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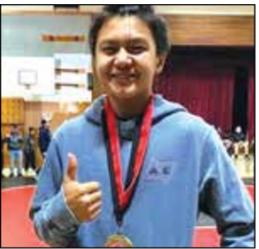


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## CHP Celebrates 96 New Officers



The newest graduating class of the California Highway Patrol at last week's Sacramento ceremony. CHP Courtesy Photo

By MPG Editor Debra Dingman

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Many people spend years begrudging the California Highway Patrol because they were pulled over by a CHP Officer for some reason they did not feel was warranted. But after attending one of the graduations at the California Highway Patrol Academy in Sacramento, one might easily hold feelings of respect and honor instead.

Every facet of the program was succinctly orchestrated from being directed where to



A graduate is being officially pinned by a family member. CHP Courtesy Photo

park to lining up to enter the event. Guests were greeted professionally with a genuine smile by blue-shirted cadets. Hundreds of family members waited in anticipation.

Upon entering the huge gymnasium with rows and rows of seats, one saw an entire wall of 4 x 8-foot photos of pictures—each portraying a different division of the service including SWAT Team, Mounted Horse Patrol, Academy Instruction, Road Patrol, Air Operations, Motor Officer, Motorcycle and Bicycle Patrols. What

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## Gregg Fishman Elected SMUD Board Vice President



New SMUD Board Vice President, Gregg Fishman. Photo courtesy SMUD

**SMUD Press Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - SMUD's Board of Directors elected Gregg Fishman as Vice President of the Board, effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. Gregg was first elected to the SMUD Board of Directors in January 2015 and represents Ward 3, which includes East Sacramento, much of the Arden-Arcade area, and the Campus Commons, College Glen, and Rosemont neighborhoods, as well as parts of Carmichael, Florin, Fruitridge and Vintage Park.

Vice President Fishman has been a clean energy advocate for much of his career. As a former SMUD employee, he promoted wind and solar energy when they were in their infancy. At the California Independent System Operator, he led public engagement efforts supporting new wind energy farms in California. As President of the SMUD Board in 2018, he led the utility in passing its Integrated Resource Plan, hailed by the California Energy Commission as "... an ambitious road map for lowering greenhouse gas emissions in the Sacramento region."

In his varied career, Gregg was a news reporter and anchor at KFBK and KGO Radio, a public information officer at SMUD and the California Independent System Operator (California ISO), and communications coordinator for the California State Association of Counties. He currently works at Sacramento Regional Transit as the Sr. Community Relations Officer.

Gregg is an active volunteer with the Sacramento Tree Foundation and has led a neighborhood effort that has planted more than 2,000 new trees since 2001. He received an award from the MLK 365 organization for helping to make it easier to remove racially restrictive clauses from local property records. He is a 25-gallon blood donor and a frequent volunteer master-of-ceremonies for Project Ride in Elk Grove.

Gregg is a graduate of California State University, Sacramento with a bachelor's degree in journalism. He and his wife live in Arden Park and are the parents of two daughters. ★

## First Snow Survey of the Season Finds Below Average Conditions

**DWR Special Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) conducted the first snow survey of the season on January 2, 2023, at Phillips Station. The manual survey recorded 7.5 inches of snow depth and a snow water equivalent of 3 inches, which is 30 percent of average for this location. The snow water equivalent measures the amount of water contained in the snowpack and is a key component of DWR's water supply forecast. Statewide the snowpack is 25 percent of average for this date.

After one of the largest snowpacks on record last season, the start of this water year has been dry despite some recent storms in the last weeks of December that provided a small boost in the snowpack. While state reservoirs are still above average for this time of year and strong El Niño conditions are present in the Pacific Ocean, the outlook for the rest of the winter remains highly uncertain.

"California saw first-hand last year how



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historic drought conditions can quickly give way to unprecedented, dangerous flooding," said DWR Director Karla Nemeth. "Although El Niño does not guarantee an above average water year, California is preparing for the possibility of more extreme storms while increasing our climate resilience for the next drought."

DWR's electronic readings from 130 stations placed throughout the state indicate that the statewide snowpack's snow water equivalent is 2.5 inches,

or 25 percent of average for this date, compared to 185 percent on this date last year.

"While we are glad the recent storms brought a small boost to the snowpack, the dry fall and below average conditions today shows how fast water conditions can change," said DWR's Snow Surveys and Water Supply Forecasting Unit Manager Sean de Guzman. "It's still far too early to say what kind of water year we will have, and it will be important for Californians to pay attention to their forecasts and

conserve water, rain or shine."

Last year, California experienced climate whiplash when the driest three year-period on record ended with extreme storm events in January and March that caused damage and flooding across the state. These extreme weather events highlight the need for all Californians to prepare for flood risk. DWR is working with tribal, federal, state, and local partners to provide flood resources and training to communities

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# Kevin Patrick Kiley Marries Chelsee Gardner

# Public Health Awarded Grant for Child Safety Seat Education



Kevin Patrick Kiley and Chelsee Lee Gardner were married on December 30th, 2023. Photo courtesy Office of Representative Kiley

## Office of Representative Kiley News Release

**WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG)** - The Office of Representative Kiley is delighted to announce that he and Chelsee Gardner were married on December 30th, 2023. The ceremony took place at Pioneer Church in Auburn, California, the oldest church in Placer County.

The bride, Chelsee Lee Gardner, was raised in the small town of Rio Oso, California, and moved to Rocklin, California, in 2011. She works at Agap International Missions, a nonprofit devoted to the fight against sex trafficking.

The groom, Kevin Patrick Kiley, is also from the greater Sacramento area and was raised in Orangevale and Granite Bay. He currently represents California's 3rd Congressional District as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Chelsee and Kevin met at a community event in Rocklin, California, celebrating the Fourth of July. Kevin proposed to Chelsee in the summer of 2023 in the same park where they first met.

They are grateful for the love and support they receive from their family and friends as they embark on this journey together as husband and wife. The couple will reside in Roseville. ★

## Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - In our continued effort to enhance child safety on the road, Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) has once again joined forces with partner agency Mercy San Juan to continue the successful car seat safety program. Aimed at educating parents and caregivers on the proper installation and use of child safety seats, this initiative is made possible through a \$78,546 grant generously provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS).

The grant, which funds an array of community outreach events, prioritizes education classes and training sessions tailored to underserved and refugee communities. The comprehensive car seat safety program encompasses various components, all designed to empower parents and caregivers with the knowledge and resources needed to ensure the safety of their little ones as they travel.

Key features of the program include:

- **Child Safety Seat Inspection Events and Education Classes:** The initiative will host events dedicated to inspecting child safety seats and providing educational classes to parents and caregivers.



Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) has once again joined forces with partner agency Mercy San Juan to continue the successful car seat safety program. Photo courtesy SCPH

• **Child Passenger Safety Technician (CPST) Training and Recertification Courses:** To bolster expertise in child passenger safety, the program will offer training and recertification courses for Child Passenger Safety Technicians.

• **No-Cost Child Safety Seats for Families in Need:** Families facing financial constraints will have access to child safety seats at no cost, ensuring that economic barriers do not compromise the safety of children.

• **Community Outreach Efforts in Underserved Communities:** Collaborating with local organizations, the program will actively engage in community outreach efforts to promote car seat safety in underserved areas.

Dr. Kasirye, the Sacramento County Public Health Officer, highlighted the essential role of OTS grant funding in assisting

families, caregivers, and education professionals in ensuring children's safety. Emphasizing that safeguarding children is a collective priority, "Properly secured car seats are pivotal in preventing harm to children in the unfortunate event of a crash," states Kasirye.

Sacramento County residents interested in learning more about the program can contact Riley Stoltenburg at StoltenburgR@saccounty.gov or call (916) 875-6094.

The funding for this critical program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Sacramento County remains committed to ensuring the safety of its youngest residents through proactive community engagement and education on proper car seat usage. ★

# Presidential Primary Election Update

## Ballot Drop Box and VoteCenter Locations

### Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Voter Registration and Elections (VRE) has posted the list of Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations for the March 5, 2024, Presidential Primary Election on the website.

Vote by Mail ballots will be mailed to voters beginning Monday, February 5, 2024. Ballot Drop Boxes will begin opening Monday, February 5, 2024, and Vote Centers will begin opening Saturday, February 24, 2024. A complete list of Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations, their days and hours of operation, and an interactive map can be found at: <https://elections.saccounty.net/votecenters/pages/locations.aspx>

A QR code to the interactive map will be included in the County Voter Information Guide to replace the flat printed map. This simple change supports the County's GoGreen policy, is accessible to voters with disabilities and is fiscally responsible, saving the county over two (2) million pages of printed material and the associated mailing cost.

For more information, contact VRE at (916) 875-6451, email [voterinfo@saccounty.gov](mailto:voterinfo@saccounty.gov), or by using the toll-free voter

assistance hotline at (800) 762-8019. The hotline has the ability to connect voters with disabilities with TTY (Text Telephone).

### KEY ELECTION DATES

- **Monday, February 5** - Mailing of ballots to all registered voters begins
- **Monday, February 5** - Voted ballots may be returned in any of the Ballot Drop Boxes located throughout the County
- **Monday, February 19** - Close of voter registration for this election. Voter registration forms must be postmarked by this date or delivered to the VRE Office at 7000 65th Street, Suite A, Sacramento 95823 by 5:00 p.m. Online voter registration must be completed before midnight on this date at [www.registertovote.ca.gov](http://www.registertovote.ca.gov)
- **Tuesday, February 20** - Conditional Voter Registration (VBM) begins
- **Saturday, February 24** - 11 Day Vote Centers open
- **Tuesday, February 27** - Last day a Vote by Mail (VBM) ballot can be mailed to you. After this date, VBM ballots are only available at the VRE office or at any of the 90 Vote Centers
- **Saturday, March 2** - All Vote Centers open throughout the County
- **Tuesday, March 5** - Election Day ★

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The State-Federal Flood Operations Center (FOC) has pre-positioned flood fight materials at more locations across the state and is starting this winter with more supplies on hand, including 2.2 million more sandbags. This fall, DWR coordinated pre-flood season meetings with emergency response agencies across the state and organized 38 flood-fight trainings for city, county, state and tribal agencies to prepare for possible local emergencies.

One year ago, the January survey at the Phillips location showed a water content of 177 percent of average and was followed by a series of damaging atmospheric river storms in January and March that caused flood impacts across the state and produced one of

the largest snowpacks on record.

On average, the Sierra snowpack supplies about 30 percent of California's water needs. Its natural ability to store water is why the Sierra snowpack is often referred to as California's "frozen reservoir." Data from these snow surveys and forecasts produced by DWR's Snow Surveys and Water Supply Forecasting Unit are important factors in determining how DWR manages the state's water resources. Due to last year's above average conditions and historic snowpack, a total of 3.5 million acre-feet of water was captured in State Water Project (SWP) reservoirs. Lake Oroville, the SWP's largest reservoir, is currently at 130 percent of average to date and state water managers are prepared to capture and store as much water as possible. ★



## VOTE EARLY! AVOID LINES



**March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election**

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- You should have received your official ballot in the mail.

**You can return your ballot starting February 5<sup>th</sup>**

- By mail, no postage necessary
- At a Ballot Drop Box
- At a Vote Center (starting February 24<sup>th</sup>)

You can find a full list of Ballot Drop Boxes and Vote Center locations in your County Voter Information Guide, in your mail ballot packet, or at [www.elections.saccounty.gov](http://www.elections.saccounty.gov)

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**The Presidential Primary is Party Specific**

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# CHP Celebrates 96 New Officers

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they didn't show was task force members, Headquarters and Division Personnel uniformed and Nonuniformed, Dispatchers, Auto Theft Task Forces, Commercial Enforcement Personnel, K-9s and more.

"There have been thousands of officers in this place," said Jim Ward, a retired CHP Officer who lives in Dixon. "But, it is far from routine. This is extraordinary. You are seeing less than 3-percent of those who actually apply." Ward served for 16 years on the Santa Ana freeway before moving to northern California duties.

Soon after the families and friends were seated, nearly 100 men and women marched into the California Highway Patrol Academy graduation ceremony with eyes straight ahead and showing serious faces wearing the traditional CHP uniform symbolizing authority and professionalism: the camel-colored pants, olive green jacket, and the cream-colored Trooper hat.

Commissioner Sean Duryee opened the ceremony and spoke about CHP training which is revered worldwide and consists of a regulated system of academics, exercise, diet, and self-discipline. Those honored had just completed the 6-month live-in Academy where their commitment meant missed birthdays, anniversaries, births of children, and holidays.

He told how they would receive their badge number and badge stating they would stay with them for life and talked about what each point of the star represents: character, integrity, judgment, loyalty, courtesy, honor, and knowledge.

"You've earned the right to wear it," he said. "That badge belongs to the people behind you. That badge represents the trust they have in you." He also spoke to the graduates about their futures. "The tragedies of others will become your daily routine. You will show



Filing into their graduation ceremony, new CHP Officers were captured in photos by hundreds of proud families. Photo by Debra Dingman

empathy, take time to listen, give a shoulder to cry on, and show compassion.

Don't ever become cocky or arrogant. The moment you stop learning and growing, you start limiting your future."

Keynote speaker Barbara Rooney, California Office of Traffic Safety Director shared the wide variety of backgrounds that the graduates came from. There were a couple musicians, EMTs, and firefighters.

"Almost all branches of the military are represented here and 1st to 3rd and even 4th generations of officers in the family. There was a preschool teacher, marathon runner, private pilot, computer engineer, and even a juggler," she said. "Ten have received the Governor's Medal of Honor."

She reminded them they were all joining a 100-year-old agency created in 1929 to provide uniform traffic law enforcement throughout California, assuring the safe, convenient and efficient transportation



Each CHP graduating class is immortalized on the walls of the Academy making an impressive display throughout the entire facility. Photo by Debra Dingman

of people and goods on its highway system.

"Now, there are 7,000 uniform personnel in our state with 40 million people," she said congratulating them.

The governor added his remarks through a televised message.

"I'm adding my voice to the chorus who honors you," said Governor Gavin Newsom. "We have the 5th largest law enforcement agency in the country and you have earned our respect and trust. We extend our

gratitude, thanks, and welcome."

A video presentation of the extensive training followed and the audience saw situational experiences where cadets were drilled on how to fight criminals and save lives.

Special recognitions were given for class officers, marksmanship, outstanding athlete, and most inspirational cadet. Afterwards, they lined in front of the buildings for the official 'badge pinning' while taking photos with proud spouses

and family members. They will earn a generous base salary of \$109,248 during their first year plus full health and dental benefits for themselves and their families.

The ceremony is one of three per year and was closed with the entire graduating class reciting the Code of Honor with raised right hands swearing that they "would lay down their life rather than swerve from the line of duty."

Watch Soon

The CHP has just released to the public an inside look at its live-in training facility with this month's programming of the new reality series, Cadets. Premiering Jan. 17 on the CHP's YouTube page, the nine-part docuseries focuses on a cadet class navigating the six-month journey through the CHP Academy on the way to becoming officers.

The release of Cadets is part of the CHP's ongoing, multi-year recruitment campaign to recruit and hire 1,000 officers. A trailer for the series, produced entirely by CHP staff, is available online.

"Cadets is not just a series; it's a testament to the CHP's commitment to excellence, diversity, and the relentless pursuit of transforming individuals from all walks of life into dedicated officers ready to serve the community," said the Commissioner Duryee. "We are excited to offer a start-to-finish look inside our Academy as future law enforcement officers are brought to life."

Viewers will "ride along" with nine cadets as they overcome physical and mental adversity throughout the journey to earning their badge and becoming a CHP officer. The audience will also hear firsthand from the cadets as they speak candidly about their experience.

"By sharing their experiences, in their own words, we hope to inspire more service-minded individuals to follow in their footsteps and join us for a rewarding career in law enforcement," added Commissioner Duryee. ★

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# Lancers Resilient During 47th Annual Cordova Christmas Classic!



Senior Amir Sabir shoots three pointer against Burbank.



Junior Malachi Gorman take short jumper against Burbank.



Senior Rayshawn Johnson makes shot underneath against Woodcreek.



Freshman Baron Sabir goes in for reverse layup against Woodcreek.



Senior Roman Panasyuk pulls up for short jumper against Rosemont.



Freshman Baron Sabir shoots jumper against Rosemont.

## Story and photos by Rick Sloan

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - On Thursday December 28th, eight teams showed up at Cordova High's gym to compete in the 47th Annual Cordova Christmas Classic. The teams competing in this year's tournament were Rosemont, Luther Burbank, Cesar Chavez, El Dorado, Grant, Will C. Wood, Woodcreek and your tournament host Cordova.

Our Cordova Lancers easily handled cross-town rival Rosemont by a score of 76-41 on the first day and Burbank by a score of 61-58 the next day. In the game against favored Burbank, senior Amir Sabir hit a game-winning 3-pointer

with 13 seconds left. This put the Lancers into the championship game for the 2nd year in a row against the highly favored Woodcreek Timberwolves from Roseville. Woodcreek upset last year's winner, Grant, by a score of 67-57.

Cordova brought their "A" game to the contest against the Timberwolves as they kept the game in reach all 4 periods. Down 64-66 with 4.9 seconds left in the contest, the Lancers put up a good shot from the corner for the win that unfortunately hit the front of the rim and bounced out. Three inches to the left and that ball goes through the hoop for the victory. Cordova once again finished with 2nd place honors. The Grant Pacers

finished in 3rd and Burbank took 4th place.

Head Coach Fletcher Johnson said, "This group refuses to quit. They are resilient. They hold player only meetings to make sure they are on the same page. They hold each other accountable to playing hard, playing smart and playing together."

For the season, the Lancers are now 7-6 and begin league play on January 10th at West Campus. Cordova's starting five this year are senior forward RayShawn Johnson, sophomore small forward Da'Mareya Griffin, junior forward Malachi Gorman, senior point guard Amir Sabir and freshman point guard Baron Sabir. The "6th Man" this year is senior small forward Roman

Panasyuk. Panasyuk comes in off the bench and his presence is immediately felt on offense and defense. Another player that should make an impact this season is senior point guard Ezra Carolina.

This group of players are constantly improving with each game they playing. They are a force to be reckoned with on both sides of the ball. They have the ability to put points on the board when needed, and are "tenacious" on defense, causing turnover after turnover. Coach Johnson said, "I'm looking forward to the next game just to see how much progression they make. Every game has been so exciting to watch and I believe the best is yet to come. We have shooters and

good decision-making players. Most importantly they enjoy seeing each other make plays".

I definitely think this group has the physical ability and the mental maturity to take us to the postseason. Who knows, if they keep improving like Coach Johnson says, there's no telling how far in the playoffs we can go this year.

Our next two home games will be on Wednesday, January 17th against Valley at 7:30 p.m., and Friday, January 19th against Foothill at 7:00 p.m. Come on out, root your Big Red Lancers on to victory and enjoy a hot dog and some other goodies from the snack bar. ★

**GO BIG RED!**

# The IRA Kills Incentives for Medical Innovation; Hardly a Win for Americans



**Commentary**  
by Sally C. Pipes

The Biden administration recently announced the first 10 drugs that will be subject to price controls under Medicare as part of the Inflation Reduction Act. The president celebrated the occasion, saying, "We took on Big Pharma and special interests... and the American people won."

"Won?" The next generation of American patients will not feel like they "won" when they're stuck waiting even longer for effective treatments -- if those treatments ever materialize.

Price controls invariably lead to shortages in the short term -- and warp the financial incentives that underpin drug research and development in the long term.

Historically, drug companies have worked to bring medicines to market as quickly as possible. The sooner patients started taking a drug, the sooner the drugmaker could begin to recoup the more than \$2 billion, on average, it spent developing it.

After a treatment hit the market, firms routinely conducted additional

research to see if it was effective against diseases other than the one it was approved to treat. If that research proved successful, companies applied for approval to treat these additional "indications" and marketed the drug to additional groups of patients.

This strategy helped bring countless new treatments to patients who didn't have any other options. Since 2003, the Food and Drug Administration has approved more than 90 follow-on indications for orphan drugs, which treat rare diseases. The majority of cancer treatments from 2006 to 2012 were approved for at least one follow-on indication -- roughly 40% of which were a different cancer subtype.

Unfortunately, thanks to the IRA, discoveries like these may soon be fewer and farther between.

The law's price controls are dressed up as "negotiations" between Medicare and drugmakers. If a drugmaker declines to accept the government's offer, then it faces an excise tax of up to 95% on the drug in question's sales or must withdraw all its products -- not just the one subject to negotiations -- from Medicare and Medicaid.

These price controls will significantly shorten the period in which pharmaceutical companies can recoup their investments in research and development. That's particularly true for small-molecule drugs -- typically pills

-- which can be hit with price controls under the IRA after just nine years on the market.

Biologics -- usually injections or infusions -- aren't subject to price controls until 13 years after approval.

Roughly half of a medicine's sales are made after year nine, in years 10 to 13. So it's only rational that some drug companies would adjust their research, development, and launch strategies accordingly.

Some may wait to seek approval until they've zeroed in on the largest patient population possible -- even if they're confident they could get approval faster for a smaller group of patients with a different disease.

The IRA is also scrambling drug companies' incentives to do further research into follow-on indications. Devoting time and money to find out if a drug can treat another disease may not make financial sense once the nine-year price-control clock has started.

Patients will be the ones who pay the price for treatments delayed or never developed in the first place. That's not a win for the American people.

*Sally C. Pipes is President, CEO, and Thomas W. Smith Fellow in Health Care Policy at the Pacific Research Institute. Her latest book is False Premise, False Promise: The Disastrous Reality of Medicare for All (Encounter 2020). Follow her on Twitter @sallypipes. ★*

# And Another Thing

*Each New Year Can Give Me (You) A Time To Get A Breath*



By Bob McGarvey

Everyone is settling down after the many holidays in the last three months of 2023 are celebrated and completed. It seems to me that January of each new year can give me (you) a time to get a breath and not have so many things going on at the same time. I hope that the rain and snow we are seeing and feeling will help us receive and keep the water we need every year. I am worried that the tunnel the government approved will be built and take so much water away from Northern California's delta.

The tunnel was approved instead of the peripheral canal which was stopped. We were told that it will take ten years to build. Maybe during those ten years it will be stopped too. That is just me, but I honestly believe that we need the water as much, if not more, than those people in the southern part of the state. We'll see.

The new year is here. It isn't time for spring cleanup yet, but as I worked at my desk I found some pictures I haven't seen for quite a while. Some of them showed how we celebrated and opened our 'new city hall' in 2006. There were so many people who take pleasure in another step our new city took. After all, we were only about two and a half years old, and almost everything that was done was one more thing that everyone to watch and celebrate. We were all very proud as Rancho Cordova developed more every day as a city. It took many years to get there.

I am working on my column on January 5th. Tomorrow, January 6th,

made me think of the news headlines three years ago. Insurrection, Devastation and death at our U.S. Capital. A quote from President Abraham Lincoln, he said, "America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves." One more thing I have to say about January 6, 2023, is that every Veteran has given up time out of their lives to protect our country. There were very few Veterans who weren't both sad and mad of what happened in their country. I hope nothing like that will ever happen again in the U.S.A.

Onward to other things coming into affect this year. Some New California laws affect minimum wage, housing, guns, abortion, etc. A new law to protect people who use Marijuana off the job and away from the workplace, and prohibits employees from discriminating against such a worker. Another law says that the minimum wage will increase to \$16.00 an hour. In April, AB 1228 will raise the minimum wage of fast-food workers to \$20.00 an hour. SB 616 requires employers to allow both hourly and salary workers to earn a minimum of five paid sick days a year.

Those are a few of the new laws which went into affect now, or will go into affect later. You can find out what those new affects are on line, into newspaper, or hear about them on TV. I am sure there are too many of them for me or you to hear about them all, but each new year we can enjoy or despise the new laws. Good look to all.

*From Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see you next time. ★*

## Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

If you turned off the TV last night or left the Golden One Center after the Kings' loss to the Charlotte Hornets ambivalent to the outcome, please don't call yourself a fan.

If, on the other hand, you woke up the following day with your stomach in knots, or you drove home from the game the night before in a fowl mood, count yourself someone with skin in the game.

I fully expected to be writing this column praising the Kings for a 2-1 road trip, and celebrating a three-game winning streak, as they dismantled the Charlotte Hornets the night before.

Well, that's not the case, and both players and coaches own this one.

Harrison Barnes was MIA once again, contributing a paltry three points and one rebound in 23 minutes of work. Really, Harrison? The classy veteran that got a 19-million-dollar per-year contract in the off season. Breaking news -- we need a bigger contribution than what you're bringing every night. And, honestly, what is Barnes doing in the starting lineup?

Message to coach Brown. Wake up! Just removing Kevin Huerter from the starting lineup may be a step in the right direction, but a true shakeup is what is needed.

Harrison Barnes should be coming off the bench, and Trey Lyles needs to take over his spot in the starting lineup. Plain and simple. This is not about hurt feelings, or what you brought to the table 2 years ago, it's what have you done for me lately, and Harrison, you've been missing in action.

I liked the move putting Huerter on the bench, but Chris Duarte was the wrong choice to replace him.

As much as everyone loves the spark that Malik Monk gives the Kings off the bench, and talk of 6th man of the year, Malik is a qualified NBA starter, and its high time coach Brown starts accessing his talent a little better.

After relegating Davion Mitchell to basketball purgatory, suddenly he emerges again and helps the Kings win two consecutive road games over Atlanta and Memphis. This was a welcome sight, and something Kings fans have been waiting for. The same can be said for increased minutes in the same two games for Trey Lyles, who has been stellar off the bench, and in this writer's opinion should earn the bench and the starting lineup.

Will someone tell me what's wrong with a lineup of Sabonis, Fox, Monk, Lyles, and

Keegan Murray? Granted, Murray is way too inconsistent, but I believe you ride with him as a second-year player, and work on the more obvious changes, like utilizing Huerter and Barnes coming off the bench.

Huerter has started every game, and still hasn't found his stroke. Barnes simply disappears for games at a time, with no apparent repercussions.

When I played basketball, you either performed or someone else on the team took over your minutes.

Last night's loss to the Hornets was an embarrassment, and with the team assembled today, there is no excuse for it.

Really bad coaching and 21 turnovers did the trick, and if immediate changes are not made, I sadly believe we are in for more of the same.

Without question, the Kentucky Wildcats know how to turn out NBA basketball players, and in the case of the Sacramento Kings -- De'Aaron Fox, Malik Monk, and Trey Lyles should all be in the starting lineup. Let's see if Huerter, Barnes, Duarte, and others can provide a spark coming off the bench. Let Harrison Barnes bid for the 6th man award, and start earning some of his 19 million dollars per year.

Just filling in the correct lineup card sounds way too simplistic, and it is!

Basketball is played on both ends of the court, and the Kings defense this year has been tepid and inconsistent at best. That can change. It only starts with a shakeup in the starting lineup, but for sure having Davion Mitchell starting every game will give the Kings a better chance at setting a defensive tone for the outset.

Coach Brown earned Coach of the Year honors last season, and I celebrate his award. But that was last season, and just like his players, he needs to up his game.

Please, start winning some challenges, or even taking a chance by calling for a challenge. To some degree you have to trust your players on the floor when they are vociferously telling you to take a challenge. His record this year is abysmal, and making correct challenges is part of the NBA game. Coach Brown, you have to get better.

19-13 is not a bad record, and the sky isn't falling. Change is needed for certain though, and I hope the coaching staff is listening.

If you have thoughts, email me at [vgarris@kingsfan.com](mailto:vgarris@kingsfan.com).

Happy New Year Kings fans! ★

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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#23CV012742  
Gail Ann Eby-Martin has filed a

petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Gail Ann Eby-Martin to Gail Ann Helms.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 4, 2023  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV012747**  
Darian Alexander Brown has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Darian Alexander Brown to Darian Alexander Wilkins.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 21, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 1, 2023, Richard K. Sueyoshi Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Dec 29, 2023, Jan 5, 12, 19, 2024  
BROWN 1-19-2024

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV000054**  
Fazl Ahmad Ahmadi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ahmad Sodais Ahmadi to Sodais Ahmadi and Ahmad Ozair Ahmadi to Ozair Ahmadi.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 21, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 3, 2024  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 2024  
AHMADI 2-2-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV013801**  
Ahmad Alhamadani and Sura Ali has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Assaad Ahmad Abdulrahman Al Hamadani to Assaad Hamadani.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 13, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 20, 2023  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 2024  
HAMADANI 2-2-24

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV000007**  
Dionna Marie Campbell has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Dionna Marie Campbell to Dionna Marie Wangan.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 2, 2024  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 2024  
WANGAN 2-2-24

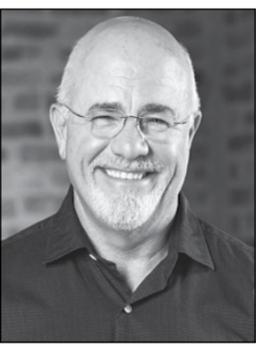
**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #23CV013186**  
Mohammad Shaber Naser Ali has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Shaber Naser Ali to Shaber Zahiri.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 28, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 11, 2023  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 2024  
ALI 2-2-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**  
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HARRY GENE NITSCHKE, AKA HARRY GENE NITSCHKE, JR CASE NO. 23PR002040  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Harry Gene Nitschke, aka Harry Gene Nitschke, Jr.  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Soon Ja Nitschke, in

the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Soon Ja Nitschke 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 executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows January 24, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.  
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Petitioner

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**  
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARNETTE ANN DIAZ CASE NO. 23PR000390  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Marnette Ann Diaz  
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Gina Frisby, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Gina Frisby 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 executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**  
NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF HARRY GENE NITSCHKE, AKA HARRY GENE NITSCHKE, JR CASE NO. 23PR002040



## Dave Ramsey Says

you're basically unemployed. On top of that, you have just \$40,000 with which to start a business. It's time to rev up your engines and get to work, not spend a bunch of money vacationing. Trust me, there'll be plenty of time to celebrate after you've won, maybe in even bigger and better ways, if you'll just delay gratification and put in the dedication and hard work now.

When it comes to opening a new business, a good rule of thumb is this: Everything's going to take twice as long to accomplish as you thought it would, and everything's going to be twice as expensive as you thought it'd be. I'm sure you're both smart people, but my guess is you're not exceptions to this rule when it comes to opening and running a small business.

Think about it, every single dollar connected with your business could mean the difference between survival and going under. Like I said,

I kind of get your husband's thought process, but it would be a very unwise idea right now. You've got to look at the big picture. You're going to be heartbroken, and maybe in a real financial bind, if you have to close up shop in a few months because you ran out of money.

On the other hand, if you work hard now, stay smart and make this thing a success, you can take a vacation—and really celebrate—when the time is right!

— Dave

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

### Work Hard Now, Celebrate Later

Dear Dave,

My husband and I bought a franchise recently, and we are opening our business in a couple of months. We've got \$40,000 saved up, but my husband wants us to take a two-week vacation before we open for business. He feels that the business will completely consume us for the next two or three years, and he wants to go into things relaxed and refreshed. How do you feel about this idea?

— Jill

I understand where your husband's coming from. A business is very time consuming, and to make it a success you'll both have to eat, sleep and breathe it for a very long time.

But here's the reality of your situation. Right now,

# Robert Craig Films Announces Study Guide to Reduce Homelessness

### AthertonPR News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - In a continuation of the mission to bring awareness and solutions to homelessness in America, Robert Craig Films is announcing the release of an Interactive Study Guide, which will be widely available on March 5th, 2024, titled, "No Address." This is an important part of "The Big 5" solutions for homelessness born from the Robert Craig Films produced — award-winning "Americans with No Address" documentary and "No Address movie."

**THE INTERACTIVE STUDY GUIDE** "No Address" provides education and structure for groups nationwide who would like to contribute in a meaningful way to reduce homelessness. Written by a partnership of many industry leaders, it outlines how to best approach and engage in supporting people experiencing homelessness. It consists of resources for how to serve them best. The guide will help individuals, small groups, congregations, pastors and leaders as they help the homeless.

The Interactive Resource Guide is the first of its kind, jointly presented by national executive leadership to serve those experiencing homelessness. These experts include Dr. Robert G Marbut Jr., former White House "Federal Homelessness Czar" and Discovery Institute senior fellow. Dr. Marbut shares, "This has never been done before. In an effort to support individuals and groups nationwide who would like to contribute in a meaningful way to reduce homelessness, this study guide will provide industry leaders who are offering resources for how to best serve those experiencing homelessness."

The Interactive Study Guide provides education and structure for how to best approach and engage serving people who are experiencing homelessness and will be available to all organizations and individuals. Other expert contributors to this project are National Commissioner Jolene Hodder, The Salvation Army, John Ashmen Citygate Network President Emeritus, as well as Myrka Dellanos with videos by Max Lucado and Amy Grant.

- Topics include:
- Types of homelessness; big picture and root causes
  - Why it is up to the people to make the change and not rely on policy and government programs
  - Engage rather than enable
  - How to best collaborate with existing agencies as an individual or group
  - Why duplicating services beyond the established professional agencies can harm more than help
  - Building leadership alliances between faith organizations and agencies serving the local homeless community

The Interactive Study Guide will serve individuals, small groups, congregations, pastors and leaders published by David C. Cook.

"Having the opportunity to partner with Robert Craig Films on this impactful project was an immediate yes for us," said Chadd Miller, executive vice president of David C Cook's Learning Resources Group. "We are passionate about creating an innovative, interactive study guide, intentionally designed to equip the church to help our brothers and sisters who are experiencing homelessness. I'm excited to bring this study to churches and community groups — including my own." ★



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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE**  
 is: Gina Frisby, 5708 Alloway Street; 916-671-9359  
 Publish: Dec 29, 2023, Jan 5, 12, 2024  
 DIAZ 1-12-24

affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.  
 YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Grace S. Johnson, Smith & Johnson Law APC, 115 W. Walnut Street Suite 3, Lodi, CA 95240; 209-333-9292  
 Publish: January 5, 12, 19, 2024  
 Vasquez 01/19/2024

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hearing, you must either use a computer or smart device with internet access, and have downloaded the Zoom application. If you do not have compatible technology, then you can attend the hearing using a telephone and calling the designated toll free telephone conference line. You must appear by Zoom Application or Telephone using the designated department account referenced below at least 5 minutes before your scheduled hearing date and time; and wait for a court representative to take roll. Department 129 zoom link: <https://saccourt-ca.gov.zoomgov.com/my/sscddept129> or Toll Free Telephone Conference Line @ (888) 475-499, with SHARIAH ID #689-534-3925

estate, lien, or interest in the Property adverse to Plaintiff's title, or any cloud of Plaintiff's title to the Property and Does 1 through 5  
 YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Tracy K. Sharp.  
 NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.  
 You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.  
 There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Website ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.  
 Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en forma to legal correcto si desea que

procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.  
 Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.  
 The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Carol Miller Justice Center, 301 Bicentennial Circle, Sacramento, CA 95826  
 The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Vanessa Amador, Norcal Attorney Brokers, 1355 Florin Road Suite 4, Sacramento, CA 95822, 916-396-9934.  
 Date: (Fecha) 10/12/2023  
 Clerk (Secretario) K. Johnson, Deputy (Adjunto)  
 Publish: Dec 22, 29, 2023, Jan 5, 12, 2024  
 SHARP 1-12-24

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JUAN G. VASQUEZ**  
 CASE NO. 23PR002176  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Juan G. Vasquez  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by Sherri Wilmoth, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Sherri Wilmoth 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 executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
 A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows February 7, 2024, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.  
 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.  
 IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BEULAH CALHOUN**  
 CASE NO. 34-2023-00336228  
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Beulah Calhoun.  
 A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kenna Reid, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Kenna Reid 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 executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
 A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows February 7, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.  
 Zoom Telepresence: <https://saccourt-ca.gov.zoomgov.com/my/sscddept129> Meeting: 16133529231  
 This matter is set for a court hearing/appearance using the Zoom Application for the above referenced date and time. In order to participate in your Zoom

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**SUMMONS**  
 SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)  
 CASE NUMBER: 23CV009805  
 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:  
 All persons unknown claiming any legal or equitable right, ti-

le, estate, lien, or interest in the Property adverse to Plaintiff's title, or any cloud of Plaintiff's title to the Property and Does 1 through 5  
 YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Tracy K. Sharp.  
 NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.  
 You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.  
 There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Website ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.  
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## How Will California Respond To The Home Insurance Market Meltdown?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

While Gov. Gavin Newsom and state legislators wrestle with a massive state budget deficit this year, a few blocks from the Capitol another crisis that could have far more impact on California families will be playing out.

Ricardo Lara, California's insurance commissioner, will be trying to dissuade companies that provide insurance coverage to millions of homeowners from fleeing the state. Citing heavy losses from disastrous wildfires and the potential for more destruction in the future, the largest insurers, such as State Farm and Farmers, have already cut back on new policies and renewals.

As a result, many homeowners in fire-prone regions have been forced into the state's last ditch insurance plan, called FAIR, which offers reduced coverage at high premiums, to protect themselves and comply with their mortgages.

The industry wants to include actuarial projections of future losses and the costs of reinsurance in their premiums. Neither factor is now allowed under regulations approved by voters more than three decades ago under a ballot measure that also made the insurance commissioner an

elected official.

As the list of insurers reducing their exposure in California mounted last year, the Legislature briefly tried to come up with a revised regulatory process that would induce them to keep writing policies, but adjourned in September without action.

Newsom punted the crisis to Lara and he quickly laid out in broad terms new rules that would allow estimates of future losses to be folded into premium requests and hinted that including reinsurance might be approved. In return, Lara would require insurers to maintain at least 85% of their market in fire-prone regions.

His announcement set in motion what could be a year of hearings and other processes to write new rules that would, in effect, modify much of the 1988 ballot measure that created California's highly regulated insurance system and strictly limited the factors that could be included in rate requests.

It has exacerbated a running feud between Lara and Consumer Watchdog, the organization that sponsored the 1988 ballot measure and has benefited handsomely from "intervenor fees" for participating in premium rate proceedings ever since. Consumer Watchdog has been highly critical of Lara throughout his tenure, and charges that his proposed systemic changes would be a sellout to the insurance industry.

"He's basically capitulated to the industry," Jamie Court, the group's president, said of Lara at one point. "There's not really much coming back for the

consumer in here."

In response, Lara cites his duty to maintain a viable insurance market and accuses Consumer Watchdog of protecting its own financial interests.

"One entity is involved in nearly 75% of all interventions for rate approvals, materially benefiting from a process that is meant for a broader public participation," Lara responded to the allegations, adding, "throwing bombs is easy and putting out bombastic statements from entrenched interest groups doesn't benefit anyone."

Until the crisis, California's average homeowner premium was slightly lower than the national average.

There's no question that if Lara makes major changes to insurance regulation, homeowners' premiums will increase. In fact, last month, he approved a 20% premium increase for State Farm, which holds more than a quarter of the state's market and had announced a moratorium on new policies.

It's a trade-off, one that not only affects current homeowners but those who aspire to ownership and therefore must obtain insurance to obtain mortgages. Moreover, the availability of insurance for their potential customers affects developers who build and sell new homes.

As with the budget crisis, politicians cannot repeal the unwritten laws of economics. Ultimately, there's no free lunch.

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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# CAPIAA Welcomes its New Executive Director, Khydeeja Alam

## CAPIAA News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs (CAPIAA) is thrilled to announce the appointment of Khydeeja Alam as its new executive director. Khydeeja Alam was sworn in by the Honorable Robert Rivas, speaker of the California State Assembly, at the State Capitol surrounded by family and friends.

“California’s diverse AAPI communities enrich and strengthen our state in countless ways and have a pivotal role in driving our state and nation forward,” said Governor Gavin Newsom. “Director Alam brings more than a decade of experience working on a variety of priority issues for the state, and deep ties to nonprofit and philanthropic partners that will help further the Commission’s important work. I thank her for her dedicated service to our state, and commitment to elevating the needs and concerns of our dynamic AAPI communities.”

Khydeeja brings a wealth of experience and leadership in advocacy, non-profit, and state government to this role, and the commission is confident in her ability to lead CAPIAA in its mission to elevate the political, economic, and social issues of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

“I extend a heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Khydeeja Alam for this exciting appointment. I have had the pleasure of witnessing her career unfold through the years as a former colleague,” said Speaker



**Khydeeja Alam was appointed new executive director of the California Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander American Affairs.** Photo courtesy of Speaker’s Office, California State Assembly

of the California State Assembly Robert Rivas. “She is passionate, determined and a fierce advocate for her community. There is no one better suited to represent the best interests of over 6 million Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders who call California home. As speaker, I look forward to working alongside her in this new capacity.”

One of the key focus areas for CAPIAA under Alam’s leadership will be to educate, raise awareness, and advocate for the rights and safety of AAPI communities. The Commission will work towards an inclusive and supportive environment for all residents of the state.

“The Commission is excited about the fresh perspective and dynamic leadership that Khydeeja Alam brings to the table. Khydeeja will undoubtedly play a crucial role in advancing CAPIAA’s mission to ensure the voices and needs

of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders are at the forefront of discussions and investments by California decision makers,” said CAPIAA Chair Serena Kirk.

As executive director, Alam will spearhead efforts to maximize outreach efforts with Asian and Pacific Islander American communities, including informational campaigns about public and private programs that benefit community interests, and addressing issues of access and cultural language sensitivity within state agencies, departments, and other commissions. Most importantly, Alam will bring visibility around the incredible work the commission continues to do on behalf of California’s AAPI communities.

“The California Asian American and Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus (AAPILC) welcomes Khydeeja Alam

as the new executive director for the Commission on Asian Pacific Islander American Affairs (CAPIAA). The Caucus looks forward to continued partnership with the Commission under the leadership of Khydeeja to ensure that we continue to uplift and mobilize our AAPI community here in California,” said Assemblyman Evan Low, chair of the AAPILC.

Alam will also play a pivotal role in providing assistance to policymakers and state agencies by identifying the needs and issues of AAPI communities, developing appropriate responses, and implementing programs to address these concerns effectively.

“I welcome Khydeeja Alam as the new executive director of CAPIAA. Her lived experiences as an immigrant and her hard work that led her to be where she is today is an incredible benefit to the AAPI

community and a celebration of the rich tapestry of perspectives that will guide CAPIAA towards meaningful progress,” said State Treasurer Fiona Ma.

The only ethnic commission established by California state law, CAPIAA’s mission is to address the diverse and complex needs, issues, and concerns of Asian American and Pacific Islander American communities. The commission plays a crucial role in advising the governor and legislature on the views, needs, and concerns of the state’s population of over six million Asian and Pacific Islander Americans.

“Khydeeja Alam’s dedication to public service will serve her well as executive director. She’s a respected leader in her community and trusted advisor to many lawmakers. I look forward to seeing what she will accomplish in this new role,” said Senate President pro Tempore Toni G. Atkins

Khydeeja Alam: “I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to represent the AAPI community. As CAPIAA’s new executive director, I look forward to continuing the commission’s incredible work, and taking it to the next level, while ensuring that over six million AAPI community members have a strong representation. I believe the stronger the footprint of the commission, the stronger and more resilient the AAPI communities will be. As a first Pakistani American in this role, I wear my identity with pride. This position allows me to pay it forward, uplift, and empower the community and the next generation of AAPI leaders.” ★

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MEMORIAL

CATHERINE JEAN FIDEL • 01/03/1933 — 11/20/2023

Catherine Jean Fidel of Rancho Cordova passed away peacefully November 20, 2023 with her family at her side. She was born to Eusebio Tacal from Santo Domingo, Ilocos Sur, Philippines and Maude Gibson of Austin, Texas on January 3, 1933 in Portland, Oregon. She attended primary school in Portland and Coos Bay, Oregon.



and Mrs. Club, and enjoyed water aerobics with her friends.

One of Catherine's dreams come true was to see all her children graduate from college. Throughout their developing years, she emphasized their continued education. In that spirit of supporting education, Cathy and Pas together with their children established the "Catherine J. Fidel Scholarship award" upon her retirement in 1995. It is annually awarded to an outstanding and promising graduating senior at Cordova High School. Since the scholarship's inception, the family has funded more than \$28,000.00 in scholarships.

Many say Catherine was always the sweetest person in the room and her gentle soul infiltrated all who came in contact with her. Since she spent so much time on the computer and typewriter, she definitely typed her love forever on our hearts. She will be dearly missed.

**Funeral Services : Saturday January 20, 2024 11:00 am Saint John Vianney Parish 10497 Coloma Rd. Rancho Cordova, Ca. 95670**

*~ In lieu of flowers, Catherine J. Fidel Scholarship donations accepted and made to : Duane Fidel 100 Allerton Ct. Folsom, Ca. 95630*

She used to joke that she trained five or six principals before retiring in 1995.

Even though she worked full time, she was a loving and devoted mother and grandmother supporting her children's events attending numerous wrestling matches and tournaments, band concerts, volleyball, basketball, and softball games; Filipino martial arts tournaments, baseball games, track meets, marching band competitions, dance competitions, and Fab4 music concerts. She had a full calendar and was the family's #1 supporter.

Cathy was an impeccable planner and organizer. She would have lists of her lists. She planned family trips to Tahoe, Santa Cruz, Aptos, Hawaii, and Puerto Vallarta. She loved being together with her family. She was the consummate matriarch, and always knew what was happening with each of the family members. Cathy was also involved with the Filipino American National Historical Society (FANHS), the Saint John Vianney Mr.

The family relocated to Stockton, California where she met her husband Pascual Fidel in 1947 at the age of 15. They were high school sweethearts, and both graduated from Edison High School in Stockton, California. Cathy and Pas married in 1952 during Pascual's junior year at U.C Berkeley. They remained together for 71 years.

Sadly, Pascual met Cathy in heaven one month after her passing. She is survived by her five children Victoria, Duane (Donna), Philip (Rick Stone), Eric (Sherri) and Connie (Mark Schlitt); Grandchildren Erik (Rachel Smith), Courtney, and Elias; their great grandchild Theo; her brother David Tacal and nieces Lisa Antuna, Jeannine Garcia and Kathi Poggi. Cathy was predeceased by her sister Anita Orello, her niece Jennifer Valdivia, and nephew Anthony Revillar.

Cathy started working at Cordova High School in 1962 as the administrative assistant to the principal.

MEMORIAL

PASCUAL ARCA FIDEL • 03/20/1932 — 12/19/2023

It is with heartfelt sadness to announce the passing of Pascual Arca Fidel on December 19, 2023. He was reunited in heaven with his wife of 71 years, Catherine, who passed away one month earlier.



St John Vianney Parish in Rancho Cordova. Books of varying subjects and genres, fiction and non-fiction lined every shelf in every room of his home. Well into his 80's there was always a front and center spot reserved just for him at his gym's Zumba class.

Pascual (affectionately known as Pas) was born in El Centro, CA on March 20, 1932 to Pascual Lara Fidel, of Ilocos, Philippines and to Conchy Arca of Kauai, Hawaii. He is survived by his five children Victoria, Duane (Donna), Philip (Ricky Stone), Eric (Sherri) and Connie (Mark Schlitt); his grandchildren Erik (Rachel Smith), Courtney and Elias; and his great grandson Theo. He is also survived by his brother Jose, sister Venancia Patron and nephews David (Natalie), Patrick, and Conrad.

Pas was raised in Stockton, CA. He attended Edison High School and Stockton College where he met Catherine. They were married in 1952. He received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from UC Berkeley. He then earned his teaching credential from the University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. Later in life he obtained his Master's degree in cultural anthropology from CSU Sacramento.

In 1962, Pas relocated his family to Rancho

Cordova, CA to pursue his teaching career. He taught at Kit Carson Jr High School in East Sacramento. In 1974 he taught at Luther Burbank High School in Sacramento until his retirement in 1992. Having lived 60+ years in the area and having raised his five children, Pas fell in love with the Rancho Cordova community. He was a hands-on father who immersed himself in his children's many school, sports, music, community, and social activities. His deep commitment and dedication to family continues to inspire not only his children but all who knew him. He was a role model to many.

In his so-called "free-time" Pas avidly pursued his passions and interests. He attained a 2nd degree black belt in Kenpo style Karate. He also practiced Arnis, also known as Eskrima, the national martial art of the Philippines. He was active in the Filipino American National Historical Society and the

The spotlight always seemed to find Pascual. Yet somehow he always managed to redirect the rays so that they shone more brightly on others. In both direct and subtle ways, he empowered everyone in his orbit to hone their skills and find their voices to become the best that they can be. He exuded warmth and generosity. Pas was hard-working, ambitious, yet humble, successful and principled. He possessed a softer, sentimental side as well. Pas will be greatly missed for the ways he touched us all and for having left the world a better place.

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**City Reporter** – We are seeking a part-time City Reporter for our newspaper group. This position may be assigned to work in the Carmichael office or another area office and works directly with the Editor. Work hours are flexible depending on assignments. Previous reporting experience is required.

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**Dare to Live Without Limits**

by Bryan Golden

*Resistance to Change*

We feel comfortable with what is familiar. Routines offer safety. Change takes us into the unknown. Change forces us onto new paths. Change is resisted because it is easier not to change.

Resistance to change isn't based on logic, it's based on fear of the unfamiliar. Resistance to change limits your benefiting from new opportunities. It provides a false sense of security. You become more of a spectator rather than a participant in your future.

As resistance to change becomes ingrained over time, your aversion to change becomes involuntary. It's human nature to prefer the path of least resistance and it takes more effort to change than not to.

When Thomas Edison first invented the light bulb, it was not universally welcomed as the great breakthrough it was. Actually, many people did not want it at all. They were afraid widespread use of electric lights would enable businesses to work their employees 24 hours a day. There was resistance to change from oil lamps and candles.

Jill worked as a receptionist for a busy doctor's office. She had been there five years and was very happy with her job. Barbara, the office manager, was retiring and Jill was offered the job. Although the office manager's position was a promotion with more responsibility and pay, Jill wasn't sure she wanted to change jobs.

Jill was a competent receptionist. She was well liked by everyone at the office. As office manager, Jill would be supervising the other staff. Jill was worried about what would happen if she didn't like the new job or couldn't do well in it. If things didn't work out, what would she do? Jill didn't think she would have the option of returning to the receptionist position because someone else would have been hired to replace her.

Jill decided not to take the promotion. She was too uncomfortable with changing her daily routine. Jill's resistance to change caused her to pass up

an opportunity that most likely would have worked out to her benefit.

Jerry was a salesman for a computer manufacturer. He made a good living and didn't mind the job. Jerry enjoyed speaking with people so he was comfortable with selling. But there was something he enjoyed more than anything; Jerry loved to cook and made delicious meals. His concept of an ideal life was operating his own catering business.

Jerry became laid off when the company he worked for was acquired by a larger firm. Jerry had some savings so he could take his time finding the right job. Jerry wasn't worried about getting another job since there were lots of high tech firms in the his city.

Jerry contemplated starting a catering business rather than getting another sales position. His friends encouraged him to go for it. But Jerry was hesitant. He was comfortable making a living in sales. Starting and running his own business would be a major change. It would be a lot of work and would take time to build up his income.

After much deliberation, Jerry decided to get another sales job and put off his dream for another time. Jerry wasn't comfortable with all of the unknowns associated with going into business for himself. So Jerry choose not to change but to stay with the familiar.

As the previous examples illustrate, resistance to change tends to be limiting. There is usually more to lose by refusing to change compared to changing. Unless there is a sound logical reason not to change, embrace change as an exciting new pathway to opportunity. You will be glad you did. In order to get the most from life you must be willing to change.

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# Fatal Solo Vehicle Crash Occurs in South Sacramento

# Mitchell Wrestlers Take First Place At Rocklin Tournament

### CHP News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On January 2, 2024, at approximately 7:13 A.M., Sacramento Communication Center (SCC) received a call of a vehicle crash into a pole. The SCC dispatched California Highway Patrol (CHP) South Sacramento units to the crash. While the CHP units were en route SCC broadcast that Consummes Fire Department advised it was a confirmed fatal traffic collision.

Preliminary investigation indicated a white Ford sedan was traveling at a high rate of speed, northbound on Franklin Blvd south of Hood Franklin Road. For an unknown reason, the vehicle left the east roadway edge, traveled down an embankment, prior to colliding into a utility pole (owned by SMUD). The vehicle caught fire and was fully engulfed with flames

when elements of the fire department arrived on scene. After the fire was extinguished, it was determined the driver was solo in the vehicle. No other vehicles were involved in this collision and there was minimal impact to traffic at the time. It is unknown at this time if alcohol or drugs were a contributing factor. Due to the extensive damage to the vehicle, identifying information is still under investigation. In addition, due to the extensive injuries the party involved has been unconfirmed at this time, therefore no notifications have been made. Next of Kin will be notified by the Sacramento County Coroner's Office once identification has been confirmed.

Northbound Franklin Blvd. between Hood Franklin Road and Core Road closed while fire was put out, during the extraction of the body for the coroner, and for the tow to remove the vehicle. ★



Zander Tran shows off his varsity first place medal.



David Holtz (70 lbs.) shows off his winning bout sheet and junior varsity first place medal.



Jayden McCullar (135 lbs.) shows off her girls' division first place medal.

Story and photos by Joe Zilles

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - The Mitchell Marauders wrestling team took on competitors from throughout the greater Sacramento area and beyond at tournament at the Spring View Middle School Wrestling tournament in Rocklin on December 16.

In the Varsity Boys Division 8th Grader Zander Tran took first place

wrestling at the 116 pounds with four impressive victories. 6th Grader David Holtz (70) scored four victories to earn first place honors in the Junior Varsity Boys Division, and 7th Grader Jayden McCullar (135) won four matches to win the Girls Division. Earning second place finishes were Moses Alvarez (89) varsity and Hayden Barton (138) JV, while Aiden Senner (98) JV won a third place finish. ★

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# New Report Projects Massive \$68 Billion Deficit

### California State Senate Republican Caucus News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) announced that California has a projected \$68 billion budget deficit through the next fiscal year, a sharp but entirely predictable turnaround from surpluses Governor Newsom bragged about just last year. This deficit will have significant consequences for education funding and other programs, as

economic reality brings legislative Democrats' overspending and overpromising back down to earth. The Vice Chair of the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, Senator Roger Niello (R-Fair Oaks) offered his reaction to the LAO's announcement: "Despite all warnings that it was unsustainable, California's tax-and-spend majority increased state spending by \$116 billion over the last six years, nearly doubling the general fund budget in that short

time. Republicans cautioned that this level of spending would lead to greater deficits, and it would be more prudent to show restraint. Unfortunately, the majority party ignored those warnings, enacting a budget in June that already projected a \$14 billion deficit, even before the LAO's new report revised the deficit to \$68 billion." Senate Minority Leader Brian W. Jones (R-San Diego) added, "Governor Newsom and Democrat lawmakers turned a \$100 billion surplus into a \$68 billion deficit in just 2

years. Even more alarming, the five-year deficit forecast is an astounding \$155 billion, thanks to the overspending Democrats jammed into the last few budgets. California built up significant budget reserves under the requirements of a bipartisan 2014 initiative, but Democrats have managed to outspend even what the reserves can cover. "During my first budget cycle as an Assemblymember in 2011-2012, California operated with a \$143 billion budget. Fast forward to the 2023-2024 budget cycle, Democrats' spending

soared the budget to a staggering \$311 billion! In a mere decade, our state's budget has more than doubled in size, an exponential surge, while the financial capabilities of Californians certainly haven't undergone such a monumental increase as many struggle to afford to even stay in the state. "Hopefully, the supermajority will see it is time for a more realistic budget strategy, instead of throwing money at a laundry list of projects that sounds nice on the national television debate stage." ★

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