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The First Latinx team. From left to right, Nathan Russell, Brent Lorenz, Francis Huezo, Adrienne Holstine, Ervin Membreno, and Amanda Collins.

Story by Michele Townsend, photos by Francis Huezo, American Red Cross

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The American Red Cross was founded by a woman before her time. Clara Barton was born in 1821. During her life she was a teacher, a nurse and one of the first women to work

for the American government. Clara provided nursing services to soldiers fighting in the Civil War, and became known as “Angel of the Battlefield.” When the war ended, Clara found new ways to help the military. With permission from President Lincoln, she opened the Office of Missing Soldiers, helping to reconnect more than 20,000 soldiers with

their families. During a trip to Switzerland in 1869, Clara learned about the Red Cross movement, in which civilians provided humanitarian relief to those injured in combat during the Franco-Prussian War. This, along with her previous aid in the Civil War, led her to bring the Red Cross movement to

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CHP Focused on Tackling Distracted Driving Epidemic

CHP News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Every year, thousands of people are seriously injured or killed statewide in vehicle crashes caused by distracted drivers – crashes that are 100% preventable. To address the problem, the California Highway Patrol (CHP) is launching a statewide “Distracted Driving Education and Enforcement for Adult Drivers” traffic safety campaign, boosted by a \$350,000 federal grant.

The yearlong education and enforcement initiative continues through Sept. 30, 2024. Throughout the year, the CHP will conduct at least 90 enforcement operations targeting adult distracted drivers. In parallel with a CHP program targeted at teen drivers, the adult distracted driving campaign also includes 300 adult traffic safety presentations statewide.

“The CHP encourages drivers to make the conscious decision to drive distraction free every time they get behind the wheel of a vehicle,” said CHP Commissioner Sean Durjee. “Every distraction, even for just a few seconds, increases your chances of being involved in a crash. Ultimately, it is never worth the potentially devastating consequences.”

With multiple modes of communication and instant entertainment, cell phone use is the biggest driver distraction. Between 2019 and 2021, there were a total of 6,343 fatal and injury crashes within CHP jurisdiction stemming from distracted driving. During those same years, CHP officers issued more than 200,000 citations to drivers violating California’s hands-free law.

Some of the most common types of adult distracted driving includes texting, talking on a cell phone, eating, grooming, operating a navigation system, and adjusting the radio.

Public education and increased enforcement are designed to encourage drivers to recognize the dangers of distracted driving and reduce the number of people impacted by this reckless, preventable behavior.

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

Veterans Day Parade a Huge Success

Story and photos by Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The West Sacramento Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 8762 should be very proud for hosting the 2023 Veterans Day Parade and the outstanding success of it. The parade this year was by far the best parade that this town has seen in years. This year’s parade included a marching band, cheerleaders, sports organization, politicians, car clubs, horses, emergency organizations and equipment, scouts, mascots, military and of course... Veterans!

Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Risig was the MC for the event. He introduced each group and explained who they are and what they do. There was even a couple of parade floats. In addition to Jeff and the National Anthem singers, Taylor Jans and Abigail Graham, there

were 41 groups, totaling 528 people, several horses and one pig that participated in the parade.

It wasn’t just the large number of parade participants that showed up to support the Veterans this year. There was a great turnout of community spectators as well.

Spectators lined the parade route with their lawn chairs and families and enjoyed the handfuls of candy being tossed out to the crowd as the long line of beautiful cars and entertainment came down the street.

The Coast Guard was one of the parade

participants and rode the route pulling a rescue boat through the parade. The other branches of the military were represented by the participation of a Veteran from that branch. Air Force Veteran Bill Steffey Sr. rode in a 1955 Chevy Bel Air. Marine

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A patriotic car from the Good Intentions Car Club cruises through the parade.



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Volunteer for Yolo Reads This Family Literacy Month!

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

The Yolo County Library’s Adult & Family Literacy program, Yolo Reads, is seeking tutors for English-speaking adult learners in need. Additional volunteer opportunities are available to those who can assist with outreach and organizational support. Becoming a volunteer tutor offers life-changing literacy skills to members of our community and a meaningful outlet for volunteers.

Since 2008, Yolo Reads has been providing free and confidential instruction to English-speaking adults who are striving to improve their reading, speaking, and writing skills. Learners receive one-on-one support from volunteer tutors, free workbooks, and other learning materials, along with personal guidance in utilizing Yolo County Library

collections and resources. Recently, family learning has become a cornerstone of Yolo Reads.

Parents and caregivers in Yolo Reads gain the tools necessary to help their children succeed in school. Literacy empowers families, enabling them to make informed choices that lead to safer and healthier lives. Yolo Reads’ adult learners often progress in their formal education and are better able to support themselves and their families by obtaining better employment.

One in six Yolo County residents lacks sufficient reading and writing skills to carry out daily activities at work and home. “Our most effective form of program recruitment is word of mouth. Please share the benefits of Yolo Reads with your friends, family, and colleagues, and consider volunteering to help adult learners improve their reading and

writing skills to achieve their life goals,” said Yolo Reads Coordinator Nancy Pacheco.

For those interested in tutoring, no experience is necessary, the hours are flexible, and Yolo Reads provides all the required training and materials. Tutoring space is available at each of the Yolo County Library branches located in the communities of Davis, West Sacramento, Clarksburg, Winters, Esparto, Knights Landing, and Yolo.

To learn more about this opportunity, please call Yolo Reads at (530) 666-8019 or email Nancy Pacheco at Nancy.Pacheco@YoloCounty.org.

For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit www.YoloCountyLibrary.org, or connect with the Library on Facebook at www.facebook.com/YoloCountyLibrary.org ★

City Commission Applications for Vacant Seats Available



Applications are now being accepted for service on the following City commissions: 1 vacant seat on the Boards of Appeals; 1 vacant seat on the Environment and Utilities Commission; 1 vacant seat for the Parks, Recreation & Intergenerational Services Commission. These commissions works directly with City staff in developing goals and advising the Mayor and City Council on a variety of issues. Volunteering to serve on a commission is a great way to get involved in your community! Applications are due by December 31, 2023. To apply, please visit wsac.city/commission-application. For further questions, please contact the City Clerk’s Office at (916) 617-4500 or at clerk@cityofwestsacramento.org. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento

Update for March 5, 2023 Presidential Primary Election

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

The period for an individual to declare candidacy and begin circulating nomination papers are as follows:

County Central Committee & Council – September 29, 2023 – December 8, 2023; All other candidates: November 13, 2023 – December 8, 2023

If the number of signatures in-lieu of filing fee meets the required number of signatures for

nomination, the candidate does not need to circulate nomination papers during the nomination period. Filing fees, if required, must be paid at the time the nomination papers are obtained. This fee is non-refundable.

Candidates have until 5:00 p.m. on December 8, 2023, to collect their nomination signatures and submit their declaration of candidacy and candidate statement (if applicable) with the County Elections Office located at 625 Court Street, Room B-05, Woodland, CA 95695.

Additionally, the time frame for the mandatory Declaration of Intention for judicial candidates is October 30, 2023, to November 8, 2023. The filing fee must be paid at this time and is non-refundable. Signatures In-Lieu of filing fee will not be accepted after the Declaration of Intention is filed. If an incumbent for Judge of the Superior Court does not file a Declaration of Intention by the November 8 deadline, the Declaration of Intention period is extended until November 13. ★

Yolo County Library’s ‘Campfires y Cuentos’ Program Returns

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

The Yolo County Library presents another evening of slightly spooky storytelling around the campfire, delicious treats, and a beginner-level night hike on Saturday, November 18, at 4:00 p.m. at Bryte Park in West Sacramento. This is a bilingual event in English and Spanish recommended for ages 7 and up.

At 4:00 p.m., attendees will prepare a tasty camping-themed treat to enjoy while they get comfortable around the campfire! At 4:20 p.m., celebrate the magic of los cuentos (stories) with internationally known Latina storyteller Olga Loya. Ms. Loya will share a family story; an Aztec myth; a folktale about La Cucarachita, the little cockroach; a story about Señor Huesos, a man named Mr. Bones because when he walked his bones went clickety-clack; the Stone of Zamuro, about how conejito (little rabbit) found his strength; and a singing folktale of a family coming together. For the last 30 years, Ms. Loya has worked as a solo performer, keynote

speaker, teacher, and author. She tells stories that support her belief that we can take the time to enjoy ourselves through stories and song. Be ready to hear some tales with Spanish in them!

After listening to the stories, enjoy a night hike on the levee trail along the Sacramento River led by a naturalist from Tuleyome, a local conservation organization that engages in advocacy and active stewardship with diverse communities to conserve, enhance, restore, and enjoy the lands in the region. Children can play a bingo game as they learn about plants and animals found in Yolo County. Spanish language translation will be provided by a volunteer from the Sacramento-Central Valley Chapter of Latino Outdoors, an organization dedicated to creating a world where all Latino communities enjoy nature as a safe, inclusive, and welcoming place. Attendees are encouraged to bring water, flashlights or headlamps, sturdy walking shoes, layered clothing, and a blanket or low chair to sit on. Free headlamps will be provided

for children while supplies last.

This event is part of the library’s All Together Outside series which encourages community members to explore the natural world, learn about local wildlife and regional recreational opportunities, and explore the California State Parks with free day-use passes that library cardholders can borrow.

Bryte Park is located at 425 Todhunter Avenue in West Sacramento. The event will take place at the West Side Picnic Area. Parking is available along Todhunter Avenue. In the event of inclement weather, this program may be cancelled. Follow the library’s social media channels on Instagram and TikTok at [@YoloCountyLibrary](https://www.instagram.com/YoloCountyLibrary) and on Facebook at www.facebook.com/YoloCountyLibrary.org for updates.

All Together Outside is supported in whole or in part by funding provided by the State of California, administered by the California State Library. For more information about how to borrow a California State Parks Pass, visit [YoloCountyLibrary.org/Services/Parks-passes/](https://www.YoloCountyLibrary.org/Services/Parks-passes/) ★

West Sacramento News Briefs

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Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink –

You know the holidays are upon us with the return of the Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink. That time has come. The ice rink is located on 7th & K streets at Youssefi Square from November 8, 2023 - January 15, 2024. Many special events are already planned, but it is still available to reserve for parties. Regular Hours will be Tuesday - Thursday 2 - 9 p.m., Friday - Sunday 10 a.m. - 10 p.m., closed on Mondays, except for holidays. Special events include Superhero & Princess Day (Nov 18), Silent Disco (Nov 25), Free Skate (Dec 9) and much more. Updates can be found on Facebook & Instagram. Pricing includes skate rental and is as follows: Children six and under \$8, Regular admission \$15. Ice scooters available for \$5/half hour. All Veterans and Active

Duty with Military ID and members of the Sacramento Kings Kids Club All Stars skate for free. Discounted prices for people with a Western Health Advantage card, a Dignity Health card or same day SacRT ticket or pass. Lockers are available for \$2. For questions or for more information, call (916) 738-0703.

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CHP Celebrates the Graduation of New Officers

CHP News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Highway Patrol (CHP) welcomed more than 100 of California’s newest members of law enforcement during a graduation ceremony at the CHP Academy in West Sacramento. The November 3, 2023 ceremony is the culmination of more than six months of rigorous training, hard work, and commitment. “These cadets are California’s finest,” said Governor Gavin Newsom. “They are truly the best among us — answering a call of duty to serve our communities with trust and care. On behalf of all Californians, I am proud to welcome them to the California Highway Patrol.” The graduating class

of 112 officers, including 11 women, report for duty on Nov. 13, 2023, to one of the CHP’s 103 Area offices throughout the state. “The newly sworn officers exhibited remarkable dedication and determination throughout their training. They have proven themselves ready to take on the responsibilities and challenges of law enforcement, ensuring the safety and well-being of those who live and visit California,” said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. “We are proud to welcome them as part of the CHP family.” At the CHP Academy, cadet training starts with nobility in policing, leadership, professionalism and ethics, and cultural diversity. Cadets also receive instruction on

mental illness response and crisis intervention techniques. Training also includes vehicle patrol, crash investigation, first aid, and the apprehension of suspected violators, including those who drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Cadets also receive training in traffic control, report writing, recovery of stolen vehicles, assisting the motoring public, issuing citations, emergency scene management, and knowledge of various codes, including the California Vehicle Code, Penal Code and Health and Safety Code. A new class of more than 100 cadets will begin their 26-weeks of training at the CHP Academy that same day, bringing the total number of cadets in training to nearly 350.



This year’s graduating class of 112 officers includes 11 women who are entering the force. Photo courtesy of CHP

In June 2022, the CHP launched a multi-year recruitment campaign to recruit and hire 1,000 officers. If you are interested in an exciting career that offers diversity, challenges, and opportunities, the CHP invites you to apply to become a part of our professional organization. ★

Absolute Compassion Hospice, a Commitment to Family and Care

Absolute Compassion Hospice News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - For ten years and counting, Absolute Compassion Hospice has been serving compassionate hospice care here in the greater Sacramento area. Absolute Compassion Hospice is a family owned and operated Hospice Provider, serving the communities of Sacramento, Yolo & San Joaquin counties. Absolute Compassion is not only the name of the company, but it is their mission as well: “We recognize the value of every individual, guided by our commitment to excellence in service. We are competent, caring people offering extraordinary community hospice care. There is nothing more rewarding and gratifying than knowing you’ve touched lives. We touch lives, we make a difference and we do it through Absolute Compassion.” A bit more than ten years ago, founders John Cimino and Rangi Giner discussed the idea of starting a hospice care agency. They perceived a need for a more friendly, family-oriented hospice. They each had plenty of experience owning and operating assisted living facilities, where they had experienced frustration addressing the challenges

encountered regarding residents who qualified and would benefit from hospice care. The first resident at their new jointly owned facility, The Meadows at Country Place, had no children or other close family to help with the ups and downs of dealing with his chronic and incurable terminal illness. As an assisted living (non-medical) facility, they naturally had no way of making medical decisions or providing medical comfort care, so every time the resident had extreme pain or other symptoms requiring medical care, they would have to send him back to the hospital. Once symptoms were alleviated, and medical help was no longer needed, the resident would be returned to assisted living. The stress and the resultant tiredness was very troublesome and wearing on the resident, at a time when the most important thing should have been maintaining a comfortable quality of life. John and Rangi wanted to be able to get this (and every other terminal) resident access to the quality hospice care he deserved, but engaging any available hospice company, in a timely fashion, proved to be extremely problematic. From their family-centered, compassionate point of view, they started

visualizing something better. They wished to keep their hospice small so that they could provide a more personal experience. They knew that as owners, they would take a hands-on approach, maintaining attention to detail for each unique individual they served. They would be able to provide services in a more timely manner to the local community of “little guys” that would typically fall through the cracks in the large corporate approach. They would have dedicated doctors on staff to qualify patients as well as prescribe necessary medical interventions for treatment of discomfort and pain. It seemed meant to be. Under the scrupulous management of Kenneth Mendoza, Absolute Compassion has flourished. The team of caring professionals provide personalized expert care services 24 hours a day. Many hospice providers provide care, but Absolute Compassion also provides caring. It’s their passion for compassion that sets them apart. Their patients and families are assured the peace of mind in knowing that they will be treated with dignity, respect and quality care 24 hours a day. Every moment in life is meant to be cherished... especially when you know the end could be near.



The team of caring professionals at Absolute Compassion Hospice provide personalized expert care services 24 hours a day. Photo courtesy of Absolute Compassion Hospice

Absolute Compassion Hospice Care allows patients and families to spend their final time together in comfort and dignity while receiving services focused on sustaining quality of life. Their goal is to eliminate pain and manage all of the other troubling symptoms of advanced, life-threatening illness. Absolute Compassion Hospice is located at 6355 Riverside Blvd suite T, Sacramento, CA 95831. For more information you can call (916) 399-5922 or visit absolutecompassion.com. ★

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Veterans Day Parade a Huge Success

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Veteran Jerry Smith rode through the parade with Mayor Martha Guerrero. 100-year-old Navy Veteran Paul Hayden Dunn received a standing ovation as he rode through the parade. Right behind him was 99-year-old Abel, riding in one of the cars from the Sacramento Valley Model T Club. He also received a standing ovation.

A full list of participants includes: West Sacramento Fire Department, West Sac.

Boy Scouts of America Troop 49, Scouts BSA Troop 50G, West Sac. Cub Scout Pack 49, West Sacramento Girl Scouts, Presenting The River City Regiment, River City High School Cheer Squad, West Sacramento Police Department, West Sacramento Mayor Martha Guerrero, Dolores Huerta Latino Democratic Club, West Sacramento Mayor Pro Tem Quirina Orozco, River City Democrat Club, Jesse Schlunegger & Veteran

Abel Hernandez, San Pedro Association, City of West Sacramento Parks, Elkhorn Village Elementary School, West Sacramento Little League, West Sacramento Girls Softball, Good Intentions Car Club, Sacramento River Cats – “Dinger”, West Campus Highschool Cheerleaders/ Sac Sirens, Don Albert’s 1939 Chevy, Bill Steffey Sr.’s 1955 Chevy Belair, United States Coast Guard, Sacramento Valley Model T Club, Sacramento

Kings’ Slamson, Sacramento Regional Fire Museum, Thunderbolts Capitol Auto Club of Sacramento, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), West Sacramento Art Guild, Oscar Villegas, Yolo County Supervisor, West Sacramento Moose Lodge number 1762, Yolo County Sheriff Marine Patrol Unit and OHV Team, Yolo County Search and Rescue under the Yolo County Sheriff Office, Yolo County Sheriff’s Posse.

The West Sacramento VFW Post 8762 then held a steak dinner to honor all of our military Veterans. All Veterans ate for free that night. If you are a Veteran, or if you know a Veteran that needs any help or would just like to spend some time with his brothers and sisters of the military, VFW Post 8762’s hours of business are Monday - Closed, Tuesday - Thursday 5 p.m. - 9 p.m., Friday 5 p.m. -10 p.m., Saturday - By Appointment, Sunday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. ★



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The River City High School Marching Band marches through the parade.

The River City High School Marching Band plays during the parade.

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Yolo County Red Cross Needs Volunteers

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America. In 1881 Clara founded the American Red Cross. The work done by the American Red Cross has led to historically significant developments and practices worldwide that are still being followed to this day.

Here we are 142 years later, and the American Red Cross is still the leading organization that the world turns to when in need of assistance, both near and far. The Red Cross territory has always encompassed Sacramento and Yolo County together. However, recently they have split apart, and the two counties now have their own Red Cross teams.

As the Yolo County team is being formed, the Red Cross is now looking for local volunteers to join the Yolo County team.

Volunteering for the Red Cross can look many ways. Volunteers can “work” (volunteer) as many hours as they desire. There are a multitude of positions available including (but not limited to) Blood Donor Ambassador, Blood Transportation Specialist, Disaster Action Team and Hero Care Network Caseworker. The positions listed are those that are currently in the greatest need.

If you are someone that wants to be hands-on with the people being helped, being a Disaster Action Team Member might be your cup of tea. Locally, these team members might go to a site where a family has just lost their home to a fire or some other disaster. The team member would assess what this family needed

in order to begin moving forward to recovery. Sometimes this could mean setting them up in a hotel for up to six months. It may include providing food, clothing, personal items, or any number of needs.

If responding to a family in shock from a fire is a little too high drama for you, perhaps being a member of the Shelter Support Team is more your style. These people may run the phone lines that those in need turn to for guidance and direction. In this position you would assist with reception, registration, feeding, dormitory, information collection and other vital tasks.

Perhaps you have a soft spot for veterans or military personnel. The Red Cross provides emergency communications and critical care for our military and their families. Should you need to reach someone in boot camp or that is deployed, the way to do that is through the Red Cross. The Red Cross has so many volunteer positions, doing such a variety of jobs, there is sure to be one for you. All training is provided, and continued training is always available. This includes general CPR classes to a string of rescue training. Training from basic to advanced rescue is available.

When there is a need for help and support from the Red Cross, a call is put up to the volunteers. The volunteers then have the choice to accept or deny the deployment or service that is needed. You are never forced to



The Kelseyville team. From left to right, Diana Ramos, Nathan Russell, and Sandra Benito.

work volunteer hours that you don't want to work, and you are never forced to go anywhere that you don't want to go. If you are deployed to a situation that requires support, all travel expenses and accommodations are paid for by the Red Cross.

Currently Yolo Red Cross is actively looking for volunteers that want to do preparedness training for the community. This may be for kids or adults. These volunteers may be taught the curriculum so that they can then teach it to others in the community, schools, churches, and other groups. The Red Cross works completely with your schedule and tries their best to avoid conflicting issues with someone's employment or other obligations. Many volunteers are on-call so these volunteers don't have to

worry about losing sleep, unless there is an emergency.

In addition to CPR classes, the Red Cross teaches first aid classes, and they provide free smoke alarms and bed shakers for those that are deaf or hard of hearing. They will help your family create an evacuation plan for your family, and they provide refrigerator magnets with emergency information. Sometimes they just need someone to go to an event and provide literature.

“The most wonderful thing about volunteering is the people that you get to meet,” said Francisca Huezo, Director of the Yolo County team. She continued with, “The people are so grateful and you get to be that one that gets to give them the resources and wrap that blanket around them. You get to be the one who

provides a safe place where the family can gather together.” Francisca explained that the Red Cross can provide health services, mental health services and spiritual services if needed.

The Red Cross is committed to helping anyone that is facing a disaster. For this reason, they are looking for people of all races and spiritual beliefs, and those who speak any language, so that they can provide support to any group. If you have any questions, would like more information on the variety of duties performed, or are interested in volunteering, please visit redcross.org or redcross.org/volunteertoday. Click on the volunteer tab and fill out the application. There will be a background check performed and they will contact you. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. F20230887
The following person(s) is doing business as:
RJM Bruxie Davis, 500 1st St. #9, Davis, CA 95616, County of Yolo.
RJM Food Group LLC, 570 Soscol Ave, Napa, CA 94559
This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A
/s/ RYAN STRANGE, MANAGING MEMBER
RJM Food Group LLC
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/18/2023.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
By: kquam, Deputy
11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24/23
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230879
The following person(s) is doing business as: The Ranch At Woodland, 724 Cottonwood Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
Montgomery Partner's Inc, A Ca Corporation, John Palmer/MRP Capital, Inc., A Ca Corporation, Michael R. Piro, 1040 Redwood Highway Frontage Road, Mill Valley, CA 94941. This business is conducted by A Limited Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 29, 2023.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/17/2023.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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RANCH 12-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230950
The following person(s) is doing business as: Sierra Foothill Real Estate, 418 First Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
John H. Reddcho, 5508 East Brook Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 11, 2012.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/9/2023.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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SIERRA 12-8-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230932
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: KID KLUB KIOSK, 1784 Stetson Circle, West Sacramento, CA 95691 County of YOLO Mailing Address: 1784 Stetson Circle, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Vencar LLC, 1784 Stetson Circle, West Sacramento, CA 95691 This business is conducted by a limited liability company The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. Vencar LLC S/ Bryna Athella Pascua, Managing Member, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/02/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230914
The following person(s) is doing business as: Leaf Laundry, 1282 W Capitol Ave. West Sacramento, CA 95691, County of Yolo. Mokingbirds LLC, 5515 PACIFIC ST #251 ROCKLIN, CA 95677-9998 This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company (submit Articles of Organization from the Secretary of State) The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A /s/ Stanley Y Mok, Managing Member Mokingbirds LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/30/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder By: kquam, Deputy
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2023-2098
Sayed Kabir Sadat has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sayed Abdul Basit Sadat to Basit Sadat and Sayed Abdul Bais Sadat to Bais Sadat and Sayed Abdul Waris Sadat to Waris Sadat.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 5, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 11, 2023
Daniel M. Wolk, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 27, Nov 3, 10, 17, 2023
SADAT 11-17-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2023-2266
Svetlana Mikhaylovna Tkacheva has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the

name(s) of Svetlana Mikhaylovna Tkacheva to Svetlana Visochin and Svetlana Mikhailovich Tkachev to Svetlana Visoshin and Svetlana Mikhailovich Tkacheva to Svetlana Visochin.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 27, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: November 1, 2023
David Rosenberg, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 17, 24, Dec 1, 8, 2023
SVETLANA 12-8-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PETER C. ANDREOTTI
CASE NO. PR203-0246
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Peter C. Andreotti.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by John Andreotti, in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting John Andreotti be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: December 12, 2023, 9:00 a.m. in Dept TBD. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Garin D. Clyma, ESQ, Gibbons & Clyma, Inc, 2520 Douglas Boulevard Suite 100, Roseville, CA 95661; 916-783-3033
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ANDREOTTI 12-1-23

LIEN SALE
Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 975 F St, West Sacramento, CA 95605 on 12/05/2023 @ 2:00pm: Yvonne Castillo - 3 bedroom household items Jahari Law Jacobs - household items, clothes Diane Brandt - boxes and furniture Christopher Gonzalez - Random trash Kevin Mcfarland - Books Jose Guda-lup Pelayo - Appliances Brian Dunlap - clothes, office furniture, file, equipment Cristan Montes - chairs, table Fernando Garcia-Villalobos - household goods, tools Angelique Dixon - household good for a 1 Bedroom apt Johnathan Burkett - household goods Kaku Medina - household good for a 3 bedroom fully furnished Robert Napier - 2 Couches, Bed, Entertainment Center, TVs Muhammad Zamurad - 2 rooms. couch, bed Benita Acosta-Bettencourt - household goods The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.
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TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 48072434 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/4/2016. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: BENJAMIN J. BATTLES, A SINGLE MAN Duly Appointed Trustee: IDEA LAW GROUP, PC Recorded 6/8/2016 as Instrument No. 2016-0015175-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1609 ORINDA PL WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 A.P.N.: 046-391-012-000 Date of Sale: 12/11/2023 at 1:00:00 PM Place of Sale: WEST SACRAMENTO CITY HALL, 1110 W. CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$356,645.79, Estimated. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-949548-BF. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction.

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-22-949548-BF Order No.: 220666551-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/15/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): BRANDON HARDING AND KATHERINE L.S. PIERCE HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded: 9/22/2005 as Instrument No. 2005-0047250-00 and modified as per Modification Agreement recorded 7/23/2015 as Instrument No.

2015-0020577-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 12/11/2023 at 1:00 PM Place of Sale: At the North Entrance of the West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 W. Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$669,769.61 The purported property address is: 1725 CHINOOK ROAD, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 Assessor's Parcel No.: 046-434-006-000 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-949548-BF. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction.

There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 800-280-2832, or visit this internet website http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-22-949548-BF to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCUPANT: Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 800-280-2832 Or Log in to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION . TS No.: CA-22-949548-BF IDSPub #0189162 West Sacramento News Ledger 11/10/2023 11/17/2023 11/24/2023
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PUBLIC NOTICE
OF UNSCHEDULED COMMISSION VACANCIES

Applications for the following vacancies are now being accepted until 5 p.m. on December 31, 2023. Appointments to these unscheduled vacancies will expire upon new appointments in early 2025.

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on the following Commission/Boards:

**Parks, Recreation & Intergenerational Services Commission
Environment & Utilities Commission
Board of Appeals**

Interested applicants must be residents of the City of West Sacramento, be age 18 or older, and should consider reviewing meeting video of the Commission. More information on the appointments and duties for these commissions are located on the City's website at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/commissions-committees/commissions-committees-application>.

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PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Facility #3525 3280 Jefferson Blvd West Sacramento, CA 95691. On 12/6/23 @ 10AM

Lisa Haley - Hsld gds/Furn, TV/Sereo Equip, Tools/Aplneces
Lori Murphey - Hsld gds/Furn
Katie Miller - Hsld gds/Furn

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
SELF STORAGE AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to the California Storage Act (Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code.) West Sacramento Self Storage: Property is located in separate storage units at 2274 Lake Washington Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691. The auction will be conducted entirely online at: <https://bid13.com/Auctioneer>: Bid13.com 1-844-348-2776; agent for Owner. Contents such as household goods, clothes, children's toys, furniture, tools, and other miscellaneous items for the following lien units will be sold:

Paul Ostergar	J045	Gary Stanley	B016
John Conto	C055	Sharma Ritesh	G010
Samual Raney	D019	Brandon Rowzee	I039
Sabrina Khalfan	I083	Edward Morales	B005
Rafael Navarro	E022		

Pictures of unit contents can be seen online. Bidding is held online beginning Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at 9:00 am and closes Tuesday December 5, 2023 at 3:00 pm PST. Payment must be paid for at the time of purchase. Cash only accepted. All items in the unit are sold as is and must be removed within two days of the time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Please call the facility at 916-374-9000 to make an appointment to pick up winning units.

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Social Security Matters

Social Security Disability vs. Spouse Benefits vs. Survivor Benefits (and COLA)



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I retired from working in June but will not sign up for Social Security until age 70 and, to do that, I plan to draw from my IRA for the next 3 years. My wife is receiving Social Security disability benefits and will reach her full retirement age in March of next year. I know that my wife simply reaching her full retirement age will not mean an increase to her benefit – except for COLA. What I’m wondering is, can my wife get spousal benefits of any sort based on my Social Security benefits - either before I draw or after I am drawing - apart from her benefits at my death? Her Social Security disability amount is only a fraction of my maximum benefit. **Signed: Baffled Husband**

Dear Baffled: Looks like you’re confused about your wife’s Social Security disability benefits, retirement benefits, spousal benefits, and survivor benefits. Here’s what you need to know:

When your wife reaches her full retirement age (FRA) next year, her

current Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefit will automatically convert to become her regular SS retirement benefit at the same amount she was receiving on SSDI (disability). The amount stays the same because your wife’s SSDI amount is based on her FRA entitlement.

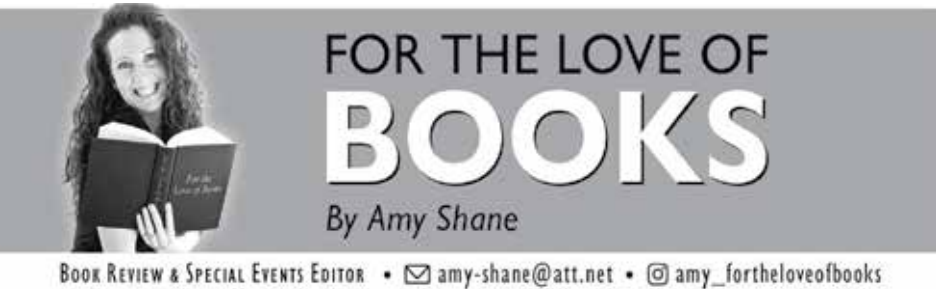
Your wife cannot get any spousal benefits from you until you claim your own Social Security retirement benefit. Since you plan to delay claiming until you are 70 several years from now, after your wife’s SSDI converts to become her regular retirement benefit at her FRA next year, she will continue to receive her own SS retirement benefit until you claim. At that point your wife will get a “spousal boost” added to her own SS retirement benefit. The amount of her spousal boost will be the difference between her FRA entitlement (same as her SSDI amount), and 50% of your FRA entitlement (not half of your age 70 amount - spouse benefits are always calculated using FRA amounts, regardless of when Social Security is actually claimed).

Your wife cannot get a spousal benefit from you until you start your Social Security, but after you claim she will receive her higher spousal benefit (her own SS retirement benefit plus a spousal boost) for the rest of her life, or until you predecease her. If you die first, your wife will get 100% of the amount you

were receiving at your death (e.g., your age 70 amount), instead of the smaller amount she was receiving as your spouse while you are both living.

Regarding COLA, after becoming eligible for benefits, everyone gets the annually awarded COLA increase whether they are already collecting SS benefits or not. The next annual COLA increase will be added to your wife’s SSDI at the end of this year and added to her SS retirement amount each year thereafter, and then to her higher amount as your spouse after you claim. And even though you are waiting until age 70 to claim, the annual COLA will still be added to your Primary Insurance Amount (PIA) each year, and you will receive that past COLA in your monthly payments after you later claim.

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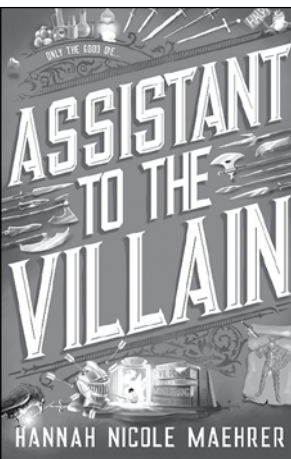
Assistant To The Villain

by Hannah Nicole Maehrer

Evie Sage will do anything to land a job, even if it is with the Kingdom’s most notorious Villain. Evie was used to hard work, demanding, unpredictable employers, and even jobs outside the scope of what was required, but nothing prepared her for this job. Besides heads strung across the ceiling, screams coming from the dungeon, and a crown-wearing frog who expresses his unwanted comments through signs, this was just a typical assistant job. Unless, of course, you count that impossible, temperamental and slightly sexy boss.

Despite all the distractions, a good job is hard to find, and Evie’s quick wit and sarcastic humor make her the perfect match; which thankfully is just what Evie needs. With her mother gone and her father ill, Evie is solely responsible for her family’s survival, and Evie will do anything to keep this job, even if there are some unsightly tasks.

But just when Evie thinks she has the job figured out, Evie discovers a traitor in their midst. Even with all the extra magical precautions and safe holds set by her employer, someone is still sneaking into



and full of wicked intent, *Assistant to the Villain* is a binge-worthy, fun read that leads readers straight into a villainous trap and right into a cliffhanger ending. After all, don’t villains love a great cliff?

Told in dual perspectives, readers will delve straight into Evie and the Villain’s minds, allowing a glimpse their subtle feelings, and the slow burn of unknowing desire. The slow build of feelings only adds the adventure and storyline, allowing for character growth without stealing the spotlight, which in turn will only make readers yearn for one of them to slip up just for a fraction of a moment. Readers will be screaming for Evie and the Villain to break, just for a moment, but secretly enjoying the villainous way the author keeps them apart.



Readers beware: a smoldering evil Villain is looking for an assistant. Do you have what it takes?

With quick wit and cantor around every corner, readers will instantly fall for this fairytale turned on its head as they get an inside look at just how hard it is to be a notorious Villain and the one who assists him. Uniquely refreshing

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11-5-23 MICHAEL LOPEZ Arrested for felony warrant.

11-5-23 ARMAN PORUPSKY Arrested for Vandalism \$400 or more after allegedly hitting his head against the window at Whitey’s Jolly Cone and breaking the window.

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11-4-23 Van window broken and sliding door open. \$500 loss. Vandalism.

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I SLEPT LIKE A LOG LAST NIGHT.

THAT EXPLAINS WHY OUR BED WAS FULL OF SANDUST.

by Jeff Pickering

Amber Waves

I GUESS HAL THE TURKEY IS WORRIED ABOUT THANKSGIVING.

I PERSONALLY DON'T SEE WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL.

US CHICKENS DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT DAY AT ALL.

NO, JUST EVERY OTHER DAY BEFORE AND AFTER THAT.

by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

TIGER

READY, TIGER?

OKAY, ONCE MORE. THIS TIME WITH MY EYES OPEN.

by BUD BLAKE

THUMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY EDDY FELD

IT'S NOT FAIR!

YOU NEVER LET ME DO ANYTHING!

I HATE IT HERE!

IS VE REALLY PRACTICIN' VER TANTURMS?

ANY FIT WORTH HAVING IS WORTH HAVING RIGHT!

CLINE IS VA SURE VA WANTS TBE WIT ME?

OF COURSE I DO! WHY?

I MEAN VA COULD EASILY DO BETTER.

WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT?

WELL, I AINTSK GOOD-LOOKIN'.

YOU'RE DISTINGUISHED.

I AINTSK THE SMARTEST.

YOU'RE THE MOST CLEVER PERSON I KNOW.

I VAM ALWAYS GITKIN INTO FIGHTS.

YOU'RE ALWAYS FIGHTIN FOR WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN.

BUT I—

POPEYE, I LOVE YOU.

AFTER ALL THIS TIME, AND ALL WE'VE BEEN THROUGH, YOU'VE STAYED BY MY SIDE. EVEN AT MY WORST, YOU CHOSE TO BE THERE. YOU'RE STUCK WITH ME.

LIKE A FLU.

HER ME FAVORITE SICKNESS!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

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16. Norse capital

17. Extremely angry

18. *Tweety chaser

20. Bob Ross' do

21. Not quite right

22. Hawaiian dish

23. Directed

26. Brought down

30. Deed

31. Rifle's backward move

34. Denim innovator

35. Like salad greens

37. Greek R

38. Read-only memory device

39. Western Samoan money

40. Oklahoma athlete

42. Tiny guitar

43. Relating to dreams

45. Like certain Debbie?

47. U.S. Marine Corps gift recipient

48. Gin mixer

50. Title for Turkish leader

52. *1929 Best Actor Oscar nominee

56. Lallygags

57. Medley

58. Pineapple producer

59. Suggestions

60. *Lassie's mark in Hollywood sidewalk

61. Arabian bigwig

62. Banana leftover

63. New York time

64. "Wanted!" state

DOWN

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4. Painter's surface

5. Receipt listings

6. *Corgi's homeland

7. Marvel Comics hammer wielder

8. *Jon Arbuckle, Odie and

9. A bit cracked

10. Kind of move, 2 words

11. Bard's before

13. End of rugby match

14. *Cat sound

19. Manicurist's file

22. Neighbor of Ger.

23. *Nome, AK hero

24. Continental divide

25. Like old cracker

26. *Rhodesian Ridgeback's target

27. *Old episodes of Eddie Crane's TV show

28. Call forth

29. Two identical molecules put together

32. Rubber sandal

33. Exclamation of surprise

36. *Fido, in Latin

38. More than one crocus

40. *Canine command

41. Newspaper VIP

44. ____ beef

46. Meandered

48. Leaves at the alter, e.g.

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50. Of the highest quality

51. Open-mouthed astonishment

52. Thorny gift

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