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## Little League Ready for a Celebration



West Sac Little League's 2023 50/70 Teams. Photo courtesy of West Sacramento Little League

By Michele Townsend

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - West Sacramento Little League is finishing up its 70th year of youth baseball. The league had planned on a big celebration for Opening day, but unfortunately got rained out. They've therefore turned their celebration efforts to Closing Day. Closing Day ceremonies will be held on Saturday, May 27th from 8:30 am – 1 pm. This event is free and open to the public.

The team parade will begin at 9 am following the parade route: South on Delaware Ave. towards Stone. Right on Stone Blvd. Right on Park Blvd. Left on Deerwood St. Left on Clarendon St. Right on

Westacre Rd. Right on Park Blvd. Left on 17th. Right on Delaware St. Left on Regent St. and return back to starting positions. The best place to view the parade will be along Park Avenue.

Again, the league would like to invite any past players or coaches that played in West Sacramento Little League or Washington Little League to come out and enjoy the day. There will be special items for sale at the snack bar, including barbequed burgers. The day will include a Rose Ceremony for players that are league age 12. There will be a dunk tank and fun carnival games.

Most of all, there will be lots of people from our community that have

played and loved the game of baseball. A timeline for the day's events is as follows: 8 – 9 am teams line up for parade (line up as you come, there are no designated spaces this year. The lineup will start on Euclid Street (along the Major and AAA fields). 9:00 the parade starts. Estimated time 9-10 am.

The parade ends and players will meet up in Major's outfield. Younger divisions in front, older divisions in back. Around 10:15 Start of ceremonies – Welcome speech, Announce Hit-A-Thon winners, Rose ceremony for kids that are aging out and hanging of banners. Then 10:30 – 1 pm will be the carnival and booths. ★

## Statement from the City of West Sacramento Regarding Bee Article

City of West Sacramento  
News Release

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - For more than 20 years, the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce has collaborated with the City of West Sacramento to present the annual Mayor's State of the City Address. This event brings together community members, business leaders, City staff and guests to celebrate West Sacramento's successes, and hear the Mayor's vision for the future. Other jurisdictions throughout the region host similar events.

The Mayor's State of the City Address is fully compliant with the Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950-54963.) The event falls squarely under the exception found in Section 54952.2(c)(5), which excludes from the Brown Act "The attendance of a majority of members of the legislative body at a purely social or ceremonial occasion, provided that a majority of the members do not discuss among themselves business of a specific nature that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body of the local agency."

The City Manager's Office made multiple attempts to reach the reporter to provide clarifying information before publication, but our calls were not returned.

"We are disappointed that the *Sacramento Bee* chose to publish a poorly researched article that incorrectly asserts that the City is acting illegally by participating in this time-honored community event," said City Manager Aaron Laurel. ★

## Help Save Your Child from Fentanyl

By Michele Townsend

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - You hear people talk about anxiety. Some get anxious around a lot of people, some get anxious when they have to take a test of some kind or are faced with a new challenge. According to the Child Mind Institute, as teenagers get older, they feel increased pressure to succeed in school. In addition, teens are usually given more responsibility at home or if they are working. And adding to the tremendous pressure felt from social media, which affects their self-esteem, teens often feel anxious just knowing that adulthood is quickly coming.

Teens that are feeling anxious will often turn to a chemical way to calm them, or to pep them up so they feel like they can meet the challenges they



Mason Brazil, Fighting for awareness. Photo provided by Rick Brazil

are facing. Pills are an easy way to alter how you are feeling, and synthetic pills are a huge business. The

problem is you never know what's in them. Fentanyl is a cheap, easily acquired and deadly additive that is used in a lot of illicit drugs.

The Yolo County Chief Deputy Coroner has said, "As you know, only a small amount of fentanyl is needed to cause death. Since it is an opioid, it depresses the respiratory system, causing loss of consciousness, which if immediately left untreated can cause death. Also, like opioids, it can be used medically for pain relief and sedation, but illicit users seek the euphoria."

In 2022, 26 people died in Yolo County of a drug overdose. We are only to the month of May and already 10 have died this year. These numbers don't include the cases that are still pending or are in combination of other causes of death. According to the

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# Help Save Your Child from Fentanyl

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Child Mind Institute and the CDC, the pandemic is playing a big part of the increase in overdose deaths. Overdose deaths remain the leading cause of injury-related deaths in the United States.  
The CDC reports that most of the overdoses, both fatal and nonfatal, involve opioids. Synthetic opioids are often made with fentanyl. Fentanyl overdose is a fast-moving epidemic that does not distinguish among age, sex, or state or county lines. People who have had at least one

overdose are more likely to have another.  
A local father, Rick Brazil, is one of those fathers who lost his son to fentanyl. Between the devastation of losing his own son and knowing other young people in the area who have also lost their lives to fentanyl, Rick decided he had to do something to bring this problem to light.  
On June 3rd, Rick and his fiancé will be hosting their second Fentanyl Awareness Event. It will be held at 920 Sacramento Avenue in the

East parking lot. Muscle Systems is a gym in that plaza where Rick and his son would practice MMA fighting. On June 3rd, there will be professional MMA fighters offering free MMA classes. In addition, there will be a car show, a bike show and food trucks. There will be speakers and information available so that you can learn about fentanyl and the devastation it is causing. This is a free event and open to the public from noon – 3PM. Please join Rick and his family in educating our youth ★

# Yolo County Library’s Summer Reading Program Starts

## Yolo County News Release

**WOODLAND, CA (MPG)** - Join Yolo County Library’s annual Summer Reading Program from June 1 through August 15. Children, teens and adults can participate to earn prizes by logging reading minutes and taking part in activities and programs designed to complement this year’s theme – All Together Now.

All who sign up for the program can choose a free book from a selection available at their local branch library. Participants who complete the summer reading challenge will receive another free book and a prize, as well as an entry into a final raffle for additional prizes. Children ages 0-12 will also receive a certificate for a free kid’s meal at Raising Cane’s. More prizes may be offered; check your local branch for details. Prizes will be available to pick up through the end of August, or while supplies last.

Participants are encouraged to track the books they have read, log reading minutes, complete activities to earn badges and prizes and discover great books online through the Beanstack platform on the web or via the app. Parents or caregivers can sign up and quickly log their own and their children’s reading under one main account. Instructions and sign-up information are available at <https://YoloCountyLibrary.org/Summer>. Alternatively, paper logs will be available at library branches.

Summer reading programs encourage even reluctant readers to read more of what interests them, and studies have shown that participation helps children and teens to develop a love of reading and retain and improve their skills over the summer. Adult participation promotes a lifelong habit of reading and learning and encourages caregivers to support their child’s literacy development by reading with them.

Yolo County Library will also be offering a series of weekly All Together Outside programs at all branches from June 10 to August 15 thanks to a California State Library grant. Events will focus on local wildlife and recreation opportunities starting with a kick-off festival on Saturday, June 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Capay Open Space Park, located at 15603 County Road 85 in Capay. This family-friendly event, in collaboration with the Yolo County Parks Division, Tuleyome and Latino Outdoors, will feature a nature walk, bilingual storytime in English and Spanish, a musical performance by Cascada de Flores, fun activities and a resource fair with information about wildlife, conservation groups, nearby hiking trails, recreational opportunities and more. A schedule of All Together Outside events can be found on the library’s online calendar at <https://YoloCountyLibrary.org/Events>

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Together Now and All Together Outside are fitting complements for this summer’s program, as exposure to books and the outdoors from an early age fosters empathy, curiosity and an appreciation for the beauty and diversity around us. “Both nature and reading offer opportunities to explore new worlds and ideas,” said Yolo County Librarian Diana Lopez. “Together, they are a reminder that we are all connected to the natural world and to each other.”

The Summer Reading Program is free and sponsored by the Yolo County Library Foundation and the various Friends of the Library groups. For more information or to sign up, visit your local Yolo County Library branch or: <https://YoloCountyLibrary.org/> Summer. Connect with Yolo County Library on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org](https://www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org) and on Instagram and TikTok at [@yolocountylibrary](https://www.instagram.com/yolocountylibrary) ★

# Input Sought on Action Plan for Low-Income Residents

## Yolo County News Release

**YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Yolo County Community Services Action Board is seeking community input on the draft 2024-25 Community Action Plan to Serve Low-Income Residents during a public hearing on June 13.

To provide input, interested parties can participate in the public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. at the Yolo County Health and Human Services Building in the Thomson Room, located at 137 North Cottonwood Street in Woodland. Feedback from this hearing will be used to set service priorities for the 2024-25 Community Services Block Grant funding cycle to better address the needs of low-income individuals and families residing in Yolo County. A copy of the



draft plan is now at: [www.yolocounty.org/CSAB](http://www.yolocounty.org/CSAB).

Written feedback on the 2024-25 Community Action Plan to Serve Low-Income Residents can also be e-mailed to Anisa Vallejo at [Anisa.Vallejo@yolocounty.org](mailto:Anisa.Vallejo@yolocounty.org).

The Community Services Action Board’s mission is to combat poverty by promoting the health, safety, stability and self-sufficiency of low-income persons residing in Yolo County. The board is advisory to the Board of Supervisors with the following primary functions:

Convening bi-monthly meetings to evaluate local

progress towards combating poverty in Yolo County; Conducting a biannual community needs assessment to identify critical gaps in Yolo County’s social service system; Overseeing the provision of services using Community Services Block Grant funds by reviewing project proposals and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on expenditures; Monitoring the performance of Community Services Block Grant-funded programs by examining outcome reports and conducting annual site visits; Serving as advocates for Yolo County residents living in poverty

For more information on the Community Services Action Board, visit: [www.yolocounty.org/CSAB](http://www.yolocounty.org/CSAB) or email Anisa Vallejo at: [Anisa.Vallejo@yolocounty.org](mailto:Anisa.Vallejo@yolocounty.org) ★

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# Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club Hosts Arts Fiesta

By Thomas J. Sullivan

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Don't miss the upcoming 65th Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Art Fiesta in air-conditioned comfort at its new location at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center at 6151 H Street in the capital city on Saturday, June 10, from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday, June 11, from 10 am to 5 pm.

Meet the artists, browse the fine art pieces, and purchase quality art for yourself, your family and friends. Jewelry, painting, photography, pottery, metal work, woodwork, glass, and fine textiles are just some of the styles you'll find on display.

Previously held outdoors at the Pavilions Shopping Center in Sacramento, where high June temperatures were often common, the Suburban Kiwanis Art Fiesta has moved to a new venue, and a different weekend this year, said its president, Caren Daniels Lagomarsino. Parking and admission for the event are free.

"We're very excited about our new location, which will be especially cool inside with plenty of space for our participating artists," she said.

The Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club, chartered in 1958, is a community service organization, dedicated to serving the Arden-Arcade community in Sacramento. Its annual Art Fiesta is the longest-running annual art show of its type located west of the Mississippi



Elected 2023 officers of the Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club are (left to right) Dr. James Chambers, President-Elect; Donna Judah, Past Division 44 Lt Governor, Rich Kocher, Secretary; Chris Creelman, Immediate Past President; Jim McKelligon, Board Member; and Caren Daniels Lagomarsino, President. Not pictured is Jim Johnson, Treasurer. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club

River. It's also a juried art show, which ensures that all artistic work presented is authentic, with genuine products and original creations.

"The Art Fiesta provides a wonderful opportunity to expose the whole family to local art while supporting these local artists and helping the Sac Suburban Kiwanis fund its many community and youth-assistance programs," Lagomarsino said.

Food is for purchase and consumption in an outdoor patio setting at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center. Local food trucks and beverage vendors are slated for the event including Top Notch Food Spot, a hot dog cart, Zintzuni, offering Mexican cuisine; "Party at Pops", offering Southern-style cuisine and sellers of shaved ice and herbal-infused lemonade.

"We're tying the Kiwanis' mission into our event this year in a new way, by offering

the non-profit partners with whom we work the opportunity to display information about their organizations and the many shared projects on which we jointly work," Lagomarsino said.

One of the Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club's newest non-profit partnerships is with the group Wide Open Walls, which promotes diversity through artistic expression. Participating mural artists have painted large scale works throughout Sacramento including three in Citrus Heights.

"We think art should be part of our daily life and want art to reach a much wider audience," Lagomarsino said.

The Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club is part of Kiwanis International, a global organization of volunteers dedicated to improving the world, one child and one community at a time.

The club supports four

high school Key Clubs (El Camino Fundamental, Rio Americano, Mira Loma, and Rosemont) in Sacramento County. Key Clubs teach leadership, communication, and community service skills.

Kiwanis, and its family of clubs, nearly 600,000 members strong, help raise more than \$107 million annually and dedicates more than 18 million volunteer hours to strengthen communities and serve

children.

Local nonprofits supported by the club include Kiwanis Family House, Boy Scout Troop #53, Sierra Arden Food Closet, the American Legion and Auxiliary Boys and Girls State, Wellspring Women's Center, Sacramento Crisis Nursery, Easter Seals and Just for Kids, a program for children who have an immediate family member diagnosed with cancer, just to name a few.

The Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 12:10 pm at Seasons 52 at Arden Fair Mall in the Sonoma Room, 1689 Arden Way, Suite 1065 in Sacramento. If you would like to visit the Kiwanis for lunch, or need more information on membership, call 916-972-7337.

Members of every age attend regular meetings, experience fellowship, raise funds for various causes and participate in service projects that help their local communities.

Kiwanians around

the world have come together in partnership with UNICEF to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus. Members make an impact throughout the world by participating in Kiwanis International's new global campaign for children, The Eliminate Project, which focuses on ending maternal/neonatal tetanus.

Visit /www.kiwanis.org/foundation/impact-and-programs/the-eliminate-project to help Kiwanis finish the fight.

The free 65th Suburban Kiwanis Art Fiesta at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center at 6151 H Street in downtown Sacramento will be held Saturday, June 10, from 10 am to 6 pm and Sunday, June 11, from 10 am to 5 pm.

For more information about the event, follow the Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis on social media or visit: www.sacramentosuburban-kiwanis.org/



High June temperatures has led the Suburban Kiwanis Art Fiesta to be moved to a new, air-conditioned venue at the Scottish Rite Masonic Center at 6151 H Street, Sacramento. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Suburban Kiwanis Club

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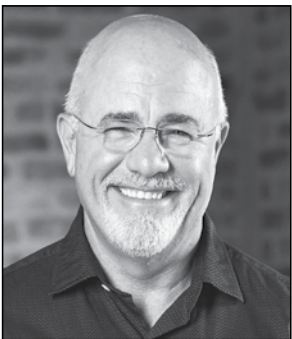
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A Lot of Red Flags Here

Dear Dave,

I live in Dallas, Texas, and I'm wondering if I should sell my condo in order to pay off debt. I owe \$120,000 on it, and it's worth around \$260,000. Plus, the homeowners association fee used to be \$450 a month and has gone up \$100 each year for the last two years, so now we're paying \$650. No one has ever told us why the fee went up so much. There haven't been any major improvements to the complex in the last five years, so I don't know what to think. Can you give me some advice??

– Zack

Dear Zack,

As a homeowner, I'd want some answers by the end of day as to why the HOA fees are so high. I mean, for a \$260,000 condo, the fee you mentioned is ridiculous unless the building owners are doing a major renovation,

Dave Ramsey Says

like replacing the parking lot or updating the community's clubhouse. Even then, that's crazy! On top of all that, it devalues your condo. Nobody wants to buy a \$260,000 condo with a \$650 HOA fee every month, especially when the fee has gone up that much for no apparent reason.

There's always the possibility the company is building up a war chest for improvements in the next year or so. But you have a right to know exactly where the money you pay in HOA fees is going. Ask to see a copy of their financials, and if they won't do that—or explain why the fee is so high and where the money's going—you need to sell the place because it's being poorly managed.

You've got to get an explanation. You're owed one. And, if you try to sell the place, you're going to have to tell prospective buyers why the HOA fee is so high. Maybe there's a good reason for it buried somewhere. But without knowing more, as a buyer, there's no way I'd take this thing off your hands.

There are a lot of red

flags fluttering around the situation, Daniella. Even in a place like Dallas, this HOA fee is about double what it should be for a \$260,000 condo. I'm not saying this just because I don't like HOAs, which I don't. And that's mainly because I don't like paying money for something, and then being told by someone else what I can or can't do with it. But you need some answers for your own information, peace of mind and to give potential buyers an honest answer when they ask why the fees are insanely high.

Lose the headache. Sell it.


– Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of "The Ramsey Show," heard by more than 18 million listeners. He has appeared on "Good Morning America," "CBS This Morning," "Today," Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, He also serves as CEO of Ramsey Solutions. ★

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5-10-23 ADRIAN VILLANUEVA Arrested for warrant.

5-10-23 ANTHONY NELSON Arrested for two warrants after Police were informed that a man with warrants was in the area.

5-12-23 SANTIAGO TREVINO Arrested on a warrant after Police responded to a call for service.

5-12-23 JAVIER BENITEZSANCHEZ Arrested for disorderly conduct:alcohol after Police responded to a call about an intoxicated male who was causing a disturbance.

5-13-23 ANTONIO JIMINEZ Arrested on two bench warrants.

5-15-23 ANGELO VELAZQUEZ Arrested for trespassing after Police were dispatched to location and Velazquez wouldn't leave.

5-15-23 LACINDA MARTINEZ Arrested for a warrant after Police were dispatched to a verbal fight at a transient encampment. No fresh crime committed.

5-15-23 HERALD MOLLET Arrested on four warrants.

5-17-23 JOSEPH BAKER Arrested as a parolee at large.

## INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

4-26-23 Burglary that occurred overnight with some items missing. \$1 loss. Burglary.

4-29-23 Unknown suspects stole a couple items from the victim's purse. \$182 loss. Theft of personal property.

5-01-23 Graffiti on the IKEA side of west wall at Walmart. \$1 loss. Vandalism.

5-04-23 Grand theft from Target. \$1,174 loss. Grand theft.

5-07-23 Delivered packages were stolen off of porch. \$400 loss Petty theft.

5-11-23 An unknown suspect broke open a seal on a semi trailer and removed product without permission. The product was in possession of the shipping company waiting to be transported. \$1 loss, Burglary.

5-12-23 Unknown suspect broke into vehicle and attempted to steal by taking dashboard apart and tampering with ignition. \$10 loss. Vandalism, tamper with vehicle.

5-12-23 Unknown suspect broke into vehicle in attempts to steal it. Burglary:First Degree, take vehicle w/o owner's consent.

5-12-23 Attempted theft of vehicle. \$20,000 loss. Take vehide w/o owner's consent.

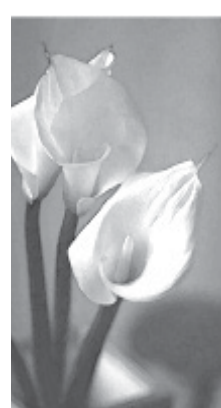
5-13-23 Unknown suspect(s) broke victim's car window, suspect(s) entered vehicle and tampered with ignition switch. \$1 loss. Vandalism, tamper with vehicle.

5-14-23 Victim was hit in the face by an unknown subject. The unknown subject was gone prior to WSPD arrival and was not located. Battery w/ serious bodily injury.

5-14-23 An unknown suspect(s) smashed victim's front windshield and rear windshield to her car. Unknown what types of object was used to smash the window, but based on observation it appears to be a metal object. \$1,300 loss. Vandalism.

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 4/7/2023.  
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2023  
WEST 5-26-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230392  
The following person(s) is doing business as Sunny's Car Wash, 480 Mace Boulevard, Davis, CA 95618.  
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 2023  
SUNNY'S 6-2-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230317  
The following person(s) is doing business as Windy's Corner Mobile Veterinary Services/Windy's Corner Veterinary House Calls, 2020 5<sup>th</sup> Street #1584, Davis, CA 95617.  
Windy's Corner Mobile Veterinary Services, Corporation, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. This business is conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.  
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 12, 19, 26, June 2, 2023  
WINDY'S 6-2-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. F20230391  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: TG Aesthetics, 1642 Princeton Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691 County of YOLO Gidenko Management LLC, 1642 Princeton Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691  
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 19, 26, June 2, 6, 2023  
ATW 6-6-23

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF YOLO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#CV2023-0700

Tum Hlei Sung has filed a petition with this court for a decree

changing the name(s) of Tum Hlei Sung to Rose Mary.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 13, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: April 17, 2023  
Stephen L Mock, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: May 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2023  
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF YOLO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#CV2023-0081

Jazmin Carvalho has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Nala Michelle Higgins to Nala Michelle Carvalho.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 725 Court Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: April 7, 2023  
Timothy L Fall, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: May 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2023  
JAZMYN 5-26-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230314  
The following person(s) is doing business as: Copper Hart Enterprises, 723 Placer Drive, Woodland, CA 95695.  
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 26, June 2, 9, 16, 2023  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230363  
The following person(s) is doing business as: Green Light Home Services Inc, 2539 Del Monte Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691.  
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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 4/17/2023.  
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy  
Publish: May 26, June 2, 9, 16, 2023  
GREEN 6-16-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GARY BERT STROUD  
CASE NO. PR2023-0109

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Gary Bert Stroud.  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Robert Wayne Murray Stroud, in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting Robert Wayne Murray Stroud be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

June 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 11. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

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

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Matthew Crider, 750 F Street Suite 2, Davis, CA 95616, 530-231-5161  
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the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$134,913.06 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE SELF STORAGE AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to the California Storage Act (Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code.)

**West Sacramento Self Storage:** Property is located in separate storage units at 2274 Lake Washington Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691. The auction will be conducted entirely online at: <https://bid13.com/> Auctioneer: Bid13.com 1-844-348-2776; agent for Owner. Contents such as household goods, clothes, children's toys, furniture, tools, and other miscellaneous items for the following lien units will be sold:

**C083- Melissa Corona, D071- Brad Bauer, E051- Curtis Ramone, E086- Melissa Aguilar, F028- Scotty McLeod, H077-Cedric Wilkins, J023- Lyssa Guadiana**

Pictures of unit contents can be seen online. Bidding is held online beginning **Sunday May 21st, 2023 at 10am and closes Sunday May 28th, at 10am PST.** Payment must be paid for at the time of purchase. Cash only accepted. All items in the unit are sold as is and must be removed within two days of the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Washington Unified School District's proposed 2023-2024 Local Control and Accountability Plan will be available for public inspection at the District Office, 930 Westacre Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691 and at Washington Middle College High School, 637 Todhunter Ave., West Sacramento, Ca. 95605 starting at 5:30 PM on June 5th, 2023 through June 8th, 2023. A public hearing will be held on the proposed 2023-2024 Local Control and Accountability Plan and budget on June 8th, 2023, at 5:30 PM at West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 W. Capital Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691.

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Woodland Man Convicted of Assault with a Deadly Weapon for Road Rage Incident

Yolo County DA News Release

**WOODLAND, CA (MPG) -** On May 9, 2023, 51-year-old Woodland man, Danny Alan Byrd, was found guilty of multiple counts of assault with a deadly weapon and assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury by a Yolo County jury for a 2021 road rage incident in Yolo County.

The jury heard evidence that at approximately 10 pm on June 26, 2021, the four young people were driving from Vacaville to Woodland to attend a graduation party. While traveling on northbound Highway 113, they encountered Danny Alan Byrd. Byrd came up behind them very fast and started tailgating

them. Byrd eventually rear-ended their vehicle twice and used the center median to get around them. By this time, one of the young passengers had called 911 and they were following Byrd's vehicle to report his license plate to the operator. Once they got a picture of Byrd's license plate, they pulled off the freeway at the East Street exit of Northbound Interstate 5. Byrd swerved off the freeway at the same time and sped toward them on the exit ramp. The driver applied his brakes abruptly but collided with the right rear side of Byrd's truck. Byrd's truck was stopped at an angle on the exit ramp, trapping the young people inside their vehicle between the guardrail and Byrd's vehicle. Byrd exited his vehicle

and walked directly to the driver's window and smashed it using an object. The glass shattered cut two of the occupants, including the driver's eye. He now suffers from permanent vision loss. Byrd then fled the area quickly and was located by CHP when he ran a red light turning onto East Street. A truck driver travelling on Highway 113 saw the incident and followed Byrd to ensure that CHP knew he was trying to run the four young people off the road.

Sentencing is scheduled for July 12, 2023, in front of the Honorable Judge Tom Dyer. Byrd faces up to 10 years in prison on this case. He also has three pending narcotic sales cases for which he faces additional prison time. ★

ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on June 7, 2023, the West Sacramento City Council is scheduled to adopt the following ordinances.  
To provide comment, the public may attend the meeting in-person or submit a comment in writing, via email to [clerk@cityofwestsacramento.org](mailto:clerk@cityofwestsacramento.org) and write "Public Comment" in the subject line. In the body of the email, include the item number and/or title of the item as well as your comments. All comments received by 3:30 PM will be provided to the City Council and made available for public viewing. The comments submitted shall become part of the record of the meeting.

Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 23-7 pertaining to an amendment to the term of the River Park Development Agreement

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LIEN SALE

In accordance with the provisions of State law, there being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to satisfy an owner and/or manager's lien of the goods hereinafter described and stored at the Life Storage location(s) listed below:  
**Life Storage #0635 3280 Jefferson Blvd West Sacramento, CA 95691 (916) 492-2056**  
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Mary Albrecht Hsld gds/Furn, TV/Stereo Equip, Acctng rcrds/Sales Samples, Lndscpng/Cnstrctn equip, Tools/Applnces  
Bettina Cross Hsld gds/Furn  
Howard Phillips Hsld gds/Furn, Off Furn/Mach/Equip, Acctng rcrds/Sales Samples  
And, due notice having been given, to the owner of said property and all parties known to claim an interest therein, and the time specified in such notice for payment of such having expired, the goods will be sold to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of at a public auction to be held online at [www.StorageTreasures.com](http://www.StorageTreasures.com), which will end on **Thursday, June 22nd, 2023 at 10:00AM**

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# CHP Shifts into Overdrive to Halt Reckless Driving

CHP News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California Highway Patrol (CHP) is accelerating its efforts to halt illegal street racing and sideshows plaguing the state’s roadways and destroying the lives of innocent victims. To increase awareness about the devastation and destruction caused by this illegal and dangerous driving behavior, the CHP unveiled a new multi-media campaign while standing amid a three-dimensional installation featuring an actual crashed vehicle along Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles.

The billboard, a striking visual reminder, is just one of the more than 50 displays being erected throughout the state reminding drivers about illegal street racing and sideshows, “Thrills That Kill.” The public can expect to see the billboard campaign through the summer months in areas of California that have seen a high number of illegal street racing and side show activity. Among the locations: Los Angeles, the Bay Area, and the Central San Joaquin Valley.

Illegal sideshows have been occurring at an alarming rate in California, and they continue to get bigger and more dangerous. In 2021, the CHP responded to more than 7,300 incidents statewide with nearly 123,000 participants. While the number of incidents decreased by approximately 50 percent last year, there is still a significant amount of work to be done to keep California’s communities, and those who



A new CHP multi-media campaign features an actual Lamborghini crashed into a light pole along Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles, Calif. Photo courtesy of the California Highway Patrol. Photo courtesy of CHP

use our roads, safe. “Illegal street racing and sideshows put lives at risk, upset the quality of our neighborhoods, cause damage to private and public property, and in some cases, have resulted in the death of innocent people,” CHP Deputy Commissioner Troy Lukkes said. “Through our ongoing efforts we want to send the message throughout California that this dangerous and illegal activity will not be tolerated.”

Over a 5-year period, illegal street racing and sideshow activities have resulted in 264 crashes. Of those incidents attributed to this reckless behavior, 30 crashes were fatal, and 124 others resulted in injuries.

To combat this trend, the CHP has been working with its public safety partners and community-based organizations throughout

the state. Together, we are engaging in a strong education and enforcement campaign with the goal of keeping all who use California’s roadways safe by encouraging others to make good choices behind the wheel.

Funding to support the CHP’s efforts were made possible by the Governor’s approval of a one-time state budget allocation of \$5.5 million at the request of California Assemblymember Vince Fong and a former Assemblymember, Sacramento County Sheriff Jim Cooper. The funds are being used to support state and local task forces to end dangerous sideshow activities that have become a major problem in communities throughout the state.

The mission of the CHP is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security. ★

# Becoming an Adult in 2023, Graduation is Upon Us!

By Michele Townsend

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - It’s that time of year, when the next group of kids officially become adults... High School Graduation! River City High School’s Senior Class is bubbling with excitement, as the big day is almost here. RCHS Class of 2023 graduation ceremony will take place on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at the River Cats, Sutter Health Park. These kids have all worked very hard through the years and are finally within reach of adulthood.

River City’s Class of 2023 should be a proud class. Some statistics on the 477 graduates include: there are 29 Valedictorians, 74% of the class made

Honor Roll their Senior Year (353 kids) and over half had jobs while in High School. More than a third (36%) completed a CTE pathway, which on the national level, CTE is made up of 16 career pathways that each state uses as a foundation for its own CTE programs. From that foundation, each state tweaks those pathways to fit the needs of their workforce – sometimes adding, changing, or removing certain pathways. In California, CTE is made up of 15 career pathways: Agriculture and Natural Resources, Arts, Media, & Entertainment, Building & Construction Trades, Business & Finance, Education, Child Development, & Family Services,

Energy, Environment, & Utilities, Engineering & Architecture, Fashion & Interior Design, Health Science & Medical Technology, Hospitality, Tourism, & Recreation, Information & Communication Technologies, Manufacturing & Product Design, Marketing, Sales, & Services, Public Services, Transportation. More than a third (35%) of the Class of 2023 have been accepted to a 4-year college or university. 26% of the Senior Class won awards while at River City High School. 19 Seniors are joining a branch of the Armed Forces: Air Force – 5, Army – 3, Marines – 7, Navy – 2. Good Luck to the students of River City High School Class of 2023! ★

# Jurassic World Live Tour Roars into Sacramento This Summer



Jurassic World’s unmistakable score transforms the arena into the dense jungles of Isla Nublar, where real Gyrospheres roll through the valley and scientists explore the lost world. Photo courtesy of Atherton Public Relations

Atherton Public Relations News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - *Jurassic World Live* Tour, an exhilarating and unpredictable live, family entertainment experience that brings the wonder and thrills of *Jurassic World* to generations of fans, will be roaring into Sacramento for the first time ever this summer playing Golden 1 Center for six action-packed performances from June 30-July 2, 2023.

With unrivaled arena production quality, *Jurassic World* comes to life against a backdrop of captivating scenery where dinosaurs from the iconic franchise, including fan-favorite Velociraptor Blue and a Tyrannosaurus rex more than 40 feet in length, take centre stage. The


production features more than 24 film-accurate, life-sized dinosaurs, with scale, speed and ferocity, operated by animatronics and performers. Fans of the popular Netflix animated series *Jurassic World: Camp Cretaceous* will also recognize Bumpy, the friendly and food motivated dinosaur, as she goes from baby to adult fairly quickly.

*Jurassic World’s* unmistakable score combined with projection and practical scenery transforms the arena into the dense jungles of Isla Nublar, where real Gyrospheres roll through the valley and scientists work to unravel a corrupt plan and save anew dinosaur from a terrible fate. With pulse-pounding stunts and an original, authentic storyline, *Jurassic World Live* Tour is

guaranteed to make memories that will last another 65 million years.

Guests will be able to start the adventure early with a special Pre-show Experience included with all ticket purchases. By arriving one hour before showtime, audience members can see their favourite *Jurassic World* dinosaurs and vehicles up close and personal, including fun photo opps with Triceratops, Stegosaurus, Baby Bumpy, and the iconic *Jurassic World* Jeep and Gyrosphere.

Family friendly ticket pricing is available and can be purchased online at Ticketmaster.com or visit the venue box office during open hours on event days. \*Ticket pricing is subject to change based on market demand. ★



## FOR THE LOVE OF BOOKS

By Amy Shane

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# Children’s Springtime Reads

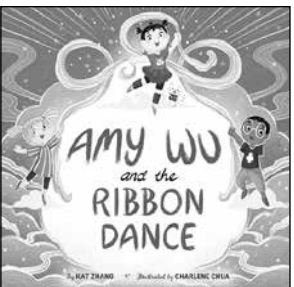
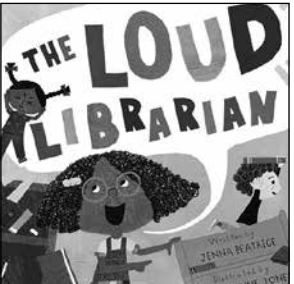
**The Loud Librarian**  
by Jenna Beatrice  
and Erika Lynne Jones,  
Atheneum Books

Penelope’s day was finally here! The day she would finally have the chance to be the student librarian. Penelope had been practicing all year, and she was ready. The only problem was Penelope was Loud. So loud that the ground rumbled and books tumbled. Will Penelope be able to find her library voice?

*The Loud Librarian* is a laugh-out-loud story that will excite young readers to visit the library, even if their enthusiasm is a little on the loud side. Bright, vivid, and colorful, with surprise elements and strong key points, make this an excellent book for home, school, and the library.

**I Want TO BE Big**  
by Tiffany Golden  
and Sawyer Cloud,  
Page Street Kids

When a little boy dreams of being Big, his dream gets a little out of control. At first, he wants to be bigger than everyone in his family, so he is free to do “big-things,” But as his ideas grow, so does he. Soon, he is soaring over the tree-tops, taller than everything around him, but he quickly realizes how lonely it can be. *I Want To Be Big* is a wonderful exploration of being happy with exactly who you are. This oversized book captures the eyes of any little reader, and the Big story inside will keep them entertained while making



big dreams of their own. Amy Wu and the Ribbon Dance by Kai Zhang and Charlene Chua, Simon and Schuster Amy Wu is always on the move. She loves to wiggle, run, and twirl, but she is memorized when she sees a ribbon dancer. The next day, Amy knows what she wants to do, have a dance party. She knows her friends have all the items to make the music, but where will she find dancing ribbons?

Amy Wu is back with another charming story of family, love, and problem-solving. Follow along as Amy tries to solve her own problem and how the story from her mother might be the perfect answer.

**The Rainbow Snail**  
by Karin Akeson,  
Boxer Books

When a little snail emerges from his flower-pot, he is overjoyed to see a rainbow’s beautiful colors.



As the little snail wonders what it would be like to be each color, his shell starts to change and emerges as a beautiful rainbow.

*The Rainbow Snail* is a beautiful celebration of color. Perfect for even the youngest listeners, this book highlights each color in simple text and matching items found outdoors.

**Rain**  
by Cynthia Rylant  
and Lisa Congdon

The beauty of Rain is for everyone. As the rain gently begins to fall, everyone rushes inside. Cats raise their tails and run inside, while birds fly home and dogs might hide. Ducks come out for a swim, and children might even come out a play. After the rain, creeks flow, birdbaths fill, and gardens grow because rain is good for everyone.

Celebrate the joy and beauty of rain in this beautiful children’s book, *Rain*. ★

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Where Did All the Money Go?

West Sacramento News Briefs

Newsom’s plan to cover California’s ballooning budget deficit

By Alexei Koseff,  
CALMatters.org

California’s estimated budget deficit has grown by \$9 billion since January, Gov. Gavin Newsom announced, though the governor downplayed the severity of its potential impact on critical government services and programs.

During a press conference at the California Natural Resources Agency in downtown Sacramento, Newsom unveiled a revised spending plan that will rely on some additional fiscal maneuvers — including shifting funding sources and internal borrowing — to address a projected \$31.5 billion gap in the 2023-24 state budget.

“We have a \$31.5 billion challenge, which is well within the margin of expectation and well within our capacity to address,” Newsom said.

Despite the growing shortfall, California’s overall budget is now expected to be \$306 billion, including special funds, less than a 1% decline from a record \$308 billion in the current fiscal year.

Newsom proposes to close the deficit by shifting an additional \$3.3 billion in existing commitments out of the general fund, including paying for \$1.1 billion in climate spending and \$1.1 billion in college student housing projects with bonds, and pulling back another \$1 billion in unused money from programs such as middle-class tax refunds and utility bill support for low-income residents.

Under the governor’s plan, the state would also borrow \$1.2 billion from special funds and increase by \$2.5 billion a tax on managed care health plans to address the spending gap. Extensive savings would remain largely untouched, though Newsom did propose to make a \$450 million withdrawal from one reserve account.

California’s fiscal picture has largely worsened since January, when finance officials projected the state would face a deficit of \$22.5 billion. Newsom called it a “modest shortfall” and proposed to delay billions of dollars in spending commitments, reverse recent steps to shore up the state’s fiscal health and shift around funding sources to limit program cuts.

Enduring high inflation, turmoil in the regional banking sector and a showdown in Washington, D.C., over raising the federal debt limit have all deepened the economic headwinds. California relies heavily on income taxes from its wealthiest residents, whose earnings have



Gov. Gavin Newsom unveils his revised budget proposal for 2023-24 during a press briefing at the state Natural Resources Agency in Sacramento on May 12, 2023. Photo by Rahul Lal, CALMatters

taken a hit with drops in the stock market.

Monthly tax revenues came in billions of dollars below forecasts this spring, and fears of a recession continue to loom, which Newsom said could reduce state revenues by tens of billions of dollars even in the mildest scenario.

“That is an uncertainty that we must take very seriously and very soberly,” he said.

Adding to the unpredictability, most Californians don’t have to file their income taxes until October because of the intense damage and disruption from winter storms. Officials estimate that \$42 billion in payments will be delayed until the new deadline.

The governor’s updated budget proposal kicks off a month of negotiations with the Legislature, which must pass a budget by June 15 to get paid, though some items may remain unresolved after the July 1 start of the fiscal year.

Legislative leaders have been largely optimistic about the budget situation, noting that the deficit is less drastic than during the last recession more than a decade ago and arguing that they have plenty of fiscal tools at their disposal to avoid deep spending cuts. Last month, Senate Democrats pitched increasing taxes on large corporations and suspending a major business tax credit to raise new funds, an idea that Newsom quickly rejected.

The governor reiterated that it was not “the right time to raise taxes and I was crystal clear on that.” He also took off the table — at least for now — dipping deeper into the state’s reserves, which he said should be maintained while the state weathers the broader economic uncertainties.

“No one can be wedded ideologically to conditions that may present themselves, but right now, we’re able to submit a budget that we think is prudent and it’s balanced,” he said. “Those are conversations for another day.”

Newsom closed his remarks by encouraging the Legislature to show restraint, both in what it seeks in a budget deal and with costly proposals that lawmakers may try to advance to the governor’s desk later this year, which he said he would have to veto.

“You don’t have to be profligate to be progressive,” Newsom said, trotting out what has become a favorite turn of phrase. “We tend to write checks that we can’t keep and then we let people down.”

Aside from a brief economic downturn at the start of the coronavirus pandemic, most legislators have faced only budget surpluses and growing revenues during their tenures. Because of term limits, just a handful were around as California’s economy tanked in 2008, forcing deep spending cuts.

With less money available next fiscal year, the challenge is getting everyone to agree about what should take the hit. Some lawmakers have already raised objections to potential cuts for climate programs and public transit funding that the governor proposed in January. Assembly Democrats are pushing to raise funding for subsidized child care because of complaints from providers that reimbursement rates are less than their costs.

Republicans, who represent a superminority in the Legislature and whose votes are not needed to pass a state budget, dismissed Newsom’s approach to the deficit as irresponsible. In a statement, state Sen. Roger Niello of Fair Oaks, who serves as vice chairperson of the Senate Budget Committee, said the governor should not count on avoiding a recession.

“We are concerned that his crystal ball may be cloudy,” Niello said. “We would recommend that the state take a more sustainable path on spending and reduce the desire to borrow during this time of high and increasing interest rates.”

MPG Staff

Dig and plant safely this summer

Building a fence? Installing sprinklers? Working in your garden? You may be digging close to underground utility lines connecting to your home. Visit [california811.org](http://california811.org) or call 811 at least two working days before you dig or plant. The date of notification does not count as part of the two working-day notice. For example, if excavation will begin on Friday, you or your excavator must call no later than Tuesday. 811 is a FREE service. Get marked. Leave all colored flags, stakes or paint marking underground lines in place until you finish your digging project. These markers, placed by utility companies, are valid for 28 days. Dig safely. Use hand digging tools at all times when working within 24 inches of the outside edge of any marked underground lines.

International Kids Festival

Join the original International Kids Festival and enjoy pony rides, jumbo inflatables, rock climbing wall, miniature train rides, trampolines, face painting, balloon twisting, and more! Try some amazing food from a parade of local food trucks while you watch spectacular multicultural stage entertainment by professional dancers, gymnasts, and athletes. The International Kids Festival provides

direct exposure among the ethnic consumers and thus builds a lasting connection with these vast markets. Saturday, May 27, 2023, at 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. This is a free event. 3800 Landpark Drive, Sacramento, CA 95822.

Sunset Yoga Sessions

Sunset Yoga season is here, and we can’t think of a better way to spend every other Tuesday! Moving Deep Yoga is the kind of yoga made for everyone, yes, everyone! So, bring your kids, your friends, your dogs, and your grandparents to enjoy moving and breathing on our lawn while the sun sets! You do not need tickets to attend, our local instructor Karissa Anderson (@movingdeep.co) hosts these sessions donation based (highly encouraged). The Barn is thrilled to offer 15% off for any participants of Sunset Yoga. On top of that we will have healthy bowls and mocktails to complement the yoga sessions! May 30, 2023, 7:30 pm – 8:45 pm. Drakes: The Barn 985 Riverfront Street West Sacramento 95691.

Have an event coming up?

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New Wave of Demands Add Pressure to California’s Budget Squeeze



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

One could call it the “big squeeze.”

It’s the ever-increasing conflict between the state government’s current and projected tax revenues, which are drifting downwards, and the demands for billions of additional dollars for vital services, such as health care, homelessness and mass transit.

In January, when Gov. Gavin Newsom unveiled his initial budget for the 2023-24 fiscal year that begins July 1, he projected a \$22.5 billion deficit — just a few months after boasting the state had a \$97 billion surplus. This month, in a revised budget, he said the deficit had grown to \$31.5 billion.

As worrisome as those numbers appear, they might be a best case scenario, according to the Legislature’s budget analyst, Gabe Petek.

“Based on our assessment, there is a roughly two thirds chance revenues will come in below May Revision estimates,” Petek said. “As such, while we consider the May revision revenues plausible, adopting them would present considerable downside risk.”

Moreover, Petek said that using the Newsom administration’s own projections and assumptions, “the budget condition would worsen

in future years” with annual operating deficits of around \$15 billion in the following two years, and hinted that the real shortfalls in the final years of Newsom’s governorship could be larger.

These estimates of a chronic and perhaps widening gap between income and outgo also assume that the state’s economy won’t be clobbered by recession.

Many economists believe that the Federal Reserve System’s increasing interest rates, meant to slow the economy and battle inflation, could trigger a recession within the next year. If it occurred, Newsom’s budget says, “revenues could decrease by \$40 billion in 2023-24 alone, largely driven by losses in personal income tax,” adding that “revenue declines relative to the May Revision forecast could reach an additional \$100 billion through 2026-27.”

While the state has amassed more than \$30 billion in reserves to cushion the impact of recession, an even moderate economic downturn would quickly consume them, drowning the budget in red ink as the Great Recession did.

To summarize: California’s budget faces several years, at least, of budget difficulty. But the demand side of the fiscal ledger is not shrinking.

After the January budget was released, advocates for programs, particularly health care and social services, cranked up pressure on legislators to protect their slices of the pie. That pressure is even more intense with the May revision’s deficit increase.

They have been joined by three other major stakeholders seeking multi-billion-dollar increases in state aid: hospitals, transit systems and cities on the front lines of the state’s worst-in-the-nation homelessness crisis.


Hospital and transit system officials say they have been unable to fully recover from the impacts of COVID-19 on their patronage and finances and may be forced to shut down or at least reduce services. Mayors of the state’s largest cities say they need an additional \$2 billion per year to maintain ongoing efforts to house those on the streets.

None of the three fared well in the May revision. Newsom offered just a \$150 million loan fund to hospitals, didn’t include any extra money for local homelessness efforts, and only said he would be willing to discuss transit’s self-proclaimed “fiscal cliff.”

There’s little question that advocates for existing and new state financing would prefer that Newsom and the Legislature tap into reserves and/or raise taxes to satisfy their demands. In fact, the state Senate’s budget framework proposes a hike in corporate income taxes, although Newsom has rejected it.

Were California’s budget squeeze to continue or grow tighter, as seems likely, the remainder of Newsom’s governorship would be dominated by the difficult task of resolving it.

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



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DO YOU CLAIM ME AS A DEPENDENT ON OUR TAXES?

CERTAINLY NOT!

WHY NOT?

BECAUSE I CAN'T DEPEND ON YOU.

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY KENDY THUNDER

PAPPY, CAN WE HAVE SOME COOKIES?

I DUNNO, YER PA WOULD BE PEEVED IF YE RUINED YER SUPPER.

THE COOKIES CAN'T RUN OUR SUPPER IF THEY ARE OUR SUPPER!

"SMIFF!" I ALREADY JOSKIFYN' THINGS LIKE A CHAMP. I HAIN'TSK NEVER BEEN SO PROUD!

THERE I WAS ALL ALONE, UNARMED, AN' FACH...

...THE CHUPACABRA!

THE MONSTER STOLE A GOAT WOT WAS THE GREEK GOD PAN'S FAVORITE COUSIN AN' I OWED PAN SOME FAVORS.

PAPPY, KIN! I HAS A WORD WIT' YA?

PARDON ME KIDS, CAP'N KILLJOY IS HERE.

YA GOTSK T' STOP FILLIN' THE KIDS' HEADS WITH FIBS!

BAH! THE KIDS LOVE EM, AN' YE ACT LIKE YE DONTSK EVER LIE.

WELL, I DONTSK

SO YE AINTSK NEVER LOOKED IN A MIRROR AN' SED YE LOOKED GOOD?

...

BLOW ME DOWN!

IT'S OKAY, SON! KEEP TELLIN' THEM PRACTICE FIBS AN' ONE DAY YOU'LL BE A PRO LIKE ME.

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

MOM AND DAD NEED TO EXPLAIN A BIT BETTER WHEN THEY SAY "ACT MY AGE."

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

SO FAR, GENERAL, HE'S PEED OFF EVERY MAJOR BRIDGE, DREW MOUSTACHES ON OUR HISTORICAL STATUES AND HAS BEEN MAKING RUDE NOISES WITH HIS ARMPIT...

FFF!

IT'S WORSE THAN I IMAGINED...

KID KONG

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

AWAY FROM CITY SOUNDS AND NOISES

AWAY FROM CAR HORNS

NO YELLING KIPS

NO SIRENS

OR POWER MOWERS

NO ZOOMING OR BARKING DOGS

AH, PEACE AND QUIET!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF

Differences: 1. Sneaker is missing. 2. Sleeve is shorter. 3. Paper is smaller. 4. String is missing. 5. Sail is different. 6. Log is missing.

GRIN AND BEAR IT

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

GIVE ME A BREAK. IT'S BEEN SIX MONTHS. THIS ISN'T GOING TO AFFECT MY SCORE AT ALL.

"You don't want to get her started!"

ADAMS LAC SETA

COSEC ADO YEARN

LUCRE ISM ATRIA

PICNIC BIKING

YES ROCK

MAY SAFE YELLOW

ABIT ALPS DIANA

RHEA CALIF SPIT

COLTS GILL PUCE

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CLUES

ACROSS

1. Bryan of "Summer Of '69" fame

6. Lake in Provence

9. \_\_\_\_\_ good example

13. Hypotenuse/opposite side

14. Fuss, to Shake-speare

15. Pine

16. Filthy dough

17. Marxism or Taoism, e.g.

18. Skylit lobbies

19. "Outdoor repast

21. "Two-wheeling

23. Agreement word

24. "Climbing turf

25. "I wish I \_\_\_\_\_, I wish I might..."

28. Cracked by yegg

30. Cowardly color

35. Slightly (2 words)

37. Matterhorn location

39. Charles III's ex

40. She played Carla on "Cheers"

41. Nev.'s neighbor

43. Rotisserie skewer

44. Indianapolis team

46. Underwater "nose"

47. Color of a bruise

48. Trying experience

50. "The Breakfast

52. p in mph

53. Ranees husband

55. \_\_\_\_\_ de plume

57. "Gather berries, e.g.

60. "Water slaloming

63. Soft single in baseball

64. "Sun "kiss"

66. Beau's and Jeff's acting dad

68. Cut-down sailing sheep

69. How many "if by sea?"

70. Have effect

71. Gibbons, e.g.

72. Coniferous tree

73. Rejuvenate or renovate

DOWN

1. Knee-related acronym

2. Make pretty (2 words)

3. Mushroom spore sacs

4. Shawn Mendes' 2016 hit

5. Parts of a play

6. Secular

7. Commercial break clips

8. Fast food option

9. Looking for aliens org.

10. Get bacon?

11. H.S. math class

12. All Nippon Airways, acr.

15. Rattled on

20. Writer Asimov

22. Like icee

24. Not an original

25. "Call to Polo

26. Opposite of adore

27. Triangular road sign

29. "Capture it!"

31. Speech defect

32. Drink like a cat (2 words)

33. Chilled (2 words)

34. "Balloon filler

36. U.K. art gallery

38. Place for a house plant

42. Get an F

45. Serape, alt. sp.

49. Jet follower

51. Water-heating apparatus

54. Bulwark

56. Hundred Acre Wood creator

57. Wing motion

58. Exude

59. Fish eggs, pl.

60. Winter precipitation

61. Person, place or thing

62. Swirling vortex

63. \*Part of a bikini

65. Leave speechless

67. Morning condensation

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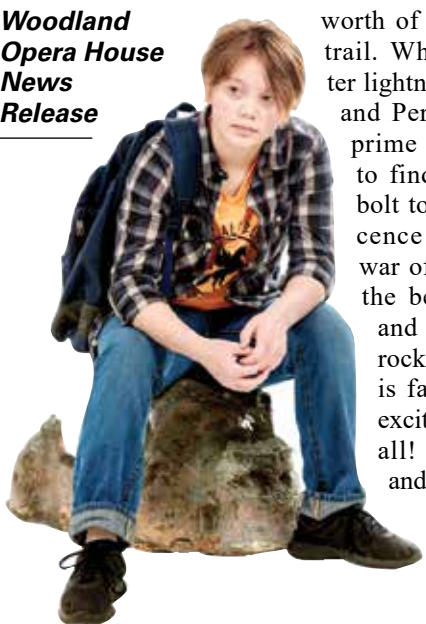
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# Mythology Meets Rock and Roll at The Woodland Opera House

Woodland Opera House News Release



WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Tom and Meg Stallard present a Young Adult Performers production, The Lightning Thief, The Percy Jackson Musical at the Woodland Opera House, June 16-25.

Based on the book by Joe Tracz, Music and Lyrics by Rob Rokicki. Adapted from the book "The Lightning Thief" by Rick Riordan. Originally commissioned, created, and produced off Broadway by TheaterWorksUSA.

This energetic musical follows Percy Jackson, a 12-year-old boy who newly discovers that he is a demi-god. As the half-blood son of a Greek god, Percy has powers he can't control, a destiny he doesn't want, and a mythology textbook's

worth of monsters on his trail. When Zeus's master lightning bolt is stolen and Percy becomes the prime suspect, he has to find and return the bolt to prove his innocence and prevent a war of the gods. From the best-selling book and with an original rock score, this show is fast paced and an exciting adventure for all! PG – language and battle scenes.

The Lightning Thief, The Percy Jackson Musical is a Young Adult Performers production with a cast between the ages of 14 and 24 years old. The show is Directed and Choreographed by Erik Catalan, and Music Direction by Jia-Min Rosendale.

Performances are set for Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. All seating is reserved, ticket

prices are \$20 for Adults, \$18 Seniors (62+), and \$10 for Children 17 and under. Balcony pricing is Adults at \$12 and Children at \$7. Flex pass specials and group rates are available.

Purchase tickets online at [www.WoodlandOperaHouse.Org](http://www.WoodlandOperaHouse.Org) and at the Box Office (530) 666-9617. Located at 340 Second Street, Box Office hours are: Tuesday – Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. & 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Opera House is located in historic downtown Woodland, just 15 miles northwest of Sacramento. Many wonderful shops and a variety of restaurants are within walking distance of the theatre. ★

Top photo: Sammy Rosendale as Percy Jackson.

Bottom photo: Trio, (left to right) is Django Nachmanoff as Grover, Sammy Rosendale as Percy, and Severin Moreno as Annabeth. Photos courtesy of Woodland Opera House



# Grand Jurors' Association Adds Twelve New Trainers to Its Cadre



Beginning in late June the trainers will fan out across the State in teams of three or four and begin the challenging work of sharing their experience and knowledge. Photo courtesy of CGJA

California Grand Jurors' Association News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Each Year the California Grand Jurors' Association (CGJA) looks for potential trainers from among the jurors it trains in order to further its core mission of taking on the education of civil grand juries throughout the State. This year 12 new trainers joined the association's faculty, bringing the total to 31. Consisting exclusively of volunteers, the training staff, experienced trainers, and new trainers gathered recently in Sacramento to learn techniques and strategies, review training materials and build camaraderie.

Beginning in late June the trainers will fan out across the State in teams of three or four and begin the challenging work of sharing their experience and knowledge to make each county, and our entire state, better – one report at a time.

California is the only state in the Union whose Constitution mandates that a grand jury be sworn in each year. Each civil grand jury's task is to act as a watchdog of local government with a requirement to write at least one report on one aspect of county government.

CGJA coordinates with counties throughout the state to meet with and share best practices for their jurors to be the most effective in making positive changes to all aspects of local government. Every area of grand jury service is reviewed in each two-day seminar provided by the volunteer trainers; everything from strategies jurors

may use to determine the topics to investigate to conducting interviews to producing effective reports.

Each year over 1,000 jurors are provided with CGJA's training – a credit to county governments and CGJA. More than 100,000 Californians have been civil grand jurors and each year, California's civil grand juries across 58 counties issue nearly 500 reports.

Counties are currently in the annual juror selection process, often aided by local chapters of CGJA, some of whom work closely with the Superior Court's presiding judge to assist with recruitment, orientation, and vetting the applicants.

To learn more about California's one-of-a-kind civil grand jury system, CGJA's 4th edition of "California Civil Grand Juries: History, Law and How they Operate" is available as a free download at <https://cgja.org/californias-civil-grand-juries-0> For more information, go to <https://www.cgja.org> .To apply to serve as a grand juror, check out the website of the Superior Court in your county.

The California Grand Jurors' Association is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization 501(c)3 dedicated to promoting, preserving and supporting the civil watchdog function of California grand juries. Each year, CGJA provides training to grand juries to help them more effectively fulfill their state constitutional authority to, among other things, investigate and report on the conduct of local government as an arm of the Superior Court. ★

# Ranger Adopts Pup Following a Traffic Stop

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Regional Parks Rangers are the law enforcement division of Regional Parks, and while their days are typically spent engaging with parkway visitors and patrolling our parks to keep them safe, every once in a while, something weird happens. This isn't a story about everyday Ranger operations, this is a heartwarming story about how one of our Rangers became a dog dad following a routine traffic stop.

While on patrol at Watt River Access on April 8, two Rangers, Matsui and Brennan, conducted what they thought would be a standard traffic stop. Upon stopping the vehicle, they discovered that an individual inside had an outstanding warrant for his arrest.

While being placed into custody, Rangers learned that the individual had a Rottweiler mix puppy that he rescued from an abusive owner. The individual told Rangers Matsui and Brennan that he wanted them to adopt the puppy because he wanted to make sure the puppy would have a good and loving home.

"Having an individual I'm taking into custody ask me to adopt his dog was a first for me," said Ranger Brennan. "This puppy stole my heart right away and I knew that I could give him a good home, but I also knew that I couldn't just take him home."

The Rangers took the



Ranger James Brennan and wife Rachel adopted the Rottweiler mix puppy after taking it to Bradshaw Animal Shelter, where Roman received a thorough evaluation. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

puppy to Bradshaw Animal Shelter where he received a thorough evaluation. Once he was checked out and cleared, he was fostered out to Ranger Brennan, who ultimately adopted him. This puppy, now named Roman, lives with Ranger Brennan and his family.

"Ranger Matsui and I are pretty good friends," said Brennan. "I knew he had a Rottweiler pup at home, and now when we hang out outside of work, our pups can hang out together too."

Animal foster care providers help the Bradshaw Animal Shelter save lives. With the shelter

continuously at capacity, fostering a pet creates kennel space for incoming animals in need while giving pets a cozy environment to relax in while they wait for their forever homes.

The time commitment for fostering a pet can range from a few weeks to a few months depending on the animal's individual needs. If you happen to fall in love with your pet, you can always choose to adopt them, just like Ranger Brennan did! To learn more about fostering an animal from the Bradshaw Animal Shelter, visit their website. ★

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