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I HAVE A DREAM THAT MY FOUR LITTLE CHILDREN WILL ONE DAY LIVE IN A NATION WHERE THEY WILL NOT BE JUDGED BY THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF THEIR CHARACTER.

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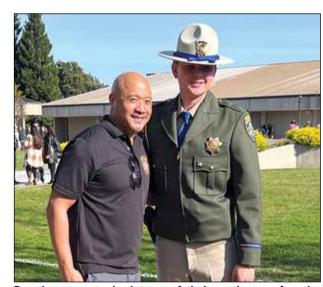
The large photos of various roles of CHP officers were displayed from chin-lift bars in the gymnasium. Cadets, on their way to meals, are required to do chin ups before and after eating. Photo by Debra Dingman

Story 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 park to lining up to enter the event. Guests were greeted professionally with a genuine smile by blue-shirted cadets.



Proud parents took pictures of their graduates after the ceremony. Each graduate is an official CHP Officer who will serve to keep California drivers safe. Photo by Debra Dingman

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-feet 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 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

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Yolo County Seeking **Grand Juror Candidates**

Yolo Superior Court News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -

Yolo Superior Court is now accepting applications for the 2024/2025 Yolo County Grand Jury. Each July 1 the Yolo Superior Court impanels 19 grand jurors and 11 alternates who serve as an arm of the judicial system, but act as an entirely independent body.

The primary civil function of the grand jury is to review the operations of city and county government as well as other tax supported agencies and special districts. Based on these reviews, the grand jury publishes its findings and may recommend constructive action to improve the quality and effectiveness of local government.

Eligibility requirements

for grand jury service are: •You must be a citizen of

the United States. •You must be 18 years of

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language. ·You are not currently serving as a trial juror in any court of this state.

•You have not been discharged as a grand juror in any court of this state within one year.

•You have not been convicted of malfeasance in office or any felony or other high crime.

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Although grand jury service is important work and a considerable responsibility, it is also an exciting opportunity to serve your community and learn more about local government. It can be an incredibly rewarding and satisfying experience. If selected, the term of service is a period of one year, from July 1 through June 30. Applicants should be committed to serving the entire year. The average time commitment is approximately 30-50 hours per month. Please submit all applications by March 29, 2024. For a grand jury application, write, go online, or call: Yolo Superior Court Jury Services 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 530 406-6828 www.yolo. courts.ca.gov

Getting Your City to Pay For College

Ready, Set, Save releases January's incentives

By Michele Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO (MPG)

- The West Sacramento Home Run program is a unique program that any resident in West Sacramento, with children under the age of 18, would be wise to know about. West Sacramento Home Run is a Cradle to Career Initiative that begins with your child's birth and can assist your child in becoming a community oriented, career minded, college student.

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(L to R) ILWU Local 18 President, Tim Campbell poses with Max Vekich, Federal Maritime Commissioner, in Washington DC. Photo provided by Tim Campbell.

Story by Michelle Townsend

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In the heart of our West Sacramento community lies a hidden gem, the Port of West Sacramento, which remains a vital yet often overlooked contributor to our local economy. Astonishingly, many within West Sacramento, and even more beyond our city limits, are unaware of the port's continued functionality and significance. The dedicated members of the International Longshoreman & Warehouse Union (ILWU), Local 18, stationed at the Port of West Sacramento, are advocating for strategic investments in the port's infrastructure to enhance its maritime capabilities.

Recent analyses reveal that by deepening the water channel by an additional 5 feet, the port could efficiently handle approximately 75% of incoming ships, a significant improvement from the current 22%. Leading this charge is ILWU, Local 18 President, Tim Campbell, who tirelessly endeavors to convey the transformative impact that infrastructural enhancements can have on our local

President Tim Campbell, who began his tenure at the Port of West Sacramento in 1992, has been fervently promoting growth and expansion to municipal stakeholders, including city council members, county supervisors, and port commissioners. Despite facing opposition, Campbell has identified Mayor Martha Guerrero and City Councilwoman Norma Alcala as crucial advocates for the port's future.

To access comprehensive information, Campbell resorted to filing Requests for Information (RFI) and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests, underscoring his commitment to transparency and informed decision-making. As the elected President of ILWU, Local 18 since 2012, Campbell has played a pivotal role in job creation and the diversification of the workforce, with the union's membership now boasting a 50% representation of women from various ethnic backgrounds.

Campbell's vision extends beyond the port's immediate impact; he envisions a more sustainable, higher-paying job market in West Sacramento and Yolo County. His efforts are bolstered by the formation of the Port of West Sacramento Community Alliance (PWSCA), a nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving the port's history, providing scholarships, organizing workforce workshops, and supporting the local working force.

Recognizing the financial tie between the Port of West Sacramento and the city, Campbell sees an opportunity to enhance the financial viability of the West Sacramento Police and Fire Departments through port growth and expansion. Campbell envisions a consistent revenue stream benefiting the city and its essential

Despite facing setbacks in his bid for a port commission appointment in 2023, Campbell remains undeterred. In a determined move, he has announced his candidacy for West Sacramento City Council in District 2, scheduled for November 2024. Campbell firmly believes that elected office is the key to bringing positive change to the port, the city, and the broader region.

Beyond his advocacy for the port, Tim Campbell, fondly known as "Timmy," has a rich history of community service. Formerly a member of the Sacramento Hells Angels for 15 years, Timmy actively engaged in charitable activities, including toy runs with the Marines (USMC) and Salvation Army, fundraising for fire relief, and supporting various organizations in the greater Sacramento region.

Tim Campbell's commitment to community welfare remains unwavering as he continues to host donation drives, participate in community events, and volunteer in West Sacramento. The steadfast support of his Longshore team exemplifies the unity and dedication needed to bring West Sacramento's community even closer

The Potential of the Port Getting Your City to Pay For College

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of high-quality early learning, preschool and childcare centers. These sites receive coaching and quality certification from Home Run Early Learning Specialists that comes with resources to grow and improve those sites. Once certified, parents can go onto the website and investigate what skills the teachers or sites are trained in. This doesn't mean that it's all work and no play. These specialists understand that young children learn by playing. These places include fee based and publicly subsidized centers.

Digital Micro-credentialing is another program within the Home Run program. Digital micro credentialing is a way for a student to digitally share, in detail, the important skills they have been trained in, that an employer may be looking for. Micro-credentialing is earned by the students that complete an on-line course in Oral Communication, Collaboration, or Initiative, with more options coming soon. Micro-credentialing can be used as part of a resume' but gives the potential employer a chance to see in detail what the student

Paid Internships is another program that Home Run offers. The internships take place in the summer with local employers, in a variety of industries. These internships allow the students to get real-world experience, learn work ethic, expose them to career opportunities and build professional business relationships.

The College Promise is unique in the sense that every student that graduates from a West Sacramento high school is automatically admitted to Sacramento City College. Full-time students can attend feefree for two years. This is partly because West Sacramento Home Run is partnered with CalKIDS. According to CalKIDS website: CalKIDS is a state program that gives children in California a jump start on saving for college. Newborns and eligible low-income public school students are automatically enrolled and given a CalKIDS college savings account with an initial deposit. Eligible participants are identified by data received from the California Department of Public Health and the California Department of Education. There is no need to apply and no requirement that families make any kind of financial commitment. You may qualify for up to \$1,500 through CalKIDS

West Sacramento has two ways to start a college fund for your children through the Home Run program. A 529 plan is an investment account that can grow over time and is not taxed if earnings are used for qualified education expenses. This program focuses on helping families with young children open and sustain a ScholarShare 529 account through the financial incentives that West Sacramento families can receive.



college fund for your children through the **Home Run program.** Photo courtesy of Keira Burton

Ready, Set, Save is an account available to all West Sacramento children. Children can earn up to \$1,000 through Ready, Set, Save towards college by participating in approved family, health, academic, civic and career readiness activities. By participating in, or attending, community events your child can put money in the bank! Yes, it's that simple. In addition, if your child has an opportunity to participate in activities that are not on the monthly calendar, they may still be approved. Events or activities that are educational, helps your community in some way, promotes health and family is the goal. There are activities for each age

The previously approved activities for the month of January are as follows: Ages 0-4 January 13, 20 & 27, Zumbini. Ages 5-10 January 12 -Kids Night out, Jan. 19 - Lego Block Party and Jan. 26 - Parents Night Out. Ages 11-13 Jan. 12 Kids Night Out, Jan. 19 Lego Block Party, Jan. 23 Fit n' Play, Jan. 26. Parents Night Out. Ages 14-18 Jan. 17 – City Council Meeting, Jan. 18 - Planning Commission, Jan. 19 - Teen Nerf Battles, Jan. 24 - Economic Development and Housing Commission, Jan. 27 – Zumba Glow Master Class, Jan. 27 – West Sac Repair Café. Event locations can be found on the cityofwestsacramento.org website calendar. Additional incentives are \$20 for Family Event and \$20 for Public Comment at a meeting. You can also find additional eligible events on wshomerun.org.

If you are interested in getting your child on their way to achieving big things, please contact West Sacramento Home Run at (916)617-4500, on their website at www. wshomerun.org or email wshomerun@ cityofwestsacramento.org.

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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 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 of people and goods on its highway system

highway system.

"Now, there are 7,000 uniform personnel in our state with 40 million people," she said congratu-

lating them.

The governor added his remarks

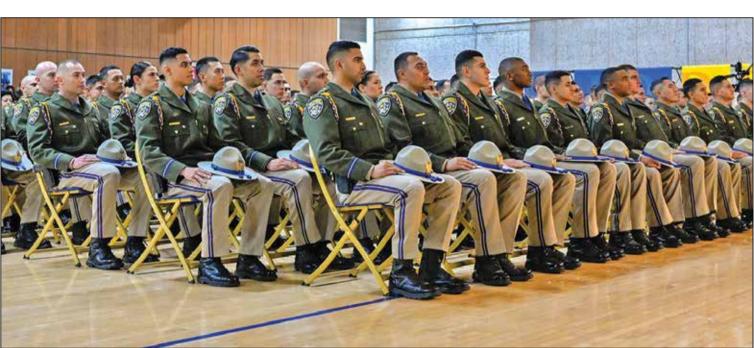
through a televised message.

"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.

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



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



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

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

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 sixmonth 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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Unholy Terrors

by Lyndall Clipstone

In a world where wardens protect the boundaries, past the wall monsters rule the night. The very monsters told in stories with needle sharp claws and bared fangs known as the Vespertine.

Everline Blackthorn, a devoted warden, vowed to protect the boundary wall at any cost. But, when a series of omens threaten the very boundary, she was sworn to protect, Everline breaks protocol and ranks to investigate. With her faithful friends, Lux and Briar, at her side, Everline believes she is more powerful than any monster until she discovers what truly lies hidden in the shadows.

Then the unthinkable happens: lured out by the call of the Vespertine, Lux vanishes into the night. Now, Everline will do anything to bring her back, even if it means capturing and working with a monster. However, the price she will have to pay is more than she ever imagined. Vespertine magic needs blood, Everline's blood, but the cost to save Lux is worth it.

As the days grow darker, the night begins



- ♦ Henry Holt
- ♦ Intended Audience: Young Adult
- ♦ Release Date: Oct. 17, 2023

to take over as Everline and the Vespertine, take the dangerous trek to the Thousandfold to rescue Lux. Where, hopefully, more than one truth will be unveiled. Everline grew up with stories of her mother abandoning her on the edge of the Thousandfold. Now, through this trek, Everline might finally be able to learn the truth of her mother's magical hold, even if it is unholy.

Vespertine Ravel trek through storm-swollen rivers, catacombs, and muddied grounds Everline's reminds her-

self that she will do

As Everline and the

whatever it takes to save

But as night stretches out to days, Ravel's fangs upon Everlines's neck awaken new feelings.

Now powerless against the darkness, Everline begins to fall, blurring the lines of the warden and monster with duty and desire, asking the question is she can ever return home again?

Lyndall Clipstone once again takes leads readers by the hand, leading them into the gentle lull of darkness. Unholy Terrors takes readers deep within the shadows of right and wrong, verses protector and monster.

Taking the trope of enemies to lovers even deeper, this book also explores the lines of sacrifice and duty with that of forbidden longing and desire. Written in a prose-type style, this story is dark, gothic, and full of rich imagery highlighting what Lyndall Clipstone is known for. The queen of monstrous love and dark fairytales, will take hold of her readers' hearts, uncovering the desire to walk within the edges of the shadow and love that is forbidden.

Social Security Matters

Will My Friend's Fiancée be **Entitled to a Survivor Benefit?**



AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I have a very good friend who has cancer and will begin chemotherapy this week. He is 71 years old and is currently receiving Social Security benefits. He has been living with his fiancée for a little more than 2 years, but they have been a couple for about 15 years and will be married in the next few weeks. She is 60 vears old.

I am naturally concerned about his, and her, future so my questions are:

What, if anything, should he and his wife do to ensure that she gets his Social Security benefits?

What benefits will she be entitled to, and how soon will she be able to begin receiving them after his death? Signed: A Friend with Questions

Dear Friend: You are kind to be concerned about your friend and his fiancée. Here's

what you need to know: Social Security goes by state rules when it comes to what is often referred to as "common law marriage." That means that whether your friend's fiancée will receive any benefits as a surviving spouse in a "common law" relationship depends on whether they live in a state which recognizes common

law marriage. Most states do not, but state laws have changed over the years and many states which once recognized such unions as "marriage" no longer do. Although they may have "been a couple" for 15 years, if your friend and his fiancée have been living together for only two it is likely only the last two years will count for Social Security benefit purposes. So, whether your friend's fiancée will get anything when your friend dies depends on where they live - unless they get married, in which case the rules are different.

In order for a married widow(er) to receive surviving spouse benefits, the couple must have been married for at least 9 months. If they marry and your friend lives longer than 9 months thereafter, then his wife will be entitled to a surviving spouse benefit from her husband. The amount of his wife's benefit will be based upon the amount your friend is receiving at his death, adjusted for her age when she claims her surviving spouse benefit.

A surviving spouse can claim benefits from the deceased as early as age 60, but those benefits will be reduced for claiming before full retirement age (FRA). Taken at age 60, the wife's benefit would be 71.5% of your friend's SS benefit at his death. The wife need not claim the survivor benefit immediately; she could opt to delay claiming in order to get a higher percentage of the husband's amount. Survivor benefits reach maximum - 100% of the deceased's benefit amount - at the recipient's FRA.

So, if your friend and his fiancée now live in a state which currently recognizes common law marriage (CO, IA, KS, MT, NH, SC, TX, UT, RI, or in the District of Columbia), then your friend's partner will be considered his "wife" and entitled to survivor benefits as normal (the fiancée would need to prove they cohabitate in a marriage-like relationship to claim benefits).

If they do not live in one of those states, but they get married and the marriage lasts for at least 9 months, then the wife will be entitled to normal benefits as a surviving spouse (as described above).

But if the couple do not live in one of the above states which recognize "common law" relationships, or if their soon-to-occur marriage doesn't last at least 9 months, or if they do not get married, I'm afraid your friend's partner will not be entitled to any survivor benefits from your friend.

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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

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 much coming back for the California newspapers.

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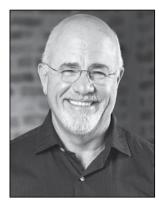
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Dear Dave,

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

Dear 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,

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 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 Ramsey

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January 26. 8:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Location: Alyce Norman, 1200 Anna

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 11/27/2023.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Dec 22, 29, 2023 Jan 5, 12, 2024

SPOTLESS 1-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230921 The following person(s) is doing business as: EZ Kidz Equipment Rentals, 3248 San Vicente Road, West Sacramento, CA

Robert Louis Matthews II and Shelby Ann Matthews, 3248 San Vicente Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by A Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 30,

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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Dec 22, 29, 2023 Jan 5, 12, 2024 **EZKIDZ** 1-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231020 The following person(s) is doing business as: DC Plumbing, 2467 Bear River Court, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Dmitry Chuguy, 2467 Bear Riv-

er Court, West Sacramento, CA 95691. 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 12/8/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

Publish: Dec 29, 2023, 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 2024 **PLUMBING** 1-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231032 The following person(s) is doing business as: Mi Querido Micho acan, 1235 Harbor Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Juan Ramon Chagollan, 2598

Myers Ranch Lane, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 11, 2023. This statement was filed with the

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231070

The following person(s) is doing business as: Moreno Your Cleaning Company, 800 Douglas Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Cindy Nohemi Moreno Rivera,

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County Clerk of Yolo County on 12/21/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20230954 The following person(s) is doing business as: A&V Motors/ A and V/CityGrafix Wraps Motors, 1982 Enterprise Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691. City Grafix Wraps, LLC, 1982

Enterprise Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691. 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 17, 2023. This statement was filed with the

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT**

FILE NO. 20231060 The following person(s) is doing business as:

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Avenue, Davis, CA 95618 This business is conducted by Corporation. The registrant commenced to

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Novozymes US, Inc This statement was filed with the

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By: mvera, Deputy

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231042 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CARNITAS EL RINCON. 1780 E. MAIN ST, WOODLAND, CA 95776 County of YOLO CER2 INC, 2920 ALUM ROCK

AVE, SAN JOSE, CA 95127 This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fic-

titious business name or names listed above on 12/06/2023. **CER2 INC**

RAFAEL GUERRERO, **PRESIDENT** This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on

12/14/2023. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 20231057 The Following Person(S) Is Do-

ing Business As: Novonesis Davis, Inc., 1445 Drew Avenue, Davis, Ca 95618, County of Yolo. Novozymes, Inc., 1445 Drew Av-

enue, Davis, Ca 95618 This Business Is Conducted by Corporation. The Registrant Commenced to

Transact Business Under the Fictitious Business Name or Names Listed Above on December 13, 2023 /S/ Charles Shapiro, Secretary

Novozymes, Inc.
This Statement Was Filed with The County Clerk of Yolo County Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-

BY: MVERA, DEPUTY Publish: 12/29/23, 1/5, 1/12, 1/19/24 CNS-3767863# **NEWS-LEDGER** 1/19/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. 20231058 The Following Person(S) Is Do-

ing Business As: Novonesis Bioag, Inc., 1445 Davis, Ca Drew Avenue. 95618, County of Yolo. Mailing Address: 3101 West

53209 Novozymes Bioag, Inc., 1445 Drew Avenue, Davis, Ca 95618 This Business Is Conducted by Corporation.

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Avenue, Milwaukee, Wi

The Registrant Commenced to Transact Business Under the Fictitious Business Name or Names Listed Above on December 13, 2023 /S/ Charles Shapiro, Secretary

Novozymes Bioag, Inc. This Statement Was Filed with The County Clerk of Yolo County On 12/19/2023.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-By: Melisa Vera, Deputy Publish: 12/29/23, 1/5, 1/12,

1/19/24 Cns-3767865# NEWS-LEDGER 1/19/24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231033 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

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The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 09/12/2000. Blankinship & Associates, Inc.

S/ Michael Blankinship, President. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 12/11/2023.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder **KQuam Deputy** Publish: 12/29/23, 1/5, 1/12,

1/19/24 CNS-3761373# **NEWS-LEDGER** 1/19/24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231003

The following person(s) is doing business as: Westside Registration Services, 540 Glide Court #B, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Maria Elena Rivera Garcia, 3175 White Fish Bay Road, West

Sacramento, CA 95691. 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

11/29/2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024 WESTSIDE 1-26-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231067 The following person(s) is doing

business as: Paint 4 Community, 8 W Casa Linda Dr., Woodland, CA 95695, County of Yolo.

Dr., Woodland, CA 95695 This business is conducted by Individual. The registrant commenced to

Mary Ludovina, 8 W Casa Linda

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titious business name or names listed above on N/A /s/ Mary Ludovina This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 12/21/2023 Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-By: kquam, Deputy 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26/24 CNS-3769858# **NEWS-LEDGER** 1-26-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20231010

The following person(s) is doing business as: Eastside Chef Restaurant, 2105 Town Center Plaza Suite F170, West Sacramento, CA 95691. ESC Brothers Inc. 2105 Town Center Plaza Suite F170, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by A Corporation. 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 December 4, 2023. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Jan 12, 19, 26, Feb 2, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. F20240003 The following person(s) is doing

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This business is conducted by Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 12, 2022

/s/ Jose Augusto Rogue, Man-This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 01/02/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-

By: mvera, Deputy 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2/24 CNS-3770930# **NEWS-LEDGER** FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

FILE NO. F20240002 The following person(s) is doing business as: JR Scientific, 1242 Commerce Ave., Ste D Woodland, CA 95776, County of Yolo.

STATEMENT

JR Scientific, 9345 Discovery Blvd. Manassas, VA 20109 This business is conducted by Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fic-

titious business name or names listed above on 10/03/2018 /s/ James M. Carver, President This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 01/02/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Re-By: klopez, Deputy 1/12, 1/19, 1/26, 2/2/24 CNS-3770929#

NEWS-LEDGER

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

2-2-24

NAME CHANGE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME Domonique Lashay Gibbs has

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Stephen L. Mock, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024 **GIBBS** 1-26-24

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Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet www.clearreconcorp. com, using the file number assigned to this case 107385-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CÓRP 8880 Rio San Diego Drive, Suite 725 San Diego, California 92108 WEST SACRAMENTO NEWS LEDGER 12/29/2023 1/5/2024 WEST SAC NEWS LEDGER 1-12-24 File No.: 22-12362 APN: 072-364-010-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER PORT **HOMEOWNERS** A S S O C I A T I O N (A S S O C I A T I O N) COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AND A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT (LIEN) DATED

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02-28-2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC YOU EXPLANATION NATURE **PROCEEDINGS** YOU CONTACT A LAWYER. On 02-01-2024 at 12:45 PM, Outside the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691, ALLIED TRUSTEE SERVICES (Trustee), 1601 Response Road, Suite 390 Sacramento, CA 95815, (877) 282-4991, under and pursuant to Lien, recorded 03-01-2022 as Instrument 2022-0005434 Book - - Page - - of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of YOLO County, CA, WILL CAUSE TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash sole and exclusive remedy shall equivalent or other be the return of monies paid to payment authorized by the Trustee, and the successful 2924h(b), (payable at time of bidder shall have no further resale) the property owned by JOSUE VARGAS, situated course. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore exin said County, describing the land therein: APN: 072ecuted and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration 364-010-000 The of Default and Demand for Sale, address and other common and a written Notice of Default designation, if any, of the real and Election to Sell. The underproperty described above signed or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Elecis purported to be: 4095 LIVERPOOL STREET, WEST tion to Sell to be recorded in the SACRAMENTO, CA county where the real property undersigned is located. NOTICE TO POTENdisclaims any liability for any TIAL BIDDERS: If you are conincorrectness of the street sidering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be made, but without covenant warranty, erty itself. Placing the highest bid implied, regarding title, at a trustee auction does not aupossession, or encumbrances, tomatically entitle you to free and to satisfy the sums due under the Lien. The estimated total You should also be aware that unpaid balance at the time of the lien being auctioned off may the initial publication of this be a junior lien. If you are the Notice of Trustee's Sale is highest bidder at the auction, you \$9,858.08. THE PROPERTY are or may be responsible for BE SOLD SUBJECT paying off all liens senior to the TO THE 90-DAY POST-SALE lien being auctioned off, before RIGHT OF REDEMPTION AS vou can receive clear title to the SET FORTH IN CALIFORNIA property. You are encouraged to CIVIL CODE investigate the existence, priori-5715(B). THE RIGHT ty, and size of outstanding liens REDÈMPTION that may exist on this property by WHEN THE FINALIZED PURSUANT TO contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance compa-CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE nv. either of which may charge SECTION 2924m. Association you a fee for this information. If heretofore executed you consult either of these redelivered to the undersigned a sources, you should be aware written Declaration of Default. that the same lender may hold The undersigned caused a more than one mortgage or deed Notice of Default and Election of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property sale date shown on this notice is located, and more than three of sale may be postponed one months have elapsed since or more times by the mortgagee, such recordation. NOTICE TO beneficiary, trustee, or a court, POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you pursuant to Section 2924g of the are considering bidding on this property lien, you should California Civil Code. The law requires that information about understand that there are risks trustee sale postponements be involved in bidding at a trustee

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Youth Substance Awareness

One of the most consistently searched questions by parents after they discover their kids have dabbled with substances is: 'Why do kids do drugs?' The best time to learn, though, is before.

NaturalHigh.org curated the best, most relevant research about the top 8 reasons why kids make the deci-

Reason #1: They're Not That Smart (Yet)

Reason #2: Thirst for Dopamine

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Reason #4: Confused Social Norms

Reason #5: To Feel Adult-ish

Reason #6: Curiosity Reason #7: Escape

Reason #8: Boredom

Yolo County Children's Alliance 1200 Anna Street, West Sacramento

Friday Food Distributions 1/5, 1/12, 1/19, 1/26. 8:00 am.

Covered California Open Enrollment Workshops

Free workshops for affordable healthcare plans guidance. January 20th & 27th 9am - 12pm. Final Deadline for Open Enrollment is January 31st.

Vita Season (Tax Season

Schedule your FREE tax assistance appointments for Vita starting after January 15th. For more information and to make an appointment, call 916-572-0560.

Workforce Wednesdays

Stop by The Center at 2455 West Capitol Ave. #118 every Wednesday from 3:00 - 6:00 pm to receive free work placement assistance and Youth Workforce Development. Drop in Monday - Friday for support in developing your career. Call 530-902-0463 for questions or to become a workplace partner.

Turner Library

Located at 1212 Merkley Ave, West Sacramento Closed January 15, For Martin Luther King Day

January 16 Hug-a-bye Baby 11am-12pm, Spanish Conversation 1-2:30pm

January 17 Wiggle Wednesday 1:15-2pm, English Conversation 3:30-4:30pm, Teen Anime Club 5-6pm

January 18 Hora de Cuentos 4-4:30pm, Yoga at the Library 6-7pm

January 19 English Conversation 1:30-2:30pm, Lego Block Party 3-5pm

January 20 Bilingual Russian Storytime 10am – 12pm, Princess Storytime 2-4pm

Bryte Broderick Community Center Wants Vendors

Bryte Broderick Community Center are looking for local vendors to join their street fair for the Community Center's Grand Opening event. \$50 for merchandise booth, Informational booths are free. Please contact Leah Murphy at Leah@BVTRIBE.com or call 530-400-4168. The event will be on January 27,2024 from noon - 4pm.

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WEST SACRAMENTO SACRAMENTO NEWS LEDGER 1/12/2024, 1/19/2024. 1/26/2024 NEWS LEDGER 1-26-24

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to California Business and Pro-fessional Codes #21700-217 Section 2328 of the UCC of the Penal Code, Section 535 the StorQuest undersigned, pressSelf Storage/Ramco St. of West Sacramento, will sell at public sale by competitive bidding thepersonal property of:Star Molina A124; Property to be sold: Household items. Tyler Fournier C110; Property to be sold: Misc items. Whitney Laster C139; Property to be sold: Household, misc items. Mark Pena C159; property to be sold: Tools, misc items. Marlene Gonzalez D229; Property to be sold: Household items. Waheed Afzali E110: Property to be sold: Misc items, furniture. Auctioneer Company: www.storagetreasures.com The Sale will end at 10:00 AM, January, 18th, 2024. Goods must be paid in CASH at site andremoved at completion of sale. Sale is subject to cancel-

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's ProcureNow system at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento until 2:00 p.m. local time on January 24, 2024, at which time and place results will be posted and available for

WASHINGTON AND BRODERICK LIGHTING AND SAFETY PROJECT

The proposed work consists of installation of video detection systems, TESCO backup battery systems, new signal cabinets, pedestrian push buttons, and various street light fixtures in the Washington District. This project is funded by the Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant. All project work must meet all applicable codes and requirements.

The Contractor shall provide labor, tools, equipment, and incidentals, and shall perform all work necessary to deliver a completed project.

Pre-Bid Meeting: Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.

- 1. Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within Thirty (30) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.
- 2. Obtaining Contract Documents: Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the City's ProcureNow link at https://procurement. opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento. Questions: Project-specific questions must be submitted through the City's ProcureNow
- link at https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento. If appropriate, the City will post responses to Bidder guestions through the ProcureNow system. The cutoff date for submittal of questions is Monday, January 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. local time. 4. Submission of Proposals: Sealed proposals will be received and submitted
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Each Bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be submitted

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- cityofwestsacramento. 5. Bid Security: Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or Bid bond executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid price payable to the City of West
- Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code section 22300, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.
- 6. Construction License: Bidder must possess a current Class "A" General Engineering issued by the State of California at the time the bid is submitted.
- 7. Contractor Registration: All Bidders, and Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must have registered with the California State Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 prior to submitting a bid. Furthermore, a Contractor, and all Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must be registered pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 before entering into a contract to work on a public project.
- 8. Preconstruction Conference: A preconstruction conference will be convened after the Contractor has delivered the necessary bonds, insurance certificates, and signed agreement in proper form as required in the invitation to bid, Bid proposal, and general conditions of these specifications. Prior to any work, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of key personnel assigned to the project and the telephone numbers where they may be reached at any time. The list shall be made available in sufficient copies and presented at the preconstruction conference.
- 9. Award: The award shall be made to the lowest responsible Bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of the Contract will be made by the West Sacramento City Council, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after it has received the Contract from the City. The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.
- 10. Rejection of Bids: The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive immaterial irregularities in any bid. Any Bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards
- 11. Disqualification of Bidder: If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any Bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.
- 12. Relief of Bidder: Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code section 5101 and the following, concerning relief of Bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the Bidder claims a mistake was made in its bid, the Bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred
- 13. Wage Rates: Bidders are hereby notified that the California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work. Copies of the current schedules for prevailing wages are on file in the City's office, and the contents of those schedules are included herein as if set forth in full.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any Subcontractor under it to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution

14. Bonds: The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price.

Ryan Teves, Senior Civil Engineer

Date: 12/22/2023

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the body of the email, include the item number and/or title of the item as well as your comments. All comments received by 3:30 PM will be provided to the City Council and made available for public viewing. The comments submitted shall become part of the record of the meeting. ORDINANCE 24-1, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE

WEST SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL CODE ORDINANCE 24-2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO MAKING AMENDMENTS TO PLANNED **DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY 41 (BRIDGE DISTRICT SPECIFIC PLAN)**

ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on January 17, 2024, the West Sacramento City Council is

To provide comment, the public may attend the meeting in-person or submit a comment in writing,

via email to clerk@cityofwestsacramento.org and write "Public Comment" in the subject line. In

ORDINANCE 24-3, REGARDING BLACKPINE 440 WEST, LLC DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

ORDINANCE 24-4, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO AMENDING CHAPTER 2.18 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE RELATED TO

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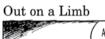








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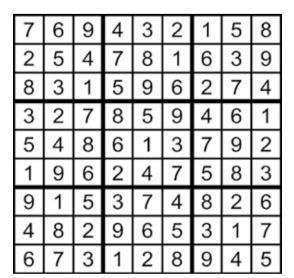




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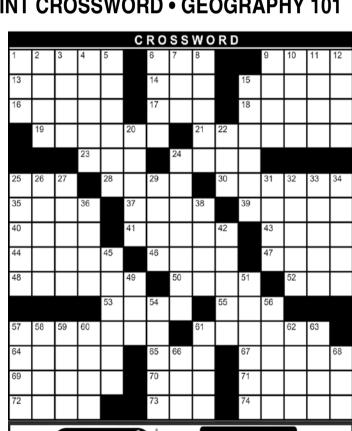
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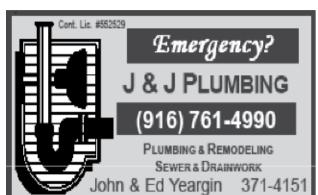
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Employment and Independent Contractor Positions at Messenger Publishing Group

We publish 18 local newspapers in the Sacramento Region. Our main office is in Carmichael. We have been publishing for 17 years and are seeking new qualified employees.

Office Administration — We are seeking a full-time administrative support person for our newspaper group. This position works in the Carmichael office and works directly with the Office Manager. Work hours are between 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. Previous office management experience is required.

Production Layout/Graphic Design — This part-time position assists with the layout of the newspapers and works with the production staff to create our weekly newspapers. Must have good working knowledge of InDesign production programs. Must be able to work within our current system and be able to take direction to meet our deadlines. Previous layout experience is a must. This is an entry level position. Work hours are between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm. This position is in our Gridley office and begins in January.

Copy Editor — We are seeking a part-time copy editor for our newspaper group. This position works in the Carmichael office and works directly with Editor. Work hours are flexible between 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. Previous editing experience is required.

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.

Advertising Services Support — We are seeking a part-time Advertising Services Support person for our newspaper group. This position works in the Carmichael office and works directly with the owner of the company and the advertising/graphics staff. Work hours are flexible between 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. Previous office experience is required.

Delivery Driver — We are seeking a part-time Delivery Driver for our newspaper group. This position would transport newspapers from our Carmichael office to our offices in Marysville and Gridley. Work hours are from 8:30 to 4:00 every Thursday. Must be able to lift and move bundles of newspapers without assistance. Must have your own reliable cargo van. This is an independent contractor position and pays a flat rate for your service.

Newsstand Delivery Driver — We are seeking a part-time Newsstand Delivery Driver for our newspaper group. This position works from the Carmichael office and delivers to our locations in the West Sacramento/ Sacramento Region. Work hours are from 8:30 to 5:00 Thursday and/or Friday. Must be able to lift and move bundles of newspapers without assistance. You must have a reliable vehicle. This is an independent contractor position.

To find out more or to apply: Email your questions or resume to Publisher@MPG8.com

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What Yolo County Has to Look Forward to in 2024

By Staff at the Office of Yolo **County Supervisor** Oscar Villegas

As we look forward to 2024, Supervisor Oscar Villegas is excited about new opportunities for community engagement. There have been both challenges and opportunities within the past few years, and we are glad to look forward to events and initiatives that are on the horizon. Our work as always is shaped by the Yolo County Strategic Plan, which we will be revising in the coming year.

We are also excited to announce significant progress in the County Mental Health Crisis system of care in 2024. Yolo County staff has been working toward a 24-hour Crisis and Sobering System. This system will consist of four major components 1) A team of mobile crisis clinicians that can respond to mental health emergences across Yolo County 2) A call center that receives calls from the public, police and emergency services for those experiencing a mental health crisis 3) 24-hour crisis and sobering receiving center for those that are experiencing non-medical mental health emergencies 4) 30-day in patient crisis beds for residents to receive longer term treatment for mental health related conditions.

As in the past, we will be sponsoring the Bat Tour in July 2024 in partnership with the Yolo Basin Foundation. We will also be sponsoring the Coastal Clean Up in September 2024, which highlights the importance of our waterway and maintenance and sustainability of our region. In 2019 through an act of Congress West Sacramento was designated as the Sacramento San-Joaquin Delta National Heritage Area and the Delta National Heritage Area Management Plan will



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Yolo County Chair

be submitted to the secretary of the Interior in 2024. In partnership with the State of California's Delta Protection Commission, this designation protects, enhances and sustains the unique cultural, historical and recreational capital in our region.

Clarksburg Fire Protection District has been honored with the 2024 Public Safety Hero Award by Congressman Mike Thompson. This is a great achievement for the volunteer run organization who has served the Clarksburg community during times of inclement weather and environmental distress. Each year Congressman Thompson honors law enforcement officers and first responders in our community who have gone above and beyond the call of duty and Clarksburg is honored receive the award. This award is an acknowledgement of their service.

We continue to serve the community through the administration of American Rescue Plan Funds. American Rescue Plan dollars have funded City of West Sacramento and Yolo County Homeless Partnership via Project Roomkey, Crisis Now 24-hour mental health crisis facility, Broadband Internet expansion to rural areas, expansion of Bryte Park facility enhancements, COVID-19 response and vaccination efforts. Coming in 2024 the Yolo County Animal Services free spay and neuter clinic, including mobile animal services. We anticipate administering the remainder of funds to community organizations in West Sacramento and Clarksburg in 2024 as we improve resilience in the region. As we move through 2024 if you have any questions regarding County-wide initiates, please free to contact our office at 916-275-6443 or via email at district1@yolocounty.org.

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 firsthand last year how 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,



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. Photo courtesy of DWR

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

vide flood resources and training

to communities across the state. 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 is working with tribal, federal, the state and organized 38 state, and local partners to proflood-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.

In addition to deploying resources including over 1.9 million sandbags across the state last year, the FOC coordinated a joint state, federal and local response to snowmelt-driven flooding concerns and prepared for the historic snowmelt by providing hydraulic and hydrologic modeling and snowmelt forecasts that allowed agencies to deploy resources, reinforce levees and protect communities.

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.