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Storms have arrived in California. The Oroville Spillway at Lake Oroville in Butte County is ready for a wet year. California Department of Water Resources

**BY RACHEL BECKER, CALMATTERS.ORG**

As forecasts tease California with rainstorms this week, the state's reservoirs are already flush with water.

It's a big departure from a year ago: The state's major reservoirs — which store water collected mostly from rivers in the northern portion of the state — are in good shape, with levels at 124% of average. In late 2022, bathtub rings of dry earth lined lakes that had collectively dipped to about two-thirds of average — until heavy winter storms in January filled many of them almost to the brim.

Yet healthy water levels don't mean California's reservoirs are full. Most of California's large reservoirs are operated for flood control as well

as water storage, with space kept empty to rein in winter storm runoff.

The wet season has arrived in California, with El Niño conditions projected to continue strengthening. But for the Golden State, with its unpredictable swings from dry to wet and back again, El Niño doesn't guarantee heavy rainfall.

And as California's water managers plan for the water year ahead, they're faced, as always, with their dueling responsibilities: forestalling floods while preparing for possible scarcity in a state where water supplies are often stretched thin and long droughts are common.

When state climatologist Michael Anderson looks into California's water year ahead, he says the crystal ball is cloudy.

Threats of a major storm dissolved into showers in parts of California this week, with another surge of rainfall expected to wrap up this weekend. Rainfall is only expected to reach 1 to 2 inches statewide through Saturday morning, with light snowfall predicted in the Sierra Nevada mountains at higher elevations.

"Overall this is looking to be a beneficial rainfall event for Southern California, which is definitely welcome during the typical peak of our fire season," the National Weather Service office for San Diego reported earlier this week.

Some headlines heralded it as the first storm of many as El Niño continues to strengthen and intensify. Characterized by warming of the

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## Rep. Kiley Announces Advisory Board



**Office of Congressman Kevin Kiley**

**WASHINGTON, DC (MPG)** - Representative Kevin Kiley (R-CA) announced his independent advisory board to interview applicants for Service Academy Nominations.

"As a Member of Congress, it is my distinct honor and privilege to nominate candidates for appointment to the U.S. service academies, including the U.S. Military Academy (USMA), U.S. Naval Academy (USNA), the U.S. Air Force Academy (USFA), and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA). California's Third Congressional District is filled with high achieving students, and we have received over 30 applications for Service Academy Nominations to my office. I look forward to working with the advisory board to ensure that qualified applicants receive a nomination," said Rep. Kiley.

**Panelists Include:**

**Jeff Scruggs:** Jeff is a graduate of U.C. Davis with a degree in Geology and participated in Army ROTC. He served 11 years Active Duty with the Army Corps of Engineers and 17 years in the Active Reserve. Mr. Scruggs deployed to Iraq in 2003 for Operation Restore Iraq Oil as part of the 2nd Gulf War. He retired with 28 years of service in 2007 as a Lieutenant Colonel and has lived in Roseville for 37 years. He has been an Admissions Officer for West Point for over 30 years.

**C. Emmett Mahle:** C. Emmett Mahle is a graduate of McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific, in Sacramento, and holds an MBA from Central Michigan University in Mount Pleasant, Michigan. Prior to that, Mr. Mahle graduated from The United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, as a member of the Class of 1967, and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry. He served 27 years in the United States Army and United States Army Reserve, and retired at the rank of Full Colonel. During his service time, he graduated from the Army's Ranger, Airborne, Pathfinder, Green Beret, and Panama Jungle Schools, and holds degrees from their Command and

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## STCA Holiday Art Sale Extravaganza

**Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture News Release**

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is pleased to announce its artist lineup for its December art sale in the Theater Art Gallery at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. Titled "A Holiday Art Sale Extravaganza," it features the very diverse work of many local artists. It is a one-stop shopping solution for those that like to give very personal, one-of-a-kind, locally-sourced artistic gifts. This month we are excited to have our Anchor Artists show off their work alongside several guest artists in the gallery who will have lots of new original artistic options for your holiday gift giving. The event is open and free to the public, and includes free appetizers, beer, and wine. The free reception will be held on December 1st, from 5 -7 p.m., in the Gallery at the Sutter Theater Center for



Anime-inspired artwork by Ash Arroyo. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

the Arts, 754 Plumas St. in Yuba City. The gallery will be open from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. through December 22nd.

The guest artists will include Ash Arroyo sharing their anime-inspired artwork including stickers and small canvas art pieces. Ethan Fifield will be displaying gorgeous

custom-designed and handmade masks. Harvest Moon Ceramics will be offering their 3D printed pieces of various animals including dragons, cats, foxes, etc. Makayla McIsaac will show their original acrylic paintings on canvas. Pam Nowak will display her series of hummingbird art and

custom silk scarves. Sarah Llamas will show her acrylic art pieces on canvas and wood of landscapes and woodland creatures.

The Theater Gallery, located inside the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, is also home to several Anchor Artists. See original works of art

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A variety of work by Harvest Moon Ceramics. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



A bird-inspired mask by Ethan Fifield. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



A necklace by Jesse Harris. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



Hummingbirds #2 by Pam Novak. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



A bowl by Drew Sallee. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



Metal sculptures by Dude Green. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

# State Tobacco Grant to Target Vaping in Local Schools



Sutter County Health and Human Services will use a state grant to focus its education and outreach on three school campuses and the retailers of tobacco products in Sutter County. Image by Lindsay Fox from Pixabay

## County of Sutter News Release

**SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - In an effort to reduce the rate of tobacco use and the impact of vaping K-12 grade students, the Public Health Branch of Sutter County Health and Human Services will use a state grant to focus its education and outreach on three school campuses and the retailers of tobacco products in Sutter County.

The \$396,000 grant to Sutter County Public Health from the California Department of Justice is part of \$21 million in grants awarded to 37 local government agencies in California to reduce tobacco use among school-aged children, according to California Attorney General Rob Bonta. The grant funds come from a portion of the revenue from taxes on tobacco products approved by voters in 2016.

Sutter County Third District Supervisor Mike Ziegenmeyer said the County is pleased to receive the Department of Justice Tobacco Grant Program Award.

“With a tobacco use rate of 12% of the population, our smoking rate is higher than the state average,” Ziegenmeyer noted. “This grant will be used for outreach and education, but much more needs to be done to address the concerning rise of vaping

among school-aged youth, even among children as young as third graders.

“Our Public Health Department is committed to keeping youth in our community happy, healthy and tobacco free,” Ziegenmeyer said.

Sutter County will use the money over the course of four years for outreach and education programs at Sutter High School and Brittan Elementary School in the community of Sutter, as well as at the Feather River Academy High School operated by the Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Office in Yuba City, according to Christa McCauley, the Sutter County Public Health Education and Promotion Coordinator who developed the successful grant application. Providing this information in the schools has the added potential to reach the parents of the students.

“This is an exciting opportunity for Sutter County Public Health,” McCauley said. “This grant can further our existing efforts to reduce tobacco use among school-aged children and decrease the impact of vaping within schools, while also building a supportive partnership with our local small businesses and retailers in protecting our youth.”

“We’re proud to see Sutter County Public

Health be awarded with this opportunity to expand resources to address the youth tobacco and vaping concerns in our community,” said Virginia Burns, Director of Student Support and Outreach with Sutter County Superintendent of Schools. “We continue to see an increased need to educate our youth and community on the risks and dangers of tobacco and vaping and are excited to grow our partnerships in these efforts.”

The multi-prong approach includes supplementing a school’s existing anti-vaping efforts with informational postings at various locations on campus, and creating a referral program and providing cessation resources to students who need assistance to stop vaping rather than engaging in punitive actions.

Efforts with retailers will involve outreach and education about the existing state and local laws around the sale of tobacco products to minors with an emphasis on the recent flavors ban. While some communities are using the grant funds for enforcement efforts, the goal of the Sutter County program is to develop a cooperative relationship with retailers to protect the children of Sutter County.

If successful, the program could be a model for future efforts at additional Sutter County school campuses. ★

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# A Murky Forecast

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central and eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, El Niño is often expected to bring wetter weather.

But in California, the connection is more tenuous. Of seven El Niño events over the past 23 years, Anderson said, two have been dry, three have been roughly average and two have been wet. One recent study reported that El Niño accounts for only about 25% of the year-to-year variability in California's rain and snowfall during the winter.

"What that tells me is anything goes," Anderson said. "El Niño by itself doesn't define our water year."

In fact, the year is actually off to a drier start: Statewide, California has seen only about 45% of average precipitation since this water year began Oct. 1.

Marty Ralph, director of the Center for Western Weather and Water Extremes at UC San Diego, suspects that it's atmospheric rivers like the ones that pummeled California last year that will determine whether El Niño will bring a firehose or a trickle to California.

"It's like you're playing poker, and you've got a good hand — that's El Niño for us. But we haven't finished the round of the game, and we still have to draw a couple cards," Ralph said. "But we might not draw the good cards."

With seasonal outlooks unable to reliably say whether a winter will be wet or dry, water managers must plan for both.

Fortunately there's some wiggle room this year, according to Jeanine Jones, the Department of Water Resources' interstate resources manager. Last year's massive snowpack and abundant rainfall filled the state's reservoirs enough that even if this rainy season leans dry, she said, "We're going into next year with a cushion, which is always good."

That doesn't mean the reservoirs are full, though. Lake Oroville — the largest reservoir on the State Water Project, which sends water south to farms and cities — and Lake Shasta — critical to growers and other water users reliant on the federal Central Valley Project — are at about two-thirds of their total capacity.

That's because with reservoirs that serve the dual purpose of flood control and water storage, water managers must release

water to keep space empty to wrangle possible floods during the wet season, Jones said.

The water that flows into rivers and streams and out to the ocean is often bemoaned as water wasted. But waste is in the eye of the beholder, said Jay Lund, vice-director of the Center for Watershed Sciences at UC Davis.

"Water that's 'wasted' is always water used by somebody else," Lund said.

The list of benefits for

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fishing, conservation, Delta farmers, water quality and healthy shorelines is lengthy. Water allowed to flow out into the San Francisco Bay, for instance, washes away salts and pollutants, transports sediment and sand necessary to maintain marshes and restore eroding beaches, assists salmon in migrations and helps maintain healthy ecosystems.

Still, the Public Policy Institute of California reports that California could have socked away more water last year, had there been better ways to ferry water from full rivers to groundwater recharge sites, and better coordination among landowners, local agencies, and others.

"I tend to think that there is room for capturing more surface water ... if you could afford the cost of capturing it," agreed Lund. "That, to me, is the biggest problem."

The controversial Sites Reservoir project, for instance, is projected to cost more than \$4.4 billion. The reservoir, planned in the western Sacramento Valley, would store as much as 1.5 million acre-feet of

Sacramento River water, alarming environmental groups that say drawing more water from the river will imperil its already-struggling fish.

In early November, Gov. Gavin Newsom cleared the project to be fast-tracked "to the extent feasible" through any litigation challenging it under the landmark California Environmental Quality Act. That move was made possible with new legislation. Even so, the project is not expected to be completed before 2030 or 2031.

In the meantime, researchers like UC San Diego's Ralph, along with local, state and federal agencies, hope to operate the state's reservoirs more nimbly by incorporating new weather forecasting tools into decades-old rulebooks governing when to hold onto water and when to release it.

The program allowed the Russian River watershed to hold onto about 7,000 to 8,000 acre-feet more water in Lake Mendocino this past year, and an additional 19,000 acre-feet more in Lake Sonoma, according to Donald Seymour, deputy director of engineering with Sonoma Water. The Department of Water Resources announced that it is expanding the effort to two major reservoirs, Lake Oroville and New Bullards Bar, as well.

Many are looking down rather than up for opportunities to store more water. The Department of Water Resources estimates that about 3.8 million acre-feet of water was captured through groundwater recharge by last summer.

The Southern California water import giant, the Metropolitan Water District, also recently announced a \$211 million groundwater bank in the Antelope Valley. The bank can store 280,000 acre-feet of water, enough to fill Castaic Lake, the largest State Water Project reservoir in Southern California. Though construction to allow withdrawals hasn't been completed yet, the bank stands ready to accept deposits.

The bank is aimed at providing a little more net for the tightrope walk that California's water managers start anew every water year.

"We always plan for it to be potentially very dry, or very wet," said Brad Coffey, Metropolitan's water resources manager. "No matter what kind of year we had this year." ★

# Rep. Kiley Announces Advisory Board for Service Academy Nomination Applications

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General Staff College, and The Army War College. He commanded an Airborne Infantry Company of 120 soldiers with the 173rd Airborne Brigade in combat in the Central Highlands of Viet Nam in 1970. For his active and reserve service, he received two Bronze Star Medals, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Air Medal, five Meritorious Service Medals and numerous South Vietnamese Unit Citations.

**Dave Lewis:** During a 20-year career, Dave Lewis served his country in war and peace. Enlisting in the US Army in 1965 at 19, he served two tours in Southwest Asia between 1967 and 1969 first leading combat infantryman in Vietnam as an Armor 1st Lieutenant and later as an Ordnance Captain in Thailand as a company commander and staff officer. Until retirement in 1985, his assignments included logistics command, staff, and training duties at the Division, Corps, Army Training levels in the US and Germany.

**Brian Grubbs:** Brian is a Sacramento native, attended Elk Grove High School and graduated from the United States Naval Academy, in 1992. He served aboard the submarine, USS Finback out of Norfolk, VA completing deployments to the North Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea. In 2000 he became a Naval Reservist and mobilized to Kuwait in 2008. He completed his naval

career in 2022 retiring as a Captain. As a civilian he has worked in energy markets and as a municipal advisor with major projects being the 2001 CA Energy Crises, the 2019 Wildfire bond program and the proposed Sites Reservoir in Maxwell, CA.

**Justin Long:** Justin Long, a Sacramento native, is a distinguished graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and was commissioned as a Surface Warfare Officer in 1997. Captain Long participated in six combat deployments to the Middle East and Southeast Asia in support of Operations Iraqi Freedom, Southern Watch, Enduring Freedom, and the Global War on Terror. Long's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal (three awards), Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (six awards), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (two awards), and various unit, campaign, and service awards. He resides in Folsom, California, with his wife Catherine, son Cameron, and daughter Hanna.

**Robert M. Marchi:** Robert served 31 years in the U.S. Army (Active and Reserve) as an Infantry and Special Forces Officer. His assignments included two Company Commands (Infantry and Special Forces), two Battalion Commands (Infantry and EOD) and Command of a Group/Brigade, as well

as numerous staff assignments from Company to Division. COL Marchi also served in Afghanistan with the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force and retired in 2012. He lives in Grass Valley, CA with his family.

**Mike Holmes:** Mike is a native of Auburn, California and graduated from San Francisco State University. He joined the Navy and attended Officer candidate School and was commissioned an Ensign upon graduation. He retired with the rank of Captain having served for 24.5 years. He served in Vietnam, Taiwan, Beijing, South Korea and Hong Kong. His awards include a Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal with Valor, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and Navy Commendation Medal.

**Bonnie Potter:** Bonnie retired from the Navy in 2003 as a Rear Admiral after spending 30 years in Navy Medicine. She is a physician with a specialty in Internal Medicine. She lives in Auburn with her husband, August Anema.

**BACKGROUND:** Members of Congress can decide to nominate qualified candidates to a Service Academy. While a merit panel is not required, Rep. Kiley created one to interview and recommend candidates to the Congressman for appointment, ensuring that only the most qualified applicants will receive academy nominations. Applicants will hear from Rep. Kiley's office soon about interviews, which will likely take place on December 16 and 17. ★

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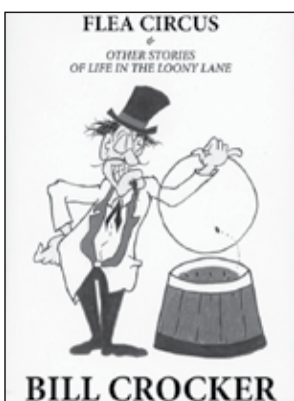
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**HIDE AND SEEK**  
 I love to create outlandish stories about everyday events or things that have mysterious and unsubstantiated histories. Who really knows the origin of the games of Rock, Paper, Scissors; Tidily Winks; and Mumbly Peg? Why was John Hancock's signature on the Constitution so large? Where did Martin Luther get the nail to hang his ninety-five theses to the church door? You get the idea.

One of these mysteries is the origin of the popular game of Hide and Seek. I have researched this interesting topic and arrive at an explanation. The game was not really invented but evolved through the centuries. It is believed the barbarian hordes from the east unwittingly created the concept of seeking and hiding with their surprise attacks on the crumbling Roman Empire and then lightning retreats into the mists, confounding the responding Roman legions.

Duke Albrecht Gieselgeek of eleventh century Saxony was a cautious leader. His army was trained in the tradition of staying alive to fight another day. He was not particularly ambitious and seemed to draw others like him to his army. The Duke's job was to protect the Saxon King Otto, the Not Too Smart. He put up a good front when required and impressed Otto

with his ability to return from battles with his army virtually intact. What Otto didn't understand was Duke Gieselgeek was not a fighter. His army was very good at camouflage, that is, hiding behind trees, bushes, and in ditches. The enemy had a difficult time finding the duke's warriors and usually gave up in disgust.

It became apparent to Otto that the duke was not doing his job very well when he found himself surrounded by the enemy in 1064. As Otto was negotiating his tenuous position with Beidenbach, the Bald, Duke Gieselgeek disappeared into the forest to escape his inevitable demise. Through the next several years, sightings of the duke were reported, but he was never captured and drifted into history.

But Duke Gieselgeek's tactics were not lost. For over 100 years, many armies of Saxony employed this hiding technique, frustrating opposing armies. Ground was gained as the enemy became disgusted with the lack of decisive battles and negotiated settlements just to get away from the stalemates to fight elsewhere.

As settlers moved east along the River Elbe into the area of the Sorbs, a western Slavic tribe, the people were gradually incorporated, and the German state was created. The hiding and waiting for the enemy evolved into a parlor game the elite of the new German state enjoyed. After several rounds of *Scheusslichbier*, a particularly brutal type of mead, the women would slowly drift away to other parts of the castle. It was then up to the men to search for them. For those who were found, a delightful reward for both the founder and foundee was anticipated.

This game of the rich and bored aristocrats was called *Versteckspiel* and fell out of favor over the decades because newfound romantic liaisons resulted in an increase in duels between old and new lovers. Finally, as is often the case, the rich and bored aristocratic children picked up the game and chased each other around the castle.

The game was brought to the United States during the great German immigration of the 1860s and 1870s. The name that had always been used to describe the seeker, *Menschen-durch-suchender*, roughly translated as "people seeker" and which made sense to the Germans, was quickly changed to "it," which makes no sense to anyone. Thus began the typical American game of hide and seek that we all enjoyed as children. ★

# Two Separate Felony Arrests

**Sutter County Sheriff's Office Press Release**

**SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) -**  
 1. On November 13, 2023, around 1:30 a.m., a patrol deputy witnessed a 2011 black Honda run a red light at the intersection of Highway 99 and Franklin Road in Yuba City, CA. The vehicle then proceeded to swerve from side to side and was unable to remain within its lane. Upon conducting the traffic stop, the subject was contacted and identified as 32-year-old Joel Tinoco of Yuba City. While the original deputy was conducting a Field Sobriety Test, a sergeant came to assist and noticed a handgun located in the back pocket of the front passenger seat of the vehicle. Tinoco was determined to be a convicted felon and prohibited from possessing firearms. The gun was deemed an unregistered and non-serialized gun or "ghost gun." Tinoco was arrested and booked into the Sutter County Jail for numerous charges which include driving under the influence, blood alcohol level of .08 or above, felon



The ghost gun found in the back pocket of the front passenger seat of the black Honda driven by Joel Tinoco. Photo courtesy of Sutter County Sheriff's Office

in possession of a firearm, and illegal possession of ammunition.

2. On November 13, 2023, around 1:30 a.m., a Sutter County deputy noticed a parked vehicle near Whitaker Hall along Second Street in Yuba City. The deputy began a consent contact with the occupants who were later identified as 22-year-old Jose Gallardo, 23-year-old Heriberto Gallardo, and 21-year-old Jose Salgado. The occupants appeared to be under the influence of an alcohol substance and an open container of alcohol was also located in the vehicle. Jose Salgado was on formal probation

out of Sutter County for assault with a deadly weapon. The three subjects were later detained, and a later search of the vehicle located a 12-gauge shotgun shell and a box of 17HR ammunition. The ammunition was found in the glove box, directly in front of Jose Salgado. Jose Salgado was determined to be a convicted felon and was taken into custody for illegal possession of ammunition. Jose Gallardo and Heriberto Gallardo were later released from the scene without charges. Gallardo's father later arrived on the scene and took possession of the vehicle. ★

# Marysville Bar Loses ABC License

**California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control News Release**

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) -**  
 The California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) has ordered the revocation of the license of Cigar Box, located at 311 D St. in Marysville, after finding the establishment served alcoholic beverages to a 19-year-old on July 27. The intoxicated, underage individual hit two cars while leaving the business in his vehicle, then crashed into a tree, sustaining major injuries. As a result of ABC's investigation into the incident, alcohol sales are prohibited until the license is transferred.

ABC opened a Target Responsibility for Alcohol Connected Emergencies

(TRACE) investigation immediately after the incident to determine the source of the illegally-furnished alcohol. ABC agents determined that Cigar Box employee Destiny Sandoval-Keyes served the underage patron multiple alcoholic beverages without ever checking his ID.

"Preventing underage drinking is a public safety priority," said ABC Director Joseph McCullough. "We want to remind licensees to check IDs and help keep Californians safe."

ABC filed disciplinary action against Cigar Box's alcoholic beverage license for furnishing alcoholic beverages to a minor resulting in great bodily injury, and service to the obviously intoxicated

minor. Cigar Box settled the action and agreed to an immediate suspension of its alcohol license. The department has ordered that Cigar Box is no longer allowed to sell alcohol and that the license will be revoked if it is not transferred within 180 days.

The TRACE program is made possible by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). The grant provides funding for ABC investigations of alcohol-related incidents that involve a person under 21 causing great bodily injury or death, or anyone charged with vehicular manslaughter that was under the influence of alcohol regardless of their age. ★



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# California Keeps Expanding School Curricula. What About Improving Key Subjects?



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

Last week, the attorney general's office completed paperwork for an initiative that, if qualified for the 2024 ballot and approved by voters, would require California's nearly 6 million public school students to take a course in personal finance.

The proposal, by an organization called Californians for Financial Education, is the latest of several efforts to make personal finance a required subject.

"California has lagged behind the rest of the nation when it comes to personal finance education," Tim Ranzetta, a financial executive in Palo Alto and founder of the organization, said in a statement. "Only 1% of California students are required to take a personal finance course as a condition for graduation compared to 48% nationally."

Ranzetta's proposal is also the latest of many efforts to add specific topics to California's school curricula. Scarcely a year passes without new proposals to expand required coursework, either as stand-alone classes or woven into other required classes.

A new state law, dealing with media literacy exemplifies the latter. Beginning next year, the state's schools

must modify existing curricula to include skills in differentiating legitimate journalism from fake news meant to sway opinion, prompted by the proliferation of social media with dubious validity.

"I've seen the impact that misinformation has had in the real world — how it affects the way people vote, whether they accept the outcomes of elections, try to overthrow our democracy," Assemblymember Marc Berman, a Menlo Park Democrat and the bill's author, told CalMatters. "This is about making sure our young people have the skills they need to navigate this landscape."

Another new requirement, this one for high school graduation, is ethnic studies, which the Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom decreed after years of often heated debate over what should be taught and how.

The first draft of a model curriculum basically suggested that high school students be indoctrinated into believing that anyone in America not a white male is oppressed.

"At its core," the draft initially declared, "the field of ethnic studies is the interdisciplinary study of race, ethnicity, and indigeneity with an emphasis on experiences of people of color in the United States," adding, "The field critically grapples with the various power structures and forms of oppression, including, but not limited to, white supremacy, race and racism, sexism, classism, homophobia, islamophobia, transphobia, and xenophobia, that continue to impact the social, emotional,

cultural, economic, and political experiences of Native People(s) and people of color."

In response to criticism, particularly from Jewish legislators who said the draft was antisemitic, it underwent two revisions before being adopted as a graduation requirement beginning in 2030. It still contains tinges of left-wing dogma.

New curriculum mandates might seem justified on a standalone basis. Conceptually, it's laudable that students become more aware of California's ethnic diversity, more adept at separating legitimate journalism from fake news, and better able to manage their personal finances.

However, there are only so many hours of instruction in a school year and the level of academic achievement in California's schools is pretty dismal. In the latest round of state test results released last month, fewer than half of students met standards in English skills and scarcely a third in math.

California's high school students are already required to pass the equivalent of 13 year-long classes in specific subjects for graduation, and a number of additional courses if they want to attend four-year colleges.

Adding new mandates takes class time away from basics that too many students are not already mastering. Financial or media literacy classes are pointless for kids who can't do math or read at their grade level.

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



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## Annuity Pluses

After multiple conversations with clients and readers regarding annuities, I think I need to clarify a few more things for my readers on these products.

For years, I was not a fan of annuities and said as much on my Money Matters media outlets. Years ago, I categorized the annuity universe as the Wild West. Past annuity contracts were complicated, even for me, a Wall Street guy. As the years past however, and the regulation and disclosure requirements got tighter, the companies that sell annuities sharpened their pencils and pressed down hard on their agents to be more diligent on what was sold to whom. They also hammered on their quants (the math guys) to formulate more win-win situations for both the companies and their clients.

Fast forward to today and many are sound products with definitive benefits for many investors.

Many a company produces booklets or videos stating bluntly things like "Don't buy an annuity". Usually the companies that use such scare tactics sell things other than annuities and don't like losing their business to companies that do.

When I ask an investor what an annuity is, few can tell me. An annuity is simply a contract between you and an insurance company. The annuity contract states what you give the company and what the company will give you and when.

Annuities are often offered by household name companies and come in many shapes and colors. And like stocks, there are ones you should consider and some you should not, depending on what your particular needs are.

Many people actually already participate in annuity-like programs but just don't realize it. Social Security is an annuity-like program. You pay money into an entity (in this case Uncle Sam) and the U.S. government pays you back over time. That's not the only example.

Have a pension? You have an annuity. Your employer promises to pay you so much for so long for money you put in. In a way, if you have any financial savings or even a stock account, your money is somewhere else other than in your bank account. That means a company promises to pay you for the money you gave them. Sounds kind of like an annuity contract to me.

Annuities are guaranteed by an insurance company. You can Google up an annuity company's financial rating any day of the week for those skeptical about insurance company guarantees.

There are income annuities that offer to pay you for life regardless of whether you run out of the money you gave them. There

are fixed indexed annuities that offer you to participate in the gains of up markets but not down ones. There are guaranteed rate annuities whose only function is to pay you a fixed annual interest rate like a bank CD or T-bill. Just remember annuities are not federally insured because they are not offered by the federal government.

The length of terms for annuities can vary from a year to many years. Many annuities have no sales fees and some may even add bonus amounts to your deposited amount. There may be early or excessive withdrawal penalties however so read the fine print.

In a nutshell, these are not your father's annuities. There are terms and conditions of course and they are there to protect both you and the insurance company but I, for one, am glad everything is carefully thought out and spelled out. This helps to insure the company can fulfill its promises to you and that you will know exactly what you are getting and when.

I find that as a market analyst, financial consultant, insurance agent, agency owner and one involved in the markets since about 1971, there are many annuities that are simple, easy to understand and appropriate for certain investors.

Often people forget that when utilizing an insurance product, you are TRANSFERING some of your risk to the issuer of the insurance. They rightfully can be expected to ask for compensation in return for accepting this risk or why would they do it?

In essence, they attempt to structure that win-win formula I mentioned, and in my opinion, many do just that. The best way I describe my favorite annuity program is that you may not make as much money as if you were solely in the markets, as you have transferred some or all of that risk to the issuing company. But the products are structured so some of the gains may be shared with the investor all the while attempting to minimize risk for those that want to take less risk with their retirement savings.

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It isn't too early to think about gifts for Christmas. The calendar from the museum is one to consider. Also many of the local businesses have gift certificates. When you shop locally, it benefits our own communities, so give it some thought. Some of my favorite gifts have come from a hardware store, they have lots of choices.

On December 2 and 3 there will be activity at the community center on Ponderosa Way in Brownsville. The Peddler's Fair will feature many vendors and a hot lunch. There will even be a bar with holiday drinks on Saturday and a bake sale on Sunday, both of these helping Next Step support Mountain Transit, our van. There will be some

"doings" at Merry Mountain in Clipper Mills, too. The holiday season is open. Now to think of decorations, a tree, Christmas cards and more.

If you are reading this before Nov. 25, don't forget Hometown Christmas at the museum in Forbestown on Nov. 25. They will be open from 11 - 7 with vendors, music, food and more. Father Christmas will be visiting, also. Have fun.

Look Back in Time - In 1899 New York Flat school closed for the season because the roads were nearly impassable because of deep mud (they had more rain then than we do now). ★

*Hope to see you soon in Brownsville.  
~ Yvonne*

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Steven D. Eisenhower of Oregon House, California.

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He was loved by his Hill Family.

Steve will be remembered for his Big and Helpful Heart.



## Be Thankful



By Kathy Craig Harteis

Loss of lives, lurking government shutdowns, and continuing discord among our political leaders is disturbing at best.

In these troubling times, we are touched closer to home as well as worldwide.

I have friends battling serious illnesses. I

have a friend whose teenage daughter has been missing for more than a month. I know I am not alone in these concerns.

As Thanksgiving approached, we started thinking about gathering together, enjoying holiday foods, and being thankful.

I know my 'Cook Like Ma' persona kicked into gear early. Some holiday favorites take some pre-preparation. I woke up every morning with that urge to get started.

But it is not the same for everyone.

Instead of making plans of food and gathering the families, some like my friend, were instead focusing on prayers for the return of

their children.

All of us are from time to time disturbed by the injustice of it all.

My heart is with the families with empty places at this year's gatherings.

As we think about giving thanks, enjoying our celebrations, let's stop and remember the needs around us.

Be ever thankful for the blessings we have been given.

Last week, I received a letter from a reader. She took the time to write and send me a thank you letter for writing this column. Her effort was much appreciated. Thank you, Joyce.

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File No. 2023F-333**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Conquerors Christian School/ Conquerors Christian Preschool**  
2787 N. Beale Road  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. Bible Baptist Church of Marysville  
2787 N. Beale Road  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/01/2022.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**Kerry G. Brown, President California**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 11/08/2023.

**DONNA HILLEGASS,**  
County Clerk  
By **NELIDA WILLIAMS,**  
Deputy Clerk  
November 17, 24, December 1, 8, 2023

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File No. 2023F-320**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Big Lous Garage**  
5195 Arboga Road Suite C  
Olivehurst, CA 95961  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. Mirella Madrigal  
5195 Arboga Road Suite C  
Olivehurst, CA 95961  
MAILING ADDRESS  
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**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 10/24/2023.

**DONNA HILLEGASS,**  
County Clerk  
By **NELIDA WILLIAMS,**  
Deputy Clerk  
Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KEVIN STANLEY DONALDSON**  
**Case NO. PRPB23-00155**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of **Kevin Stanley Donaldson.**

**A Petition for Probate has been filed by:** Michael Donaldson in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that (name): Michael Donaldson 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 11, 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:** Peter A. Galgani, attorney at law  
916 Second Street, 2nd Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
**Phone No.:** 916-498-1357  
**PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH:**  
**November 10, 17, 24, 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.

**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:** PENELOPE A. CHANGARIS  
474 Century Park Drive, Suite #300  
YUBA CITY, CA 95991  
**Phone No.:** 530-674-9841  
**PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH:**  
**November 10, 17, 24, 2023**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:**  
**Jill Kimberly Schmidt, PETITIONER(S)**  
**CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01151**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:  
12/18/2023  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Jill Kimberly Schmidt, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**from: Jill Kimberly Schmidt**  
**to: Jill Kimberly Cain**

**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: 11/02/2023

**Stephen W. Berrier**  
**JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT**  
NOVEMBER 10, 17, 24, DECEMBER 1, 2023.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File No. 2023F-318**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**ANDERSON'S/ANDERSON'S AUTO DISMANTLING**  
4199 FEATHER RIVER BLVD.  
OLIVEHURST, CA 95961  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. ANDERSON, PICK AND PULL, LLC  
4199 FEATHER RIVER BLVD.  
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

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
**File No. 2023F-319**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**LINDHURST PHARMACY**  
5991 LINDHURST AVE  
MARYSVILLE, CA 95901  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. LINDHURST PHARMACY SERVICES, INC.  
5991 LINDHURST AVE  
MARYSVILLE, CA 95901

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/08/2021.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**ANANDA BALAKRISHNAN**  
**CALIFORNIA CEO**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 10/23/2023.  
**DONNA HILLEGASS,**  
County Clerk  
By **BRIDGETTE EVANS,**  
Deputy Clerk  
November 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RICARDO A. REVERA**  
**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.**

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**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.**

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**Attorney for Petitioner:** AMY BYRNE, ESQ.  
GUTH & CHANGARIS, A PROF. LAW CORP  
474 Century Park Drive, Suite #300  
YUBA CITY, CA 95991  
**Phone No.:** 530-674-9841  
**PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH:**  
**November 17, 24, DECEMBER 1, 2023**

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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA**  
**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:**  
**LORRAINE B. HEAD, PETITIONER(S)**  
**CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01150**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:  
12/11/2023  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) LORRAINE B. HEAD, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**from: Lorraine B. Head**  
**to: Lorraine B. Thompson**

**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: 11/02/2023

**Stephen W. Berrier**  
**JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT**  
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### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:  
PREM NATH, PETITIONER(S)  
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01177**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:  
12/18/2023  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Prem Nath, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**from: Prem Nath  
to: Prem Singh**

**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: 11/09/2023

**Stephen W. Berrier  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT**

NOVEMBER 24, DECEMBER 1, 8, 15, 2023.

### SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:  
RICHARD TAKIAR, PETITIONER(S)  
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01178**

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:  
12/18/2023  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Richard Takiar, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

**from: Richard Takiar  
to: Prabhsimran Singh**

**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: 11/09/2023

**Stephen W. Berrier  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT**

NOVEMBER 24, DECEMBER 1, 8, 15, 2023.



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herein. Said sale will be made  
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express or implied, regarding  
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secured by said Deed of Trust,  
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charges and expenses of the  
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or a check drawn by a state or  
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or savings bank specified in  
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to do business in California, or  
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withhold the issuance of the  
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sole and exclusive remedy shall  
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the Trustee and the success-  
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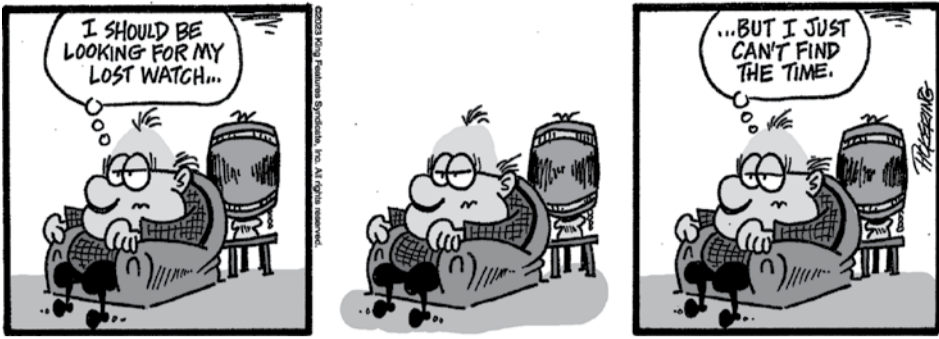
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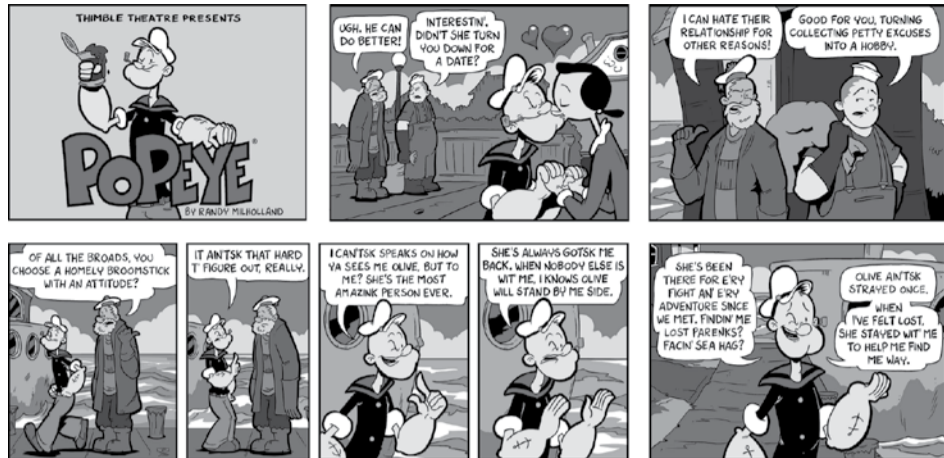


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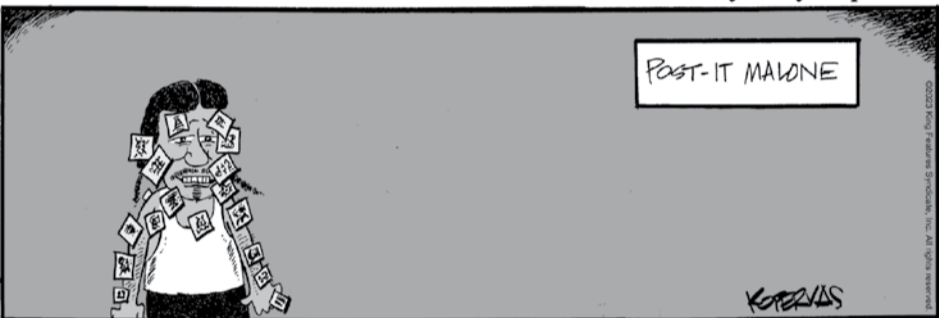


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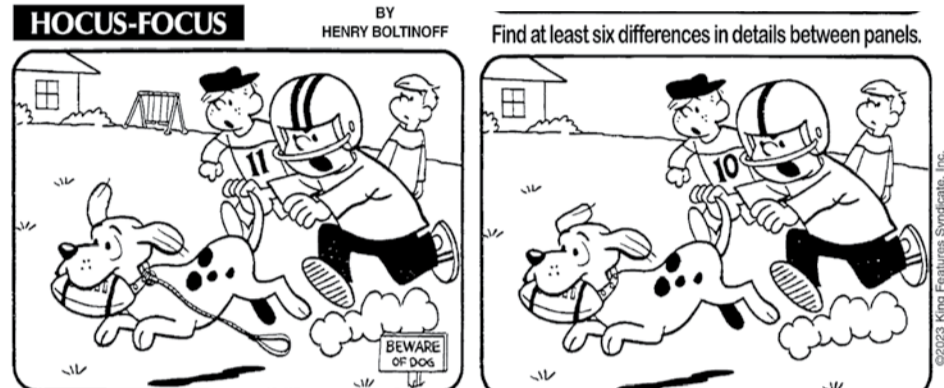


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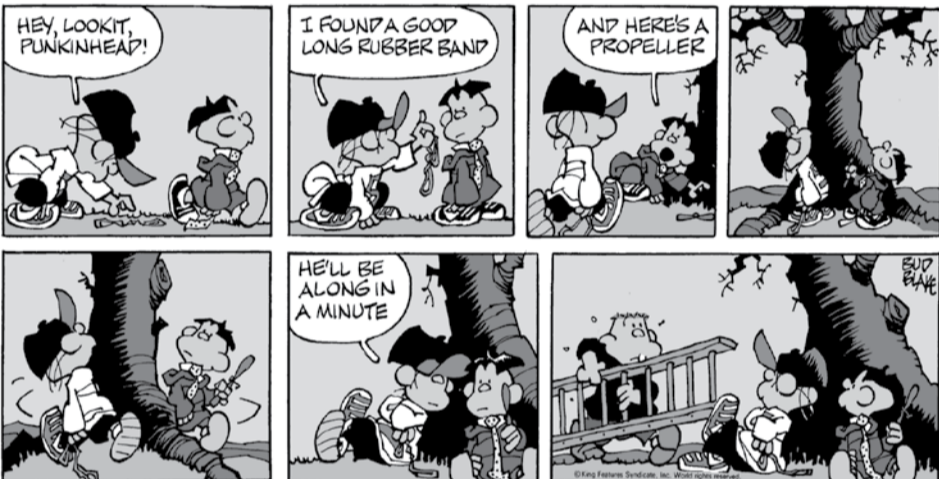


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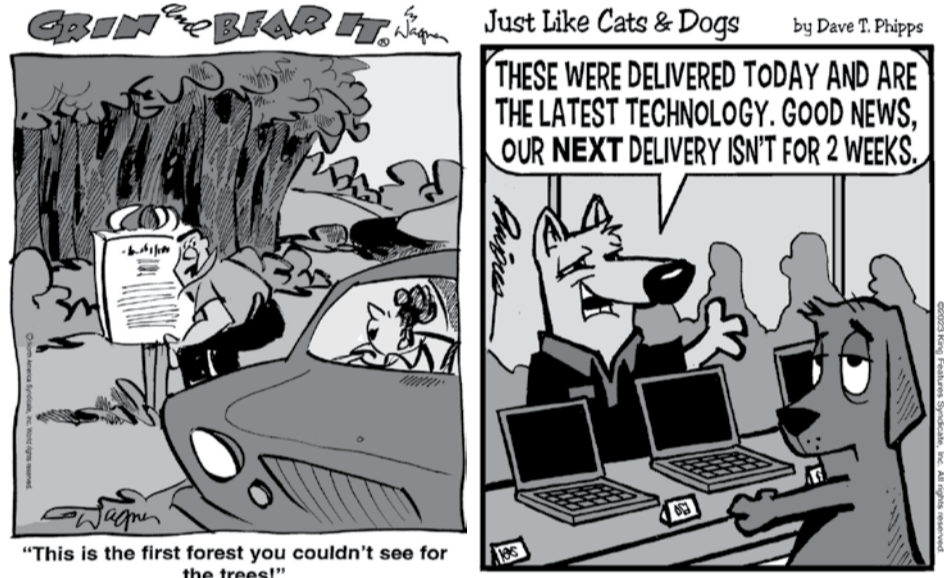


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# Hughson's Clock Control Ends Sutter Season

Story and photos  
by Steven Bryla

**SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - The Hughson Huskies were the second consecutive Trans Valley League team to end the Sutter Huskies season after defeating Sutter 21-14 in the semifinals of the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section playoffs on Friday, November 17.

The battle of the Huskies couldn't have asked for a better support system than both sidelines cheering for their communities as noise-makers made the impact on the game in the first half to where the referees mandated that only clapping

started the game off with a huge goal line stand as they forced the Hughson offense to turnover the ball on downs on their first offensive possession on the Sutter three-yard line.

Each possession was key in the game as each team had limited chances to score and Hughson did a great job of mixing the pass and run for lengthy drives as they had a couple long six-plus minute drives throughout the game.

Hughson went into the half with a 7-0 lead as junior quarterback Robert Mcdaniel found junior wide receiver Malakai Sumter for a 3-yard touch-

line and keep the Hughson lead to seven.

Sutter head coach Ryan Reynolds told the Dispatch that it was going to be a dogfight and they had to play flawlessly during the game.

Although the weather was wet throughout the game and made the ball slick at times, both teams still threw the ball and ran the ball effectively as there were zero interceptions or fumbles in the game.

Reynolds was correct as Sutter needed to play flawlessly as Hughson played a perfect game and didn't make any mistakes throughout the night as Mcdaniel went 13-for-21 passing and senior running back Alexander Villarreal rushed for 160 yards off 26 carries.

Hughson extended their lead to 14 with a tad over four minutes to go in the third, but Sutter got on the board quickly after that as junior running back Marcus Meras scored on a 12-yard touchdown rush to cut the Hughson lead back to seven.

Reynolds told the Dispatch they had opportunities, but they just couldn't execute some plays on drives to keep the ball out of the hands of Hughson.

Meras added the other touchdown late in the fourth quarter off a seven-yard rush and had 66 yards on the ground with the two scores.



Sutter senior linebacker Jeevan Chatha (37) looks to tackle Hughson senior running back Alexander Villarreal in Sutter's 21-14 defeat to Hughson on Friday, November 17

Sutter sophomore running back/safety Justice White rushed the ball 10 times for 99 yards in the game and had some big runs that sparked the Sutter offense throughout the game.

Sutter senior quarterback Jagger Beck completed four passes for 76 yards. Defensively for Sutter, they had three players in double-digit tackles that included junior linebacker Mason Cartwright (11), and senior linebackers Jeevan Chatha (14) and Josh Garvin (11).

As the class of 2024 Sutter seniors careers are done, the memories that Reynolds has will continue on as he expressed the game against McQueen on September 1

was a good memory because they came back from down three scores to win.

"It didn't phase them (trailing in the game) and that's how you know you have a special group of guys," Reynolds said.

Reynolds added as he will miss the players graduating this upcoming spring but is excited about their returning pieces next season. He added the sophomores who got pulled up for playoffs this season can experience and fuel their motivation for next season.

Defensively, Sutter will graduate the entire defensive line and Reynolds told the Dispatch he is excited about the incoming line coming from the junior varsity level.

Sutter brings back a solid roster next season and will move to the Golden Empire League for competition due to new realignment beginning next school year where they will play Casa Roble, Dixon, El Camino, Natomas, Rio Linda and Woodland. Casa Roble plays Twelve Bridges for the CIF SJS Division V title today in Sacramento.

Offensively, the Huskies have plenty of options of opportunities to put points on the board next season, but all questions of the 2024 Huskies will be answered in the next nine short months as the boys of fall will return. ★



Sutter sophomore running back/safety Justin White (15) bursts through an open lane in the Huskies 21-14 loss to Hughson on Friday, November 17 in the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Division VI semifinals

and noise cheering would be allowed in the second half as it was too loud for players to not be able to hear the whistles on the field.

The Sutter defense

down pass. The Sutter defense held strong again in the closing seconds of the first half as they forced the Hughson offense to turnover the ball on downs on the one-yard

## Girls' Basketball Programs Shoot for Strides in New Season

Story by Steven Bryla,  
photos by  
Chris Pedigo

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - The Marysville Lady Indians basketball program is looking to get one game further than they did in the 22-23 season and should start to ban the word "semi" as a collective unit in the program.

Marysville lost in the California Interscholastic Federation Sac-Joaquin Section Division IV semifinals to Colfax and the CIF State NorCal semifinals to San Domenico last year.

Lady Indians head coach Ike Prince told Dispatch that each year since he had taken over the program, they have improved the next year. Prince's statement held true for every year except his first to second year in 2017-18.

Prince lost a couple key starters from last year that

signee Sophia Rogers due to graduation.

Prince told the Dispatch that he is filling in those slots between two to four players that include junior wing Yolanda Gonzales and senior forward Maya Mcneal for Briggs and junior guard Sophie Valencia and sophomore guard Abigail Pietz with bigger roles.

Marysville's starting lineup returns senior forward Krystal Briggs, senior guard Kaliyah Henry and junior guard Demi Boykin, who all three were on the All-PVL team selections last season with Krystal and Boykin named to first team and Henry to the second team.

Everyone knows the girls program is a defensive force that gives opposing teams fits, but don't forget they can score too and will put points up on the board in a hurry.

of the league and every other team improved with more experience.

Marysville will be competing in a competitive Lincoln tournament in the middle of December and the key games against Colfax are on January 10th and 31st.

The Lady Indians traveled to Chico on Monday night and Prince told the Dispatch that his schedule of tougher teams like Chico, Edison of Stockton on November 27, and that Lincoln tournament will host a SJS team power in Whitney of Rocklin.

**SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - The Sutter Union girls' basketball team made the playoffs last season with a roster that was mostly new to basketball in the 2022-23 season.

Sutter head coach Brandee Harter told the Dispatch they have a lot of talent on the roster and it is basketball savvy.

"They are a team that goes after everything, they work hard and show a lot of spirit," Harter said.

She added that within the group, she has a few returning girls from last year's roster which includes junior forward Torrence Harter, junior guard Sydney Meagher, senior guard Megan O'Neal, junior combo guard/forward Grace Kettering and transfer 2024 guard Reet Bains.

Brandee told the Dispatch she saw Torrence's game expanded over the summer with her Ametuer Athletic Union (AAU) team and her confidence is higher than ever.

Some of the new faces that Brandee expressed to



Marysville senior forward Krystal Briggs (25) puts a ball up towards the basket in the Lady Indians 40-36 win over Lathrop on December 22, 2022 in Sacramento.

the Dispatch were freshman forward Sissy Luttrell, who got a good amount of time in the Huskies foundation game on Wednesday, November 15 at Woodland Christian and Brandee told the Dispatch she is a "go-getter".

Brandee told the Dispatch she believes her team has more basketball knowledge than they did last season and thinks with the tougher preseason schedule that they will fare better in PVL play.

The Huskies finished 7-7 in league play and finished in fifth place last season. Sutter will play in three preseason tournaments that include appearances in the Colusa, Woodland Christian and the El Dorado tournament prior to PVL play as open up at Marysville on January 3, 2024.

The Huskies will host their own tournament from Thursday, December 14 through Saturday,

December 16.

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - The River Valley Lady Falcons basketball program has a familiar face as head coach Thomas Zaragoza returns at the top spot at the varsity level since the 2018-19 season.

Zaragoza was the head coach at River Valley for 10 seasons spanning 2009 through early 2019. He expressed that senior forward/guard Tanvi Joshi asked initially once the spot opened up after the conclusion of last season.

"After parents were asking and my AD (River Valley athletic director Phil McCaulley) asked, I said yes," Zaragoza said. He added that he still had the itch to coach so he began the process of taking the program back over.

Zaragoza told the Dispatch that Joshi being one of his returning players is big because she is one of the hardest working kids

that he has ever seen.

"She (Joshi) just wants to work all of the time," Zaragoza said.

He added that junior guard Gurleen Nijjar and junior forward Claudia Dudek are going to have certain roles on the team.

River Valley will play in four tournaments this preseason that includes the Live Oak, Woodland Christian, Sutter and Lincoln tournaments against great competition that includes Marysville, Winters, Oakmont and Lincoln.

Zaragoza expressed to the Dispatch that he plans to use much of the shot on the offensive side for his team this season as he said he used to be an up-tempo kind of coach.

"Our best shot at success will be to utilize the 30 second-shot clock as much as we can, we need to work on a slower pace to slow teams down," Zaragoza said. ★



Sutter junior forward Torrence Harter (4) puts a ball up as she drove in the lane against Colusa in the Huskies 46-36 loss on December 13, 2022.

included Pioneer Valley League Co-Most Valuable Player Karisma Briggs and Millikin University

They'll be competing for the Pioneer Valley League crown as they will battle it out with Colfax at the top



# Floodplain Restoration Project Transforms Part of the Lower Yuba River

**Yuba Water Agency News Release**

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - After five years of construction, a 157-acre, multi-benefit habitat restoration project that directly benefits native fish like salmon and steelhead in the lower Yuba River is complete.

The Hallwood Side Channel and Floodplain Restoration Project includes nearly two miles of restored side channels and alcoves and more than six miles of seasonally flooded side channels – areas that are essential for fish where they can hide from predators, rest, eat and grow. Recent fish surveys show that steelhead and salmon are already using the new habitat.

“The project has already shown an increase of juvenile Chinook salmon and steelhead using the site, as well as adult fish that are spawning in the channels,” said Chris Hammersmark, director and ecohydrologist for cbec eco engineering. “The project area is producing more bugs (aka fish food) and providing a myriad of aquatic conditions, which is exactly the kind of habitat that fish need to grow and thrive. The outcome so far is just incredible.”

In addition to creating habitat for salmon and steelhead, the project also improves the ability of the watershed to withstand floods. Approximately

3.2 million cubic yards of sediment was removed throughout the project area, reducing flood risk for local communities by lowering water surface elevations during large storms, such as atmospheric rivers.

“Yuba County has a history of devastating floods, due in part to hydraulic mining practices that washed millions of cubic yards of debris into the Yuba River,” said Willie Whittlesey, Yuba Water Agency’s general manager. “Not only does this project reduce that flood risk by restoring natural river processes, it also reverses some of the ecological impacts to the river from the Gold Rush. It’s really a win-win.”

The nearly \$12 million project broke ground in August 2019 and included two years of pre-construction monitoring and four years of post-project monitoring. Funding was provided through the Central Valley Project Improvement Act, California Propositions 1 and 68 and Yuba Water Agency. Project partners include U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, California Natural Resources Agency, cbec eco engineering, Cramer Fish Sciences, South Yuba River Citizens League, Wildlife Conservation Board, Yuba Water Agency and Teichert.

Teichert, a construction and materials

company, was essential for the cost-effective implementation of the project, providing an estimated \$90 million in additional support through in-kind aggregate material processing at the site. Without Teichert’s partnership, the project would have been cost-prohibitive.

“Much of the legacy mining material removed for restoration was – within just 24 hours of removal – processed and put into a nearby road-paving project within 60 miles of the project,” said Aaron Zettler-Mann, executive director of the South Yuba River Citizens League. “The project is really testament to the power of partnerships to transform a landscape that we all care about deeply.”

“Given the sheer size, scope and complexity of this project, we could not have accomplished it without our partners,” said Paul Souza, regional director for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Pacific Southwest Region. “The work that has been done to restore natural river and floodplain processes will create a healthier and more productive river and benefit our native fisheries at a time when they need it most.”

Learn more about the Hallwood Side Channel and Floodplain Restoration Project at [hallwoodproject.org](http://hallwoodproject.org). Photos and video of the project are also available here.



## Don't Panic, You Have Plenty of Time

Dear Dave,

My husband and I have just \$12,000 to pay off before we're debt-free. We've paid off almost \$70,000 in debt in the last two years, and we both just turned 50. We would like to buy a house soon, but we know we need an emergency fund. It would take us over a year to build up an emergency fund, so since we're getting older, should we make adjustments to the Baby Steps?

– Debbie

## Dave Ramsey Says

Dear Debbie,

You've been making great progress, and you obviously have a good income to be able to pay off debt that quickly. But it shouldn't take you two a year to build up an emergency fund, considering the rate at which you've been paying off debt.

Yes, you need a fully funded emergency fund of three to six months of expenses set aside before you start saving a down payment for a home. Maybe in your case, you could lean a little more toward the three-month side with your emergency fund. Then, after you're all moved in, you could revisit the emergency fund and beef it up to six months.

Fifty isn't old, Debbie. Just stay on course and stick with the plan. You two have plenty of time to get your finances in order and find a great home!

– Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling 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. ★*



### Floodwaters on Farms Help Boost Aquifers

The historically wet winter early this year motivated greater adoption of a water management strategy known as flood-managed aquifer recharge, or flood-MAR, in which excess flood flows are diverted onto farmland to boost depleted groundwater aquifers. “We knew from the previous year, even in intense drought years, we have opportunities with these big storm events and need to do everything we can,” said California Department of Water Resources Director Karla Nemeth, addressing water managers, farmers, government officials and others, as part of the Flood-MAR Forum in Sacramento last week. “Our ability to respond to those kinds of intense rain events is becoming increasingly important.”

### Hartwig Named President of Leading Fruit Industry Group

Fresno County farmer Daniel Hartwig has been selected to serve as the new president of the California Fresh Fruit Association. Hartwig will succeed Ian LeMay, who has served as the association’s president since 2019. “I could not be more thrilled to join the great team at CFFA,” Hartwig said. “I have always had a deep admiration for the work done by the association’s staff and the leadership of the board. I also look forward to working with our partners in the industry to continue to protect agriculture from the many threats before us.”

### Sites Reservoir on Fast Track for Final Legal Green Light

After decades of discussions and delays, a major new reservoir in Northern California is close to becoming reality. Last week, Gov. Gavin Newsom certified the Sites Reservoir project to be fast-tracked for construction, exercising for the first time his power under a new state law to streamline the process to break ground on infrastructure projects. The reservoir, estimated to cost \$4.5 billion and hold 1.5 million acre-feet of water, would be the first major reservoir built in California in almost half a century. It would be located about 80 miles northwest of Sacramento on ranchlands in Colusa and Glenn counties.

### Vineyard Boxes Help Lure Owls That Manage Rodents

Scattered across Napa Valley’s vinegrape acreage, posts holding wooden boxes rise above vineyards. The boxes provide cozy homes that attract barn owls to establish residency and raise families. The owls then become voracious predators that rid vineyards of gophers, mice and other rodents. “We know barn owls eat rodents,” said Matt Johnson, a professor at California Polytechnic State University, Humboldt, who heads the Johnson Lab of Wildlife Habitat Ecology. A research project he conducted by monitoring video feeds from owl nest boxes in Napa Valley vineyards revealed that a single barn owl family could remove 3,466 rodents in a year. ★



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## Brownie's BAIT BOX

Fishing rating scale: (b) Excellent • (a) Good • (g) Poor (bad)

### LOCAL FISHING

#### ICE FISHING Part 2 of 5

Access to Davis Lake via Mallard Cove boat ramp. Snow shoes were used to set up our Ice Tent. Six, 5-inch hoses to hand augered, Brownie Mouse Trap hook-setters were installed. Everyone used Black Ops 22-inch rod/reel combos. These jigging rods were baited with Salmon Roe, or Nightcrawlers. Rainbow trout provided our evening dinner fare.



Brownie Mouse Trap

### SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

Party boats in the bay have switched from halibut fishing to seeking striped bass in San Pablo Bay. Try: Live Anchovy. (a)

#### 75th Rio Vista Bass Derby Results Target: 26.75"

1st Place	26.72" / 6.9 lb.	\$4000
2nd Place	26.70" / 7.9 lb.	\$1500
3rd Place	26.64" / 8.3 lb.	\$1000

#### Sturgeon Target: 47.50"

1st Place	46.40" / 35.0 lb.	\$1500
2nd Place	44.95" / 25.2 lb.	\$1300

#### Striped Bass: Target 18"-24" Closest to 24"

1st Place	23.33"	\$100
2nd Place	23.31"	\$75

### COASTAL WATERS

Bodega Bay deep water anglers (50 fathoms) experienced good rockfish and lingcod fishing. Party boats; 190 rockfish, 17 lingcod for 13 anglers. Rockfish... Try: Jigs (b) Lingcod... Try: Swim Bait (b) Monterey Bay/Fisherman’s Wharf: Twenty five anglers boated 250 rockfish, five lingcod. Try: Shrimp fly, Squid strips. (b)

### LAKES RESERVOIRS

Lake Berryessa; big rainbows are biting. Find the bait balls first. Surface trolling... Try: Spoons. (a) Prosser Lake; fish in front of the dam for cutthroats and nice rainbows. Try: Kast Masters. (b) Bullards Bar Reservoir; anglers catching small kokanees 9-10 inches. Trolling. Try: Spinner with Orange Hoochie tipped with White Corn. (a)

### RIVERS

Sac. River at Rio Vista. Lots of White



Spoons

Catfish found. Try: Clams, Chicken Liver. (b) Little Truckee River; 132 CFS. Try: Midges, BWO, PMD. (b)

“Every Tom Dick and Harry” ~ Brownie