

## Local Scene

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# RCHS senior Jaylen Crim signs letter of intent to play soccer at St. Mary's



Kiarah Smith

Senior, Jaylen Crim takes a break from soccer conditioning to be acknowledged for her receiving a full ride scholarship to play soccer at St. Mary's College.

By Monica Stark  
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Out of a somewhat reserved River City High School senior, Jaylen Crim, come extreme talent and force on the soccer field. Last week the varsity soccer forward signed off for St. Mary's where she's given a full ride scholarship to continue improving her game. "She definitely will be missed when she's gone. She helped the program take a turn," head coach Kamal Singh said. "Since I've been here, she's the first D1 scholar (the team has had)."

A member of the varsity team since she was a freshman, Jaylen has gotten the team to win more and more. "This is my 11<sup>th</sup> year at River City and the last five years started turning around once Jaylen and her crew came, her and four other girls, they definitely had a huge impact on the program" the coach added.

A very humble player with undecieving speed, it's as though Jaylen possesses an extra gear, Singh says. "She can turn on that gear whenever she wants to ... Over the years she scored some great goals. She's won some games with her athletic ability for us. She's a team player. She loves being a part of this team."

One such game Jaylen describes as a highlight for her time thus far at River City was against Woodland High School last year when in the last three minutes she scored two goals, making the score 3-0. "They're our biggest rivals," she says.

In conditioning now for River City, Jaylen hopes to lead the team further than ever in the playoffs and she hopes to make the All City List. "I made it last year; to make it again would be good," she said.

Having played club soccer for Sacramento United, which practices at Granite Park in Sacramento, since she was 8 years old, Jaylen has traveled all around California. "I played the majority of my games with them. I found a lot of coaches help me," she said.

Excited to attend St. Mary's and study kinesiology and eventually practice physical therapy, she said she likes the smaller feel of the college. "I went on my official visit in October and met all players coming in and with the ones that are there and we got to bond a little."

At the sport since she was just 3 years old (4 years old on a team), Jaylen said her parents have been her primary inspiration. "They inspire me to do my best. When I was younger, they always wanted me to practice playing soccer."

## Washington Unified Kick Starts New Dual Language Immersion Program

The Washington Unified School District (WUSD) announced the launch of a new Dual Language Immersion Program in English and Spanish next school year to help students develop strong skills and proficiency in both their native language and English.

"Fluency in multiple languages is a phenomenal asset to our students," Linda C. Luna, WUSD Superintendent. "The program will work to strengthen our students' cognitive abilities while broadening their academic and global understanding—better preparing them for success outside the classroom."

Dual language immersion programs utilize two languages to teach academic content in the classroom. The programs provide the same academic content and address the same standards as other educational programs while incorporating two languages over an extended period of time, from kindergarten through grade eight.

Students participating in dual immersion have a unique opportunity to develop high levels of language proficiency and literacy in both program languages,

es, to demonstrate high levels of academic achievement, and to develop an appreciation for and an understanding of diverse cultures. Students will have the opportunity to receive a State Seal of Bilingualism on their high school diploma recognizing that they have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing one or more languages in addition to English.

The program will begin at Elkhorn Village Elementary School in August 2016 with Kindergarten students, adding a new grade every subsequent year. Families interested in enrolling children should complete the Dual Immersion Application Form and Student Registration Form. Both forms may be obtained and submitted at your school office on the WUSD Registration Day: Saturday, February 27, 2016.

Find out more about the Dual Language Immersion Program at an upcoming information sessions:

### Session 3

Wednesday, Feb. 17 at 6:30 p.m. at Elkhorn Village Elementary School (Cafeteria), 750 Cummins Way, West Sacramento.

## West Sacramento's Homeless Strategy: 2013 Homeless Action Plan Update

By Bia Riaz  
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Although the city of West Sacramento is a member of the Yolo County Homeless Coalition and participates in implementation of the Ten-Year Plan to end homelessness across the county, around 2010 the city noted a marked rise in citizen complaints and concerns related to homelessness issues and realized a specific plan to address the unique needs of our city needed to be created. Through a Community Development Block Grant, the city worked with community stakeholders, concerned citizens, service providers and other partners to develop the 2013 Homeless Update on Oct. 16, 2013.

The goal of the 2013 study was to analyze and determine the most effective way how to use the city's limited resources and "provide a compassionate response to inner-city homelessness, while providing the community with a sense of safety and security, while encouraging respect for all residents." The 2013 study helped the city develop an informed homeless policy based on the guiding principles of respect, sustainability, accountability and cooperation. The report details each city department's roles and responsibilities for addressing homelessness.

As a result of the research and work of the 2013 Homeless Update, the city developed the 2013 Homeless Action Plan on Nov. 6, 2013. The Action Plan is based on the principles from the 2013 Homeless Update, and focuses on: enhancing public safety; improving communication between the city, county and other stakeholders; expanding resources available to combat homelessness; and developing effective delivery systems for services.

*"The intent of this Action Plan is to reduce the number of persons experiencing homelessness in West Sacramento and to minimize the negative impacts of homelessness on those who are experiencing it directly and on the community at large."*

— West Sacramento Homeless Action Plan, Page 2

The Action Plan contains 24 Recommended Actions which include:

Enhancing Public Safety Activities  
Improving Communication/Coordination between the City, County and Stakeholders  
Resources Actions "Neighborhood Court" Program

Developing an effective delivery system for services to homeless persons and families  
Homeless Action Plan also contains an implementation schedule in Appendix A

Both documents are available on the city's Community Development Page under the heading of Homeless Strategy: [https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/city/depts/comdev/hci/housing\\_policies\\_and\\_studies/hmlsstrat.asp](https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/city/depts/comdev/hci/housing_policies_and_studies/hmlsstrat.asp)

The News-Ledger recently reached out to Aaron Laurel, Economic Development and Housing Director for the City of West Sacramento to inquire about the status of the implementation of the recommended actions.

According to Laurel, in the 18 months since the creation of the Homeless Action Plan, all of the 24 Recommended Actions have been implemented. Most importantly, the city now has a dedicated Homeless Coordinator, Ryan Collins. This new position allows the city to conduct "on the street"

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# Powerball Night

By Jack Chandler  
Special to the West Sacramento News-Ledger

Past the house with four vehicles in the front yard (many residents on this road did not bargain for the eventual development of Jefferson Boulevard into a major thoroughfare, and would prefer the old days when they could maintain their various auto repair, boat repair, and livestock compounds in peace), there sits a particular family-run convenience store.

Owned and operated by a group of cordial Middle Eastern gentlemen, this store offers a variety of arcane snack items (fresh dates, kangaroo and elk jerky, Dr. Pepper-flavored bubble gum, jalapeno lollipops) as well as a respectable display of incense and the usual wall of Doritos. If you look hard enough, you may find a set of drill bits (discounted, since the 3/16th is missing) in the tiny housewares aisle. More often than not, a soccer game plays silently on a screen mounted above a bin of dog and cat toys.

The apparent patriarch of the family usually sits in a comfortable-looking armchair off to the side of the cash register, silent and wise-looking. A younger man, probably a nephew, is stationed at the register. He wears a droll expression, and a spotless Oakland A's jersey.

The store is plentifully stocked with beer and other sundries, so a healthy wave of thirsty customers swings through at peak times: right after 5 pm, right before an NFL game, or right before cut-off time.

But, tonight is a very special night; a

magical night. Power Ball Night. \$1.5 billion at stake. The urban myth is that the farther out of the way or obscure the store, or gas station, the better chance one has of chalking up a win.

On this night, the myth is operational. As the clock ticks towards launch, it's clear that a mob scene is developing. In due time, a second relative is summoned to help process the tsunami of Power Ball slips and jolly requests for Quick Picks. There is a festive air in the place. The patriarch gets up from his chair and slips on an Adele CD.

As the patrons wait expectantly in line, they daydream to themselves: What Would One Do With All That Money? Is that too much money? Maybe drop everything and move to Bermuda, and give a giant chunk away to the Red Cross?

One woman in a fast-food uniform shouts gleefully, "Give me 40 Quick Picks!!"

Some players are more esoteric. They study the fill-in tickets with the intent gaze of a pharmacist, and populate their tickets with random but significant numbers: mother's birthday, last two digits of a license plate, year that Led Zeppelin's first album came out, etc.

The tickets are distributed efficiently and without a hitch. The customers head home with their hopes and dreams, and a thick fog settles over West Sacramento. Somewhere a dog barks, unconcerned with magic numbers. All he knows is, when his master gets home from the store with a fresh rawhide bone, the party starts.

## Lost dog

Keep your eyes out for this cutie. Moo, a 9-month-old pit pull, was taken from James Street. He was seen on a leash on Michigan and Jefferson as well as West Capitol Avenue near the car wash in a shopping cart on Saturday, Jan. 16. If you see Moo, please call the owner, Sky, at 912-2991 or the West Sacramento Police Department at 617-4900, as the pup has been microchipped.



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## Congratulations to River City High School student Emily Xu

Emily Xu, River City High School student of Ms. Schroeder, received a Full Academic Scholarship to represent the State of California at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders, June 25-27 in Boston. That's a \$1,000 scholarship! Emily will witness surgeries and hear from the top medical experts in the country. Ms. Schroeder has had 15 students accepted in the past three years, but Emily is the first to receive a full scholarship. Congratulations to the both of you!



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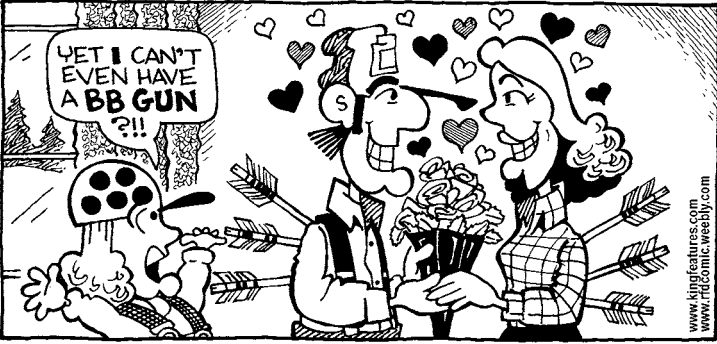






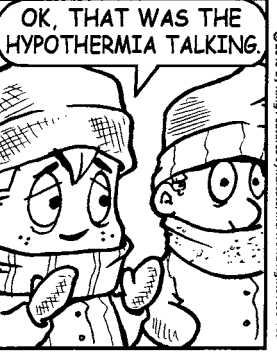
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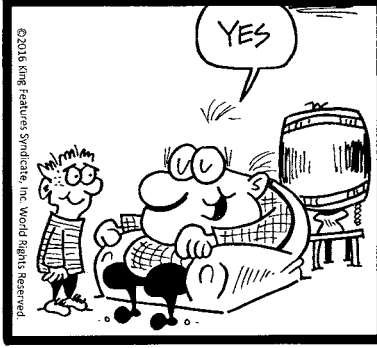
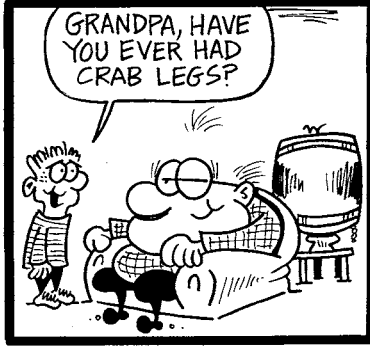
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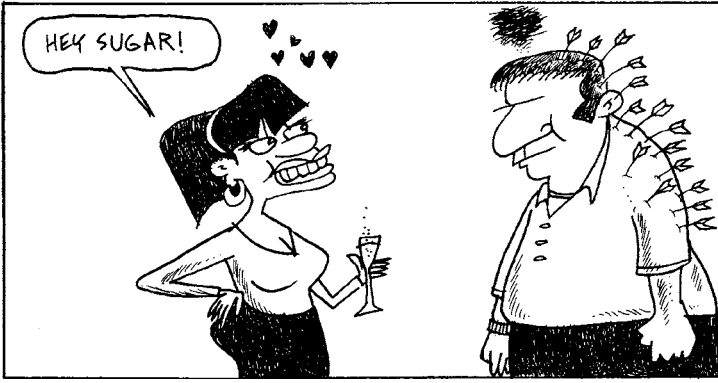
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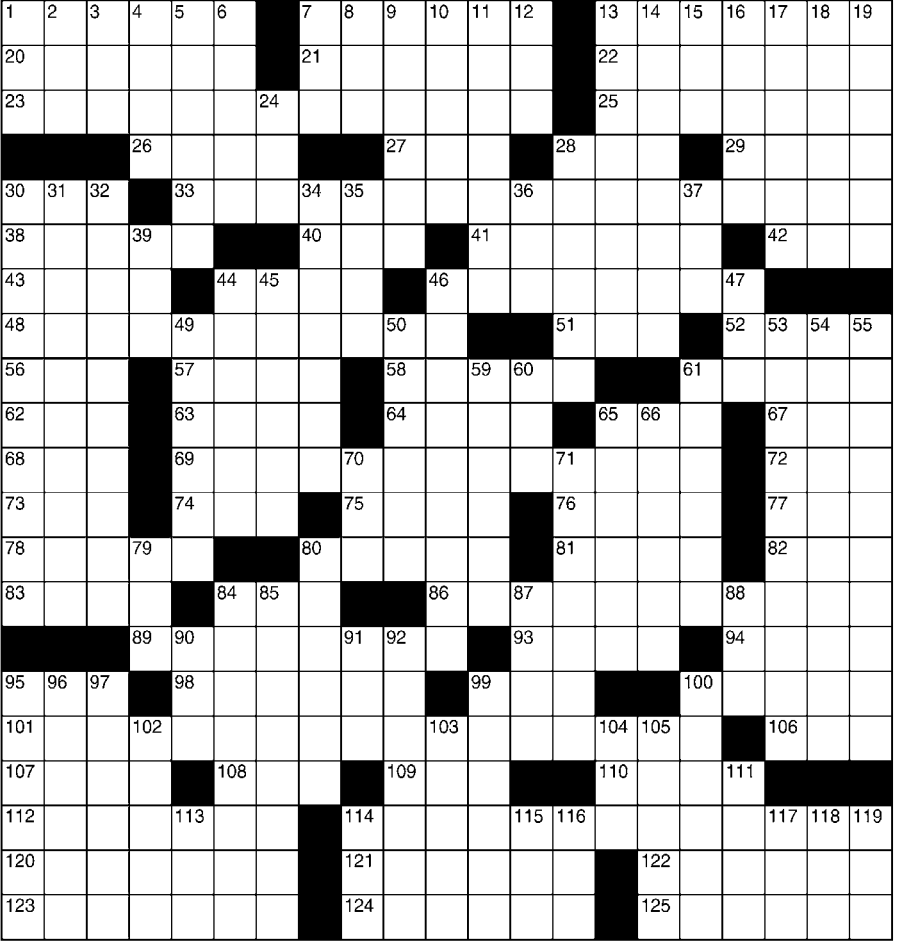
Puzzle Answers are on page 5



## Super Crossword

FAMILY EXPANSION

- ACROSS**
- 1 It turns litmus paper blue
  - 7 Strip a disguise from
  - 13 "— Baby" (#1 U2 album of 1991)
  - 20 Arrive like the tide
  - 21 Savage
  - 22 Less dull
  - 23 Rural lumberjack resting after chopping?
  - 25 Lounged around
  - 26 Dreamcast producer
  - 27 Get as clear profit
  - 28 100-yr. period
  - 29 Heap (up)
  - 30 Trough for toting bricks
  - 33 Extended cloth used for messy cold-weather meals?
  - 38 Hostile force
  - 40 Down food
  - 41 Purple spring blooms
  - 42 Wide-shoe letters
  - 43 Spool
  - 44 Gets firm
  - 46 Produced a napped surface on
  - 48 Chart showing the highs and lows of actress Ellen's career?
  - 51 LP replacers
  - 52 KGB's milieu
  - 56 "— all over!"
  - 57 Asian dress
  - 58 Alex of "The Godfather"
  - 61 Unit of work
  - 62 Orioles great
  - 63 Gp. for Qatar
  - 64 Sea in 75-Across
  - 65 "Now I see!"
  - 67 Matchstick-removing game
  - 68 Suffix with senior
  - 69 Item pinned on to support a Russian poet's election to office?
  - 72 Sarge, e.g.
  - 73 Abbr. for a handy-andy
  - 74 Mil. missions
  - 75 Qatar locale
  - 76 Lovers' deity
  - 77 Still
  - 78 Revise
  - 80 Prepare to give a ring?
  - 81 Horse father
  - 82 Beijing-to-Shanghai dir.
  - 83 Shot fluids
  - 84 "— see it ..."
  - 86 One of the Skywalkers dressed up as St. Nick?
  - 89 Kind of pear
  - 93 With skill
  - 94 Fir's cousin
  - 95 "Ender's Game" star
  - 98 Unmoving machine part
  - 99 Troop gp.
  - 100 They negate dees
  - 101 Afghan-wrapped football?
  - 106 "Help!"
  - 107 Guthrie at Woodstock
  - 108 B-to-F string
  - 109 Thai tongue
  - 110 "Think of — a loan"
  - 112 Foot lever
  - 114 Clean a jack-o'-lantern with a Hoover?
  - 120 More weighty
  - 121 Alicia of ballet
  - 122 Choose
  - 123 Aden citizens
  - 124 French edict site of 1598
  - 125 Nail coater
- DOWN**
- 1 Wall St. opportunist
  - 2 Singer
  - 3 Dutch airline
  - 4 Home to edelweiss
  - 5 Probable
  - 6 Architect
  - 7 Alien craft
  - 8 Writer Anaïs
  - 9 Not be joking
  - 10 "Get Happy" songwriter
  - 11 Highland terrier, briefly
  - 12 Saloon barrel
  - 13 Figured out the value of
  - 14 Stations
  - 15 Hair hider
  - 16 Linda in 1998 headlines
  - 17 "Rabbit, Run" novelist John
  - 18 — Mae (loan provider)
  - 19 Graham or Lorne
  - 24 Sister of Bert Bobbsey
  - 28 Big name in shortening
  - 30 Weedkillers
  - 31 Singly
  - 32 James Fenimore Cooper novel, with "The"
  - 34 Grow wealthy
  - 35 "1 — Male War Bride"
  - 36 History unit
  - 37 Suffix of enzymes
  - 39 Monogram in civil rights
  - 44 Grab quickly
  - 45 Departure
  - 46 Most prickly
  - 47 Trio less one
  - 49 Crustacean such as a wood louse
  - 50 Kudos
  - 53 Features of cloudless days
  - 54 Cuts, as pie
  - 55 Far-off distance
  - 59 Jewish mysticism
  - 60 "McQ" actor
  - 61 Speed skater Dan
  - 65 Of a heart chamber
  - 66 Shout of joy
  - 70 State east of Colo.
  - 71 Nuclear trial prohibition
  - 79 Catch cold
  - 80 Tartan skirt sporter
  - 84 First Constitution section
  - 85 Risen people
  - 87 Galileo's gp.
  - 88 Inclined (to)
  - 90 Petition, e.g.
  - 91 History unit
  - 92 Light refrain
  - 95 Disinterest
  - 96 "No —!" ("Uh-uh!")
  - 97 Glistening
  - 99 Hall-of-Fame footballer Mel
  - 100 Flower organ
  - 102 Dry, white Italian wine
  - 103 Strips for breakfast
  - 104 Currency unit of Laos
  - 105 Musical exercise
  - 111 Lab safety org.?
  - 113 Major racket
  - 114 U-Haul rental
  - 115 Capitalize on
  - 116 Cal. dozen
  - 117 — Jong-un
  - 118 Suffix with chlor-
  - 119 "— Blu Di pinto di Blu" (1958 hit)



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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate    ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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# Matías Bombal’s Hollywood

Hail, Caesar!  
The MPAA has rated this PG-13

Universal Pictures releases the latest Coen Bros. picture, “Hail, Caesar!” a comedic look at a classic movie studio so very close to the real M-G-M of the Golden Era that the characters are named after real M-G-M executives. It was even filmed at Sony Studios, what had once been the M-G-M studio. Set in the 1950s, it relates the experience of the studio’s cover-up executive, the man in charge of keeping the company’s human assets, actors and others under long term contracts, from any bad or unfortunate publicity.

In an era before the tabloid insanity of today, the movie studios carefully controlled all publicity about their personalities, which they built up over time with considerable investment. From arranged marriages and dates for publicity that would benefit the studio, to the more unseemly issues covering up homicides, underage sexual encounters, sexual deviance and a host of other issues that some movie stars might get involved with that must not reach the press.

Josh Brolin stars as just this type of a “fixer” for the fictional Capitol Studios, Eddie Mannix. We see that he has a quiet home life with his wife and two kids, although hardly there as he’s up at all hours keeping wayward studio assets from disaster. At the beginning of the picture, he’s pulling away an underage starlet from a photographer taking French postcard type photos of her and bribing the police, who he knows on a first name basis, not to mention a thing about the issue in the press.

Mannix has a stressful life, and with two kids, a



job with less stress would be helpful. He finds himself going to confession every day, where he tells the priest that he lies to his wife about quitting cigarettes. Mannix is being courted, in a rather clandestine fashion, by a leading aeronautical company to come work for them for much better money. The core of this movie is about his unease in choosing to stay in the movie business or take the job with more security and less stress.

Peppered around this thin core story are several delightful vignettes evocative of movie studio life in classic Hollywood. Mannix’s stress is bound to get worse when a group of disgruntled communists have kidnapped the studio’s biggest male star, Baird Whitlock, played by George Clooney. They hold him for ransom. Whitlock is loosely modeled after a Robert Taylor type. Thus, this movie studio’s biggest biblical epic in production, “Hail, Caesar!”, so very much like M-G-M’s two versions of “Ben-Hur” comes to a grinding halt.

Eddie Mannix in real life was indeed a “fixer” at the M-G-M studios. Although Brolin’s role has the same job and name, the movie is not a depiction of, or a biographical account of the real Eddie Mannix. You’ll also hear the name Nick Schenck talked about on the phone in the movie as a studio boss. It is not supposed to be the real Nicholas Schenck, chief executive of Loews,

Inc. which owned M-G-M, the real life boss of Louis B. Mayer, Irving Thalberg and others.

We also get to visit the studio’s big swimming star, DeeAnna Moran, played by Scarlett Johansson, who gives us her best Esther Williams, in sequences actually shot in Esther’s original pool stage at what had been the real M-G-M. She has a child with no father for Eddie to fix. Then there is the tension between the director of refined drawing room comedies, Laurence Laurentz (Ralph Fiennes) and cowboy star Hobie Doyle (Alden Ehrenreich), an Audie Murphy type struggling with his drawl to say lines in a clip Brit accent trippingly.

It is 26-year-old Alden Ehrenreich which makes this picture so enjoyable, along with some very brilliant comedic vignettes that classic movie fans will really enjoy. Sadly, the movie’s thin plot and very rushed unsatisfactory ending was a great disappointment. It was great to see some great vintage Hollywood spots in the movie, including the inside of the old Hollywood Palladium, which serves as supper club where Hobie takes his arranged date, Carlotta Valdez (Veronica Osorio). You’ll also see the beautiful Los Angeles Theatre, where Hobie’s movie première. The Los Angeles is one



1950s Hollywood. Scarlett Johansson and Josh Brolin in “Hail, Caesar!” - Photo: Alison Rosa, Universal Pictures.

of the nation’s last great movie places.

I was so disappointed that this movie did not meet the excellence of the past work of the clever and artistic Coen Brothers, yet it has fun moments for movie fans, the best of which occurs with a film editor played by Frances McDormand and an old film editing device called a Moviola. Also in the picture, Tilda Swinton in a double role as sister gossip columnists, Jonah Hill, and Channing Tatum.

**The Choice**  
The MPAA has rated this PG-13

Lions Gate offers “The Choice”, the latest movie adaptation of a Nicholas Sparks romance. The cast is not made up of major players other than the great actor Tom Wilkinson as Shep, the local veterinarian in a coastal town where opposites begin to attract between two neighbors, Travis (Benjamin Walker) and Gabby (Teresa Palmer).

The two fall in love after a rough start as they annoy each other quite a bit. Naturally, there are complications, in that he’s a ladies’ man which few find hard



Ben Walker rows Teresa Palmer to his special island in “The Choice” - Photo: Dana Hawley, Lions Gate

to resist, and she actually has a boyfriend, Ryan (Tom Welling).

As much as my colleagues deride these Sparks movie romances, which he also partially produces, I find in them values not seen in many modern movies. The story development is slow, which I like, allowing the characters to be properly established. There are no explosions, nasty dialog or loud music. Nor will you find all those computer graphic infested elements of pop culture garbage that may be seen in most major releases. They are in a way rather old fashioned. To me, that’s a value. It’s nice to see these lesser known actors have a chance to have dialogue advance the story

with some rather beautiful photography; in this, it is the fine work of Alar Kivilo.

In one sequence, Travis takes Gabby to his tiny private island, his special place. This is evocative of the scene between Greta Garbo and John Gilbert on the Isle of Friendship in the 1927 silent movie “Flesh and the Devil”, right down to the row boat. This movie will likely quickly be forgotten. It is not very good, but yet, for the reasons I mentioned, not that bad either. Nicholas Sparks’ movies are the movie version of Hallmark cards or paintings by Thomas Kinkade: A pleasing, pretty serenity but without much life.

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# Police Log

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*The news items below are collected from police dispatchers' notes and arrest reports. The information in them has often not been verified beyond the initial reports. All suspects are presumed innocent until proven guilty.*

**Jan. 28 at 2:12 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A transient male was served with a notice to appear in court for possession of methamphetamines and marijuana.

**Jan. 28 at 11:11 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A male adult was arrested for possession of heroin. He was stopped for a bicycle violation on the intersection of Kagle Drive and Pierce Street.

**Jan. 28 at 10:41 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was seen by the officer at the 1700 block of West Capitol Avenue in possession of an open can of beer. He was reportedly uncooperative and admitted to drinking

earlier. He is on parole with a "no alcohol clause".

**Jan. 28 at 9:50 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A woman was arrested for driving under the influence at the 800 block of IKEA Court.

**Jan. 28 at 5 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A suspect was contacted squatting at the 900 block of Poplar Avenue. She was arrested on a warrant and booked into jail.

**Jan. 28 at 1:56 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was known to be a parolee at large and identified himself verbally and is known to officers. The location of incident was the 700 block of Poplar Avenue.

**Jan. 28 at 7:10 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time0**  
The suspect was found to be a parolee at large and was identified by his social security number and booking photo. He was found to be illegally camping at the corner of Merkley and West Capitol avenues.

**Jan. 29 at 1:50 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A suspect was arrested for shoplifting at the 700 block of Riverpoint Court.

**Jan. 29 at 11:05 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A suspect was served with a notice to appear in court for possessing marijuana and other charges.

**Jan. 29 at 11:53 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The officer was dispatched to a call for service. The reporting person stated the suspect was intoxicated, possibly had a gun and was trying to break into the home. It was reported that the suspect had also assaulted another male earlier causing injury. Upon contact in public, the suspect was detained. He had slurred speech, a strong odor of alcoholic beverage, unsteady gait and admitted to drinking. No charges were pressed for the assault. He was handcuffed and booked into Yolo County Jail for being unable to care for himself.

**Jan. 30 at 10:55 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was placed under citizen's arrest by store security after he

was seen selecting store merchandise and refunding it for cash at customer service. The suspect surrendered the cash back to security. While in the security office, the suspect tried to grab his keys after the security officer placed them on a self. The security guard was bumped and she hit her head on the shelf. The suspect accepted the citizen's arrest. No store employees were injured at this location of incident, the 700 block of Riverpoint Court.

**Jan. 30 at 11:30 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was served with a notice to appear for shoplifting at the 1600 block of West Capitol Avenue.

**Jan. 30 at 11:54 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was identified by a witness as the solo occupant and driver of a vehicle involved in a minor crash at the 200 block of West Capitol Avenue. The suspect was contacted by officers and he admitted to driving. He displayed signs of intoxication and did not complete tests as demonstrated. He had a .30 percent blood, alcohol

level. The suspect was also found to have a suspended or revoked driver's license.

**Jan. 31 at 8:27 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
AN individual was served with a notice to appear in court for shoplifting at the intersection of Reed Avenue and Riverpoint Court.

**Feb. 1 at 11 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect and the victim are neighbors. During an altercation, the suspect pushed the victim three times and the victim was not injured, but desired prosecution. They live near each other and the suspect refused to calm down. The incident occurred on the 200 block of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street.

**Feb. 1 at 11:47 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was trespassing in a motel room at the 1800 block of West Capitol Avenue. The suspect had a confirmed felony warrant and two misdemeanor warrants. The suspect was in possession of methamphetamines. The suspect was arrested and booked into Yolo County Jail.

**Feb. 1 at 1:45 p.m. -- Re-**

**porting Date and Time**  
A transient was advised to leave the 1800 block of West Capitol Avenue. He threatened to assault and kill the victim. Upon exiting the room momentarily, the victim closed and locked the door. The suspect pounded on the door and continued his threats. The victim felt in danger and called the West Sacramento Police Department.

**Feb. 2 at 9:33 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
A suspect was served with a notice to appear in court for drug paraphernalia possession. The location of the violation occurred at the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Merkley Avenue.

**Feb. 2 at 2:41 a.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
The suspect was stopped as the driver and sole occupant of a vehicle with expired registration. The driver did not perform alcohol tests as demonstrated. The suspect was arrested and booked into Yolo County Jail.

**Feb. 3 at 11:48 p.m. -- Reporting Date and Time**  
Upon the officer's arrival, he made contact with the owner of the motel located at the 1800

## Homeless:

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direct outreach to homeless individuals and assess services most beneficial to alleviate the traumas of homelessness. Collins' office is located in the West Sacramento Police Department. This location allows Collins to work closely with Sgt. Kinney and coordinate with Nolan Sullivan, the Yolo County Social Services Manager, located across the street. As defined in the Action Plan, The role of the city is to assess the need and determine appropriate services. The role of the county is to provide the services. "Ryan's direct outreach to homeless individuals has resulted in improved coordination and communication. He learns who they are, what they need, and can link them with available social services from Yolo County," explained Laurel. Collins regularly coordinates with Tracey Dickin-

son, Yolo County's Homeless Program Coordinator. "I work with Ryan on a weekly basis. His outreach, triage, visits to homeless encampments and initial assessments allows individuals to get served more quickly for short term help and helps determine next steps for long term services," stated Dickinson. Additional Behavioral Heath Service information is available by calling the toll free CRISIS and ACCESS line 24/7: (888) 965-6647 / TDD (800) 735-2929. For additional information, call or visit one of the HHSA Service Locations listed below. Individuals may request assistance at shelter locations, or call 211.

**West Sacramento**  
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Fax : (916) 375-6355  
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 8 a.m. -5 p.m.

## Local Scene

*First and second Sundays of the month: VFW breakfast: VFW breakfasts are now only the first and second Sundays of the month at 1708 Lisbon Ave., Bryte/West Sacramento. The cooks are Deb and John Flores.*

Golden Years Club: Those age 50 and up are invited to join the Golden Years Club of West Sacramento. The club meets on the third Tuesday of each month, with dinner starting at 5:30 p.m. at the VFW, 905 Drevler St. For info, call Dareld at 396-3617.

Sutter Davis Hospital Auxiliary scholarships for the academic year 2016-2017 will be awarded to residents of Yolo County and Dixon who intend to pursue a human health related career. High School seniors, college students, Sutter Davis Hospital campus em-

ployees, and change of career/re-entry applicants are eligible for consideration. Application materials will be available at the high school career counseling offices, and at the Sutter Davis Hospital Information Desk. The deadline for submitting all application materials, including a personal essay, official transcript of academic work, and letters of reference is March 31. Recipients will be announced in April and notified by US mail. If you need further information, please call the Sutter Davis Hospital Information Desk at 530-759-7485 to leave a message for a member of the Scholarship Committee.

**Public Input Sought on Clerk-Recorder/Assessor/Registrar of Voters**  
With the retirement of Yolo County Clerk-Recorder// Assessor/Registrar of Voters Freddie Oakley, the Yolo

County Board of Supervisors has embarked on a process to appoint a successor to complete the remainder of the term ending Jan. 8, 2019. While statute does not allow the board to call for a midterm election, they have an interest in obtaining public input on the skills and qualities necessary to carry out the duties of the office. Yolo County residents can provide feedback by either: 1) attending the Jan. 12 Board of Supervisors meeting, held at 9 a.m. in Board Chambers, Room 206 of the Erwin Meier Administration Building at 625 Court St. in Woodland; or 2) by completing the survey found on [www.yolocounty.org](http://www.yolocounty.org) by Jan. 22.

**Trees for Tomorrow – Free Shade Trees!**: The city of West Sacramento in partnership with Tree Davis has been awarded a large Cap and Trade Grant designed to reduce Greenhouse gas by planting trees. The target area for the grant is north of the deep-water channel. If you would like some FREE shade trees to plant around your home, please come to one of three workshops being offered Feb. 3 and March 2 at the Community Center at 1075 West Capitol Ave. from

6 to 7:30 pm. Trees are delivered to your home. The trees are free however, you must plant them yourself. Call 617-4620 to sign up. The Trees for Tomorrow Program will plant and maintain a total of 1,000 new trees in communities throughout West Sacramento to sequester carbon and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in an effort to lessen the impacts of climate change throughout California. Funding for the Trees for Tomorrow Program has been provided through a grant awarded by the California Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and administered by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), Urban and Community Forestry Program. This grant will span three years; host nearly 80 planting and tree care events, provide multiple internships and employment opportunities, and will make a lasting, positive environmental impact on our region.

**Book Club for Seniors**  
Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. to discuss a book chosen by participants at the West Sacramento to Community Center. The schedule, is, as follows: March 8: Dandy Gilver and the Proper Treatment of Bloodstains by Catriona McPherson

April 11: The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery  
**May 10:** The End of Life Book Club by Will Schwalbe (non fiction)  
June 14: Cooking with Fernet Branca by James Hamilton-Patterson

Free lunch for seniors: A free, tasty lunch is available at Riverbend Manor to any senior, 60 or older, with a resident address in Yolo County. Although lunches are free, donations are always accepted and appreciated. The lunch is tasty, nutritionally balanced, served every week Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to noon. Riverbend Manor is located at 664 Cuminns Way. In order to plan food supply, a mandatory 24-hour advance reservation

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# Local Scene

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**Widowed Persons Association of California:** On the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. any and all widows or widowers may attend the newcomers' buffet and social in the private dining room at the Plaza Hof Brau on the corner of El Camino and Watt Avenue. Cost varies as the choice is from a no-host buffet menu. This is a public service to all widows and widowers and there is no charge to attend the social other than the meal they choose. Also, every Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m., widows and widowers are invited to Sunday support from 3 to 5 p.m. in the meeting room of the WPAC office. Enter from the back parking lot at 2628 El Camino Ave., Ste. D-18.

**February**  
**Now through Feb. 14: Blind Date with a Book!** Back by popular demand. Come and check out one of our mystery wrapped books. You never know what you might find and you might just love it! Free at the Turner Library.

**Now through Feb. 14: Valentine Drop-in Crafts:** Children of all ages, along with parents or care givers, are invited to come and create their own special Valentine craft for yourself or someone special. Free at the Turner Library.  
**Feb. 11: All Things String** from 6 to 8 p.m.: Whether you knit, crochet, embroider, or enjoy other fiber arts, this social crafting circle is for you! Bring your current project or start something new! Free at the Turner Library.

**Feb. 13: IT Consultant by Appointments;** available from 2 to 3 p.m. A new service to patrons. Make an appointment at the reference desk and come with questions along with your laptop or mobile device. We will also have a Windows 7, Windows 8.1, and Apple device. Time slots are limited and are available in Spanish or English. Free at the Turner Library.

**Feb. 13: Master Gardening: Cactus & Succulents** from 3 to 5 p.m. Back by popular demand. Free at the Turner Library. Come out and learn all about how to grow cactus and succulents. Presented by the local Master Gardeners.

**Feb. 14: Valentine's Dinner:** Treat your loved one to three courses of hearty American fare while taking a leisurely ride along the old Garden Highway in rural West Sacramento. After your meal, bring some warm clothing and blankets to snuggle up in one of the open-air cars; or bring cards or a simple board game to play at your table inside the warm dining cars. Spend a few hours unplugged, and enjoy the company of your favorite companion. Dinner includes: salad or soup, a main entree (your choice of beef, fish, rack of lamb, or vegetarian), the chef's choice dessert, and bottles of house wine or premium wine may also be reserved for your table during your purchase. 400 N Harbor Blvd., West Sacramento. General \$83; Children (Ages 2-12) \$44; Premium wine: \$45; house wine \$25. General day and time information is as follows, Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. Boarding begins at 3:30 p.m. Individual dates and times from 4 to 7 p.m. Event durations (if noted) are approximate. Please check with the presenting organization or venue to confirm start times and duration. For more information, call (800) 866-1690.

**Feb. 18: Fireworks Seller Information Night:** Starting at 6 p.m. at Fire Station 45, 2040 Lake Washington Blvd. Is your non-profit organization interested in selling fireworks this season? Come meet with City staff and fireworks wholesaler representatives to see if it's right for your organization. Topics to be discussed: Lottery Process, Permit Process, and Selling Fireworks. The seller permit lottery filing period will be open from March 1-31. For more information, contact Kryss Rankin at (916) 617-4500.

**Feb. 18: SAT vs. ACT:** From 6 to 7 p.m., high school students in grades 9 through 12 are invited to come out and learn all about the SAT and ACT. Which test should you take? Parents or care givers of high school students are also invited. Free at the Turner Library.

**Feb. 20 and 21: Father Daughter Dance:** The Father Daughter Dance for 2015 is Friday, Feb. 20 and Saturday, Feb. 21 from 6 to 9 p.m. either night. Choose your night, while tickets last. Location: the City Hall Galleria,

1110 West Capitol Ave. A magical evening, making beautiful memories in a make-believe Classic Candy Land Kingdom of sweet adventures. Enjoy a semi-formal dance with dinner buffet, professional photos, DJ, dancing, photo booth and so much more. All ages. Register online or in person at the West Sacramento Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Ave. Fee: fathers, \$40 and daughters, \$20 (daughters age 3 or younger are admitted free.) For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 617-4620.

**Feb. 25: Healthy Living Workshops:** Come join the public health nurse talk about living healthy. The day's topic will be about what a pancreas is. Let's talk about diabetes. What it is. How to lower your risk. And how to manage diabetes to prevent complications. Location: West Sacramento Community Center; time: 11a.m. For more information, call 530-666-8524.

**Feb. 28: West Sacramento Library Provides U.S. Citizenship Resources:** Individuals interested in becoming U.S. citizens can now find resources at the new 'U.S. Citizenship Corner' at Yolo County's Arthur F. Turner Community Library, located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. The U.S. Citizenship Corner, located inside the library by the government materials sec-

the library is hosting a series of free workshops on U.S. citizenship. The first workshop, entitled 'How to Become a U.S. Citizen', is scheduled for February 28 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and features special guest Vilaysay Chang from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of District 22. She will be available to answer questions about the naturalization process. All programs and workshops are free to attend and no reservations are required. The Yolo County Library supports learning and growth by providing opportunities and resources in a welcoming and enriching environment. This new service is made possible through a collaboration with the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services of District 22. For more information about events at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library, contact library staff at (916) 375-6465 or visit the Yolo County Library at: www.yolocounty.org (see calendar for Arthur F. Turner Community Library-specific events). Connect with the Yolo County Library on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/yolocountylibrary.org.

**Feb. 29: Yolo Community Foundation (YCF) Yolo Youth Service Award Deadline,** an affiliate of Sacramento Region Community Foundation (SRCF), announces that guidelines and application process for the 2016 Yolo Youth Service

pleted online. YoYoSA awards will be announced by Friday, April 8 and awardees will be recognized at a reception hosted by Yolo Community Foundation in April. YCF seeks applications from high school seniors who have volunteered with a recognized Yolo County nonprofit at least 60 hours during their junior and/or senior years of high school. YoYoSA student awardees will receive a \$1000 scholarship to support post-high school education, which may include college, vocational, or technical school. A \$500 grant will be awarded to the nonprofit agency sponsoring each YoYoSA student scholarship winner. The YoYoSA program is designed to promote Yolo County youth volunteering with local nonprofit organizations, and encourages Yolo County nonprofits to engage with youth volunteers. Yolo Community Foundation strives to boost local philanthropy by serving donors, nonprofits, and youth in the Yolo County area, and is proud to recognize tomorrow's leaders in local philanthropy through the YoYoSA program. To learn more about YCF and Yolo Youth Service Awards, visit the YCF website at www.yolocf.org, send an email to yoyosa@yolocf.org, or call 530-312-0593.

**Cheap "Fixes" for Pet Dogs and Cats:** Pet owners in West Sacramento can apply to have

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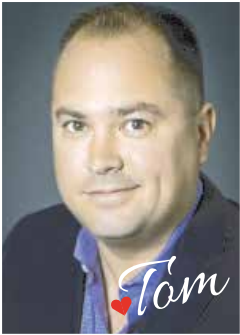


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<b>Good Shepherd Parish</b> A welcoming, independent Catholic Community (916) 747-0284, 920 Drever St. www.GoodShepardCommunity.org Sunday Mass 4:30 p.m.; Reconciliation Service Dec. 18 at 4:30 p.m.; Christmas Morning Mass 10 a.m. Pastor Tony Prandini, OSFC	<b>Seventh Day Adventist Church</b> Sasa Andelkovic, Senior Pastor 2860 Jefferson Blvd., W. Sac. PO Box 447, W. Sac. 95691 Sat. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. 372-6570	<b>Trinity Presbyterian Church</b> 1500 Park Blvd. W. Sac. CA 916.371.5875 www.TrinityWestSac.org info@TrinityWestSac.org Pastor: Rev. Eric Keller Spanish Ministry: Leaders Arturo & Lina Jimenez Sunday Worship Services: 9 a.m. Contemporary 10:30 a.m. Blended/Traditional 12:00 p.m. Spanish Language
<b>Holy Cross Catholic Church</b> 1321 Anna St. (corner of Anna & Todhunter) Pastor Jacob A. Caceres Sat. Vigil 5 p.m. (English) Sunday 9 a.m. (English) Noon & 7 p.m. (Spanish) Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri. 8:30 a.m. Thurs. 6:45 p.m. (Spanish) Call 371-1211	<b>West Sacramento Baptist Church</b> Sun. School 9:30 a.m. Sun. Worship 11am Wed. 6:30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study 2124 Michigan Blvd. 371-2111	<b>SouthPort Community Church</b> Pastor Bruce Maier Celebration Worship Sunday 10:30 a.m. KidLand during service. Youth & Small Group Ministry for All Ages. Call 372-7818. Meets at 2919 Promenade St. www.southportcommunity.com
<b>Lighthouse Covenant Church</b> 3605 Gregory Ave (in Southport, where Jefferson, Davis & Gregory meet) (916) 371-6706 Pastor Don Bosley	<b>Horizon Christian Fellowship</b> Rev. Claude J Perez, Sr., Pastor 1800 Manzanita Way, 371-3458 SUN. Worship 9:15 am, 11 am TUES. Celebrate Recovery 6:30pm WED. Fuel Station Prayer & Devotion Service, 6:30pm WED. Girls Ministries & Royal Rangers, 6:30pm THURS. CounterCulture Student Service, 7pm	<b>American Buddhist Seminary Temple</b> Learn how to practice Mindfulness Meditation for your everyday happiness in small group setting. Free Community Service. Fridays 7:00-9:00 pm 423 Glide Avenue, West Sac. 916 371 8535 www.abstemple.org

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Mustard Seed School was established in 1989 to help meet the needs of homeless children. Many school age children do not attend school because of their homelessness; some lack immunizations, birth certificates, or other documents, some are in transit, and almost all lack a support system. In spite of their situations these children are eager to learn and to be accepted.

Many homeless children are not enrolled in school because the places their families find to sleep are often not near a child's school and the family only plans to be there a short time. Sometimes the school needs an address or updated immunizations which homeless families cannot provide.

From fifteen to thirty-five children may not attend our school each day, and an average stay is just three to four weeks. Some children have been out of school for a long time and need help to go back. A major goal of the Program is to prepare and enroll homeless children into public schools, and preschool for younger children, when families have found housing stability. Since the school began, over 4500 individual children have participated in Mustard Seed.



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- **Change to a Fixed Rate:**  
If you currently have an adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM), it may make sense to switch to a low, fixed-rate mortgage to make budgeting easier.
- **Renovate Your Home:**  
If you have light-to-major renovations in mind for your home, it may make sense to get a renovation loan to pay for all your upgrades.
- **Obtain Cash:**  
Use the equity in your home for minor home improvements, college tuition or investment opportunities.

Home Purchase

Our mortgage consultants have the expertise to assist first-time home buyers and move-up buyers analyze their short and long-term goals to make the wisest financing decisions.

We do VA 100% and First Time Buyer Programs

- Fixed-Rate
- Adjustable-Rate
- Buydown