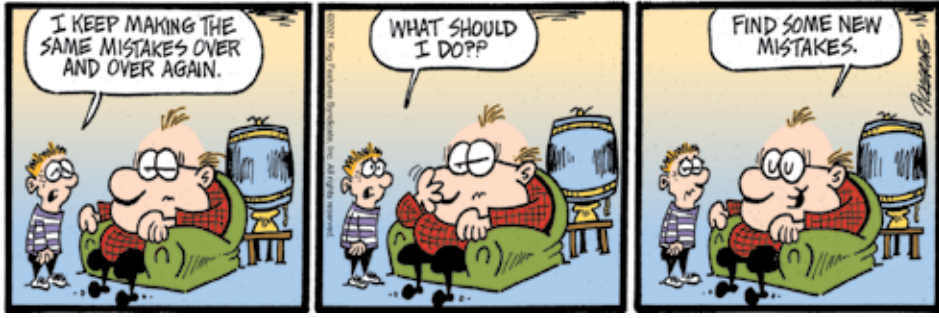
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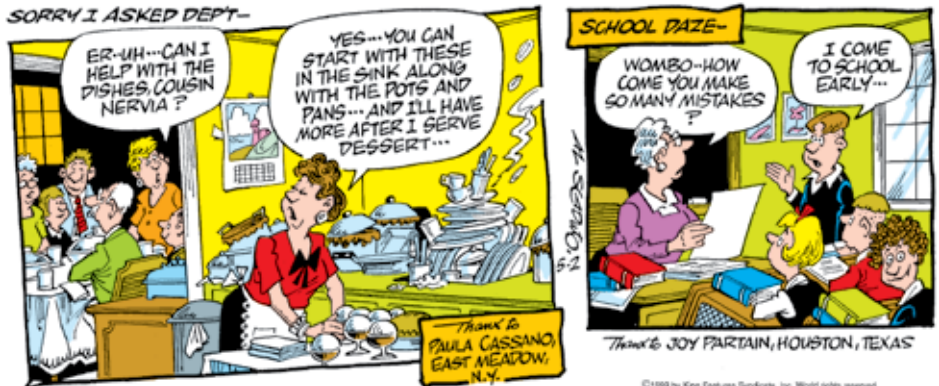
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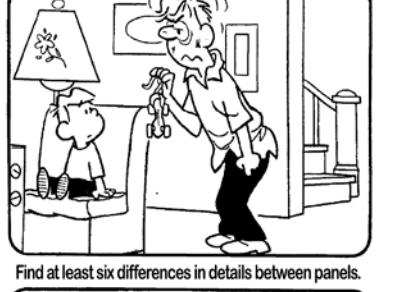
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That Sweet Sweeping Lady on Elkhorn

By Cecilia Lee Feser

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It was even raining the day before, when I finally caught up to her for a talk.

I have lived in the North Highlands, Rio Linda area for close to 25 years. I remember back to when I had kids. We would be driving towards the freeway or down to Costco and there she would be, sweeping.

The boys would always ask me, “mom what is she doing? She always has a broom in her hand.”

“Keeping her street clean,” I said.

“But mom, those cars are real close to her.”

“It only seems that way, she is very careful,” I answered, as we drove past her.

This was the scene for many years. Kids grew up, but, I still drive towards the freeway or Costco and there she is.

It does not matter what the weather is doing. I have seen her when it is really, really hot, she’s been there. And like the day before, when I saw her sweeping, I was in no hurry and always have my camera, even before being a reporter, with me.

It was drizzling, but she had a coat on, a broom in her hand and disposable gloves, the standard equipment. One fact I have always noticed about her, is that no matter WHAT the weather, she is/was always wearing shorts. I can't remember ever seeing her in long pants. I pulled over and took a few pictures of her working away on “HER” neighborhood.



If you're a local resident, you've probably seen Sandy on Elkhorn Blvd. We appreciate her dedication and effort to keep the community clean. Photo by Cecilia Lee Feser

After taking the pictures I drove across the street, obeying road rules, (LOL) to have a visit with her. I parked in front of her house. I did not want to scare her by just popping out of the car and going towards her.

After I parked, I got out, gathered the camera, notebook and the current issue of “The News” to show her I really was a reporter. The world is a strange place these days, especially for the elderly. I was dressed up a little; I was on my way to take several of papers up to Loomis Basin Veterinarians to show them they were on the front page. I just stood by my car and waited for her to see me.

After a few minutes we locked eyes, she smiled. So far so good. I asked her her name

and told her mine was Cecilia and it was great to finally meet her because I had seen her for so long, sweeping. She said her name was Sandy. And your last name I asked: “Just Sandy please, I am a very private person.” I asked her if she was married, to which she smiled and said yes, for 54 years, and she had lived in her house just as long. It was drizzling so I really did not want to keep her and I mentioned that to her. She listened politely as I explained to her, I have lived in around the North Highlands, Rio Linda area for many years and had always been fascinated whenever I have seen her sweeping. I had noticed she swept not just her front walkway, but, up and down her street as far as the corner gas

station. I worried for her when I would see her cross her street to the median to clean. The median is very narrow and traffic speeds both coming and going on Elkhorn.

She smiled and said, “yes it moves fast, but I am careful.”

I asked her how long she’d been doing her sweeping?

“Over 30 years,” she told me.

“Is there a particular reason?”

“I’m just trying to do my part on keeping my community nice and there is always so much trash. I sweep up at that gas station just to help them out.”

For months driving by her house, I had noticed a homeless person or persons had taken up residence “on the whole

bench” at that covered bus stop right by her house. Then about two weeks ago I was driving by and noticed everything was gone. The bench and the hard plastic sides used for protection against the weather. I asked her if she was glad the city had taken away the bus stop down?

She said she was really glad they removed it.

“Always so much trash he left, every day I would have to clean it up.”

“Why can’t they just clean up after themselves, there was a trash can right THERE!”

“You don't have to be squeaky clean to be a clean person and pick up after yourself.”

I could tell it bothered her to even say this as she is so kind and meek. Yet, I know, I too, have asked this very question many, many times after seeing where they had cleaned out a homeless camp.

It was starting to rain harder and I thanked her for her time with me.

She said, “thank you, but please, don’t make it a long story, I am a really private person and haven't done much.”

I smiled at her and told her I respect that, only I know for a fact that people had and have noticed her and wondered who and why she swept.

Man, I wish I could’ve given her a big ole southern, HUG... ugghhhhhh!!!! I wanted to grab her up and just bear hug her. Instead, I shook her hand and told her I appreciated her part in keeping our neighborhood clean. She smiled again. I told her I would be back with a copy if it was put into print.

“Ok”, and she walked up her drive way. Now you know the sweeping lady of Elkhorn’s, story. Sandy is her name. *Until next time. By Cecilia Lee Feser* ★

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