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Beautiful Day for a Tribute

Marysville Veterans Parade Fills Streets with Patriotism



Multiple military groups carried flags of all sorts, including Old Glory, the California State Flag, POW/MIA and flags of various military branches. Photo by Chris Pedigo

By Seti Long

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Marysville's D Street was packed with onlookers as the community came together to celebrate those who have served our nation this last Veterans Day, November 11th.

The Marysville Veterans Parade returned for its 20th year, boasting an ever-growing line up of participants. Co-Founder and retired Air Force veteran, Cynthia Verrill says that 192 entries made their way down the parade route, including 5 military groups.

This year's parade was dedicated to the memory of Chuck Carver, co-founder of the parade. Verrill says that just after the terrorist attacks on

9/11, she was musing with Carver at an American Legion meeting about having a Veterans Day Parade. Verrill says the two came to the same conclusion – "You can talk the talk or walk the walk" and 22 years later, Carver and Verrill's dream to celebrate local veterans with a Veterans Day Parade is still going strong. The parade has only been cancelled twice – once in 2018 due to the Camp Fire and in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Beale Airforce Base provided the 2023 honor guard, followed by this year's Grand Marshals, two 100+ year old WWII Veterans. 100-year-old William Burke and 105-year-old George Nicholau proudly led the way down the crowded route. The parade

also featured Korean War POW, Obie Wichersham. Just under 3,000 free mini-flags were handed out to children and parade-goers this year to add to the spirit of patriotism.

Verrill comes from a military family, with an impressive legacy of servicemen and women up and down the family lineage representing each of the 5 branches. She says, "When you grow up in an environment like that, you have a sincere love for your country," and a deep sense of patriotism. That love has translated into a community wide event that celebrates her fellow veterans. When asked how she feels about how big the event has become, she exclaims, "I love it!"

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Council Favors Commercial Development, Gave Parking a Pass

By Sharon Pearce

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - More and more cities are exempting parking to encourage commercial development, Planner Consultant Kathy Pease reported, but for the development that may come to Downtown Marysville, with no additional parking, developers would have to request a variance, so it was recommended that for a development that may take a full block of space to waive the off street parking requirement.

Vice Mayor Bruce Buttacavoli, challenged this, saying he "was always opposed to this," though he liked an option that offered .5 parking space per unit for any developments of 10 units or more. He argued that "if the other side of 3rd & D Streets was developed with the parking requirement waived, that would be "allowing an absolute wide-open, free-for-all in those areas and would be an absolute mistake." Buttacavoli said, "If we go with the alternative, we can be as lenient as we want."

Councilmember Brad Hudson disagreed, saying, he owns a four unit apt. building and is struggling with Caltrans, but "We need some development in this town.... I'd rather allow for leniency than restriction."

Councilmember Stuart Gilchrist reminded that the city was attempting to work with employees of Caltrans and the hospital who will walk to work but Buttacavoli rebutted that "if residents walk to work, their car will be parked on streets all day." That would make matters worse. Mayor Chris Branscom commented that "This area needs a success model. Once built, more development will come in. I am ready to accept the risk."

A motion to adopt an ordinance to exempt the requirement to provide off street parking for new residential and hotel projects in the Downtown C-2 and C-3 Zoning Districts passed 3 to 1; Councilmember Dominique Belza was absent.

Council favored there be a motion to approve a Use Agreement by the City of Marysville and the Yuba County Office of Education (YCOE) for the premises at 429 10th Street to be used as a Youth Recreation Center. The cost to the city for repairs would be

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MJUSD Schools Improve Literacy

MJUSD News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Marysville Joint Unified School District (MJUSD) Pre-K-3 Literacy Plan was developed as a foundational guide to help significantly raise the level of literacy achievement of all students. The development of the plan helped to establish a unified, high-quality, comprehensive, and coherent literacy program for all MJUSD elementary schools. The Pre-K-3 Literacy Plan clearly identifies actions that will support teachers, students, and families to ensure that all students are learning to read by 3rd grade. Research shows that students not reading by the end of 3rd grade will continue to struggle with academics, are less likely to graduate, and are more likely to live in poverty. MJUSD believes all students need high-quality



literacy instruction from early childhood through graduation, therefore the Pre-K-3 Literacy Plan is the beginning of the roadmap which is culminated by MJUSD's Graduate Profile.

During the 2022-2023 school year, a committee participated in

professional development on the Comprehensive Reading Process. This helped build a foundation for informed decision making necessary for creating a plan centered around Structured Literacy. Structured Literacy is the instructional approach aligned to science and

research that is proven most effective for teaching reading; essential for most and advantageous for all (2023 Greenfield Learning). The committee was composed primarily of teachers, ranging from Pre-K to 3rd grade. Throughout the year the committee met, shared information with the school sites, and brought input back for further discussion.

The Pre-K-3 Literacy Plan includes 4 pillars: High Quality Instruction with a Tiered System of Supports, Assessment to Guide Instruction, High-Quality Professional Development, and Family and Community Engagement. These pillars ensure a comprehensive approach in teaching Pre-K-3 students to read. Each pillar has clearly identified and measurable goals, with a three year action plan for

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GUSD Teacher Arrested Beautiful Day for a Tribute



Gridley Police Department vehicles were witnessed outside Sycamore Middle School multiple times leading up to the GPD Press Release announcing Solis' arrest. Photo by Seti Long

Gridley Police Department News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On October 10, 2023, the Gridley Police Department (GPD) received information from a concerned parent regarding rumors of explicit photographs of a Gridley Unified School District (GUSD) teacher circulating among students. GPD Officers promptly began an investigation to determine the validity of the allegation. An evolving investigation with GPD Officers, along with Investigators from the Butte County District Attorney's Office (BCDA) produced evidence that more than just explicit photographs of a GUSD teacher were being circulated among students and the community. The investigation revealed that GUSD teacher, Michelle Solis, was involved in a sexual

relationship with a former student. In addition, evidence was obtained of other explicit photographs of Michelle Solis in the possession of the juvenile victim. Michelle Solis has been a teacher with the GUSD for 20 years. This is an ongoing collaborative investigation to determine the potential of other victims. The Butte County District Attorney's Office as well as a Butte County Superior Court Judge reviewed the facts of the case and an arrest warrant was issued for Michelle Solis. On November 13, 2023 at 10:32 AM, Michelle Solis was arrested at her residence, no statement was provided by Michelle Solis due to her legal representation. Michelle Solis was later booked into the Butte County Jail for Felony 261.5(d) PC, Unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor under the age of 16.

The investigation is on-going and the Gridley Police Department urges any parents/guardians of any former or current students who have information regarding this investigation and/or information regarding other potential victims to speak up and not be silent. We as a community need to work in unity for justice in this matter. The Gridley Police Department continues to work with the Butte County District Attorney's Office and the Gridley Unified School District in this investigation. As new information/evidence is uncovered, there may be additional charges for further violations filed. Anyone with information regarding this investigation is encouraged to contact the Gridley Police Department, School Resource Officer Ashley Carson or Officer Emma Warren at (530) 846-5670. ★

Senator Niello Responds to the Acceleration of the Sites Reservoir Project

Office of Senator Roger Niello

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Senator Roger Niello (R-Fair Oaks) released the following statement regarding Governor Newsom's announcement to accelerate the Sites Reservoir Project: "As we prepare for another wet winter, it is imperative to continue pushing water storage projects forward for California's future," said Niello. "Even though the benefits of the Sties Reservoir have been clear from the beginning, the project has unnecessarily been on hold. While we are still multiple approvals and years away from the construction process, I am pleased

to hear that the Sites Reservoir project is finally getting the chance to move forward in an expeditious manner." Currently, much of the rainfall California receives is not captured. As proposed, Sites Reservoir will be a 1.5 million acre-foot reservoir located in the Sacramento Valley west of Maxwell and will capture storm-related runoff and a portion of storm-related flood water to increase water supply in drier years. Elected in 2022, Senator Niello represents California Senate District 6, which covers portions of Placer and Sacramento Counties and all of Sutter and Yuba Counties. ★



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Members of the Marysville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 948 wave to the crowd. Photo by Chris Pedigo

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Tommie Thompson, retired Air Force Major who was stationed at Beale, says his group, the Blackbird Maintainers, has participated in the Marysville Veterans Parade since the event's inception. He agrees that the parade seems to be growing each year and that a large crowd was present not only on the main thoroughfare of D Street, but also C Street.

Thompson says that participation in the parade brings himself and his group a "sense of pride." The support of the community, "people coming out to cheer us on and wave, that's the most exciting part for us," says Thompson. The Marysville Veterans Parade is entirely run on donations. Verrill shares that time and time again, she has been told that

running an event such as the parade cannot be done simply on donations. Her response is, "The Yuba-Sutter community loves their veterans." Verrill extends her thanks to all that supported the 2023 Marysville Veterans Parade. "The businesses this year were absolutely phenomenal," says Verrill and looks forward to another amazing year in 2024. ★



Members of the Marysville Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 948 wave to the crowd. Photo by Chris Pedigo



A steady stream of entries, such as the motorcycles and tractors seen here, paraded down the streets of historic downtown Marysville to honor Veterans this last Veterans Day. Photo by Chris Pedigo

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Sites Reservoir Final Plans Release

Sites Project Authority News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Bureau of Reclamation and Sites Project Authority on Nov. 2 released final plans to create new off-stream water storage in the Sacramento Valley. The proposed reservoir — Sites — would be the second largest off-stream reservoir in the nation and would increase Northern California’s water storage capacity by up to 15 percent.

“Investing in Western water infrastructure is a top priority for Reclamation and the Biden Administration as witnessed by the commitment of funding from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law,” said Commissioner Camille Calimlim Touton. “We are proud to support projects that will provide operational flexibility and more reliable water delivery to benefit farms, communities, and the environment. We stand in partnership with the State of California and the JPA with projects like Sites Reservoir.”

“This is a really big step forward for the Sites project and another example of how state and federal agencies are working together to build our water resilience amidst climate change,” said California Natural Resources Secretary Wade Crowfoot. “Sites Reservoir promises to help us adjust to intensifying floods and droughts by storing water in big, wet winters like we just had for use during the dry years that we know will return. The environmental review that has just been completed for the project will guide how this project can operate in alignment with existing water and environmental management, as well as other water infrastructure. We have no time to waste to put these climate solutions into place.”

President Biden’s Investing in America agenda represents the largest investment in climate resilience in the nation’s history and is providing much-needed resources to enhance Western communities’ resilience to drought and climate change. Through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, Reclamation is investing a

total of \$8.3 billion over five years for water infrastructure projects, including water storage and conveyance, dam safety, water purification and reuse, and desalination.

A \$30 million investment to the project under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law was announced in October 2022 and an additional \$30 million in July 2023. The project was also authorized \$173.7 million from the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act, for a total of \$233.7 million in federal contributions to date.

Located 81 miles northwest of Sacramento, Sites Reservoir would store water diverted from the Sacramento River, after all other water rights and regulatory requirements are met. Water will be released to beneficiaries throughout the state primarily during drier periods when it is needed. The proposed project includes an off-stream reservoir located north of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta where the majority of California’s rainfall occurs.

“We are pleased to partner with Sites Project Authority on this unique off-stream storage project to create operational flexibility and additional water storage in California,” said Regional Director Ernest Conant. “The multi-beneficial Sites Reservoir provides water supply and flood protection, plus environmental and recreation benefits for generations to come.”

“Sites Reservoir is a new way of managing water that will adapt to our changing climate and provide a more reliable water supply for California’s communities, farms, and environment,” said Fritz Durst, Chair of the Sites Project Authority. “We are grateful for the ongoing support of the Bureau of Reclamation, which exemplifies the spirit of collaboration that’s been a hallmark of Sites Reservoir.”

View the combined final environmental impact report/environmental impact statement online at https://www.usbr.gov/mp/nepa/nepa_project_details.php?Project_ID=29024 or <https://sitesproject.org/environmental-review/>. To learn more about the project, visit <https://sitesproject.org>. ★

Thanksgiving Proclamation of 1789

BY GEORGE WASHINGTON, President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-- and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness.

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26th day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-- That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks--for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation--for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war--for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed--for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted--for the civil and religious liberty with which we are

blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions-- to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually--to render our national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed--to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shewn kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord--To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the encrease of science among them and us--and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789.

Go: Washington

Washington issued a proclamation on October 3, 1789, designating Thursday, November 26 as a national day of thanks. In his proclamation, Washington declared that the necessity for such a day sprung from the Almighty’s care of Americans prior to the Revolution, assistance to them in achieving independence, and help in establishing the constitutional government. ★

Sutter County Sheriff’s Search Leads to Stolen Copper Wire



Sutter County Sheriff’s Detectives recovered a stolen trailer and numerous other stolen items, including copper wire in Rio Linda, California. Photo courtesy of Sutter County Sheriff’s Dept.

Sutter County Sheriff’s Dept. News Release

SUTTER REGION, CA (MPG) - On November 7, 2023, The Sutter County Sheriff’s Office Detectives Division served a search warrant in the 6900 block of 6th Street in Rio Linda. The search warrant was in reference to the recent thefts that have

been occurring in South Sutter County. During the service of the search warrant, detectives located over 2,000 feet of stolen copper wire. Along with the copper wire, detectives recovered a stolen trailer and numerous other stolen items, which were returned to the victims.

38-year-old Daniel

Morris was taken into custody and booked into the Sutter County Jail on numerous charges: Vehicle Theft; Possession of Stolen Property; Receiving Stolen Vehicle or Vessel and Grand Theft of Copper Materials

Bail was set at \$15,000. This is all the information we have as of now. ★

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\$300K.

A schedule was approved for Bryant Field for the 2024 season.

A proposal to pass a noise ordinance, and one for updating the administrative code as to notices of separation of service, passed unanimously. Planner Pease reported that the city was without an ordinance that would allow it to set a noise standard preferably at 75dB with existing operations grandfathered in. Change of use in a building would be deemed an expansion and trigger such new ordinance. As part of aligning City Council goals, it updated the code to remove any need for the city to provide 90 days paid notice of separation

of service for Executive or Mid-Management members.

Tina Delfino, a new homeowner, informed the Council she rehabs houses, and said she had sent numerous emails to officials complaining of blight, indicating furniture and other debris were strewn in the front yard next to hers. She also reported seeing a male nearby at an old gas station tattooing a child, an issue that does not appear to have been addressed.

A Veterans Day proclamation was presented to the American Legion Post 807. Eric Peredes, Public Policy Administrator of the Blue Zones, requested, through a presentation, that a more comprehensive policy to address vaping and other tobacco products

be enacted to improve the city’s smoke-free parks. Peredes reported a clean-up team recently picked up over 300 cigarette butts at Veterans Park, mainly near the play structure and seating areas. They had no signage, he said, but placed blue flags where they picked up the butts. Peredes also reported that the #1 polluter on earth is cigarettes due to how long filters take to decompose. Mayor Branscom stated Council will discuss this.

Vincenzo Corraza, Public Works Director, gave an update on Ellis Lake stating weeds and algae are dying off slowly, Pondzilla treatments are planned and lake management work is ongoing to keep the lake clear to next summer. ★



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Brightening the Holiday Season for the Military Community



USO staff hand out goodies to soldiers. Photo courtesy of USO photos

From StatePoint

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - As we enter the holiday season and Americans across the country look forward to spending time with family, thousands of service members deployed overseas – many to the Middle East in response to the Israel-Hamas war – will not have that luxury and will be spending the holidays far away from loved ones. Here is how USO Holidays programming delivers a piece of home to them, along with ideas for how you can get involved:

1. Care packages: A care package might seem small in light of the challenges of deployment, but for many service members, they're a reminder that they're

not forgotten by Americans back home. Aside from standard USO Care Packages, which contain snacks or toiletries, USO Holidays Care Packages have festive treats and goodies, such as holiday candies, cozy socks and a warm beanie, that help bridge the gap between home and the frontlines. This year, the USO will deliver 50,000 holiday packages to over 250 locations globally.

2. Holiday traditions: Giving up treasured family traditions can be difficult. That's why USO Centers and USO Mobile teams host holiday meals for service members and their families, complete with special treats ranging from pumpkin and sweet potato pie to hot

cocoa bars. Each December, USO Holidays Cookie Week celebrates the time-honored tradition of baking and decorating cookies, putting service members and military families in the holiday spirit wherever they are located. Other seasonal programming can include tree decorating, arts and crafts, holiday-themed movie nights and ugly sweater competitions. Through these activities, service members stationed far from home can still make holiday memories.

3. Connections to home: Staying connected to family during the holidays can be difficult for service members stationed overseas, particularly for those in or near regions in

conflict such as Eastern Europe or the Middle East. The USO Reading Program enables deployed service members to record themselves reading a book to their child. Then, the recording and a copy of the book are sent to that service member's family.

4. Happy travels: As most people know, holiday travel can be especially taxing. Thousands of service members and trainees from military installations across the country participate in the Holiday Block Leave period, many traveling through some of the busiest airports in the United States to be with their families during the holidays. USO airport centers can alleviate some of that stress for service members and

trainees by providing a place to relax and unwind before the next leg of their journey, along with all the comfort items they need.

To learn more about these programs and how to support them, and for ideas on how to reach out to the military community to express your thanks during the holidays and throughout the year, visit uso.org/campaign/holidays.

The holiday season can look very different for service members and military families who must celebrate while separated from loved ones and home in all corners of the world. Bringing everyone together on special days fosters camaraderie and positivity, and provides a welcome break from the demands of military life. ★

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implementation.

One of the key actions for the High Quality Professional Development pillar includes training all Pre-K-2 teachers and elementary administrators in Enhanced Core Reading Instruction (ECRI). All MJUSD K-2 teachers

have been trained. This training builds upon the routines and procedures within the district’s curriculum and helps provide highly structured systematic patterns that ensure mastery of phonemic awareness, blending sounds, word recognition fluency, and vocabulary.

All staff, elementary site administrators, Pre-K-2 teachers, paraprofessionals and literacy resource technicians are receiving a series of Structured Literacy training geared toward their respective roles. With an increased focus on literacy, MJUSD experienced initial growth

in Universal Reading Screener scores.

Starting in Fall of 2022, this Universal Screener was administered districtwide and will continue to be administered each Fall and Spring moving forward. As expected, due to the Summer break, the Fall scores for the new

school year are lower than the Spring scores at the end of last year. While that is typical, the Pre-K-3 Literacy Plan now has a framework in place that will help teachers start the school year strong, with supports that will help improve academic achievement and overall

literacy performance. This year a sub-committee will dig deeper into the district’s data and interventions including before and after-school Expanded Learning Opportunities Program as part of the district’s focus on a continuous cycle of improvement. ★

What went wrong at EDD? An Investigation of its Managerial Meltdown



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

In theory, we humans practice politics as a pathway to governance – providing an array of laws, regulations and services to protect and otherwise enhance the lives of the governed.

In practice, politics often – too often – become all-consuming exercises that bear only the faintest relationship to governance. Case in point: the U.S. Congress.

An aspect of that disconnect is the eagerness of those in office to build their images by constantly offering up proposals for new laws, services and programs while ignoring whether earlier laws, services and programs that officialdom birthed are performing as promised.

Often they are not, but even when informed about the shortcomings of design and/or implementation, officials tend to minimize or brush aside the criticism, fearing that acknowledgment would be a sign of weakness. Management and oversight just don’t have the political sex appeal of some shiny new notion that promises boundless benefits.

Examples of the syndrome abound, particularly in a state as large and diverse as California.

The state’s bullet train project is certainly one. Billions of dollars have been consumed and various

structures have been built but the project has become a zombie, something that’s neither alive nor dead.

Oroville Dam is another. It was poorly designed and shoddily constructed in the 1960s and those who managed it knew of its deficiencies, particularly spillways that couldn’t handle Feather River flows from extraordinary storms.

But the interest groups that provided financial support for the dam in return for water were evidently not willing to spend the money necessary to make it safe.

Officialdom didn’t make it a priority, even when safety issues were raised in 2005 during the dam’s relicensing. In 2017, it came extremely close to a collapse that could have killed thousands of people.

There are many others but the poster child for governmental dysfunction has to be the Employment Development Department, which imploded during the COVID-19 pandemic as millions of Californians lost their jobs and needed unemployment insurance benefits.

EDD managed to simultaneously deny countless unemployed workers of the life-sustaining benefits to which they were entitled and parcel out countless billions of dollars in benefits to clever fraudsters.

A preview of EDD’s dysfunctional tendencies was felt during the Great Recession a decade earlier and the state’s watchdogs, the state auditor’s office and the Legislature’s budget analyst, issued timely warnings of potential disaster. But three governors and hundreds of legislators couldn’t be bothered to fix them and

the result was cruel chaos.

In the aftermath of the near-catastrophe at the Oroville Dam, an exhaustive and damning analysis of what went wrong was commissioned. EDD deserves similar scrutiny.

After a year of painstaking research and interviews, CalMatters investigative reporter Lauren Hepler has written a four-part series that delves into what happened and why. She also catalogs the pain that EDD’s managerial collapse imposed on people who needed unemployment insurance benefits when the state shut down their jobs.

“Once COVID hit,” the series’ foreword summarizes, “public records and interviews reveal that California’s system was initially friendlier to scammers than to many real workers – and then the state got so aggressive that many workers struggled to prove their own identities. New financial reports requested by CalMatters show that amid the chaos, the EDD and its unemployment payment contractor Bank of America split a half a billion dollars in revenue, though the bank says it ultimately spent more to cover fraud losses. Another large EDD contractor, Deloitte, made more than a quarter of a billion dollars on tech contracts and emergency contracts to build systems that state reports say buckled during the pandemic.”

Will it be fixed or will EDD melt down again when another recession hits?

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



By Kathy Craig Harteis

Well it’s here. My silver jubilee year has arrived. It’s not so bad. As long as my face, hair and nail technicians keep holding me together I’ll be fine.

So far I haven’t seen any silver though. Isn’t there supposed to be a gift of silver for the silver jubilee?

As on my birthday for the past few years, we are

in Red Lodge, Montana. It’s a treat to visit this beautiful little town. It’s a special birthday treat for me each year to celebrate with the delicious Amish food we find here.

I pride myself on being a pretty good cook, but I don’t even come close to baking as well as the Amish. So good!

This year we were greeted by three deer on the front lawn. Around the corner were 5 full size turkeys walking around checking out the neighborhood. You just have to love this country that is filled with God’s glory every where you look. I am thankful we get to spend time here each year.

I also share my birthday month with our veterans. Veterans Day

is November 11. I like to take time to remember and be grateful for those who served for us.

My husband Tom served in Vietnam.

Sometimes we forget that so many of the Vietnam veterans were so young but accepted the task.

Be thankful for our military veterans and current military personnel.

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The Low Net Worth Investor

A question I often get asked by people with a limited amount of income and a relatively small amount of savings is should they be in the stock market in hopes of growing the nest egg.

The answer is not a slam dunk yes or no, and there are exceptions, but more often than not, I usually answer a resounding no, you should not be in the market.

My first consideration is that a relatively small nest egg is the only barrier between living comfortably and a spot in line at the food bank.

Sure, one could lose their egg entirely and may still be able to afford their living expenses from their income, but a hiccup in that area and into the shelters you go. Once you fall into that cycle, it’s hard to get out. Just ask anyone who’s been there.

Stocks obviously can go down as bad news can crater a stock price as well as a dozen other things that can go awry to reduce a portfolio balance.

I know the proponents of being in the market at all costs may not agree with me when I suggest staying out of stocks, but there is no denying that stocks can go up (why we are there), but can also go down (why we may not want to be there).

That’s not to say there are not exceptions or options for the low net worth investor. A person of a younger age would certainly want to consider investing in stocks. In fact, I recommend that, barring some specific circumstances. One should start investing in the markets from an early age. It is how fortunes are made, and the earlier you start, the better off you will probably be.

If one has an inheritance coming, a stock portfolio might also be a consideration seeing as a potential bailout fund might be in one’s future.

A good paying and secure position of employment would also be a factor, although the former is easily determined while the latter is subjective.

There are circumstances that would strengthen the argument against owning stocks. Having dependents or obligations that might require some or all of what little funds one may have available would give good reason to avoid stock market risk. Keep in mind, with the financial buffer that cash savings provide, an unexpected expense to someone who plowed all their savings in the market could force an untimely sell when stock prices are

down.

There are options for risk averse persons in lieu of sitting on a bag of cash or dabbling in stocks.

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As always, make sure you completely understand the terms of whatever it is you are considering to avoid getting tied up in an illiquid situation.

For those wishing a government guarantee instead of the insurance company guarantee of an annuity, Treasuries, which is debt from the U.S. government, are currently paying rates approaching 6% APR. Treasuries are backed by the full faith and credit of Uncle Sam. Be aware however, that interest rates have been moving rapidly in recent months, and when interest rates move significantly, they can have a serious effect on short term investments and the stock market in general. And as always, seek out a financial professional if you need assistance with your investing needs.

“Watching the markets so you don’t have to”

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The Brownsville Bailiwick & Beyond

The two book groups that meet at Books & More are looking for new members. The weekly study group meets on Wednesday afternoons, starting at 1:00 and chooses the same book to read and discuss. It is usually non-fiction and very interesting. One of the group is leaving the area and we could use one or two members to join us. The other book club meets once a month, on the last Wednesday of the month at 10:30 (except for Nov.-Dec when we have a special holiday meeting). We make a yearly plan, listing books by favorite authors, topics or genre. Then we all choose a book to fit the plan and that is our main discussion topic. Then we still share some of our favorite “reads” of the month. Please give us a call if you are interested (675-3275).

I attended the Yuba Feather Historical Board meeting last week and listened to all of the plans being made for Hometown Christmas. It sounds great! Vendors, lunch and music are being planned, Father Christmas will attend, the lights are being put up, and many details being attended to. This will take place at the museum in Forbestown on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Let’s hope for good weather

As I was reading through the Territorial last week, I noticed an article written by Kathy Harteis. It had an impact on me. She reminded me how important it is to “Take heed of the people you love”. They won’t always be there. We have had several Celebrations of Life in Brownsville lately and her message reminded me how important it is to a friend to many: Be there when needed, smile often, be someone a person can count on. All of these reminders are necessary as we get caught up in life’s details. Sometimes we hurry through the day without giving thought of that little extra effort it would take to touch someone. Please remember to take a minute or two to call a neighbor, smile at a stranger, or hug a friend.

We have “lost” a good friend in our community last week: One-Eyed Jack. He passed peacefully in his sleep and there are many a good story that will be shared at Stone soup. Remember to smile at a neighbor or do a favor for someone.

Look Back in Time – In 1898 Mrs. Spiers from Gridley displayed the latest fall and winter millinery in the Dobbins Hotel parlor (I guess all ladies wore hats then). ★

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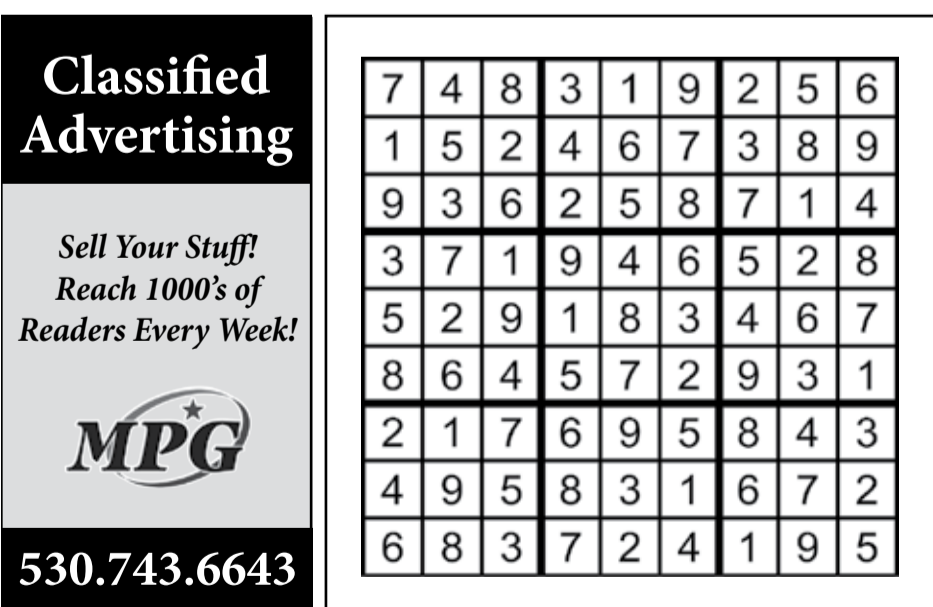
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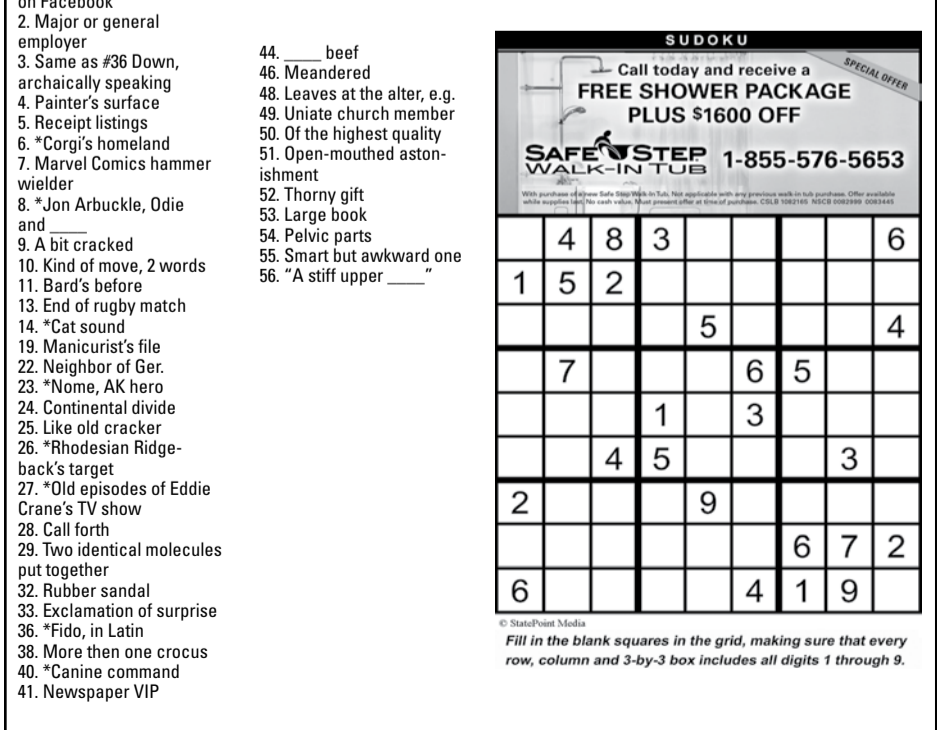
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1. Mirella Madrigal
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824 1st Ave
Willows, CA 95988
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/24/2023.
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).
Signed:
Mirella Madrigal
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2) Sutter County Community Action Agency board meeting Thursday, November 16 at 3:00 p.m. at Yuba-Sutter Economic Development Corporation, 950 Sharp Road, Ste. 1303, Yuba City.
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File No. 2023F-315
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Registered Owners:
1. Kelly Marie Fox Poston
16875 Willow Glen Road
Brownsville, CA 95919
MAILING ADDRESS
PO Box 454
Brownsville, CA 95919
This business is conducted by an individual.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/05/2023.
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).
Signed:
Kelly Fox Poston
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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/06/1965.
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Signed:
Ronald L. Stallins, CPA POA
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County of YUBA
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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/15/2006.
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Signed:
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Case NO. PRPB23-00156

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of **RICARDO A. REVERA, RICARDO ANTONIO REVERA.**

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ROBERTO RIOS in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that (name): ROBERTO RIOS be appointed as personal representative 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 personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: December 4, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.

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

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

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: AMY BYRNE, ESQ.
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File No. 2023F-318
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County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
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OLIVEHURST, CA 95961
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company.
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/20/2023.
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).
Signed:
NAS RULLAH CHAUDHRY CA MANAGING MEMBER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 10/20/2023.
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
November 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: JARRED AUSTIN TEEHAN, PETITIONER(S)
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01051
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE:
12/04/2023
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) JARRED AUSTIN TEEHAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Jarred Austin Teehan to: J'Shin Stewart

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: 10/10/2023

Stephen W. Berrier JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
OCTOBER 27, NOVEMBER 3, 10, 17, 2023.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF REGINA D. REVERA
Case NO. PRPB23-00153

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of **REGINA DEL ROSARIO REVERA, REGINA D. REVERA.**

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: ROBERTO RIOS in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that (name): ROBERTO RIOS be appointed as personal representative 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 personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: MARYBELLE GULLEY, PETITIONER(S)
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01059
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE:
11/27/2023
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) MARYBELLE GULLEY, AMENDED, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Marybelle Gulley to: Delle Mignon Hightower

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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DATE: 10/20/2023

Stephen W. Berrier JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
OCTOBER 27, NOVEMBER 3, 10, 17, 2023.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

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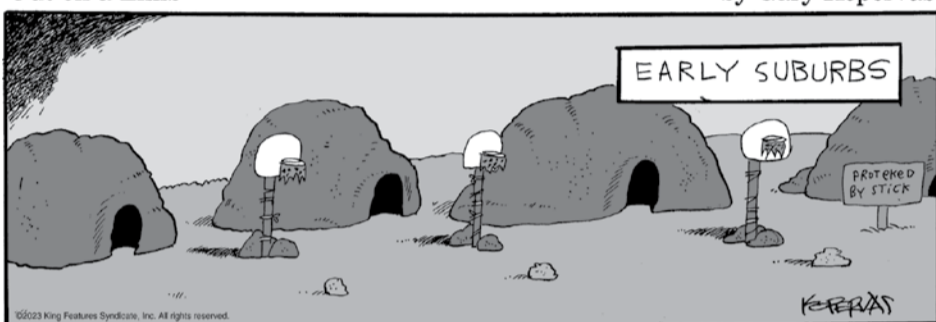
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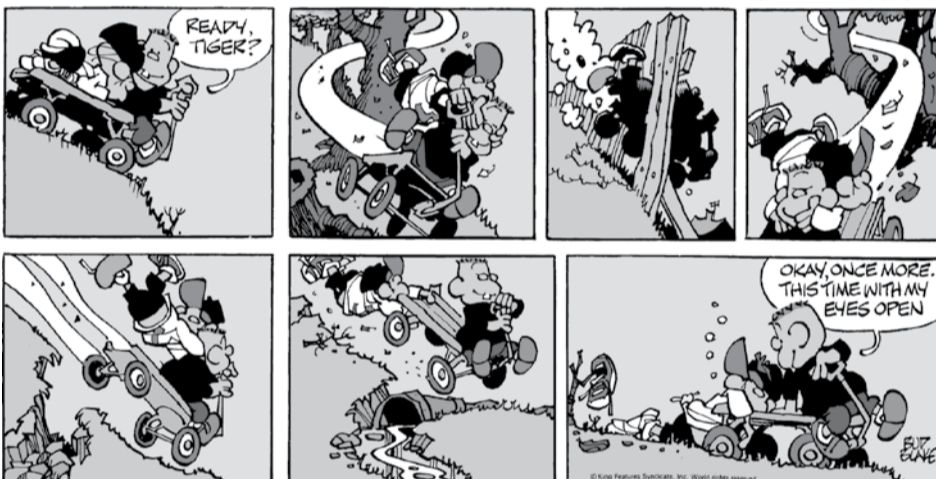
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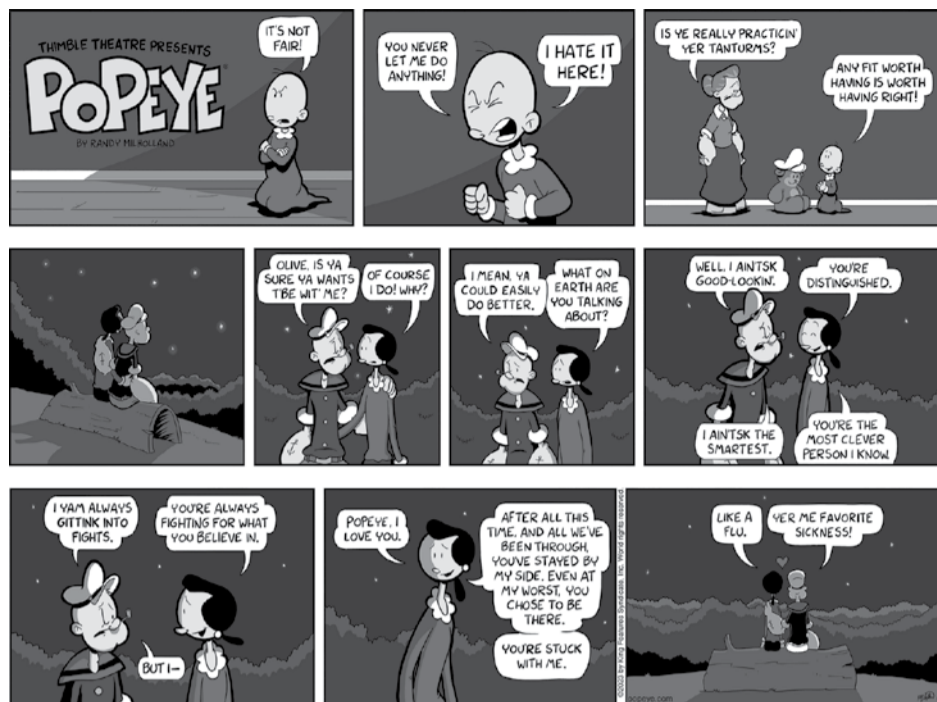


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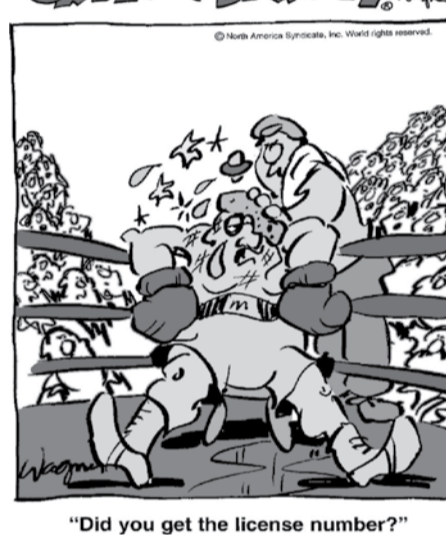
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Huskies Defense Holds Off Late Push by Hawks

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

SUTTER, CA (MPG) - The Sutter Union Huskies football team advanced to the semifinals of the California Interscholastic Federation Sac-Joaquin Section Division VI playoffs after a 14-7 victory over the Liberty Ranch Hawks on Thursday, November 9.

The win last Thursday continued the tradition of the football program playing into the second half of November as Sutter has made it to the semifinals of the Section playoffs dating back to every season since 2007 and excluding the fall of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Although the final score showed the Huskies with a seven-point victory, the game could have easily been blown wide open as a couple of Sutter touchdowns were called back due to penalties throughout the game.

The first quarter of the game was scoreless and it was a defensive battle between both squads

before the game moved into a flurry of penalty flags favoring one team over another 9-1.

The Huskies scored early in the second quarter when senior quarterback Jagger Beck found senior tight end Trenton Duchene in the back-left corner of the end zone for an 11-yard touchdown pass.

Beck threw the ball for 134 yards in the air and completed seven passes on the night. His favorite target in the game was senior wide receiver Jordan Lee who caught three passes for 100 yards in the game.

The Sutter offense struggled as they had well more than 100 yards less than they averagely do per game throughout the season.

The Huskies have thrown the ball more this season than they did last year by 60 plus pass attempts and Sutter head coach Ryan Reynolds told the Dispatch that plays are there for the balls with the potential of being caught, but they are just not falling.



Sutter junior linebacker Brandon Dobson (10) makes a tackle in the Huskies 14-7 victory over Liberty Ranch on Thursday, November 9.

The defenses shut down the rest of the first half and Sutter sophomore safety Max Bringgold collected eighth interception of the season, which was tied

for first in the SJS following the conclusion of game play of last week.

Huskies senior defensive back Rylan Giovannoni returned the second half kickoff to the house for a touchdown, but an excessive block penalty negated the score and backed up Sutter deep in their own territory.

Sutter extended their lead to 14 late in the third as junior quarterback Sammy Sharma scored on a 4-yard rushing touchdown.

The Huskies defense has been terrorizing opposing offenses all season and Reynolds told the Dispatch they wouldn't be where they are without them.

Reynolds added the defensive staff and defensive coordinator Matt Schamanski consistently do a great job on getting them ready week in and week out.

Liberty Ranch was going to come in and run the ball with no questions

and Reynolds and his staff knew it from the jump.

The Hawks junior running back Joseph Brown averaged 131 yards per game rushing as Liberty Ranch came into the game and Sutter shut him down to 59 yards on 19 rushes.

The big defensive line of Huskies senior lineman that include California State University, Fresno commit Auckland Asiata, Tristan Leal and Eric St. Onge.

The three combined for 27 total tackles where six were for a loss, and Asiata also caused a fumble early into the fourth quarter.

Leal expressed to the Dispatch that he feels like they (defensive line) are the spirit of the defense and they have a requirement to uphold.

"We have a threshold where we need to be and if we let that go, we're letting our defense down," Leal said.

Asiata added they work together as a collective

unit to get past opposing offensive lines and are there to back one another up on every play.

Liberty Ranch blocked a Beck punt with eight minutes to go in the game to have great field position on the Sutter 43-yard line.

Brown cut the Huskies lead in half with a little less than four minutes to in the game and on the next defensive possession forced Sutter to punt.

The Hawks had great field position to make a game winning drive but the Huskies defense shut the door and sealed the win.

Sutter hosts the Hughson Huskies of the Trans Valley League from the southern part of the SJS tonight at 7 p.m.

Hughson finished third in the league behind Escalon (No. 1 seed in D-IV) and Hilmar (No. 3 seed in D-V). Hughson defeated Colfax 54-13 last Friday in the quarterfinals. ★



Sutter senior defensive end Auckland Asiata (44) tackles Liberty Ranch junior running back Joseph Brown (6) in the open field in the Huskies 14-7 victory over the Hawks on Thursday, November 9.

Sutter's Bauer, Beck and Carino Sign NLI's

Story by Steven Bryla

SUTTER, CA (MPG) - Three Sutter Union High School seniors signed their national letter of intent on Wednesday, November 8 to further their academic and athletic careers into the collegiate level in front of family, friends, teammates and coaches.

Softball's pitcher Olivia Bauer signed with Boise State University, catcher/infielder Alexa Carino signed with California State University, Sacramento and baseball pitcher Jagger Beck signed with the University of Hawai'i at Manoa.

Olivia Bauer

Bauer expressed to the Dispatch that BSU has been her dream school to play for when she began playing travel ball.

"That's the only college I've ever wanted to go to, and it feels good to fulfill my dreams," Bauer said. She added that when she went to her first camp at the campus in Boise, she fell in love with the culture, coaches and the city itself.

Bauer's parents Kristie (mother) and Keith (father) told the Dispatch there was no doubt she was going to BSU without a doubt.

"She's (Olivia) always done something when someone tells her she can't do something," Kristie said.

As softball season sneaks up in a few short months, Keith and Kristie expressed they want her to have fun her senior year and continue to be the role model for the younger players in the Sutter program like she received.

"A great human being is better than being a good softball player," Keith said.

Olivia verbatimly expressed the same message of leaving her mark for the program during her senior season.

"They (upperclassmen to Olivia) were welcoming, they showed me the culture of Sutter softball and what it means to be a teammate.

Huskies head softball coach Stefanie

Danna told the Dispatch that Olivia always has the passion for the game and it's always fun for her.

"Olivia demonstrates what it means to play Sutter softball," Danna said. "Her and the returning players reestablished the culture after a big senior class of 2022 graduated."

Alexa Carino

Carino expressed to the Dispatch this summer when she committed to Sacramento State that it was also a chance for much of her support system to be closer to watch her play on a consistent basis.

"They've all helped me accomplish my dream, so I kind of owe it to them a little bit in the sense I'm here because of them," Carino said.

She added that it's a breath of fresh air that she will be able to see them in her home environment as comfort.

Carino's biggest supporter is her mother Yvette and she told the Dispatch that Alexa has worked her butt off since she was 10 years old.

With Alexa playing at Sacramento State, Yvette is excited to continue the journey of continuously being in the stands cheering.

"She has worked her butt off since she was 10 for this moment," Yvette said. She added she couldn't be more proud of Alexa for all of the time and hard work she has done to get to her signing.

Yvette is excited to have the opportunity of being able to make a lot of Alexa's games, but expressed to the Dispatch that she is most proud of the perseverance Alexa displayed throughout her life.

Danna expressed that Alexa is the vocal leader of the softball team and she mentioned that in her speech at Alexa's signing.

"When Alexa talks, the team listens, even I listen," Danna said as she let out a laugh. She added that Alexa has a presence on the field to instruct and

command the team when their backs are against the wall.

Alexa expressed to the Dispatch she wants to make more memories with the softball team this season and when she sees her teammates at the next level, she can think of all the fun times they have with one another.

Jagger Beck

Beck told the Dispatch that he decided on Hawaii because the coaching staff makes it a family environment of more than just baseball and he is happy to officially be going to Hawaii.

Father (Bill) and mother (Jodie Fairbanks) are excited for Jagger and Bull expressed he felt like he has known Jagger has wanted to play collegiate baseball for a long time.

"He's (Jagger) worked hard for this during his entire career in baseball and academics and we're excited to see it come through fruition," Fairbanks said.

Jagger told the Dispatch that he wants to go back-to-back this season as winning another section title and NorCal State title in baseball.

Bill and Jodie expressed that it can be nerve racking with Jagger being a six-hour plane ride away, but his support system from the family and having four parents will be there for him if needed and then joked well not if it's needed.

Huskies baseball head coach Stewart Peterson expressed he was proud and excited for Jagger signing with Hawaii.

He added that it couldn't have happened to a better person that people don't see outside the lines of the field and what he does on a day-to-day basis.

These three athletes would need another article for the accolades they received last season such as player/pitcher of the year, honorable mention to section and state teams to name a few, but they did the hard work inside the classroom and on the field. Never forget they need to be students first to play the games they love. ★



Sutter senior softball pitcher Olivia Bauer (middle) speaks at her national letter of intent signing on Wednesday, November 8. Photo by Chris Pedigo



Sutter senior pitcher Jagger Beck (middle) signed his national letter of intent to further his academic and athletic career with the University of Hawai'i at Manoa on Wednesday, November 8 in front of family, friends, coaches and teammates. Photo by Steven Bryla



Sutter senior softball catcher/infielder Alexa Carino gives a "stingers up" following the signing of her national letter of intent to further her academic and athletic career at California State University, Sacramento on Wednesday, November 8. Photo by Chris Pedigo

Assm. James Gallagher Advises About PG&E Rate Increase Proposal

Dear Friends:

Every four years PG&E is required by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to submit a “General Rate Case” (GRC) application. In their application this year, PG&E is proposing to increase rates by roughly \$40/month, which totals nearly \$500/year for their customers.

While Californians are struggling with rising prices across the state, an increase like this could break the bank for those who are already walking a tight rope with monthly expenses. Please read the information below for more details on how you could be affected and how you can participate in the CPUC’s public discussion on this proposal.

All relevant information regarding the PG&E GRC Proceeding can be found at Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) GRC Proceedings (ca.gov)

A specific Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document about this proposal can be read here at updated-faq-pge-grc-10423.pdf (ca.gov)

Most importantly, as a PG&E customer, you can participate and have your voice heard by visiting: Proceeding Details (ca.gov) and selecting “Add Public Comment.”

I highly encourage you to submit a public comment on this rate increase proposal.

In the meantime, listed below are some resources and tips to keep your home’s energy costs down.

Save 20% on your energy bill: The CARE program provides a 20% discount on your energy bill if you meet certain income eligibility requirements.

Lower the rate you pay for electricity: The Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) program bills some of your electricity at a lower rate.

Get a discount on your telephone bill: The LifeLine program provides discounts for local home phone services and installation for eligible households.

Get a discount on your water bill: Some privately owned water companies provide discounted water services for consumers with limited household income. Check with your local water provider to see if they offer discounts and what the eligible income threshold is for your area.

The tips may also come in handy for tightening up month-to-month expenses:

Reduce your energy usage: The Energy Savings Assistance Program helps consumers who meet the CARE program income eligibility reduce their monthly energy bills by providing attic insulation, energy efficient appliances, and other home improvements at no cost.

Rebates: Many energy utility service providers offer rebates to consumers who purchase energy-efficient appliances. Before you buy an appliance, call your utility service provider to learn what rebates might be available.

Free Appliances: Most energy utilities offer free energy efficient appliances to consumers with limited household income.

Water conservation: For more information on reducing your household water usage, you can see the CPUC’s Water Conservation Tips here.

The full website can be viewed here: Utility Bill Assistance (ca.gov)

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James Gallagher



Dave Ramsey Says

get a renter, and the house doesn’t sell. It puts your family in jeopardy, so to me it’s not an option.

Want my honest opinion? I think you’ve both got a case of house fever right now. The possibility I just mentioned isn’t a rare occurrence. Lots of people have had the same idea, with the best of intentions, and still wound up in a big mess. I love real estate. I mean I really love real estate. And I’ve flipped more than a few houses in my day. But the particulars of this deal make me a little nervous. If you and your husband are willing to accept the possibility of things not working out like you planned—and the fact you might have to take additional jobs for an unknown length of time just to make ends meet—then it might be a play. But for me? Nope. I don’t like putting myself into these kinds of situations.

When I was much younger, I was willing to do all kinds of dangerous stuff and ignore the risk. But going broke decades ago knocked that kind of thinking out of me in a hurry. Any deal that runs the risk of leaving you bankrupt, or the victim of a foreclosure, just isn’t worth it, Erin.

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of “The Ramsey Show.” He has appeared on “Good Morning America,” “CBS This Morning,” “Today,” Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company Ramsey Solutions. ★



Delay in Passing Farm Bill Could Cut Off Federal Support for Dairy Farmers

Dairy farmers are bracing for the “dairy cliff.” That is the term for what happens if the federal Dairy Margin Coverage Program is allowed to expire. The program offers monthly price support payments to dairy farmers. If Congress fails to pass a new, five-year farm bill or approve an extension of current legislation by the end of this year, those payments will cease. That would harm dairies, increase milk prices and cause supply-chain disruptions. “It would be disastrous for the dairy industry,” said Matthew Viohl, California Farm Bureau director of federal policy.

Pistachio Production Surge Stirs Worries of Oversupply, Price Drops

After harvesting a record crop this year, California pistachio growers say they’re looking to processors to expand use of the nut and drive up sales as more trees go in the ground and come into production. Already, some growers voice concern the sector may be growing too fast, with projections that California pistachio acreage will near 811,300 and production will reach 2.08 billion pounds by 2031. “I’m afraid of oversupply and under demand,” said Fresno County grower Greg Meyers. American Pistachio Growers estimates state bearing acreage will rise by more than 5% a year.

Agricultural Leaders Urge Action on Improving Ports for Farm Exports

Officials for Bay Area ports and leaders of California agricultural associations met last week to brainstorm on solutions to better facilitate farm exports from state ports, which a 2021 study called “the least efficient in the world.” At a San Francisco hearing held by the California Assembly Committee on Ports and Goods Movement, farming leaders and port directors discussed port shortcomings during the pandemic that stranded farm goods, including tree nuts, rice and wine, and continue to challenge the movement of freight within California.

Palm Weevil Blamed for Mass Destruction on Palms in San Diego County

An insect is wreaking havoc on palm trees in San Diego County. The South American palm weevil, also referred to as the American palm weevil and black palm weevil, was first detected in the region 2011 and breeding populations were later found in a Canary Island date palm in San Ysidro in 2015. Weevils have been blamed for killing more than 20,000 palms in the region. Though no infestation has been confirmed, the insect has been reported in the Coachella Valley, a major production area for edible dates about 120 miles northeast of San Diego. ★

Sutter Shotgun Team Wins Big at State Sporting Clay Championships



The JV Team State Champions consist of: Garrett Bartels, Ryan Alexander, Caesar Moulton, Tyler Fletcher, Cooper Maggard, Mathew Siller, Placido Acosta, and Sydney Munger. Photo by Dave Sampson

By SUHS Coach Dave Samson

Team Awards JV

Sutter High School’s Junior Varsity Team SWEPT the series shoots with 1st Place in each one of them and then took 1st Place State Champions in the State Championship Sunday in Zamora. The JV Team consisted of: Garrett Bartels, Ryan Alexander, Caesar Moulton, Tyler Fletcher, Cooper Maggard, Mathew Siller, Placido Acosta, and Sydney Munger.

Individual Awards JV

Sutter High School’s Junior Varsity Caesar Moulton tied for 1st Place individual shooting the highest JV score in the State Championship of an 86.

After a tie breaker shoot off, he took 2nd Place. Sutter’s Mathew Siller took 3rd Place and Sutter’s Ryan Alexander took 5th Place JV.

Squad Awards JV

Junior Varsity also had 2 of their squads take 1st and 2nd Place as squads. A Squad is made up of 3 kids and we had 2 of our JV Squads take 1st and 2nd Place in the State Championship. The 1st Place Squad consisted of Caesar Moulton, Cooper Maggard and Mathew Siller. And the 2nd Place Squad was: Garrett Bartels, Ryan Alexander and Tyler Fletcher.

Team Awards Varsity

The Sutter Varsity team took 2nd Place in the Series shoots leading up



The Sutter Varsity team took 2nd Place in the Series shoots leading up to the state championship and 3rd Place in the State Championship. Photo by Dave Sampson



LOCAL FISHING

Fisherman’s Comment: Brownie, be prepared for the best nine days of trout fishing ever. Native American Indians in Northern California sharpen their deer horn fish spears and mend their reed fish nets in anticipation of the “Indian Summer”. Nine days during Nov. 11th to Nov. 20th, where late autumn warm days, sometimes hazy and always clear nights, excite big rainbows to feed on the surface waters, where they become easy prey, for even novice fly fishermen. Signed: Reddy Teddy.

ICE FISHING

Part 1 of 5

The ice thickness on Caples Lake was 5.3 inches, so some of our equipment included: 20 ft safety rope, ice picks, ice chip scoop, ice cleats, ice tent, 6-inch hand auger, snow skis, snow shoes, Scepter stick spring bobber rods, Frabill Ice Hunter rods, Black Ops palm model rod/reel combo 22-inches long, Ice Helix Sonar, Ice Transducer Sonar, three types of automatic hook setters. No open fires allowed on the lake. Best bait is Rapala Ice Jig with Glitter Eggs.

LAKES RESERVOIRS

Nov. 4th Dungeness Crab opener. Only hoop nets allowed for sportfishermen. Try: Tray Baits. (b) Twenty-six miles off Bodega Head, Blue Fin Tuna to 160 pounds are being caught. Try: 6” Cedar Plug. (a) Halfmoon Bay/El Granada; limits of large vermillion, bocaccio, yellow tail and widow rockfish, also lingcod to 16-pounds. Rockfish...Try: Jigs (b) Lingcod...Try: Swimbait. (b)

LAKES RESERVOIRS

Lake Oroville; spotted bass fishing improving. Try: Fluke. (a) King Salmon are scattered. Try: Hoochie. (g) Pyramid Lake, Nev. Pilot Peak strain of Lahontan Cutthroat Trout to 31.4 lbs. caught and released. Best fish in 100 years. Most boaters catching Cutts of 10-14 lbs. Slot limits of 17”- 20” keepers. Trolling... Try: Spoons. (b) Folsom Lake; quality King Salmon of 4-pounds. Trolling... Try: Purple/White and Green/White Spoons. (a)

RIVERS

Feather River low-flow area 670 CFS and High-flow area 2300 CFS, hatchery steelhead holding in deep pools. Try: Salmon Roe. (a) Trinity River; both half pounder and adult steelhead to 30-inches are biting all along the Trinity River. Indicator fishing...Try: Stonefly. (b) Sacramento River near Redding area; wild trout fishing is good. Try: Caddis (b) American River Sailer Bar to



Rapala Ice Jig

SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

Party boats in the bay are experiencing a slow down in halibut fishing. Only ½ halibut per rod. Try: Live Anchovy. (a) Striper are scattered throughout the delta. Broad Slough seeing some action. Locate the bait fish first by electronics. Try: Rattletrap, Sardine Cut Bait. (a)

COASTAL WATERS

Crab sport fishermen are looking forward to Nov. 4th Dungeness Crab opener. Only hoop nets allowed. Try: Tray Baits. twenty six miles off the Bodega Head, blue fin



Steelhead Spinning Rig

Sunrise. Turning out small steelhead to 4-lbs. Try: Steelhead Spinning Rig. (a)

“Break a Leg” ~ **Brownie**