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What's Going on with Jimboy's?



Jimboy's Tacos in West Sacramento waits for repairs after the fire on June 14th, 2022, damaged the building on 750 Harbor Boulevard. The corporate spokesperson said it is set to open the fast-food restaurant by the end of the year. Photo provided by Michele Townsend

By Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On June 14th, 2022, a fire started at the building on the corner of Harbor Blvd and West Capitol Ave. that was under construction to become a Jimboy's Tacos. At around 10 a.m. the fire started in the back of the building and quickly spread through the attic. West Sac Fire was able to respond quickly and extinguish the flames, but, unfortunately, the damage brought the project to a screeching halt. A homeless man was seen in the area at the time, and when police located the man, they

found that he had a warrant and was arrested. There was no evidence that he was connected to the fire.

Since the fire, the building has sat, boarded up, with no sign of change. We reached out to Jimboy's Corporate, and they happily told us the project is still planned. "It's been a process," said Courtney, Jimboy's representative, "We have been dealing with insurance, the county and the city, trying to get things straightened away and in order."

They are still paying rent on the property and want the town to know that they are not dragging their heels

by any means, and that they are disappointed that they didn't even get to serve one customer yet. Courtney said they don't have a specific date yet, but it's looking like the end of the year.

Jimboy's plans on putting all the details on social media and other platforms to announce the grand opening and said they are happy the community is eager for them to be there. They said they are disappointed with the length of time it's taking, but it is out of their hands. They wanted to thank West Sacramento for their support and look forward to the opening. ★

Announcing the Retirement of Judge David Reed

Yolo Superior Court
Press Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo Superior Court announced that Judge David W. Reed has submitted his application to retire effective April 12, 2023.

Upon the announcement of his retirement, Judge Reed stated "After 16 years on the bench and 23 years in private practice, I am ready to stop working full-time. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as a judge and I am proud to have been part of our Bench and the Yolo Superior Court team."

Judge Reed began his career at Yolo Superior Court as a Referee in 2006 and was appointed to the Yolo Superior Court Bench in 2009 by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. He served over 16 years as a judicial officer with the court. Judge Reed presided over nearly every type of calendar including Civil/Probate, Family, Criminal, and Drug Court calendars. He served several terms as Supervising Criminal Judge, was appointed to numerous court committees, participated in the Prop 47 Diversion Pilot Program Committee statewide, and has been an instructor for the Judicial Council's New Judge Orientation for the last nine years. He has also served as Assistant Presiding Judge.

"Judge Reed has made many contributions to our local justice system, and we all appreciate his calm demeanor and keen mind," said Presiding Judge Daniel Maguire.

Shawn C. Landry, CEO, stated "Throughout his court career, Judge Reed has had a cool and collected presence on the bench and demonstrated a deep commitment to the court, staff and people he served."

Judge Reed plans to participate in the Assigned Judges Program as a visiting judge as well as find other ways to serve the community while also enjoying his retirement. ★

Snowpack Shows Huge Gains

DWR Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) conducted the third snow survey of the season at Phillips Station. The manual survey recorded 116.5 inches of snow depth and a snow water equivalent of 41.5 inches, which is 177 percent of average for this location on March 3. The snow water equivalent measures the amount of water contained in the snowpack and is a key component of DWR's water supply forecast. DWR's electronic readings from 130 snow sensors placed throughout the state indicate the statewide snowpack's snow water equivalent is 44.7 inches, or 190 percent of average for this date.

"Thankfully the recent storms combined with the January atmospheric rivers have contributed to an above-average snowpack that will help fill some of the state's reservoirs and maximize groundwater recharge efforts. But the benefits vary by region,



California's snowpack shows huge gains from recent storms measurements vary across regions, but snowfall bounty should improve water supply outlook for this year. It will take more than a single wet year to recover groundwater levels in some parts of the state. Photo DWR

and the Northern Sierra, home to the state's largest reservoir Lake Shasta, is lagging behind the rest of the Sierra," DWR Director Karla Nemeth said. "It will also take more than one good year to begin recovery of the state's groundwater basins."

Although the statewide snowpack is currently just behind the record snow year of 1982-83, the snowpack varies considerably by region. The Southern Sierra snowpack is currently 209

percent of its April 1 average, and the Central Sierra is at 175 percent of its April 1 average. However, the critical Northern Sierra, where the state's largest surface water reservoirs are located, is at 136 percent of its April 1 average. With one month of the traditional wet season remaining, DWR is providing updated runoff forecasts to water managers and is closely monitoring spring runoff scenarios and river flows to ensure the most

water supply benefits from this year's snowpack while balancing the need for flood control.

"The recent storms over the past week broke a month-long dry spell in a dramatic way," said DWR's Snow Surveys and Water Supply Forecasting Unit Manager Sean de Guzman. "We are hopeful that we will see more cold storms to add to our snowpack for the next month and help set up a

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MEMORIAL

DIANE RUTH MOSLEY

1/12/1958 – 2/24/2023

Diane Ruth (McArtor) Mosley, born on January 12, 1958, in Trenton, Missouri, passed away on February 24, 2023.

Diane attended Wauke High School in Iowa, where she ran track, was a cheerleader, played softball, and was very popular with her classmates. Diane also attended Fresno City College, where she studied Art and Graphic Design. Diane and her sister Janine moved out west to Fresno in the early 1980s. After college, Diane worked in the Bay Area for a couple of years, and eventually moved to the Sacramento area. She finally ended up in West Sacramento in the late 1980s and lived out her remaining years there.

She was an excellent artist, fun loving and all around a very funny lady. She loved to tell jokes, and could remember every joke she ever heard, and could deliver a joke better than anyone. She loved her friends and family, and enjoyed playing golf, dancing, singing karaoke, doing her crafts, and loved animals, especially cats.

Diane is preceded in death by her father, Paul; mother, Joanne; brother, Michael, and sister Patricia. She is survived by her sister Janine, her husband Alan Jorn, niece Danielle and her husband David Andino, her nephews Fred and Tom Craig, and several great nieces and nephews.

Please join us for her celebration of life on March 25, 2023, at 1 p.m. at the West Sacramento Sports Bar and Grill (the old Goose Club), located at 3340 Jefferson Blvd., West Sacramento, CA.

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\$476,725 Available in Clean Air Fund Grants

YSAQMD News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - The Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District (District) has opened the application period for the 2023 Clean Air Funds program. This annual grant program has \$476,725 available in funding for local projects that will reduce emissions from mobile sources of air pollution within the District. Grants are awarded on a competitive basis by the District's Board of Directors.

The deadline to apply is April 21, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. Applications are available at <https://www.ysaqmd.org/Apply2023CAF>.

District staff will be hosting a virtual workshop on March 23, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. to discuss the program, application process, and answer questions. If you would like to participate, please register at <https://www.ysaqmd.org/2023CAFWorkshop>.

The Clean Air Funds program seeks to encourage private businesses, non-profit organizations, and public agencies to pursue cost-effective, impactful projects designed to reduce pollution emissions from mobile sources within the District through grant funding. There are four qualifying project categories: Clean Vehicle Technology, Alternative Transportation, Transit Services, and Public Education. Previous projects include pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, EV charging installation, clean vehicle fleet purchases, and alternative transportation public outreach programs for District residents, students, and commuters.

For more information about the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, including signing up for air quality alerts and the quarterly newsletter, visit: www.ysaqmd.org. Connect with the District on Facebook and Twitter @YoloSolanoAir and on Nextdoor. ★

Snowpack Shows Huge Gains

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long, slow melt period into spring.

To ensure water supply managers have the most current forecasts of snowpack runoff, DWR is utilizing the best available technology to collect the most accurate snow measurements. DWR's Snow Surveys and Water Supply Forecasting Unit is utilizing Airborne Snow Observatory (ASO) surveys across 12 of California's major snow-producing watersheds to collect data on the snowpack's density, depth, reflectiveness, and other factors down to a 3-meter resolution. These flights, which utilize LiDAR and imaging spectrometer technology, provide DWR with more information on water content than ever before, which is then fed into advanced physically based and spatially explicit models to generate the most accurate water supply runoff forecasts possible. These forecasts are used to develop the Bulletin 120 for forecasted spring run-off to determine water allocation and stream flows for the benefit of the environment.

While winter storms have helped the snowpack and reservoirs, groundwater basins are much slower to recover. Many rural areas are still experiencing water supply challenges, especially communities that rely on groundwater supplies which have been depleted due to prolonged drought. It will take more than a single wet year for groundwater levels to substantially improve at a statewide scale. Drought impacts also vary by location and drought recovery will need to be evaluated on a regional scale and will depend on local water supply conditions.


On February 13, Governor Newsom issued an Executive Order directing state agencies to review and provide recommendations on the state's drought response actions by the end of April, including the possibility of terminating specific emergency provisions that are no longer needed, once there is greater clarity about the hydrologic conditions this year.

Californians should still continue to use water wisely so that we can have a thriving economy, community, and environment. DWR encourages Californians to visit SaveOurWater.com for water saving tips and information as more swings between wet and dry conditions will continue in the future.

DWR conducts five media-oriented snow surveys at Phillips Station each winter near the first of each month, January through April and, if necessary, May. The next survey is tentatively scheduled or April 3. ★

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Herstory 1 & 2: Exhibit and Author Talk

County of Yolo Press Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - In honor of Women’s History Month this March, Yolo County Library will be showing the exhibit: Herstory 1 & 2: The Legal History of Chinese American Women, at all branches, except for the South Davis Montgomery Branch Library. The exhibit, curated by Dr. Chang C. Chen, aka Dr. Chiu Chang, showcases the legal milestones and often harrowing stories of these brave women. Before their lives and accomplishments are completely lost in the annals of history, the author aims to tell Herstory and give voice to those Chinese American women who paved the way for our past, present, and future.

The theme for the 2023 Women’s History Month is Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories. It was developed by the National

Women’s History Alliance and honors women in every community who, like Dr. Chen, have devoted their lives and talents to producing art, pursuing truth, and reflecting the human condition decade after decade. More information about the theme can be found online at nationalwomenshistoryalliance.org.

Dr. Chen grew up in Taiwan and immigrated to America 50 years ago to pursue her graduate studies. After obtaining her Ph.D. in biochemistry from Rutgers University and J.D. from Columbia University Law School, she launched an illustrious legal career spanning 35 years. Not one to just practice law, she was elected as a Taiwan senator and hosted four television shows. During the 1990s, her most popular program, “Chiu Chang Talking Law,” on Star-TV in Hong Kong, catapulted her into the limelight. She swiftly

became a celebrity female attorney and personality, still to this day a real feat in Taiwan. Dr. Chen has authored 83 books on topics ranging from law to marriage. Herstory: The Legal History of Chinese American Women was her first book in English and the first exhibition she curated.

Dr. Chen will discuss her books and the exhibit at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 25th at the Mary L. Stephens Davis Branch Library, located at 315 E. 14th street in Davis, and at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 20th at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. Both events will be recorded. Additionally, Yolo County Library branches are providing bibliographies featuring books by and about women who reflect this year’s theme and a commemorative book-mark. ★

WSLL Thanks Crab Feed Sponsors; Opening Day and Festivities Rescheduled

Aleecia Gutierrez, WSL

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Friday, February 23, the West Sacramento Little League had its fourth annual Crab Feed fundraiser at the Old Sugar Mill. The event has become so popular that tickets sold out in one day this year. WSL President Jose Negrete welcomed over 150 little league supporters enjoyed a fun-filled evening complete with crab, photo booth, dancing, locally-made desserts, silent auction and a live auction with the talented Dave Jans. The crab feed is one of the league’s favorite fundraisers and helps WSL keep registration costs down so all eligible kids can play and grow their love for the game. The evening ended with a lot of happy, dancing

people and a conga line.

The West Sacramento Little League thanks the crab feed planning committee, Stefanie Deering, Jimmy Kortuem, Samantha Janssen, Laura McClurg, Maria Moreno, Marcella Santeno, and Kelli Sparks. The WSL also thanks its top Crab Feed sponsors, including Glass West, Rey’s Air Solutions Inc., Intake Screens Inc., and Mayor Pro Tem Quirina Orozco. Thank you to all that attended, supported, and brought all the positive vibes to kick the season off proper!

The West Sacramento Little League was established in 1953 and is celebrating this year its 70th anniversary of baseball in this community. The season kick off was originally scheduled for March 11 but was unfortunately cancelled due to the weather. The parade and festivities are

now planned to take place at the end of the season where we hope to still see our VIP’s and alumni from seasons past, including West Sac’s very own Steve and Dave Sax. Opening day will now officially be March 18, weather permitting, and the first pitch will be thrown by West Sac’s own, Rob Dodd.

The WSL invites everyone that’s been a part of the WSL over its 70 years to join the celebration, and particularly those that played in the 50s. If you played in the 50s, please email Aleecia at wslreg@gmail.com with your name, teams played/coached for and years, and favorite WSL memory. WSL would like to announce your name and years played at the Opening Day Ceremony and post some WSL history on its website. ★

City to Launch Improvements for Sacramento Ave. with Complete Street Plan

City of West Sac News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Thursday, March 23, 2023, from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., the City of West Sacramento will kick off the Sacramento Avenue Complete Street Plan with a Community Workshop at the City Hall Galleria located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue in West Sacramento.

The Sacramento Avenue Complete Street Plan is funded by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) through the Community Design Funding Program, which provides funding to local governments to build placemaking projects in their communities. The corridor is located within the City’s designated Green Zone, key areas identified for infill development and

expanded mobility options to lower vehicle greenhouse gas emissions. The plan will ultimately aim to provide safer and more comfortable transportation options for those traveling along Sacramento Avenue, which is one of the most well-traveled east-west transportation corridors in West Sacramento.

“It’s very important that we get the community involved in this early planning phase to better understand what their needs are,” says Stephanie Chhan, Senior Transportation Planner and Project Manager with the City of West Sacramento. “Our goal is to identify and address current issues with Sacramento Avenue, while also planning for a safe and enjoyable corridor that supports future growth in the area.”

While Sacramento Avenue currently suffers

from limited pedestrian and bicycle facilities and unsafe road crossings, it also has potential to be transformed into a multi-use corridor that supports community spaces. This phase of the plan will focus on making recommendations to enhance the user experience on Sacramento Avenue, including changes to streets, sidewalks, intersection crossings, and landscaping.

The City of West Sacramento invites all members of the public to the Community Workshop on March 23 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Hall Galleria in West Sacramento. Attendees are encouraged to register ahead of time at bit.ly/SacAveWorkshop.

For more information about the Sacramento Avenue Complete Street Plan, please visit the project website at www.SacAvePlan.com. ★

Accident in Front of La Bou



A four-vehicle collision occurred in the morning of Thursday, March 9, on Jefferson Blvd, between Merkley and West Capital Ave. West Sacramento Police Department reports that the accident occurred just before noon. One person was transported by American Medical Response with non-life threatening injuries. It is unknown at this time what caused the accident and there were no reported arrests. Photo by Paul Scholl

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West Sac Girl’s Softball - Spring 2023 Opening Day

West Sac Girl’s Softball will be played at Alyce Norman Softball Fields located 725 Todhunter Avenue, beginning Saturday, March 18th*.

Join WSGS in opening our Spring 2023 Recreational Softball season! Opening ceremonies begin at 9 am, with remarks from the WSGS Board and community, including Mayor Martha Guerrero throwing out the ceremonial first pitch. Following the ceremonies, all 16 WSGS teams - T-Ball through 12U - will play their first games of the season. Game times are 11 am, 1 pm, and 3 pm. The Snack Bar will be open and we’re now able to accept debit and credit cards! Game schedules can be found at WestSacGirlsSoftball.com. *Updates due to weather will be announced on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/westsacgirlssoftball>

WSGS Fundraiser at Panda Express: Thursday, April 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., 735 Harbor Point Place (near IKEA). Order online using code 348478 or mention West Sac Girls Softball at checkout and the league will receive 20% of the sales total!

WSGS Fundraiser at MOD Pizza: Thursday, May 11 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., 771 IKEA Court, Suite 100. Order online using code MODGIVES20 or mention West Sac Girls Softball at checkout and the league will receive 20% of the sales total!

Don’t Forget to Change Your Smoke Alarm Batteries

If you didn’t change the batteries in your smoke alarms when you changed the clocks back, now is the time to do it. Fire and Rescue says that just checking them is better than nothing, but it really is time to change them. In the event that the low battery alarm malfunctions on the alarm, you still want the alarm to work in the event of a fire. It’s just not worth the risk to merely check them. Please change them. It is also a good time to change the filters in your heating/air.

West Sac Little League 2023 Opening Day Parade Cancelled due to weather

Games scheduled from March 11-March 17 were rescheduled and the season is planned to begin March 18. The parade, ceremonies and the 70th Anniversary Celebration are now planned for the end of the season. Memorial Park is hosting Tournament of Champions this year and because of that, the celebration may take place on Memorial Day. We will bring you more details when available.

Women’s History Month Celebrated by WSPD

Check out West Sacramento Police Department’s tribute to the women officers at the WSPD. In addition to changing their cover page to reflect the pride they share about their female officers and staff. They have great photos and video clips showing a touch of what those ladies do. ★



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Sacramento Man Sentenced to Life for Stranger Sex Assaults

Yolo County DA News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - On February 27, 2023, Dominique Jackson, a 32-year-old Sacramento man, was sentenced for the sexual assault of two women. The Honorable Peter M. Williams sentenced Jackson to seven-years-to-life in State Prison, plus 35 years 4 months after his life sentence is served. Jackson was convicted of sexually assaulting two women on two separate occasions, a jury hung on a third victim. As to Jane Doe #1, Jackson was found guilty of Forcible Rape, Forcible Oral Copulation, and Assault with Likelihood of Causing Great Bodily Injury. As to Jane Doe #2, Jackson was found guilty of Attempted Sexual Assault, Assault with Intent to Commit Sexual Assault during a First-Degree Burglary, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Criminal Threats, Sexual Battery, and Battery Causing Serious Bodily Injury. The jury was unable to reach a verdict as to Assault with Intent to Commit Sexual Assault to a third victim. Over the course of the four-week trial, the jury heard evidence of three separate incidents, two in West Sacramento and one in Sacramento. All of the victims were strangers

to Jackson, all attacks occurred during daylight, and all attacks involved a weapon. The jury heard evidence that in Sacramento in May 2019, Jane Doe #1 was walking home from work when she was strangled from behind and then sexually assaulted by Jackson. A passerby interrupted the rape and showed great courage in the face of threats made by Jackson. The crime went unsolved for seven months until the passerby saw a press release regarding the sexual assault on Jane Doe #2. In December 2019, Jane Doe #2 was doing laundry at her apartment complex in West Sacramento when she was attacked with knife from behind by Jackson. Jane Doe #2 fought off Jackson’s sexual assault but was brutally beaten by Jackson for her rejection. Jane Doe #2 suffered life altering injuries as a result. The jury heard evidence that in March 2019, Jane Doe #3 was walking to work in West Sacramento. Jane Doe #3 was grabbed from behind by Jackson who then placed a gun against her temple (the gun was later believed to be a BB gun). Jane Doe #3 bravely fought off Jackson by striking him in the face. Jackson fled the area and was not caught that day. The jury also heard evidence of several other

instances of sexual deviancy by Jackson including luring a woman to a parking lot through the guise that he had found her lost dog, sending lewd images to a minor, furtively photographing over 20 women from behind, and researching how to purchase date rape drugs and chloroform. Through the tremendous coordination of several agencies, West Sacramento Police Department, Sacramento Sheriff’s Department, and the Yolo County District Attorney’s Office – Investigations Bureau, all three crimes were able to be solved and link Jackson to each one. Jackson was tied to the crimes using Google location data, DNA, a forensic sketch artist, surveillance footage, and eyewitnesses. District Attorney Jeff Reisig said, “Dominique Jackson not only preyed on women, but he deliberately hunted for them. Mr. Jackson is the most dangerous type of offender, he was bold, he was calculating, and he wasn’t afraid to use weapons or inflict great violence to accomplish his ends. The victims in this case were incredibly brave and our office never stopped fighting until Dominique Jackson was held accountable. Yolo County and Sacramento County are safer places with Mr. Jackson behind bars.” ★



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Crime Reports

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January 30, 2023 - March 7, 2023



2-22-23 APRIL THORNBROUGH Arrested for allegedly spitting on victim's face in front of a WSPD Officer. Issued a notice to appear and released.

2-22-23 LETA SCHROEDER Arrested for disorderly contact: under influence of drug when Police responded to a service call. Suspect allegedly matched the description of the person causing a disturbance and showed signs of intoxication.

2-25-23 JUAN CERVASIO Arrested for DUI 0.08% alcohol/drugs/high BA/refusal to take chemical test, DUI alcohol, DUI 0.08% after a traffic stop.

3-03-23 MARCO ESCALANTECATALAN Arrested for disorderly conduct/alcohol.

3-03-23 JOHNATHAN KAYLOR Arrested for bench warrant after allegedly parking vehicle in front of someone's driveway.

3-03-23 CORY INGLE Arrested for three failure to appear warrants when Police responded to a shoplifting call.

3-03-23 ANDREW CUERRA Arrested for battery with serious bodily injury after allegedly striking victim multiple times while defenseless. Captured on bus terminal video.

3-05-23 FARHAD KHAN Issued a notice to appear for prowling on private property.

3-05-23 VINCENT WALKER Notice to appear for two DUI counts.

3-06-23 JOSE SALMERON Arrested for two warrants for allegedly assisting with a potential arson.

3-06-23 ERIKA ORTEGATORRES Notice to appear for license plate lamp, evading and unlicensed driver.

3-07-23 JAMES MOSEY Arrested for take vehicle w/o owner's consent/vehicle theft.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

1-30-23 Check sent back in January was deposited in February at a chase here in West Sacramento when it was sent to someone in Sacramento. Grand theft.

2-18-23 Vehicle Burglary.

2-18-23 Boyfriend took car back and is potentially committing crimes with it.

2-22-23 Suspect spat on her adult daughter's face in front of a Police Officer. Victim file a citizen's arrest form. Battery.

2-24-23 Unauthorized use of a bank card. \$1,058 loss. Obtain credit/etc:use of others ID.

2-26-23 Ex employee/customer came into the business and vandalized the property because he was not allowed to use the facility to shower. \$2,000 loss. Vandalism.

3-01-23 Vehicle vandalism – driver's side window broken on Industrial Blvd. \$500 loss Vandalism.

3-02-23 Vehicle front passenger window got shattered and gas card was stolen. \$900 loss. Burglary.

3-05-23 Residential burglary. \$1,300 loss. Bruglary.

3-05-23 Suspect involved in a traffic collision and disposed of an unregistered and loaded firearm. Carry concealed weapon in vehicle,carry loaded handgun:not registered to owner, carry a loaded firearm on person in vehicle/public place, manufacturing/sale/large capacity firearm, vc officer removes vehicle when arrest is made.

3-05-23 Victim's ex-friends sent mean text messages to cell phone. Victim was advised on restraining order services through yolo county courthouse. Documentation only.


3-05-23 Unknown suspect(s) were intercepted by a security guard while possession of multiple items belonging to home depot. The suspect(s) left the area in a U-Haul van, unknown if anything was taken at this time. The store was closed at the time of contact.

3-06-23 Unknown suspects broke into locked cargo container and stole a variety of tools, a couple generators, and a dirt bike. \$5,901 loss. Burglary.

3-06-23 Burglary at a marijuana warehouse. Numerous suspects forced entry into the building and took merchandise. Suspects are outstanding at this time. \$100 loss. Burglary.

3-07-23 Three unknown subjects tagged the reporting party's backyard fence. Incident caught on Ring camera. Vandalism.

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230137
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1 Stop, 2002 Lyndell Terrace,
Davis, CA 95616.
Mass Enterprises, Inc., 2002
Lyndell Terrace, Davis, CA
95616. This business is con-
ducted by a Corporation. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on February 14, 2023.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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SHAWN 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230098
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Aria Event Ser-
vices, 1180 Matmor Road, Apt.
146, Woodland, CA 95776.
Marcus Julian Pierce, 1180 Mat-
mor Road, Apt. 146, Woodland,
CA 95776. This business is
conducted by an Individual. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on January 1, 2023.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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ARIA 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230006
The following person(s) is doing
business as: LV Foster Invest-
ment & Consulting, 3195 Stable
Drive, West Sacramento, CA
95691.
LV Foster, 3195 Stable Drive,
West Sacramento, CA 95691.
This business is conducted by
an Individual. The registrant
commenced to transact busi-
ness under the fictitious business
name or names listed above on
8/1/2005.
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LV 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230070
The following person(s) is do-
ing business as: Living Simple
Vintage, 1805 Rockrose Road,
West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Selina Ainsworth, 1805 Rock-
rose Road, West Sacramento,
CA 95691. This business is
conducted by an Individual. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on N/A.
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LIVING 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230076
The following person(s) is do-
ing business as: Hook and Reel
Seafood Shack, 1143 Haverhill
Street, West Sacramento, CA
95691.
Christopher Ray Carreon, 1143
Haverhill Street, West Sacra-
mento, CA 95691. This business
is conducted by an Individual.
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transact business under the fic-
titious business name or names
listed above on January 24,
2023.
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County Clerk of Yolo County on
1/25/2023.
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HOOK 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230112
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Affordable Towing
& Transport, 216 Jackson Street,
West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Sara Jeanne Khan, 917 Joan
Street, West Sacramento, CA
95605. This business is con-
ducted by an Individual. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on January 1, 2023.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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AFFORDABLE 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230135
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Impacts USA Ad-
visory Services, 1926 Delaware
Avenue, West Sacramento, CA
95691.
Barbara A Lloyd, 5255 Cowell
Boulevard, Davis, CA 95618.
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an Individual. The registrant
commenced to transact busi-
ness under the fictitious business
name or names listed above on
12/23/2013.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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IMPACTS 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230145
The following person(s) is do-
ing business as: TG Aesthetics,
1642 Princeton Road, West Sacra-
mento, CA 95691.
Gidenko Management, LLC,
1642 Princeton Road, West
Sacramento, CA 95691. This
business is conducted by a Lim-
ited Liability Partnership. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on 2/14/2013.
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TG 3-17-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230113
The following person(s) is doing
business as: West Sacramento
Dialysis Center, 3450 Industrial
Boulevard, Suite 100, West Sacra-
mento, CA 95691-5053.
West Sacramento Dialysis, LLC,
2000 16th Street, Denver, CO
80202. This business is conduct-
ed by a Limited Liability Comp-
any. The registrant commenced to
transact business under the fic-
titious business name or names
listed above on 12/27/2017.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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WEST 3-24-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230147
The following person(s) is do-
ing business as: Path of Com-
passion Family Therapy, 3012
Beacon Boulevard, West Sacra-
mento, CA 95691.
Path of Compassion Family
Therapy, 3012 Beacon Boul-
evard, West Sacramento, CA
95691. This business is con-
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act business under the fictitious
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above on 12/22/2022.
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PATH 3-24-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230109
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Timeless Relics
Used Video Games, 814 Court
Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
Vernon David Grant, 814 Court
Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
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an Individual. The registrant
commenced to transact busi-
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name or names listed above on
2/5/2023.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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TIMELESS 3-24-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230140
The following person(s) is doing
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Ct., Davis, CA 95618, County of
Yolo.
Olivia McKenzie, 1803 Fremont
Ct., Davis, CA 95618
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Individual.
The registrant commenced to
transact business under the fic-
titious business name or names
listed above on N/A
/s/ Olivia McKenzie
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By: Kquam, Deputy
3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24/23
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DJ_552 3-24-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230143
The following person(s) is doing
business as:
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vine, CA 92612, County of Or-
ange.
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vine, CA 92612
This business is conducted by
Corporation.
The registrant commenced to
transact business under the fic-
titious business name or names
listed above on January 18, 2023
/s/ Stephen S. Anderson, Jr.,
Secretary
Interior Specialists, Inc.
This statement was filed with the
County Clerk of Yolo County on
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Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-
corder
By: camry, Deputy
3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24/23
CNS-3672620# NEWS-LEDGER
DJ_620 3-24-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230175
The following person(s) is doing
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tation Services, 852 North Port
Drive, Suite 1, West Sacramen-
to, CA 95691.
Mountain West Corporation, 840
S. River Road, West Sacramen-
to, CA 95691. This business is
conducted by a Corporation. The
registrant commenced to trans-
act business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on 2/22/1993.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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WESTERN 3-31-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230188
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Auntie Yasy Well-
ness, 2647 Banks Drive, Wood-
land, CA 95776.
Auntie Yasy's Gluten-Free
Goodies & Meal Delivery LLC,
2647 Banks Drive, Woodland,
CA 95776. This business is
conducted by a Limited Liability
Company. The registrant com-
menced to transact business
under the fictitious business
name or names listed above on
2/20/2023.
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

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AUNTIE 3-31-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230170
The following person(s) is doing
business as:
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3050 Industrial Blvd., West Sacra-
mento, CA 95691, County of
Yolo.
River City Geoprosessionals,
Inc., 350 Industrial Blvd., West
Sacramento, CA 95691
This business is conducted by
Corporation.
The registrant commenced to
transact business under the fic-
titious business name or names
listed above on 01/01/2023
/s/ Trent Anderson, President
River City Geoprosessionals, Inc.
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Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-
corder
By: kquan, Deputy
3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31/23
CNS-3675451# NEWS-LEDGER
DJ_451 3-31-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230192
The following person(s) is doing
business as: Wonderfurr Pet
Supplies, 1986 Enterprise Boul-
evard, West Sacramento, CA
95691.
Marian Zakharía and Nada Zi-
yadeh, 3805 Silverwood Road,
West Sacramento, CA 95691.
This business is conducted by
a General Partnership. The reg-
istrant commenced to transact
business under the fictitious
business name or names listed
above on 5/5/2020.
This statement was filed with the
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WONDERFURR 4-7-23

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a.m. in Department 11, 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: February 7, 2023
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Su-
perior Court
Publish: Feb 24, March 3, 10 & 17, 2023
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SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2023-0316
Yury Nikolay Randak has filed a
petition with this court for a de-
cree changing the name(s) of
Yury Nikolay Randak to Yuriel
Nicholas Randak.
IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on April 18, 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: February 17, 2023
Dave Rosenberg, Judge of the
Superior Court
Publish: March 3, 10, 17 & 24, 2023
YURY 3-24-23

LIEN SALE

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
Notice is hereby given pursuant
to California Business and Pro-
fessional Codes #21700-217
Section 2328 of the UCC of the
Penal Code, Section 535 the
undersigned, StorQuest Ex-
press Self Storage/Ramco St.
of West Sacramento, will sell at
public sale by competitive bid-
ding the personal property of
Ruby Lovan, Kimberly Vallejo,
Hasan Evans, Martin Zinzun,
Surinda Cole, Melanie Martinez,
Christopher Brown, O'Neal Erin,
Eunishae Carlock, Israel Perez,
Chamu Gaines, Brian Mitch-
ell, Javone Bradford, Deborah
Jones, Joshua Rash, Karolynn
Sisco, Josephine Simpson, Re-
becca Hoffman. Property to be
sold: Misc. Items. Auctioneer
Company: www.storage-trea-
sures.com The Sale will end at
10:00 AM, March 25th, 2023.
Goods must be paid in CASH at
site and removed at completion
of sale. Sale is subject to can-
cellation in the event of settle-
ment between the owner and
obligated party. 3005 Ramco St.
West Sacramento, CA 95691
(916)241-8600
3/10, 3/17/23
CNS-3675281# NEWS-LEDGER
DJ_281 3-17-23

PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold
a public auction to sell personal
property described below be-
longing to those individuals listed
below at the location indicated:
975 F ST West Sacramento, Ca
95605 on 4/4/2023 @ 2:00PM:
Mary Margaret McBride Furni-
ture, Denise Champagne box-
es, Victor Quezada 1 bedroom,
boxes, small furniture, Karen
Metcaif household goods, Angel-
ique Dixon 1 Bedroom apt, Sable
Lewis Household items, Alijanee
Simon clothes, Anthony Obahli
James business items, Sable
Lewis Household items
This auction will be listed and
advertised on www.storage-trea-
sures.com. Purchases must be
made with cash only and paid
at the above referenced facility
in order to complete the transac-

tion. Extra Space Storage may
refuse any bid and may rescind
any purchase up until the win-
ning bidder takes possession of
the personal property.

3/17, 3/24/23
CNS-3676999# NEWS-LEDGER
DJ_999 3-24-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
CARMEN SINGH
CASE NO. PR2023-0033
To all heirs, beneficiaries, credi-
tors, and contingent creditors of
and persons who may be other-
wise interested in the will or es-
tate, or both, of Carmen Singh
deceased.
A Petition for Probate has been
filed by Andrianna C. Massena,
in the Superior Court of Califor-
nia, County of Yolo, requesting
Andrianna C. Massena be ap-
pointed as personal representa-
tive(s) to administer the estate of
the decedent.

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, howev-
er, the executor will be required
to give notice to interested per-
sons unless they have waived
notice or have consented to the
proposed action.) The indepen-
dent 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:
March 21, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in
Dept 11. Superior Court of Cal-
ifornia, County of Yolo, 1000
Main Street, Woodland, CA
95695.

IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-
ing of the petition, you should
appear at the hearing and state
your objections or file written ob-
jections 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 de-
ceased, 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 rep-
resentative, as defined in section
58(b) of the California Probate
Code, or (2) 60 days from the
date of mailing or personal de-
livery 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 Cal-
ifornia law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file
kept by the court. If you are in-
terested in the estate, you may
file with the court a Request for
Special Notice (form DE-154) of
the filing of an inventory and ap-
praisal 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 tele-
phone number of the Attorney for
Petitioner is: Benjamin H. Eagle-
ton, Esq., SBN: 316167, Eagle-
ton|Pottier, P.C., 5701 Lonetree
Boulevard, Suite 323, Rocklin,
CA 95765; 916/936-1973
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NOTICE OF ORDER
FOR PROBATE

NOTICE OF ORDER FOR
PROBATE TO ADMINISTER
ESTATE OF GAIL LYN BLUE
CASE NO. PR2023-0011

To all heirs, beneficiaries, credi-
tors, contingent creditors, and
persons who may otherwise be
interested in the will or estate, or
both, of Gail Lyn Blue
An Order for Probate has been
entered in the Superior Court of
California, County of Yolo, locat-
ed at 1000 Main Street, Wood-
land, CA 95695, as follows: Date
of hearing: March 2, 2023, Time:
9:00 a.m. Dept.: 11 Judge: Timo-
thy L. Fall

The Court finds: All notices re-
quired by law have been given.
Decedent died on December 30,
2022, a resident of the California
County named above. Decedent
died intestate.
The Court orders: Jason Blue is
appointed personal represen-
tative administrator and letters
shall issue on qualification. Full
authority is granted to administer
the estate under the Indepen-
dent Administration of Estates
Act. Bond is not required. Marlee
C. Anderson is appointed probate
referee.

If you are a creditor or a contin-
gent creditor of the decedent,
you must file your claim with the
court and mail a copy to the per-
sonal 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 representa-
tive, as defined in section 58(b)
of the California Probate Code,
or (2) 60 days from the date of
mailing or personal delivery to
you of a notice under section
9052 of the California Probate
Code.

Other California statutes and
legal authority may affect your
rights as a creditor. You may
want to consult with an attorney
knowledgeable in California law.
You may examine the file kept by
the court. If you are a personal
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 ap-

praisal of estate assets or of any
petition or account as provided
in Probate Code section 1250. A
Request for Special Notice form
is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for petitioner:
Soohyun King
Garafola King & McCardle LLP
7801 Folsom Blvd., Suite 109
Sacramento, CA 95826
916-794-3003
Publish March 10, 17 & 24, 2023
BLUE 3-24-23

TRUSTEE SALE

APN: 014-277-039-000
TS: 110129-CA NOTICE
OF DEFAULT AND
FORECLOSURE SALE
WHEREAS, on 9/18/2003, a
certain Mortgage Deed of Trust
was executed by GERTRUDE
NOVOA, AN UNMARRIED
WOMAN, AS HER
SEPARATE PROPERTY as
trustor in favor of FINANCIAL
FREEDOM SENIOR
FUNDING CORPORATION,
A SUBSIDIARY OF LEHMAN
BROTHERS BANK, FSB as
beneficiary, and was recorded
on 9/24/2003, as Instrument
No. 2003-0059131-00, in
the Office of the Recorder of
Yolo County, California; and
WHEREAS, the Mortgage
Deed of Trust was insured by
the United States Secretary
of Housing and Urban
Development (the Secretary)
pursuant to the National
Housing Act for the purpose
of providing single family
house; and WHEREAS,
the beneficial interest in the
Mortgage Deed of Trust is
now owned by the Secretary,
pursuant to an assignment
dated 8/11/2021, recorded
on 8/25/2021, as instrument
number 2021-0031943, in
the office of Yolo County,
California; and WHEREAS, a
default has been made in the
covenants and conditions of
the Mortgage Deed of Trust in
that the payment due upon the
death of the borrower(s) was
not made and remains wholly
unpaid as of the date of this
notice, and no payment has
been made sufficient to restore
the loan to currency; and
WHEREAS, the entire amount
delinquent as of 2/10/2023 is
\$275,804.37; and WHEREAS,
by virtue of this default, the
Secretary has declared
the entire amount of the in-
debtedness secured by the
Mortgage Deed of Trust to be
immediately due and payable;
NOW THEREFORE, pursuant
to powers vested in me by
the Single Family Mortgage
Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12
U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24
CFR part 27, subpart B, and
by the Secretary's designation
of me as Foreclosure
Commissioner, notice is
hereby given that on 3/23/2023
at 12:45 PM local time, all real
and personal property at or
used in connection with the
following described premises
("Property") will be sold at
public auction to the highest
bidder: Legal Description:
LOT 37, SILKHORN VILLAGE
NO. 5 ACCORDING TO THE
OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF,
FILED FOR RECORD IN THE
OFFICE OF THE RECORDER
OF YOLO COUNTY,
CALIFORNIA ON JANUARY
17, 1956, IN BOOK 5 OF
MAPS, AT PAGE 27. MORE
ACCURATELY DESCRIBED
AS: LOT 37, ELKHORN
VILLAGE NO. 5 ACCORDING
TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT
THEREOF, FILED FOR
RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF
THE RECORDER OF YOLO
COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
ON JANUARY 17, 1956,
IN BOOK 5 OF MAPS, AT
PAGE 27. Commonly known
as: 820 JULIAN DRIVE,
WEST SACRAMENTO, CA
95605 The sale will be held
at: OUTSIDE THE REAR
(NORTH) ENTRANCE TO
THE CITY HALL 1110 WEST
CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST
SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
Per the Secretary of Housing
and Urban Development, the
estimated opening bid will be
\$281,269.58. There will be
no proration of taxes, rents
or other income or liabilities,
except that the purchaser
will pay, at or before closing,
his pro rata share of any real
estate taxes that have been
paid by the Secretary to the
date of the foreclosure sale.
When making their bids,
the winning bidders with the
exception of the Secretary
must submit a deposit totaling
ten percent (10%) of the
Secretary's estimated bid
amount in the form of a certified
check or cashier's check made
payable to the undersigned
Foreclosure Commissioner.

Ten percent of the estimated
bid amount for this sale is
\$28,126.96. A deposit need
not accompany each oral bid.
If the successful bid is oral, a
deposit of \$28,126.96 must be
presented before the bidding
is closed. The deposit is
nonrefundable. The remainder
of the purchase price must be
delivered within 30 days of the
sale or at such other time as
the Secretary may determine
for good cause shown, time
being of the essence. This
amount, like the bid deposits,
must be delivered in the form
of a certified or cashier's
check. If the Secretary is the
highest bidder, he need not
pay the bid amount in cash.
The successful bidder will pay
all conveying fees, all real
estate and other taxes that
are due on or after the delivery
date of the remainder of the
payment and all other costs
associated with the transfer
of title. At the conclusion of
the sale, the deposits of the
unsuccessful bidders will
be returned to them. The
Secretary may grant an
extension of time within which
to deliver the remainder of the
payment. All extensions will be
for 15 day increments for a fee
of: \$500.00, paid in advance.
The extension fee shall be
in the form of a certified or
cashiers check made payable
to the Secretary of HUD. If the
high bidder closes the sale
prior to the expiration of any
extension period, the unused
portion of the extension fee
shall be applied toward the
amount due. If the high bidder
is unable to close the sale
within the required period, or
within any extensions of time
granted by the Secretary, the
high bidder may be required
to forfeit the cash deposit or,
at the election of the
Foreclosure Commissioner
after consultation with the
HUD representative, will be
liable to HUD for any costs
incurred as a result of such
failure. The Commissioner
may, at the direction of the
HUD representative, offer the
property to the second highest
bidder for an amount equal
to the highest price offered
by that bidder. There is no
right of redemption, or right
of possession based upon a right
of redemption, in the mortgagor
or others subsequent to
a foreclosure completed
pursuant to the Act. Therefore,
the Foreclosure Commissioner
will issue a Deed to the
purchaser(s) upon receipt of
the entire purchase price in
accordance with the terms of
the sale as provided herein.
HUD does not guarantee that
the property will be vacant.
The scheduled foreclosure
sale shall be cancelled or
adjourned if it is established,
by documented written
application of the mortgagor to
the Foreclosure Commissioner
not less than 3 days before
the date of sale, or otherwise,
that the default or defaults
upon which the foreclosure
is based did not exist at the
time of service of this notice
of default and foreclosure
sale, or all amounts due under
the mortgage agreement are
tendered to the Foreclosure
Commissioner, in the form of
a certified or cashier's check
payable to the Secretary of
HUD, before public auction
of the property is completed.
The amount that must be paid
if the Mortgage Deed of Trust
is to be reinstated prior to
the scheduled sale is based
on the nature of the breach,
this loan is not subject to
reinstatement. A total payoff
is required to cancel the
foreclosure sale or the breach
must be otherwise cured. A
description of the default is
as follows: FAILURE TO PAY
THE PRINCIPAL BALANCE
AND ANY OUTSTANDING
FEES, COSTS, AND
INTEREST WHICH BECAME
ALL DUE AND PAYABLE
BASED UPON THE DEATH
OF ALL MORTGAGORS.
Tender of payment by
certified or cashier's check or
application for cancellation of
the foreclosure sale shall be
submitted to the address of
the Foreclosure Commissioner
provided below. Date:
February 10, 2023 CLEAR
RECON CORP Foreclosure
Commissioner By: Hamsa
Uchi Title: Foreclosure
Supervisor 8880 Rio San
Diego Drive, Suite 725 San
Diego, California 92108
Phone: (858) 750-7777 Fax
No: (858) 412-2705
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Notice of Public Comment Period for the 2023 Draft Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant Program

The City of West Sacramento draft Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) fiscal year 2023 Annual Action Plan will be available for a 30-day public review and comment period from March 17, 2023, through April 17, 2023, online at:

<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/residents/housing/community-development-block-grant>

The City of West Sacramento receives an annual allocation of CDBG funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). CDBG funds must be used for projects that meet at least one of the three CDBG national objectives: 1) benefitting low- and moderate-income households or neighborhoods; 2) addressing slums or blight conditions; or 3) addressing an urgent need such as flood or earthquake damage. As a condition of the CDBG funds, the City is required to develop a Five-Year Consolidated Plan that contains the City's strategy for the use of CDBG funds. Additionally, the City must develop an Annual Action Plan outlining how CDBG funds will be used to meet goals set in the Consolidated Plan. The Five-Year Consolidated Plan covers the period of July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2026, and was approved by the City Council on April 21, 2021. The draft 2023 Annual Action Plan covers the third year of the five-year planning period.

HUD announced that the City of West Sacramento will receive the CDBG allocation of \$518,743 for fiscal year 2023. Additional resources for the 2023 Action Plan will include \$80,000 in anticipated program income. Any increase or decrease in the 2023 allocation amount will be reflected in the proposed activity associated with Consolidated Plan Goal #3: Construct infrastructure improvements in low-income neighborhoods. The proposed CDBG activities for the 2023 Annual Action Plan do not include programs or projects that displace persons from their homes, businesses, or farms.

Recommended goals and amounts for the 2023 CDBG Annual Action Plan will be as follows:

- Consolidated Plan Goal #1: Address the supportive services needs of persons experiencing homelessness and those at risk of homelessness. (\$78,995);
- Consolidated Plan Goal #3: Construct infrastructure improvements in low-income neighborhoods (\$400,000);
- General administration and planning expenses shall not exceed 20% of the HUD allocation plus program income. (\$119,748).

Written comments may be submitted to the following address no later than 5 p.m. on April 17, 2023: Isaah Alford, Economic Development and Housing, City of West Sacramento, 1110 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691. Comments also may be submitted through email to Isaah Alford at isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org.

Additional CDBG Information may be obtained by contacting Isaah Alford, Community Investment Specialist, at isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org or at 916-617-4555. Technical assistance is available to groups representing low-income residents that are interested in learning about CDBG funding for programs or projects. Questions or comments may be directed to Isaah Alford at isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org or at 916-617-4555.

The City of West Sacramento promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to low- and moderate-income households regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status or disability.

Aviso de Período de Comentarios Públicos para el Borrador del Plan de Acción Anual 2023 para el Programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario

El borrador del Plan de Acción Anual de la Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG, por sus siglas en inglés) de la Ciudad de West Sacramento para el año fiscal 2023 estará disponible en línea para una revisión pública y un período de comentarios de 30 días desde el 17 de marzo de 2023 hasta el 17 de abril de 2023, en el siguiente enlace:

<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/residents/housing/community-development-block-grant>

La Ciudad de West Sacramento recibe una asignación anual de fondos CDBG del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés). Los fondos del CDBG deben utilizarse para proyectos que cumplan al menos uno de los tres objetivos nacionales del CDBG: 1) beneficiar a hogares o vecindarios de ingresos bajos y moderados; 2) abordar las condiciones de tugurios o plagas; o 3) abordar una necesidad urgente, como daños por inundaciones o terremotos. Como condición de los fondos de CDBG, se requiere que la Ciudad desarrolle un Plan Consolidado de Cinco Años que contenga la estrategia de la Ciudad para el uso de los fondos de CDBG. Además, la Ciudad debe desarrollar un Plan de Acción Anual que describa cómo se utilizarán los fondos de CDBG para cumplir con las metas establecidas en el Plan Consolidado. El Plan Consolidado de Cinco Años cubre el período del 1 de julio de 2021 al 30 de junio de 2026 y fue aprobado por el Concejo Municipal el 21 de abril de 2021. El proyecto de Plan de Acción Anual 2023 abarca el tercer año del período quinquenal de planificación.

HUD anunció que la Ciudad de West Sacramento recibirá la asignación de CDBG de \$518,743 para el año fiscal 2023. Los recursos adicionales para el Plan de Acción 2023 incluirán \$80,000 en ingresos anticipados del programa. Cualquier aumento o disminución en el monto de asignación para 2023 se reflejará en la actividad propuesta asociada con el Objetivo # 3 del Plan Consolidado: Construir mejoras de infraestructura en vecindarios de bajos ingresos. Las actividades propuestas por CDBG para el Plan de Acción Anual 2023 no incluyen programas o proyectos que desplacen a las personas de sus hogares, negocios o granjas.

Los objetivos y montos recomendados para el Plan de Acción Anual 2023 CDBG serán los siguientes:

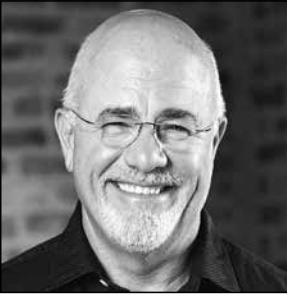
- Objetivo # 1 del Plan Consolidado: Abordar las necesidades de servicios de apoyo de las personas sin hogar y las que corren el riesgo de quedarse sin hogar. (\$78,995);
- Objetivo #3 del Plan Consolidado: Construir mejoras de infraestructura en vecindarios de bajos ingresos (\$400,000);
- Los gastos generales de administración y planificación no excederán el 20% de la asignación de HUD más los ingresos del programa. (\$119,748).

Los comentarios por escrito pueden enviarse a la siguiente dirección a más tardar a las 5 p.m. del 17 de abril de 2023: Isaah Alford, Desarrollo Económico y Vivienda, Ciudad de West Sacramento, 1110 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento, CA 95691. Los comentarios también pueden enviarse por correo electrónico a Isaah Alford a isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org.

Se puede obtener información adicional de CDBG comunicándose con Isaah Alford, Especialista en Inversiones Comunitarias, a isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org o al 916-617-4555. La asistencia técnica está disponible para grupos que representan a residentes de bajos ingresos que estén interesados en aprender sobre el financiamiento de CDBG para programas o proyectos. Las preguntas o comentarios pueden dirigirse a Isaah Alford a isaaha@cityofwestsacramento.org o al 916-617-4555.

La Ciudad de West Sacramento promueve la vivienda justa y pone todos los programas a disposición de los hogares de ingresos bajos y moderados, independientemente de su edad, raza, color, religión, sexo, origen nacional, preferencia sexual, estado civil o discapacidad.

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Sometimes Helping Means More Than Just Giving

Dear Dave,

How do you handle a situation where someone needs financial help, but has mis-spent money you've given them in the past? My wife and I have been trying to help a young man we recently met. He told us he was trying to get his life together after a divorce and job loss, and he just needed a little money for groceries and household items. He has asked us a couple of times since for more money, but we discovered he was buying alcohol with most of the cash we gave him. We learned from friends what he said about losing his job and being divorced was true, but we are unsure what to do next.

— Andrew

Dave Ramsey Says

Dear Andrew,

This young man's problem sounds as much like a mismanagement of money as it is a lack of money. He seems to have an issue with lying, and possibly an addiction problem, too.

I've never been against helping people who have good hearts and just need a break. But if someone is bold enough to ask for your money, you have every right to attach requirements to the help you give—especially when it's for their own good. If he really needs food or household things, you can just buy them for him. At least that way, you'd know you were providing necessities.

But in many cases, truly helping someone is a lot more work than just giving them money. Sometimes, you have to get down in their mess, get real with them and walk with them. If you haven't been put off by what has already happened, and you still really want to help, I'd suggest getting to know this young man and his situation a little better. Be straight with him, and let him know you've learned he hasn't been honest with you in the past. Hopefully, as a result he'll apologize and start making better choices. If he does, you might even offer to arrange for him to talk to a good pastor or counselor.

This whole situation is much bigger than helping someone with a little cash. This guy needs someone who cares enough to help him get his life back together.

— Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling 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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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's ProcureNow system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento> until **2:00 p.m. local time on Wednesday, April 12, 2023**, at which time and place results will be posted and available for public review for the:

FIRE STATION 45 IMPROVEMENTS

The proposed work consists of City street construction and modification, traffic signal modifications, street light construction, underground joint trench utility and drainage system construction, Caltrans freeway ramp modifications, pavement marking and striping, roadway signage, and other ancillary work.

The Contractor shall provide labor, materials, tools, equipment, and incidentals, and shall perform all work necessary to deliver a completed, workmanlike project ready for safe public use and economical maintenance by City forces.

Engineer's Estimate: The Engineer's Estimate for the proposed improvements is **\$200,000**.

Pre-Bid Meeting: A onsite at 2040 Lake Washington Blvd, West Sacramento Pre-bid meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March 21st, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. This is a mandatory pre-bid walk.**

- Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed within **Ninety (90) working days** from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.
- Obtaining Contract Documents:** Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the City's ProcureNow link at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>.
- Questions:** Project-specific questions must be submitted through the City's ProcureNow link at <https://secure.procurenw.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder questions through the ProcureNow system. The cutoff date for submittal of questions is **Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. local time.**
- Submission of Proposals:** Sealed proposals will be received and submitted **electronically** through the City's ProcureNow system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento> until **2:00 p.m. local time on Wednesday, April 12, 2023**, at which time and place results will be posted and available for public review for the:

Each Bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be submitted through the City's ProcureNow system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>.
- Bid Security:** Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or Bid bond executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento.

Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code section 22300, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.
- Construction License:** Bidder must possess a current Class "B" General issued by the State of California at the time the bid is submitted.
- Contractor Registration:** All Bidders, and Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must have registered with the California State Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 prior to submitting a bid. Furthermore, a Contractor, and all Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must be registered pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 before entering into a contract to work on a public project.
- Preconstruction Conference:** A preconstruction conference will be convened after the Contractor has delivered the necessary bonds, insurance certificates, and signed agreement in proper form as required in the invitation to bid, Bid proposal, and general conditions of these specifications. Prior to any work, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of key personnel assigned to the project and the telephone numbers where they may be reached at any time. The list shall be made available in sufficient copies and presented at the preconstruction conference.
- Award:** The award shall be made to the lowest responsible Bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of the Contract will be made by the West Sacramento City Council, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after it has received the Contract from the City. The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.
- Rejection of Bids:** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive immaterial irregularities in any bid. Any Bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.
- Disqualification of Bidder:** If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any Bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.
- Relief of Bidder:** Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code section 5101 and the following, concerning relief of Bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the Bidder claims a mistake was made in its bid, the Bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.
- Wage Rates:** Bidders are hereby notified that the California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work. Copies of the current schedules for prevailing wages are on file in the City's office, and the contents of those schedules are included herein as if set forth in full.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any Subcontractor under it to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.
- Bonds:** The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price.

By: Christopher Dority
NAME, Project Manager

Date: March 8, 2023

West Sac News Ledger 3-17 and 3-24-2023

Letter to the Editor

It’s Just Plain Wrong - Resolution 22-140 Brown Act Violation

Dear Council Members,

This letter is to call your attention to what I believe was a substantial violation of a central provision of the Ralph M. Brown Act, one which may jeopardize the finality of the action taken by resolution during the November’s city council meeting.

In its meeting of October 19, 2022, the West Sacramento City Council took action on item 23E Future Agenda Items Requests by Council by proposing recognition of the former mayor. The recognition discussion inferred a Certificate of Recognition of some sort. At the November 16, 2022 city council meeting Resolution 22-140 was passed without public consideration or participation, whereby the Tower Bridge Gateway was renamed in honor of the living former mayor in violation of a city ordinance. In so doing, the the council city took “action” as defined in Govt. Code 54952.6 because:

A majority of the members took an actual vote when sitting as a body or entity, upon a motion, proposal, resolution, order or ordinance.

The action violated the Brown Act because:

It was taken on a matter that was not properly described in the agenda for the open meeting at which the action was taken, and none of the exceptions specified in Gov. Code § 54954.2(b) was satisfied.

As you are aware, the Brown Act creates specific agenda obligations for notifying the public with a “brief description” of each item to be discussed or acted upon, and also creates a legal remedy for illegally taken actions — namely, the judicial

invalidation of them upon proper findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Pursuant to that provision (Government Code Section 54960.1), I/We demand that the West Sacramento City Council cure and correct the illegally taken action as follows: Hold public meetings as required to discuss the renaming of Tower Bridge Gateway so as to provide the public the awareness and opportunity to comment (of which it was deprived on October and November 2022); the formal and explicit withdrawal of the resolution that was passed November 2022 which renamed the street. Provide required proper notice of the proposal to rename the street, allow for public comment and review of all documents in the possession of the city council related to the resolution passed, with copies available to the public on request at city hall and also at the meeting at which reconsideration of the matter is to occur.

As provided by Section 54960.1, you have 30 days from the receipt of this demand to either cure or correct the challenged action or inform me of your decision not to do so. If you fail to cure or correct as demanded, such inaction may leave me with no recourse but to seek a judicial invalidation of the challenged action pursuant to Section 54960.1, in which case I would also ask the court to order you to pay my court costs and reasonable attorney fees in this matter, pursuant to Section 54960.5.

Respectfully yours,
Maria Grijalva
Latino Information & Resource Ctr
West Sacramento, CA USA

Record Winter Storms Could Spawn Disastrous Floods



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

The winter of 2022-23 will go into the meteorological record books for one of the heaviest – if not, the heaviest – precipitation ever experienced in California.

California has been buffeted for more than two months by a seemingly non-stop series of storms rolling in from the Pacific, soaking virtually every corner of the state. Their most unusual aspect has been the huge snowfall in Southern California mountains, where hundreds of people remain trapped in resort communities.

Overall, California’s snowpack is approaching 200% its average for this point of the season.

“This snowpack actually rivals 1982-83, which is the largest snowpack on record,” Sean de Guzman, who manages snowpack measurement for the state Department of Water Resources, said Friday after his crew conducted a survey near Echo Summit (7,377 feet elevation) in El Dorado County.

The record will likely be broken because meteorologists are forecasting storms for weeks to come.

While the wet and snowy winter has provided welcome relief from several years of drought, there’s a

potential downside: major flooding if warm tropical storms drop huge amounts of water and suddenly melt the snowpack. Such juxtapositions of meteorological conditions can overwhelm the carrying capacity of the rivers and the dams that are supposed to control river flows.

“I hope I’m wrong, but I’m afraid people celebrating the great snows in the Sierra Nevada are seriously underestimating the risk of spring flooding in California, including reservoir operators and state and federal water managers,” Peter Gleick, one of the state’s foremost experts on water, tweeted on Saturday.

Not only could it happen this year, but it could happen in the San Joaquin Valley this week, the National Weather Service warned in a bulletin issued early Monday morning, citing a warm storm that will hit the region beginning Thursday.

“An abundance of sub-tropical moisture will move inland over Central California along the southern periphery of this storm system Thursday night through Friday night,” the NWS said, adding that “heavy rainfall and the mild air mass will result in rapid snow melt in areas that have received several feet of snow in the past few weeks.

“The combination of heavy rainfall and rapid snow melt will cause water levels to rise on area rivers and streams Thursday night through Saturday. Persons living near rivers and streams should closely monitor water levels and be ready to move to higher ground if the

threat of flooding becomes imminent.”

Northern California is not likely to feel the impacts of this week’s subtropical storm, although it will see additional rain and snow. Whether the immense snowpack evolves from friend to foe depends not only on the pattern of precipitation in the next few months, but on the ability of dams and reservoirs to absorb its runoff and the integrity of river levees.

Sacramento, the state capital that lies at the juncture of two major rivers, the Sacramento and the American, is especially threatened if the “killer flood” scenario becomes reality.

An immense bypass channel protects the city from the Sacramento River – as long as its levees are not breached – but the American River is problematic. Its major control facility, Folsom Dam/Folsom Lake, is generally regarded as too small to handle a major surge of melting snow.

The American’s levees are being strengthened, but the work is not complete. Folsom Dam’s outflow capacity has been expanded by a new spillway. The new works will likely be tested when the massive American River watershed releases its huge snowpack as winter turns to spring and then summer.

Maybe Sacramentans should cross their fingers.

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

Visa, Mastercard Pause Implementation of New Code to Track Gun Purchases

By Zachary Stieber, Epoch Times
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Visa and Mastercard confirmed on March 9 that they’re pausing the implementation of a new merchant category code (MCC) that will help track cardholders’ purchases at gun stores.

The pause stems from legislation advancing in several states that would restrict the use of the new code, and complicate matters, Visa said.

“There is now significant confusion and legal uncertainty in the payments ecosystem, and the state actions disrupt the intent of global standards. Accordingly, Visa is pausing implementation of the MCC,” a spokesperson told The Epoch Times via email.

Mastercard said that the bills would cause “inconsistency” in how the code could be used.

“It’s for that reason that we have decided to pause work on the implementation of the firearms-specific MCC,” a spokesperson said.

Discover, which planned to start the tracking in April, said in an emailed statement that it’s removing the new MCC from its next network update planned for April, in order “to continue alignment and interoperability with the industry.”

State officials celebrated the development.

“This is a clear victory for consumers and Americans’ civil liberties,” Riley Moore, West Virginia’s state treasurer and a Republican, said in a statement. “The implementation of this new merchant category code would have created a backdoor national gun registry that could be used by the radical gun control lobby to undermine Americans’ Second Amendment rights.”

Sen. Kevin Cramer (R-N.D.) added, “I’ve led efforts pushing back on attempts to block legal transactions and tracking gun purchases. Law-abiding gun owners should not be discriminated against.”

The companies “shouldn’t just ‘pause’ their implementation of this plan – they should end it definitively,” said Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen, a Republican.

Code Approved

The code was approved by the International Organization for Standardization in 2022. In addition to Mastercard and Visa, American Express and Discover stated that they would be

implementing the code.

A representative for American Express, the third-largest payments network, didn’t immediately comment on March 9.

States have taken action. For example, West Virginia legislators introduced legislation in January that would ban credit card companies from collecting or disclosing data on firearm purchases. Officials in Florida, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas also have crafted bills that would ban or restrict companies from utilizing the code.

A proposal by Mississippi state Rep. Jansen Owen, a Republican, would bar payment-processing companies from “[requiring] the usage of or [assigning] a firearms or ammunition merchant category code to any merchant located in Mississippi that is a seller of firearms or ammunition separately from general merchandise retailers or sporting goods retailers.”

The legislation specifically refers to the new code, stating that it’s a means “to conduct mass surveillance of constitutionally protected firearms and ammunition purchases.”

“The Second Amendment Financial Privacy Act seeks to prevent credit card companies from unfairly and negatively targeting legal gun and ammo purchases,” Owen said after the state House of Representatives approved the legislation in February.

Visa had previously said that it would implement the code.

“Visa will proceed with next steps, while ensuring we protect all legal commerce on the Visa network in accordance with our long-standing rules,” a spokesperson said in September 2022.


While all the top payment networks had said they would adopt the new code, however only the smallest, Discover, had set a public timetable for April, and said it was only following the lead of others.

Nearly half of the state attorneys general in the country urged the credit card companies not to implement the code, asserting that the information obtained would be misused, whether unintentionally or deliberately.

However, Democrat officials had expressed support for the move, claiming that it would help prevent mass shootings.

“If someone is buying more guns and ammunition than legally allowed, law enforcement needs to know,” said Washington, D.C., Attorney General Karl Racine, a Democrat. ★

Reuters contributed to this report.



FOR THE LOVE OF
BOOKS
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Flowerheart
by Catherine Bakewell

Claire’s magic has always danced on the edge of unruly, like a wildflower. Her magic often did as it pleased, causing flowers to bloom everywhere. Any feeling Claire had instantly sprung up in flowers, often in her hair: pink camellias for lasting affection, white carnations for luck, gladiolas for courage.

Then one day, Claire’s magic leaped uncontrollably from her fingers, causing her dad’s chest to fill and bloom with poisonous flowers. The only cure was a powerful blessing requiring skillful concentration and control, which Claire’s magic didn’t have. Now, the only hope for saving her father was to seek help from her childhood friend and Council member, Xavier. However, great magic comes at a price, and in order for Xavier to be willing to help, Claire must be willing to sacrifice the one thing that makes her who she is, magic. With her father’s life on the line, Claire doesn’t see any other option and quickly strikes a deal.

But all magical trades come at a price, and



- ◆ Publisher: Harper Teen
- ◆ Intended Audience: Young Adult
- ◆ Rating: ★★★★★
- ◆ Release Date: March 14, 2023

quickly Claire learns that there is so much more to this promise than meets the eye. Now, thrust into a magical world that she feels unready for; Claire must wade through truth, lies, deceit, and childhood feelings in order to save her father and quite possibly the Queendom as well.

In a story of magic, self-discovery, and a bounty of flowers, *Flowerheart* captures the hearts of readers with its cottage core aesthetic, endearing characters, and wholesome storyline. Catherine Bakewell takes the beauty of flowers and

their meanings and weaves them into a magical tale. Readers will instantly fall for the main character, whose magic is chaotic, wild, and unsure, struggling with an inner monologue that sets in doubt and fear. While she sets on a journey to uncover the truth about the quiet, elusive boy, whose had her heart since they were children.

This book highlights the journey of self-discovery and learning the inner power you possess when you believe in yourself. *Flowerheart* is the perfect coming-of-age read, touching on many valuable life lessons and consequences of actions. The cottage core feel of this story combined with magic and florals also allows this book to be deeply enjoyed with a cup of tea while being read in the garden. The only thing this story is missing is bountiful blooms springing from the pages. Perfectly suited for the younger side of young adult readers, as well as for anyone who wants a quick, charming standalone read just in time for Spring. ★

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The Spats

HAROLD, YOU'RE GETTING FAT!!

I AM NOT GETTING FAT.

YOU'RE NOT??

NO, I'M GETTING EASIER TO SEE.

by Jeff Pickering

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY KENNY MCKINLAND

OLIVE, DO YOU WANNA BORROW SOMETHING GREEN FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY?

I KNOW HOW MAD YOU GET WHEN PEOPLE TRY TO PINCH YOU.

NOW I GOT IT COVERED!

YOU'RE SPOSED TO WEAR SOMETHING GREEN, NOT CARRY IT.

THAT'S WHAT THE SHEATH IS FOR!

C'MON BRUTUS! WE'RE CATCHING A LEPRECHAUN!

YOU CAN'T SAY STUFF LIKE THAT AND STILL MAKE FUN OF ME.

I HEARD POPEYE SAY HE'S GOT ONE CORNERED!

HE REALLY SAID IT WAS A LEPRECHAUN?

WELL, HE CALLED IT A "LEPPER CON!" BUT YOU KNOW HOW HE TALKS.

THERE'S THE RUNT. ABOUT TO CLAIM MY LEPRECHAUN GOLD!

IT'S DEFINITELY IN THERE. NOW HOW DOES I GITSK IT OUT?

Amber Waves

THE SNOW IS MELTING. SPRING IS DEFINITELY ON THE WAY.

NO MORE SLEDDING OR ICE SKATING. GEEZ, NO MORE SNOWBALL FIGHTS EITHER!

OK MOTHER NATURE, BRING ON THAT WARM WEATHER! TIME FOR SWIMMING AND BASEBALL!

OK, I GET IT. YOU'RE TAKING A "RAIN CHECK", VERY FUNNY.

by Dave T. Phipps

YOU DON'T! I DO!

YA DONTSK WANNA DO THIS.

GIMME VER GOLD YA—

OH, "LEPPARD-CON!" NOW I GET IT.

WHEN DO YOU GET YOUR GOLD?

BRUTUS, IF YOU WERE ANYMORE WITLESS YOU'D BE ONE OF YOUR BROTHER'S SCHEMES.

DO WHAT? BECOME UNFATHOMABLY RICH?!

Out on a Limb

WHAT IF INSTEAD OF MONOPOLY, WE PLAY CONNECT FOUR?

SURE.

FINE.

WHATEVER...

OWEN VAN OWEN, GAMECHANGER

by Gary Kopervas

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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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TIGER

HEY, HUGO!

HAVE YOU GOT THAT QUARTER YOU OWME ME?

NO, I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU LATER

YOU SAID YOU'D BRING IT TODAY!

I FORGOT!

YOU GONNA REMEMBER NEXT TIME?

YUP

YOU GOTTA STOP BEING SO FORGETFUL

by BUD BLAKE

GRIN and BEAR IT

TONIGHT SIR, MONEY IS NO OBJECT! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SAY THAT...OK, BACK TO REALITY. WHAT ARE YOUR SPECIALS?

“Who wants to be a millionaire?”

by Dave T. Phipps

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by BUD BLAKE

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CLUES

ACROSS

1. Necktie alternative

6. Finish line

9. Show of appreciation

13. Biotic community

14. Hula dancer's necklace

15. House duty

16. Sofia Costanza Brigida Villani Scicolone's stage last name

17. International distress signal

18. Hogwarts professor, part werewolf

19. "Avengers: _____," second-highest grossing movie of all time

21. *Annexed Black Sea peninsula

23. Santa _____, Orange County

24. Multicolored horse

25. *Rand Paul's title, abbr.

28. Youngster

30. *Type of spinner popular in the late 2010s

35. Between duet and quartet

37. Newspaper piece

39. Pope's court

40. Bohemian

41. *Tonya and Harley Quinn to Margot Robbie, e.g.

43. *Like Millie Bobby Brown and friends in "Stranger Things"

44. Prows

46. Vaulting prop

47. Fencer's blade

48. *Animated story of Elsa and Anna

50. Greek salad ingredient

52. Make #26 Down

53. Look through a book

55. Good times

57. *Global surveillance whistle-blower

61. *Swedish audio streamer

65. BBQ spot

66. Words at the altar (2 words)

68. Beneficiary

69. Anti-seniors sentiment

70. Ides mo.

71. Bone hollow

72. Prepare potatoes

73. Tide's backward flow

74. City in France

DOWN

1. Having the means

2. Land of Israel

3. *_____cutting, broadcast TV phenomenon

4. Opposite of alpha

5. Not owner

6. Something _____

7. Opposite of paleo

8. "Saturday Night Fever" music

9. Pal

10. Between trot and gallop

11. Operatic solo

12. Actor Sean

15. Healthcare facility

20. *Bill de Blasio, e.g.

22. England's airforce

24. Recite rapidly (2 words)

25. Walking stick

26. Flinging mistake

27. Part of TNT

29. *BTS' genre

31. *Home to Blue Devils, 2015 NCAA winners

32. Complain

33. Downy duck

34. Policeman's shocker

36. Court of law opener

38. Mark for omission

42. Frame job

45. Not often

49. *Amal Clooney _____

51. Naturally footless

54. Japanese cartoon art

56. Expressionless

57. Junk e-mail

58. Hindu serpent deity

59. Singer-songwriter Redding

60. Item on Santa's list

61. Acidic kind of apple

62. A fan of

63. *Plant in Zach Galifianakis' 2019 movie

64. Those not opposed

67. *Popular meme move

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Giving Golden Retrievers a Second Chance

By Judy Andrews

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - There is a great non-profit in our region that is bringing a lot of “gold” to the community. The organization is NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue and their mission is to rescue and place adoptable Golden Retrievers into loving homes.

As the privileged pet owner of a 13-year-old rescue, this author was personally thrilled to take on this writing assignment to help bring visibility to the non-profit and to a local Golden lovers group doing good in the community.

The first thing to know about NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue (NGRR) is they do not have a central facility for sheltering dogs. Instead, they rely on an extensive team of well-networked volunteers to help keep everything running smoothly.

NGRR services Northern California to the Lake Tahoe/Reno region and to Fresno and San Luis Obispo Counties. Skilled volunteers are always wanted to support the organization in a variety of roles – from hands-on operations to professional services.

Fostering is at the heart of this rescue where volunteers open up their homes to surrendered Golden Retrievers needing a safe temporary environment. Upon intake, dogs receive a veterinary exam, vaccinations, and are spayed and neutered if needed. NGRR covers all medical expenses while a dog is in foster care.

The non-profit relies on contributions and their online store (www.ngrr.org) to help defray costs.

For the Love of the Breed
Robin Gostovich is NGRR’s Outreach and Special Events Coordinator for the Sacramento and surrounding areas. “Some 400 dogs a year are given a second chance when they find NORCAL Golden Retriever Rescue,” she reports. “We’re always looking



Robin Gostovich and her Golden Retrievers Donne, Quincy, and Hero hang out at the park. Photo by Judy Andrews

for compassionate dog lovers to help out.”

As a long-time owner of Golden Retrievers and a Fair Oaks resident, Robin got involved with the organization eight years ago when one of her daughters found a dog online. Their new dog, Simon, became the first of many Golden Retrievers the family adopted or fostered through NGRR.

Robin has fostered at least 20 dogs. “It’s not hard to give one up when you know it’s going to the right home. Yeah, you may cry when that time comes, but you do what’s best for the dog. It’s always about the dog!”

She is a huge advocate for Golden Retrievers and for NGRR – two topics she loves to talk about. “I just want people to know about this amazing breed and what a great job NGRR does for their dogs.”

Robin and her husband, Mark, now have three Golden Retrievers at home:



LogOff Brewing Owner Matt Rise collects donated dog food for Norcal Golden Lovers Sac. Photo courtesy of Growing Past Today.

12-year old Quincy, 10-year old Donne, and 6-year old Hero. Robin likes to say, “Golden Retrievers are like potato chips, you can’t have just one!”

A Group for Golden Lovers
Community outreach is an important part of what Robin does. “Everyone loves to meet our Golden Retrievers. The dogs open up so many doors leading to people and organizations who look to us

for support.”

Robin is also the founder of a Northern California group called Norcal Golden Lovers Sac. “It’s through this group and partnerships that we’re able to give back to the community.”

The group hosts fundraisers and accepts donated pet supplies and food for two local non-profits: Growing Past Today and Jake’s Journey. They also donate dog

food to the Orangevale-Fair Oaks Food Bank.

Matt Rise owns LogOff Brewing in Rancho Cordova where Robin often hosts fundraisers and social events through Norcal Golden Lovers Sac. He enjoys supporting their activities by bringing visibility to their causes and has even placed a permanent doggy donation bin inside the brewery.

“At LogOff Brewing we love dogs! It’s satisfying to know how much community good has come out of our partnership with Robin and all the volunteer work she does on behalf of NGRR and Norcal Golden Lovers Sac.”

Matt is hosting Barks and Brews on March 26 from 2-6 p.m. “It’s a fun dog-themed event at the brewery benefiting Front Street Animal Shelter. Come meet the vendors and enjoy live music and food,” he says. “Norcal Golden Lovers Sac will be on-hand to accept donations of bagged dog food, leashes, and dog toys for the non-profits they support.”

Meetups and Playdates
Members of Norcal Golden Lovers Sac also team up for fun events, meetups, and playdates with their Golden Retrievers. Robin spearheads a local social Meetup site of 783 members to help spread good will in the community and have some fun, too! The meetups are open to all Golden Retriever owners.

“These dogs make great ambassadors. We are simply Golden Retrievers doing good in the community while enjoying our pups!”

Join ‘Norcal Golden Lovers Sac’ on Facebook and start connecting with other members.

Plus, join their Meetup site and view upcoming events: www.meetup.com/norcalgoldenloverssac/

If you’d like more information on Norcal Golden Retriever Rescue, please visit their website: www.NGRR.org. ★

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