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West Sacramento Holiday Spirit



Santa prepares to light the tree with members of the City Council. From the left, Councilmembers Dawnte' Early, Norma Alcalá, and Verna Sulpizio-Hull wearing the black coat. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento

By Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Hundreds of West Sacramento community members gathered in front

of City Hall Friday night for the annual Christmas Tree Lighting celebration. Community members were bundled up in cozy, warm clothes, snuggly

coats and wrapped in blankets as they visited with friends and neighbors while waiting for the star of the evening to get there. The River City High

School Marching Band (River City Regiment) came through, played a quick song and continued on their way.

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Presidential Primary Election Update

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Voting for a U.S. President in a primary election is part of the process of determining who will represent their political party in the general election. Voters who registered with a political party choose who will be the nominee among the candidates from their political party.

Voters who did not register with a qualified political party or declined to state a party affiliation are considered "No Party Preference" (NPP) voters. NPP voters who take no action will receive a primary ballot without the contest or candidates for U.S. President.

This week, the Yolo County Elections Office is mailing postcards to voters registered as "No Party Preference," or NPP. Voters who believe they are impacted are encouraged to re-register to vote to make sure that their records are up to date before the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election. "We want to inform our voters that if you received this No Party Preference (NPP) postcard and would like to vote for a presidential candidate next March, you need to take action to either request a cross-over ballot or re-register with your preferred party," said Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters, Jesse Salinas. The specific action needed by NPP voters will depend on the party of your preferred presidential candidate.

If a No Party Preference (NPP) voter wants to vote in the presidential primary for a candidate with the Green, Peace and Freedom, or Republican parties, the voter must re-register with that specific political party because these parties are not allowing cross-over voting this election. To re-register to vote online, go to RegisterToVote.ca.gov or complete a paper Voter Registration Card.

If an NPP voter wants to vote in the presidential primary for a candidate with the American Independent, Democratic, or Libertarian parties, the voter may re-register with that specific political party or

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West Sac Kids Give Back



Lando Matthews (left) and Carrie Clark Matthews (right) gather signatures and holiday wishes on cards for West Sacramento First Responders.

Story and photos by Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - West Sac Kids Give Back held their annual Care Pack Assembly night on Sunday, and it was considered to be a huge success. An estimated 200 people gathered at City Hall to assemble Care Packs for our local unhoused. Care Packs included soap, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, tooth brushes, toothpaste, socks, gloves and hats. These items were collected by the West Sac Kids Give Back organization prior to

this event.

The long line of people of all ages grabbed a big Ziplock bag, placed one of each item in the bag and then placed it on a table where representatives from organizations throughout West Sacramento gathered the packs for future use. While the work was being done, fun things were available too. There was a table where kids could get temporary tattoos, there was a face painting station, there were cookies and treats being served. There were giant "Thank You" cards being made for West Sacramento's First

Responders. There were Christmas Carols and photos with Santa as well.

This very festive event was a great way to work with the community in taking care of others in our community when they really need a hand. West Sac Kids Give Back wants to thank Andy Domek, Balance Dance Project, Cheryl Sutton & RCHS Culinary Academy, Former City Council Member Chris Ledesma, City Council Member Dawnte Early, City Council Member Verna Sulpizio, City of West Sacramento,

County Supervisor Oscar Villegas, DJ Flash Estebee, Habitat for Humanity, Jeff Henry, Lenise's Café, Mile Preschool, Our Lady of Grace school, Uplift Martial Arts, West Sac Arsenal Camp Team, West Sacramento Cub Scout Pack 49, West Sacramento Fire Dept., West Sac Girl Scout Troops 2008 and 2023, West Sacramento Knitting & Crochet Club, West Sacramento Police Department, Whiteys, and every community member who donated to buy supplies and who came out to help assemble. ★



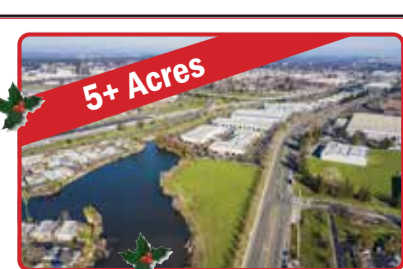
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Yolo County Celebrates Success of Mental Health Diversion and Collaborative Court Programs

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG)

- Yolo County and its partners are coming together this holiday season to host celebrations of the remarkable achievements of the Mental Health Diversion (MH-Div), Mental Health Court (MHC), and Addiction Intervention Court (AIC) programs. These innovative initiatives, designed to address the needs of community members within the criminal justice system and grappling with mental health or substance use disorders, have demonstrated significant positive outcomes. Recent data highlights reductions in arrests, jail bed stays, local hospital bed stays, and Department of State Hospitals bed days as a result of these programs. Those who have successfully completed one of these programs have attributed their personal growth, improved well-being, and the restoration of their relationships to these interventions.

For over a decade, multiple Yolo County partners, including Deputy District Attorney Jonathan Raven, have dedicated their efforts to individuals whose serious mental health or substance use disorders contributed to their commission of criminal offenses. With a focus on reducing future involvement with the criminal justice system, and improving personal and community health outcomes, Raven, who recently announced his retirement from Yolo County, remains committed to advocating for similar programs statewide.

"As he retires from service in Yolo County, Jonathan Raven's fingerprints will be left on every modern mental health diversion and collaborative court program currently in use in the local criminal justice system," said Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reising. "His passion and commitment to this important work has been invaluable."

Launched in January and funded by the Yolo County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), the Mental Health Diversion program (MH-Div) is a collaborative effort involving the District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office,

Probation Department, Sheriff's Office, the Yolo County Superior Court, and CommuniCare+OLE. Operating on a minimum 1-year court-based treatment and monitoring system, the program provides individualized treatment plans focusing on physical, mental, and emotional well-being. The MH-Div program, which is currently at capacity with plans to expand, has already supported 38

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individuals with their treatment needs. 13 individuals have successfully completed outpatient substance use disorder treatment and an additional 4 have completed residential treatment. Representatives from the Public Defender's Office praised the graduates and the program's commitment to supporting individuals on their path to healing and flourishing in society.

Yolo County Public Defender Tracie Olson stated, "Jonathan Raven's influence in these collaborative programs will be missed. The success of MH-Div, MHC and AIC is a testament to the human capacity to rehabilitate and these programs would not exist without his vision and support."

"Congratulations to Jonathan Raven on his retirement. Throughout his career in Yolo County, Jonathan has distinguished himself as an outstanding leader," said Yolo County's Chief Administrative Officer Gerardo Pinedo. "Among his many accomplishments, Jonathan has supported the District Attorney in creating an environment that fosters diversity and inclusion at

all levels of the organization. While we will miss Jonathan at the District Attorney's Office, we are excited to see him take on his new statewide leadership role where he will continue to promote excellence in our criminal justice system."

Mental Health Court (MHC) and Addiction Intervention Court (AIC) are specialized 18-month collaborative court programs for adults whose commission of an offense was the result of their mental health or substance use disorder. Developed by the Court, Public Defender's Office, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, and Health and Human Services Agency, MHC provides intensive mental health services, and AIC addresses substance use and co-occurring mental health disorders. Both programs have led to decreases in arrests and jail bed days.

MHC was established to address the increasing number of mentally ill defendants cycling through the courts and jails. It follows the Forensic Assertive Community Treatment model where participants get individualized weekly intensive services. The team provides participants with wrap-around treatment which includes a focus on mental health, substance abuse, housing, vocational training and education, and overall wellness.

AIC was established as a proactive response to substance use disorder among the community, and it guides participants through four phases emphasizing rewards and a restorative justice component in the last phase where participants spend 4-6 weeks recounting their crime and its circumstances, acknowledging harm caused, and working towards healing. Graduation criteria ensure sustained progress, requiring participants to engage for a minimum of 18 months, maintain sobriety, secure employment, and participate in restorative justice processes.

Yolo County remains committed to supporting individuals on their journey to recovery and community reintegration, emphasizing a holistic approach to rehabilitation. For more information about the MH-Div, MHC and AIC programs, please visit www.YoloCounty.org/CCP and www.YoloDA.org ★

West Sacramento Holiday Spirit

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People enjoyed free hot chocolate, free cookies, arts and crafts, and giveaways for kids of all ages. There were booths lining the street; much more than in years past. Some of them included Yolo Credit Union, ILWU, Local 18 with upcoming candidates Tim Campbell and Leasley Alvarado, Sacramento River Cats with their wheel of prizes, Raley's, Lighthouse Charter School, West Sac Home Run, West Sac Fire Department, a small family printing business:

Belve Designs, and a local children's book author: Theresa Saechao Rother. There was even a short appearance by Dinger.

Joining members of the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, such as President Denise Domke, on stage were our attending City Council members Norma Alcalá, Dawte Early West and Verna Sculpizio Hull along with their families. They led the crowd in some Christmas carols while everyone waited for Santa to arrive.

The excitement filled the air when the crowd

began to hear the marching band coming back. People knew that they were leading the way for Santa's arrival. Perched on top of the big fire truck, Santa had arrived. West Sacramento Police maintained the crowd so that Santa could make his way to the stage. Council and Chamber members led the crowd in a countdown, and Santa, along with a couple of helpers, flipped the giant switch to light the city's 85-foot Christmas tree. After the lighting of the tree, the crowd gathered inside for free pictures with Santa. ★



Jessalynn Belardi makes a candy cane reindeer at one of the free activities offered. Photo by Michele Townsend



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Shop with a Cop Takes Kids on a Holiday Spree

By Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Holiday cheer was overflowing in West Sacramento this weekend. On Saturday, December 9th, West Sacramento's annual Shop with a Cop took place. Thirty children, with ages ranging from 8-17, were given \$200 to go Christmas Shopping at Walmart with a member of the West Sacramento Police Department, a member of the Yolo County Sheriff's Department or Yolo County District Attorney's Office.

The group met at Collin's Teen Center, where the kids all received a Shop with a Cop T-shirt, and they met their partners. Everybody, adults and children alike, were super excited. West Sacramento Police Chief, Rob Strange got up and

spoke how much the Police Officers love this program, and how much they all truly enjoy interacting with the community in this way.

"This time of year is obviously important to a lot of us. It's a time to take pause to give thanks and to help serve. That's what we're doing here today. We hope we can really help; we hope that every day, but in times like this we really, truly hope this is something that fills hearts, changes beliefs or opinions sometimes and at the end of the day, we just hope it's fun!" said Chief Strange.

The kids who are chosen to participate in this program have often been involved in the criminal justice system in some way. Sometimes they are direct victims, their parents are direct victims, they saw or

heard things, or they are known in the community and need a little extra love around the holidays. The program is not advertised like the toy drive. The children are chosen from the Police and DA's office.

The kids were loaded up into vans and cars and in a long caravan of Police, Sheriff and private cars, the group headed to Walmart with full lights and sirens. Many of the kids had a plan as to what they were planning on buying. Most of them bought presents for family members for Christmas, or for friends that they knew would not otherwise be receiving gifts this year.

When the caravan arrived at Walmart, the employees lined up outside the door, creating a pathway for the cops and

shoppers to enter through, as they applauded. Walmart had decorated shopping carts for the kids to use. The program entered and exited through the garden area, so as not to disturb the other customers.

The kids were each given \$200, and if any of the kids went over by a few dollars, each time that happened, that officer or DA employee reached into their own pocket and covered the balance without thinking twice about it. It was truly heartwarming to watch. Even Yoda, the Police K9 was involved and helped his partner for the day. After shopping was complete the group returned to the teen center to wrap gifts so that no surprises were ruined before Christmas. ★



WSPD K9 Yoda was very enthusiastic about helping Officer Montez at the register. Photo by Michele Townsend



West Sacramento Chief of Police Robert Strange (front left) and Lieutenant Jason Winger (front right) help Blue Santa lead the pack to Walmart for a fun holiday shopping spree with kids on Saturday, December 9, for the annual Shop with a Cop. Photo courtesy of WSPD

West Sacramento News Briefs

MPG Staff

Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience - is soon to leave Sacramento with a closing date set for December 31, 2023. After a very successful run, the show enters its final weeks. This holiday season take

an artful escape and see it one more time before it "Goghs".

Valley Vision - is currently supporting the City of West Sacramento in developing their Broadband Strategic Plan. As part of our assessment, we have released a survey

for residents to provide their input regarding their internet service and digital equity needs.

Valley Vision, in partnership with the City of West Sacramento, is developing a Broadband Strategic Plan, which will provide an up-to-date understanding

of current conditions relating to broadband availability and access in West Sacramento. The Plan will develop recommended strategies to use and support implementation by the City.

As part of the assessment, Valley Vision

wants to hear from West Sacramento residents on their experiences related to internet connectivity and digital resources.

Take the Broadband Internet Survey at: www.surveymonkey.com/r/WestSacInternet.

West Sacramento

Repair Café - Arthur Turner Library, located at 1212 Merkley Avenue. Saturday, December 30, 2023, 10am-1pm. Free bicycle repair by local mechanics. No new repairs accepted after 12:30pm. Sewing repair and sewing workshop. ★



Experience the larger-than-life work of 19th Century Dutch artist Vincent Van Gogh by viewing the digital versions of pieces such as "Irises". Photo by Michele Townsend

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West Sacramento City Council Highlights

Compiled by News Ledger Staff

WEST SACRAMENTO (MPG) - West Sacramento City Council December 6 meeting.

Public Comment

Guy Stevenson – Guy spoke about the importance of First Responders. He stated that he believes that there needs to be more funding dedicated to paying Police and Fire personnel. He asked them to please come up with the money and suggested that maybe they use the money that they get from selling Club Pheasant, to give our First Responders a raise.

Robyn Davis – Robyn owns a tiny home in the Broderick/Bryte area and she thanked the council for moving forward with allowing tiny homes into West Sacramento. She stated that she would be happy to be a part of a workshop to explore the possibility of a concentration of tiny homes in Broderick/Bryte area. She said that she would be willing to go on a neighborhood tour somewhere that has tiny home neighborhoods. She said that owning a tiny home is a responsible, intentional decision and people that make that decision should not be looked down upon, just because their home has wheels. She said that in a way to help with affordable housing, many cities are waiving the impact fee.

Alfred Melbourn

– Alfred spoke on a few things, very quickly. He asked that the council “Cease Fire” and not to encourage the genocide that is going on in the world. He then said that he would like for the Land Acknowledgment that they read at the beginning of each meeting to be more than just words. He spoke about the Bryte/Broderick Community Center is still not open and that he believes that when the Council or City Staff Members speak to Rhonda Morningstar Pope Florez, that they should treat her with the respect that she deserves. He said Rhonda is an elder of a local tribe and she has done a lot to help this city, and that the city is just giving her resistance.

Mayor Guerrero then asked City Staff for an update on the Community Center. They told her that permits have been issued and an inspection had been done that day and that it is moving forward.

Agenda Items as posted by City of West Sacramento

Capital Projects

Item 2.- Consideration of approval of amendment 5 to the professional services contract with Bennett Engineering services for the E & F streets Frontage Improvement Project (CIP 15047)

Objective: The objective of this report is to provide the City Council with sufficient information for approval of Amendment

5 to the professional services contract with Bennett Engineering Services for the E & F Streets Frontage Improvement Project (CIP 15047).

APPROVED

Item 4.- Consideration of adoption of resolution 23-91 amending the Capital Improvement Program and approval of a professional services contract with NCE for engineering services for the Sutter Street Pavement & Drainage improvements project (CIP 15054)

Objective: The objective of this report is to provide the City Council with sufficient information to adopt Resolution 23-91 amending the Capital Improvement Program and to approve a professional services contract with NCE for a Feasibility Study and Engineering Design for the Sutter Street Pavement and Drainage Improvements Project (CIP 15054).

Editorial note: Mayor Guerrero asked for explanation of change in cost. She said that money could be used for emergency services. They explained the upfront amount now will reduce future need for money. There is a possibility of back billing in future. Councilwoman Early requested that the plan include the renaming of Sutter St.

APPROVED

Police

Item 11.- Public hearing and consideration of police department military

equipment use annual report affirming renewal of ORDINANCE 22-16

Objective: The purpose of this report is to comply with current AB 481 regulations, which require that law enforcement agencies obtain approval from the applicable governing body for the funding, acquisition, collaboration or other use of “military equipment” as defined by Section 7070(c).

Public Comment –

Alfred Melbourn – Alfred asked why do our Police need such extreme equipment and how is such heavy duty equipment used as a de-escalation tool? He also expressed that they did not allow a time for Public Comment on this topic prior to the report. He also asked how many of our officers actually live in West Sacramento.

Rob Strange, West Sacramento Chief of Police explained the department agrees with Melbourn about not giving the public sufficient notice to speak on this matter and that was why they plan on announcing the opportunity for public comment soon and would like to give another report in February.

Editorial note: Mayor Guerrero spoke about the fact that she recently went on a twelve hour ride-along with the Police and she found out how scary it can be even with some traffic stops. She explained how they try to get as much information about the

situation and the people involved prior to contact with the person. This is because the person may have priors with being armed, assaulting an officer, resisting, violence, or many other things.

The Mayor also spoke about the Police, at any one time, have multiple calls for service. By gathering as much information as possible, it helps them to be able to prioritize the calls. Deputy Chief Meeks pointed out that though they always try to prioritize, at any moment something can change about one of those calls, that can change it all.

Meeks also tried to answer Melbourn’s question about the military tools being used to de-escalate. Meeks explained that quite often when someone hears that K9 is going to be released, they will stop and give up. He also said that if someone has a shotgun and the heavy duty military assault vehicle pulls up, the person realizes that the shotgun is no match and will also give up. “This is exactly what we want in both scenarios,” Meeks said.

Approved. However, the Police will give another report in February.

Economic Development & Housing

Item 13. - Consideration Of First Reading of Ordinance 24-3 regarding Blackpine 440 West, LLC Development Agreement

Objective: The purpose

of this item is to facilitate the City Council's consideration of a proposed Development Agreement between Blackpine 440 West, LLC and the City of West Sacramento for a 106-unit single-family residential project that includes a public neighborhood park and related infrastructure improvements at 412-430 6th Street and 425 and 640-702 E Street in the Washington District.

Many of the steps for this project have already been approved by the developer and covered in the budget. This includes the upgrades, like rod iron fencing required by the city. January 17 will be the public hearing for comments.

APPROVED
City Manager’s Office

Item 14.-Workshop on campaign contribution limits and consideration of first reading of ordinance 24-4 amending municipal code chapter 2.18 related to campaign contribution limitations.

Objective: The purpose of this report is to provide information about changes to campaign contribution limits under Senate Bill (SB) 1439 and to request that the Council consider first reading of ORDINANCE 24-4, which would amend Chapter 2.18 of the West Sacramento Municipal Code to update the campaign contribution limitations.

Approved. ★

Crime Reports WEST SACRAMENTO



- 11-21-23 ROBERT WITHAM Arrested for Possession of unlawful paraphernalia and a bench warrant. Cited and released.
- 11-21-23 CHRISTOPHER WITANOWSKI Arrested for DUI Alcohol, Officer removes vehicle when driver arrested
- 11-22-23 JEREMY EUBANKS Arrested for bench warrant.
- 11-27-23 PATRICIA MILLARDRAMOS Arrested for Battery (issued a Notice to Appear) after a report of two adult females fighting.
- 11-28-23 CORY STEWART Arrested for Disorderly Conduct:Drug, Possession of unlawful paraphernalia, Give false ID
- 11-29-23 GUILLERMO PADILLA Arrested for Assault with a deadly weapon:Not a firearm (his vehicle), Carrying a concealed weapon w prior conviction, Carry a concealed weapon prohibited class, Carry concealed weapon in vehicle, Carry loaded firearm in public under specific circumstances, Carry loaded firearm with felony conviction, Felon with firearm, Possession of Firearm convicted of previous offense, Prohibited person own ammunition, own a firearm without a serial number.
- 11-29-23 DONALD FARRIMONDSHILL Arrested for Disorderly Conduct:Alcohol after Police got a call about a male causing a disturbance.
- 11-29-23 JORGE VEGA Arrested for Disorderly Conduct:Alcohol after call of suspicious person on property.
- 11-30-23 ARVINDRA PRASAD Arrested for felony bench warrant after a traffic stop.
- 12-01-23 MELINDA KOLLMAN Arrested for Petty theft and a bench warrant.
- 12-02-23 JONATHAN WILKE Arrested for Disorderly conduct:Alcohol.
- 12-02-23 VLADISLAV RAKHUBA Arrested for Burglary after people drove by their house and the lights were on in a room where the lights had not been on. Police work and evidence showed that room had allegedly been broken into.
- 12-04-23 JOSEANGEL PEREZZAZUETA Arrested for Evading Police, Possession of stolen vehicle, Hit and Run Property Damage, Take vehicle without owner’s permission.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

- 11-14-23 Victim advised she was physically assaulted by her son approximately 8 days ago and wants the incident documented.
- 11-20-23 Gradalls battery stolen. \$500 loss. Burglary.
- 11-26-23 Known subject used his truck to ram the front entry/exit gates to business causing damage. \$5,000 loss. Vandalism. 11-27-23 Back fence of tow yard broken. \$1,000 loss. Vandalism.
- 11-27-23 Back fence of tow yard broken. \$1,000 loss. Vandalism.
- 11-29-23 Unknown driver fled from an attempted traffic stop for CVC violations leading officers on a vehicle pursuit. Vehicle pursuit was terminated for safety reasons. Evading Police with wanton disregard for safety.
- 11-30-23 Victim’s animal repellent devices were taken out of the ground and thrown, causing one to be broken. \$45 loss. Vandalism.
- 12-01-23 Subject got into an argument with store manager and brandished a large knife. Exhibit deadly weapon: not a firearm.
- 12-02-23 Subject at location and refused to leave, Trespassing.
- 12-02-23 Two males got into a physical fight. Battery.
- 12-02-23 Subject allegedly caught inside a house that he was not supposed to be in after forcing entry into the building. \$10 loss. Burglary.
- 12-04-23 Subject cited and released for multiple offenses after a vehicle pursuit for common vehicle code violation that officer terminated due to rate of speed. Driver of vehicle allegedly involved in a hit and run traffic collision shortly after. \$7,000 loss. Evading Police, Possession of stolen vehicle, Hit and Run Property Damage, Take vehicle without owner’s permission.
- 12-04-23 Vehicle Burglary of company vehicle. \$260 loss. Burglary, Vandalism.
- 12-04-23 Subject arrested when license plate reader scanned him at Jefferson and Valley Oaks Ln and Police conducted a high risk stop. \$5,000 loss. Possession of stolen vehicle, possession of burglary tools.

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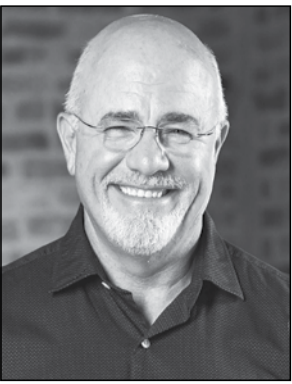
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Dave Ramsey Says

she's confronted over her actions. Sometimes people get ticked off when they hear the truth, especially when it's connected to their own misbehavior. It may even be a good idea for your wife and her sister to get some advice from a family counselor beforehand. Really, what we're talking about here is an intervention.

Also, you need to stay out of the discussion. This is something for her daughters to handle. Support your wife and her sister through it all, but if you're in there asking questions and probing around, you're liable to come off as the evil son-in-law. And you folks don't need to add any more problems to the mix.

They need to sit down with her in a quiet setting, one where there are no interruptions, no television and no one else. Start with the fact that they love her and care about her deeply. That's very important in a situation like this. But they also have to walk through what's really going on, and let her know they're tired of

watching her destroy herself, and her finances, with her irresponsible behavior.

If she had a drinking problem, you'd want to try to make her see how alcohol was hurting her and the relationships she has with her family. In this case, she basically has a credit card addiction. And it's wreaking havoc on her financial well-being and people who care about her.

So, show as much love and understanding as possible. But someone needs to say something soon.

- 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. ★

Nomination Period Extended for March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The nomination period for the following offices on the ballot for the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election has been extended until 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 13, 2023. This extension is only applicable to candidates other than the incumbent.

Nomination is still open for the following offices:

State Senator, District 3; and County Supervisor, District 4

If you wish to run for one of these offices please complete your nomination paperwork at the Yolo County Elections Office, 625 Court Street Room B-05, Woodland, by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

Interested parties can schedule an appointment online using our scheduling system: <https://yolocountyace.as.me/schedule.php> or by calling the Yolo County Elections Office at (530) 666 8133 or by emailing elections@yolocounty.org.

The Elections Office encourages residents to connect with Yolo County ACE - Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Elections on Facebook: @YoloACE, Instagram: @YoloCoACE, Threads: @YoloCoACE, to receive the most up to date information.

It's a Credit Card Addiction

Dear Dave,

I think my mother-in-law has a serious credit card problem. She can't afford stuff, but she shops anyway, chalks up more and more debt, acquires more credit cards, and thinks she'll pay for it all later somehow. Her ex-husband has bailed her out a few times, but he's unwilling to help anymore. My wife and I, and my wife's sister, want to address this issue, but we're all worried about her reaction, and we don't know where to start. Do you have any advice??

- Randall

Dear Randall,

First, everyone involved should understand they're likely to receive an angry response from this lady if

Presidential Primary Election Update

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may request a No Party Preference Cross-over Ballot without re-registering with a political party.

-Active voters who are registered as NPP will be mailed a postcard this week that they can return if they wish to receive a ballot from the parties offering cross-over voting. No Party Preference voters can also request a NPP Cross-over Ballot in the following ways:

-Submitting by mail a "No Party Preference

Cross-over Ballot Notice and Application"

-Calling (800) 649-9943

-Submitting a "No Party Preference Cross-over Ballot Notice and Application" by fax at (530) 666-8123 or by email to elections@yolocounty.org

-Applications for No Party Preference Cross-over Ballot in other supported languages and more information are found on our website: <https://www.yoloelections.org>. The deadline to

re-register to vote is February 20, 2024. If you miss the registration deadline, you may register in person at a Yolo County Vote Center or at the Yolo County Elections Office. Vote-by-mail ballots will be mailed 29 days before the election, beginning February 5, 2024, so NPP voters should re-register to vote or make the request for a No Party Preference Cross-over Ballot as soon as possible. ★



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Dr. Tico Zendejas Becomes Health and Human Services Agency's Service Centers Branch Director

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo County has made a strategic move within its leadership team as Dr. Tico Zendejas transitions from the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion to take on the pivotal role of Branch Director for the Service Centers Branch of the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency (HHS). Dr. Zendejas, who is recognized for his transformative work in establishing Yolo County's DEI program, will continue to create value for our community and advance the county's DEI initiatives in his new position.

As Branch Director, Dr.

Zendejas will lead a dedicated team of around 300 professionals within HHS's Service Centers Branch. This branch plays a crucial role in providing safety net services to Yolo County's most vulnerable residents while actively contributing to the development of the local workforce. These essential services include health benefits, food benefits, cash benefits, employment services, and education and job training opportunities.

"Dr. Zendejas's transition to HHS reflects the county's commitment to ensuring that our residents receive the highest quality of care and support," said Chief Administrative Officer Gerardo Pinedo. "His proven



Dr. Tico Zendejas, Branch Director for the Service Centers Branch Yolo County HHS. Courtesy photo

track record of leadership and dedication to inclusivity positions him as the ideal candidate

to guide our Service Centers in their mission to empower and uplift our community."

Dr. Zendejas's extensive experience, including his role in laying a foundation for the county's DEI program, uniquely positions him to foster an environment of equity and inclusion within the Service Centers Branch. His vision for creating value for the people of Yolo County will be a driving force as the branch and HHS continue to provide essential services and opportunities to those in need.

"I am honored to take on this new role within the Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency," said Dr. Zendejas. "I am excited to lead a talented

team in delivering crucial services to our community, and I am committed to ensuring that diversity, equity, and inclusion remain at the forefront of our efforts."

Dr. Zendejas's leadership journey continues to be marked by his passion for justice, equity, and inclusivity. Both him and the Service Centers team are committed to enhancing the well-being of Yolo County's residents. His colleagues look forward to the positive impact Dr. Zendejas will bring to the Service Centers Branch and the broader community as he leads the charge in creating a more equitable and supportive environment for all.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

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The following person(s) is doing business as: Extreme RVS of Davis, 5055 Chiles Road Suite B, Davis, CA 95618. Extreme RVS of Davis LLC, 5055 Chiles Road Suite B, Davis, CA 95618. 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 October 5, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on October 6, 2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 EXTREME 12-15-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230968
The following person(s) is doing business as: Auto Gem, 5034 Chiles Road Suite B, Davis, CA 95618. Auto Gem, 5034 Chiles Road Suite B, Davis, CA 95618. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 14, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on November 14, 2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 AUTO 12-15-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230971
The following person(s) is doing business as: Lass Productions, 1510 Claremont Drive, Davis, CA 95616. Jacob Bernhardt, 1510 Claremont Drive, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2012. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on November 15, 2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 LASS 12-15-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230908
The following person(s) is doing business as: J & A Low Cost Cleaning, 809 Water Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Kyrstan Arlene Rose Johnson, 809 Water Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 24, 2023. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on October 26, 2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 CLEANING 12-15-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230943
The following person(s) is doing business as: Extra Space Storage (#3509), 1022 Gibson Rd, Woodland, CA 95695 County of YOLO Mailing Address: 2795 E Cottonwood Pkwy #400, Salt Lake City, UT 84121 This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/25/2023. Extra Space Management Inc S/ Gwyn Goodson McNeal, VP, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/07/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15/23 CNS-3753317# NEWS-LEDGER 12/15/23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230925
The following person(s) is doing business as: El Cezar Restaurant, 2248 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Sandra Jaqueline Benitez and Cesar Antonio Benitez, 2728 Northview Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833. This business is conducted by A Married Couple. The

registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/1/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 CEZAR 12-22-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230975
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
1. L'Academy Language Immersion Preschool, 2. L'Academy Preschool, 2500 Cannery Loop building r, Davis, CA 95616 County of YOLO Mailing Address: 301 Mission St, 11C, San Francisco, CA 94105 Immersion 10 LLC, 301 Mission St 11C, San Francisco, CA 94105 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. Immersion 10 LLC S/ Helena Geng, Manager, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on [FileDate]. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22/23 CNS-3756321# NEWS-LEDGER 12-22-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230983
The following person(s) is doing business as: Manna Beverages & Ventures, 2150 Stone Blvd., West Sacramento, CA 95691, County of Yolo. Mailing Address: 3309 Collins Ln., Louisville, KY 40245 MBV-CA, LLC, 3309 Collins Ln., Louisville, Kentucky 40245 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/ Derrick Register, President MBV-CA, LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/21/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder By: jramirez, Deputy Publish: 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22/23 CNS-3760789# NEWS-LEDGER 12-22-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230990
The following person(s) is doing business as: Staybridge Suites Woodland, Sacramento International Airport, 1484 E. Main Street, Woodland, CA 95776 Sah Investment LLC, 1731 Research Park Drive Suite 101, Davis, CA 95618. 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 February 19, 2008. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/22/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 STAYBRIDGE 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230967
The following person(s) is doing business as: Vitamin G, 265 Woodhaven Place, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/14/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 VITAMIN 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 20230984
The following person(s) is doing business as:
1. Alumi-Cover Awning, 2. Westland Distributing, 1500 Overland Court, Suite #110 West Sacramento, CA 95691, County of Yolo Mailing Address: 2450 Enterprise Street Fremont, OH 43420. Style Crest, Inc., 2450 Enterprise

Street Fremont, OH 43420 This business is conducted by Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A /s/ Tryone G. Frantz, CFO Treasurer & Secretary Style Crest, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/21/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder By: Jramirez, Deputy Publish: 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, 12/29/23 CNS-3761279# NEWS-LEDGER 12-29-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231007
The following person(s) is doing business as: Wake Forest, 1313 Wake Forest Drive, Davis, CA 95616. Shih-Wuu Lee GP, 18853 Alendale Avenue, Saratoga, CA 95070 and Shih-Kai Lee GP, 268 Oak Grove Avenue, Atherton, CA 94027. This business is conducted by A General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 11, 1996. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 12/1/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Dec 15, 22, 29, 2023 Jan 5, 2024 WAKE 1-5-23

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 20230996
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Three Rivers Heating and Air, 707 Aldridge Road, Vacaville, CA 95688 County of SOLANO Mailing Address: 707 Aldridge Road, Vacaville, CA 95688 Blue Mountain Construction Services, Inc., 707 Aldridge Road, Vacaville, CA 95688 This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. Blue Mountain Construction Services, Inc. S/ Sandra Grouf, Treasurer/Secretary This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/28/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder Kquam, Deputy 12/15, 12/22, 12/29/23, 1/5/24 CNS-3764171# NEWS-LEDGER 1/5/24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2023-2043
Kiona Hilda Cooper has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kiona Hilda Cooper to Callie Maxwell. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: November 13, 2023 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Nov 24, Dec 1, 8, 15, 2023 KIONA 12-15-23

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2023-2337
Angelina Blair has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Angelina Blair to Elena Vinogradova. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 17, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: November 15, 2023 David Power, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023

BLAIR 12-22-23 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2023-2325
Rosa Maria Garcia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rosa Maria Garcia to Rosa Maria Galvan. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 9, 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 27, 2023 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: December 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 GARCIA 12-29-23

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. F20230944
The person(s) or entity listed below are abandoning the use of the following fictitious business name(s): Short Night Farm, 30130 County Road 5, Dunigan, CA 95937. The fictitious business name was originally filed in Yolo County on December 13, 2022, and is being abandoned by the registrant(s) listed below: Jeffrey Edward McAravy and Arunsi B McAravy, 30130 County Road 5, Dunigan, CA 95937. The business was conducted by: A General Partnership. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/7/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Dec 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 SHORT 12-22-23

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KELLEY ANNE WILCOX CASE NO. PR2023-0275
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Kelley Anne Wilcox aka Kelley Wilcox. A petition for probate has been filed by the petitioner scott wilcox, in the superior court of California, county of yolo, requesting matthew scott wilcox be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the independent administration of estates act. (This authority will allow the 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: January 9, 2024, 9:00 a.m. In dept 11. 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 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

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Riley Reviews

“SILENT NIGHT” REVENGE THRILLER;
“BYE BYE BARRY” ON AMAZON



A Film and TV Review by Tim Riley

“SILENT NIGHT” RATED R

“Silent Night” is a well-known Christmas hymn dating back to the early 19th century. The movie of the same title might be considered a Christmas film in the same vein as “Die Hard,” only it is even more violent.

Legendary director John Woo, known for his operatic style of action sequences and rarefied imagery, made his mark on schematized action thrillers with his Hong Kong hits “A Better Tomorrow,” “Hard Boiled,” and “The Killer.”

Imagining John Woo directing a “John Wick” film is not a giant leap, considering his style would seem to have influenced that franchise, and with this film one of the production companies, Thunder Road, is best known for producing the franchise that Keanu Reeves made so thoroughly entertaining.

The holiday season informs the film mainly because on the night before Christmas, a traditional suburban American family is preparing to spend a pleasant day together, unaware of a brewing tension between two rival gangs that will change their lives in a horrifying and desolate manner.

As Brian (Joel Kinnaman) and Saya (Catalina Sandino Moreno) Godlock enjoy playing in the front yard with their young son, local gangs are racing down the street firing automatic weapons at each other, never mindful that a stray bullet would harm someone uninvolved with a turf war.

Struck by a stray bullet, the young boy is collateral damage in a city seemingly rife with out-of-control crime sprees. The child does not survive and the mourning takes an irreversibly harmful toll on the parents.

With the notable exception of empathetic Detective Dennis Vassel (Scott Mescudi), Brian finds the flawed policing system seemingly indifferent to bringing deserved justice for the premature death of a boy. Not surprisingly, Brian vows to take revenge.

The main villain is gang leader Playa (Harold Torres), whose tattooed face and bald head make him look as vicious as any MS-13 gang member that terrorizes rivals and innocent civilians alike.

While Brian immediately hunts down and locates a handful of the culprits, his confrontation with Playa leaves him severely wounded and on the brink of death. Yet, his will for revenge becomes unstoppable.

Spurred to violent action, Brian’s desire to avenge the death of his son recalls what the fathers in “Death Wish” and “Taken” endured to overcome their pain to punish the criminals.

A good deal of the film is focused on Brian’s training regimen, given that he’s just a regular guy until he hones lethal

skills. While there is brevity in the dialogue, violent retribution does all the talking and that be enough for action fans of a brutal revenge story.

“BYE BYE BARRY” ON AMAZON PRIME

One thing certain in this year’s season of pro football is that the Carolina Panthers have been eliminated for a spot in the National Football League playoffs.

Usually, the Detroit Lions are also-rans, as they have not won a 1991 season playoff game since they won the division game by beating the Dallas Cowboys in a lopsided victory.

One of the star Lions players at the time was running back Barry Sanders who played for ten seasons with the team and is now the subject of Amazon Prime’s documentary “Bye Bye Barry.”

This feature-length documentary reveals in intimate detail the unprecedented journey of the running back who led the league in rushing yards during four seasons. One of the giants of the sport, Sanders displayed a style and flair that has arguably never been replicated.

His record-breaking career at both Oklahoma State, where he won the Heisman Trophy in 1988, and with the Detroit Lions created a standard that will be celebrated forever, and maybe not emulated by others with much success.

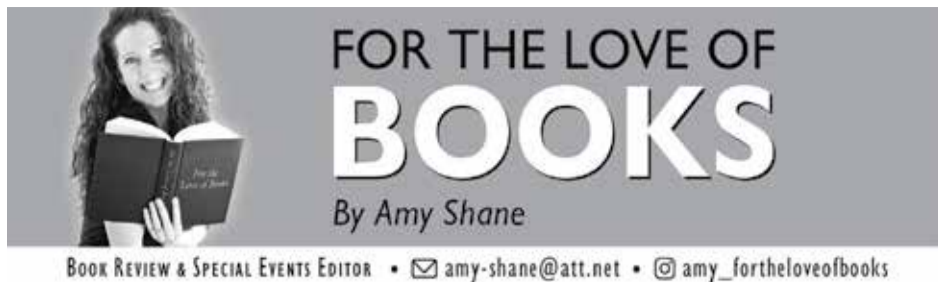
Ten years into his Hall of Fame career, it was only a matter of time before he broke Chicago Bears running back Walter Payton’s record for most rushing yards. Sanders gained 15,269 rushing yards, the most ever by any NFL player in a 10-year span.

But in his prime, at the peak of his game, Sanders did the unthinkable. At age 31, in the summer of 1999, he walked away from the game, never to return. Few retirements have ever been so shocking. And none with more intrigue.

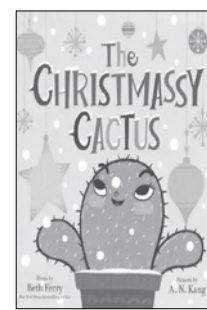
Twenty-four years after the surprising decision to depart from the sport, NFL Film joined the 55-year-old Sanders and his four sons on a trip to England to explore his career, revisit his upbringing, and tackle one of the greatest mysteries in sports history. Why did he retire when he did?

The documentary reveals the controversy over Sanders’ retirement, which came abruptly with a faxed statement and a departure for London right before the start of training camp. It would not have been his style to hold a press conference.

Football fans should enjoy “Bye Bye Barry” for the great footage of his amazing speed and agility on the field, and the interviews with teammates, his family and cameos of celebrity fans like Tim Allen and Jeff Daniels, among others. ★



Holiday Gift Guide From Harper Collins Publishing



Max Fernsby and the Infinite Toys by Gerry Swallow and Peter Gaulke

It’s up to Max Fernsby to save Christmas, but honestly, it’s not his fault. It wasn’t his fault that a big red bag fell from the sky, hitting him on the head. The same bag where any toy he ever wanted magically appeared, and it also wasn’t his fault two elves just happened to take Santa’s sleigh for a joy ride, knocking out Santa’s magically red bag. But now it’s up to Max to get this bag back to Santa without that pesky businessman, with dollar signs in his eyes, chasing after it.

In this all-out Christmas adventure, readers will root for Max to save the bag and save Christmas while laughing along the way. Max Fernsby and the Infinite Toys is a fun read-along adventure perfect for the holiday season.

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Just in time for the holidays, Whiteout is the perfect story for the season put together

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by Beth Ferry and A.N. Kang

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by Chanda A. Bell

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County Awarded for Beacon Leadership and Innovation in Sustainability

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Community Services Department is proud to announce that Yolo County has received the prestigious 2023 Beacon Leadership and Innovation Award for Equity and Engagement in Sustainability and Climate Adaptation. This award was presented to Yolo County Supervisors Oscar Villegas and Lucas Frerichs by the Institute for Local Government (ILG), in recognition of Yolo County's exemplary efforts in creating a model for advancing sustainability, equity, and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, Yolo County received a 2023 Beacon Spotlight Award for Community Greenhouse Gas Reductions.

The Beacon Leadership and Innovation Award highlights the pivotal framework being created by the Sustainability Program's pending Climate Action and Adaptation Plan. The ILG's judging committee was particularly impressed by the program's commitment to centering equity and collaborating with vulnerable, marginalized, and historically underserved communities. This recognition underscores Yolo County's dedication to inclusivity and ensuring that all voices are heard in the pursuit of sustainable and resilient practices. The Sustainability Program's exceptional community engagement strategy is a testament to Yolo County's forward-thinking approach in addressing climate challenges.

"We are honored to receive the Beacon Leadership and Innovation Award from the Institute for Local Government. This award reaffirms our

commitment to centering equity in all aspects of our sustainability initiatives," said Kristen Wraithwall, Yolo County's Sustainability Manager. "This wouldn't have been possible without the tireless efforts of the Yolo County Climate Action Commission members and our incredible community partners."

The Beacon Awards, presented by ILG, provides recognition and support for local agencies, within California, working to build more vibrant and sustainable communities. ILG honors voluntary efforts by cities, counties, and special districts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, save energy, and adopt policies that promote sustainability.

"In 2020, I introduced a resolution declaring a climate emergency, setting a new target of achieving net-zero carbon emissions by 2030, and establishing the Yolo County Climate Commission," said Supervisor Jim Provenza. "This stands as one of the most ambitious climate goals in the nation. Additionally, we mandated that achieving this goal must bring tangible benefits to communities of color and disadvantaged areas. Our aim was to demonstrate the feasibility of significantly reducing greenhouse gas emissions and to serve as a model for other cities, counties, and states, illustrating the direction we must collectively take as a result of the climate crisis."

Supervisor Jim Provenza added, "In contrast to some previous environmental initiatives, we are advancing in a manner that avoids a disproportionate burden on underserved communities. We are grateful that ILG has acknowledged these efforts by awarding us the 2023 Beacon Leadership and Innovation

Award."

In September 2020, Yolo County responded to the climate crisis by adopting Resolution No. 20-114, recognizing the exacerbation of social and economic disparities by the COVID-19 pandemic. This resolution spurred the creation of the Yolo County Climate Action Commission and directed the development of the 2030 Countywide Climate Action and Adaptation Plan (CAAP), with a bold commitment of achieving carbon negativity by 2030. The plan, initiated in 2023, prioritizes community partnerships, equity, and scientific rigor, emphasizing an inclusive approach that addresses regional goals, fosters resilience, and reflects Yolo County's unique role, particularly the carbon sequestration benefits of agriculture.

Yolo County's pending 2030 CAAP is guided by a set of goals, including fostering robust community partnerships, centering equity, incorporating rigorous science, promoting regional collaboration, ensuring health and resilience, setting ambitious targets, and recognizing the region's agricultural significance. As the plan unfolds, the Yolo County Climate Action Commission remains committed to transparency and community engagement, sharing updates on progress and early action projects to propel the county towards a sustainable and carbon-negative future. For more information, please visit: www.YoloCAAP.org

The Yolo County Board of Supervisors and Climate Action Commission extend their gratitude to ILG for these prestigious awards as they both remain committed to driving positive change, fostering equity, and continuing to implement innovative solutions for a more sustainable and resilient future. ★

Politicians Refused to Fix California's Boom-and-Bust Tax System. They Now Face a \$68 Billion Deficit



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

It is truly amazing – and not in a good way – that California's politicians cannot grasp a phenomenon that has plagued state finances for years, known as "volatility."

It's this: The state budget is extraordinarily dependent on personal income tax revenues, most of which comes from a relative handful of upper-income taxpayers whose incomes vary year to year because much of it comes from investments.

When the affluent make lots of money, the state treasury overflows with revenue, but when the economy falters, incomes and tax revenues fall. Unfortunately, because politicians have short attention spans, they tend to increase spending when revenues surge, only to face deficits when they inevitably decline.

The syndrome's peaks and valleys have become more severe because dependence on the wealthy has increased, economic cycles have become more acute and windfalls tend to be spent on services that are politically difficult to adjust, such as public schools, health care and aid to the state's poor families.

Actually, California politicians do grasp volatility. That was demonstrated 11 months ago when Gov.

Gavin Newsom proposed a 2023-24 budget that addressed what he said was a \$22.5 billion deficit just eight months after he had boasted of a \$97.5 billion surplus.

"No other state in American history has ever experienced a surplus as large as this," Newsom had bragged in May 2022, thus encouraging his fellow Democrats in the Legislature to sharply increase spending.

When Newsom acknowledged the looming deficit last January, he blamed revenue volatility, displaying a chart showing big swings in income taxes on capital gains and saying it "sums up California's tax structure, sums up boom and bust."

Gabe Petek, the Legislature's budget analyst, revealed last week that accumulated deficits for the 2022-23, 2023-24 and the forthcoming 2024-25 fiscal years, based on spending commitments already made and current and projected revenue, are \$68 billion.

"Largely as a result of a severe revenue decline in 2022-23, the state faces a serious budget deficit," Petek told the Legislature. "Specifically, under the state's current law and policy, we estimate the Legislature will need to solve a budget problem of \$68 billion in the coming budget process."

Moreover, Petek's office projects deficits in the neighborhood of \$30 billion a year for the remainder of Newsom's governorship.

So it's not that Newsom and legislators don't know about the corrosive effects of volatility – it's that they, like their predecessors, are unwilling to do

what's necessary to counteract it: overhaul the revenue system.

When volatility first became a major problem during the Great Recession, then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders created a commission to suggest remedies. Chaired by businessman Gerald Parsky, the commission held months of hearings and finally, on a divided vote, recommended the state reduce its dependence on income taxes and shift to a revised form of sales tax.

The report was buried as soon as it reached the Legislature. When Jerry Brown returned to the governorship in 2011, he persuaded voters to create a "rainy day fund" that would absorb some revenues during boom times and cushion the impact of future downturns.

The fund now has about \$24 billion and a separate school reserve has \$8.1 billion. At best, reserves would cover less than half of the \$68 billion deficit and none of the \$90 billion in projected deficits for the three following years.

It's certainly better to have those reserves than not, but they are incomplete responses to volatility and that a judicious, even gradual, overhaul of the tax system is still the best solution, as politically difficult as that may be for a Legislature dominated by left-leaning Democrats.

Procrastination will only make the problem worse.

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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