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## Marching Over the Bridge

### Celebrating the Legacy of Martin Luther King Jr.



Marchers carry signs of hope along the route. Photo by Christopher Pedigo

By Teri Saya

**YUBA CITY/MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - On the cold, rainy morning of January 13th, a group of approximately 30 people gathered on the front steps of the old Sutter County Courthouse in Yuba City. They were bound and determined to march the

1.5-mile route, even in inclement weather. The signs they carried had images of Martin Luther King Jr., and some read in bold letters, "Remember the Dream," "Love, Unity, Respect, Integrity," and "With Liberty and Justice for ALL." Amazingly, as the group headed for the street...

it stopped raining. With singing and laughter, cold breezes and grey skies, the march began at the courthouse and ended at 115 5th St. in Marysville. It was a highly visible route that took them over the Twin Cities Memorial Bridge where many cars honked their acknowledgment as they drove by.

The march was joined by Chairman of the Board, Sutter County Supervisor Karm Bains, Yuba County Supervisor Gary Bradford, and Marysville City Councilmember Stuart Gilchrist. Supervisor Bradford spoke to the crowd just before the march began, *Continued on page 2*

## Updating Fees and Measure C Dominated Council in January

By Sharon Pearce

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - January's items flew by with unanimous approval at the January 16th City of Marysville Council meeting.

Council members passed a motion unanimously to "1) approve an agreement not to exceed \$36,000 with William Berry Campaigns (WBC) for consulting services to assist with assessment of community support, public engagement, and messaging materials for a potential ballot measure, 2) authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, and 3) authorize the Finance Director (to) make \$50,080 in associated supplemental appropriations to cover the costs of related activities..." to reaffirm Measure C.

The 1% tax measure will expire October 26th, City Manager Jim Schaad reported. It accounts for about 1/3 of the general fund, and has allowed the city to provide additional services and significant infrastructure. Schaad said it allowed the city to build its reserve in excess of 30%. To not reaffirm the measure in November would put the city back to pre-Measure C level. The agreement with Berry would cost about \$93,580.

William Berry spoke on having worked on Measure C in 2016, saying his present plan is to gauge how voters felt about how it was enacted last time, obtain their present opinions through town halls and surveys, and develop draft language for the measure should renewal be what they want.

Mayor Branscum asked how the sales tax breaks down as to the portion paid by those passing through the city. Berry replied he would work with staff to help determine that.

Council unanimously passed a motion to change the Marysville Municipal Code entitled "Massage Establishments and Massage Therapist" to establish a registration program that grants local government the ability to either suspend or revoke a registration of massage business for specific violations.

It was reported that staff has completed several investigations regarding complaints at these establishments not following the ordinance. Currently, the only administrative process *Continued on page 3*

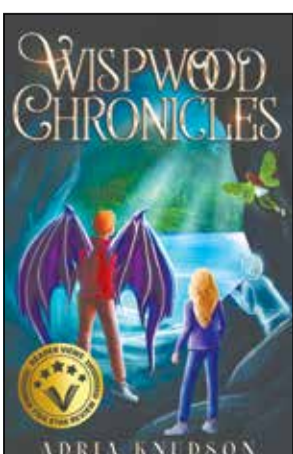
## The Art Box Presents an Artist Triple Play

Yuba Sutter Arts and Culture

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Join the celebration at the first art gallery reception of the year in the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts in its newly renamed Art Box. It's an artist triple play with visual artist Rebecca Knudson, children's book author Adria Knudson, and pianist Gay Galvin. Join this talented lineup for a fun evening on Friday, February 2 from 5-7 p.m. in the Art Box Gallery, 754 Plumas St. in Yuba City. The free event includes



Rebecca Knudson's "Wondrous Skies." Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture



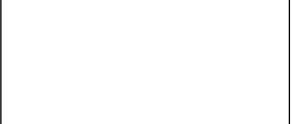
Wispwood Chronicles by Adria Knudson. Image courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

interesting people, great conversation, and free appetizers and drinks. As an extra added attraction, special guest artist Rebecca will be joined by Adria Knudson, a children's book author. But wait, there's more...live music will be provided by local favorite, Gay Galvin, playing on the newly-acquired baby grand

piano which is now a permanent part of the lobby. Rebecca calls herself a painter of light. She recently quit her day job to pursue her lifelong dream of being a full-time artist! Her favorite subjects are landscapes, flowers, still lifes, portraits and even some architectural paintings. Rebecca loves

to share her love of light and the beauty she sees in the everyday. Her acrylic paintings on canvas are bright, bold, and full of life. Apparently, creativity runs in the Knudson family. Adria Knudson, Rebecca's daughter-in-law, is a gifted storyteller *Continued on page 11*

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# Marching Over the Bridge



Foundress Lisa Harris speaks at the podium. Photo by Christopher Pedigo

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 "I would like to share one of my favorite quotes. I just think it's so relevant to what's going on in our world today." He went on to read, "I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. This is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant." -Martin Luther King Jr.

Lisa Harris, who founded this commemorative march in 1999, flew in from Washington state for the event. She said, "I want to thank all of the Yuba-Sutter community for keeping this march going for 25 years starting in 1999 with just a handful of people. It's been a wonderful journey, and the journey continues with Dr. King and the legacy and the love that he spread to all people, and we just want to try to do the same thing."

As the march came to an end, the shivering group was welcomed into the warmly lit Bethel AME Church and offered hot coffee. Approximately 100 people filled the pews

wish to express the gratitude of the people of Sutter County to the Emmanuel Family Worship Center for organizing the event of Martin Luther King Jr. Day Unity March, between the cities of Yuba City and Marysville. This profound event connects both communities through Dr. King's loving and profound message of social change through non-violence. It is an enduring message to be passed down for many generations." ★



Supervisor Karm Bains holds a sign during the parade. Photo by Christopher Pedigo

inside the church as the famous "I Have a Dream" speech was read and Martin Luther King's biography was addressed. There was singing, poetry, and dancers.

As the event came to a close, there was recognition of the coordinators by Supervisor Karm Bains: "On behalf of the Sutter County Board of Supervisors, I



Keeping warm, wearing puffy coats, Marcea Chambers and her daughter marched with the group. Photo by Teri Saya

# Solis Pleads 'Not Guilty'

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - On Friday, January 12th, Michelle Solis appeared in Butte County Superior Court to be arraigned on multiple charges.

Solis was arrested November 13th, 2023, after a Gridley Police Department press release reported that evidence was obtained by investigators revealing the school teacher was in a sexual relationship with a former student. In addition, explicit images of her were found in the possession of the juvenile. Solis

was subsequently booked into Butte County Jail on charges of unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor -261.5 (d) PC. According to court documents, Solis posted bail on November 14th and was released.

Solis appeared before Judicial Officer Kurt W. Worley, represented by her attorney, Matthew Clinton Smith, and entered "not guilty" pleas on two felony charges: unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor -PC 261.5 (d) and distributing harmful matter -288.2 (a) PC.

At that same time, a Criminal Protective Order

(136.2 PC) was served on Solis requiring that Ms. Solis have no contact and keep 150 yards away from the protected party, referenced only as "J.A." by the Court. The no-contact protective order was granted by Judicial Officer Worley.

Solis also signed a 977 PC form, waiving her right to be present at each court date and allowing her attorney to represent her at future hearings.

Solis is set to appear in Butte County Superior Court on January 25th at 8:30 a.m. for a preliminary hearing. ★

# Caltrans Invites Californians to Name Their Newest Snowplows and Win Big

California Department of Transportation News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Snow doubt about it, winter driving can be nerve-wracking. The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) are injecting a flurry of fun into this season of inclement weather and icy roads by inviting Californians to flash their cool and creative side in the first Caltrans Snowplow Naming Contest. The chosen names will go on Caltrans' new fleet of mighty snowplows as they clear the way for safer winter roads. Like snowflakes, each name will be unique. They can even be polar opposites.

"Safety on our roadways is the number one priority for Caltrans," said Caltrans Director Tony Tavares. "We count on our snowplows and their drivers to be here for us every winter making sure the roads are safe and passable for motorists and emergency vehicles. We are thrilled to begin this fun and exciting contest to name our vitally important new snow vehicles."

One contest winner will be selected from Caltrans districts 1 - 11. Each of the 11 winners will receive a \$50 gift card. Caltrans and OTS judges will then select one grand-prize winner who will receive an additional \$100 gift card.

If the grand-prize winner is a California K-12 grade student, the student will receive a bonus \$100

gift card for his or her classroom. The deadline for entrants to submit their chosen name is Feb. 15. The OTS and Caltrans will announce the grand-prize winner - and the winning name - on March 4.

Participants can submit their snowplow name by visiting <https://gosafelyca.org/snowplow-naming-contest/> and completing the entry form.

The contest is only open to California residents ages 5 and older. Children who enter must attend school in California. Any submissions that include profanity or other inappropriate language will not be considered. Please visit [gosafelyca.org](https://gosafelyca.org) for a complete list of rules and eligibility. All prizes are provided courtesy of iHeartMedia. ★

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# Updating Fees and Measure C Dominated Council in January

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is to suspend or revoke a license and no current administrative fines can be assessed. These investigations exhaust resources as they are time-consuming, it was reported. Of the three recent massage parlors in the city, one has been closed. This is a repeal and reenact effort, with the biggest changes for administration, fees and assessments, plus outlining for enforcement personnel.

Council also considered an amendment to Marysville's current Fee Schedule to notice a public hearing for comments on proposed changes to it; and 2) adopt a resolution with the recommended changes and rescind all resolutions in conflict.

It was stated the city "regularly reviews its cost of doing business and proposes changes to the schedule of fees it charges users for a variety of city services. But before the fees can be adjusted, a public hearing is required for public comment. The last change to the Fee Schedule was adopted on June 20, 2023." Some examples of changes discussed were updating lighting fees, updating \$50-\$100 on special events fees, adding

space sizes for vendors and set specific fees for triple or quadruple spaces for vendors.

Mayor Branscum asked about bodycam recording fees, which would be \$34 per half hour of personnel time. It was reported that contracts will override fee schedules, so, for example, lighting fees in contracts would stand.

Commissioner Dominique Belza wanted to revisit/reset the bar on the previous strategy meeting of almost three years ago. Commissioner Stuart Gilchrist reported he attended the Public Input Meeting on Ellis Lake at the Elks Lodge and thought "it was a great site." About 125 attended. Such public inputs are required in order to receive many grants. Positive feedback on Ellis Lake was reported and Gilchrist requested the city manager give him a general plan update, especially on the noise ordinance, and the replacement of street light bulbs.

Commissioner Bruce Buttacavoli requested an update and conversation on "the 22nd Street debacle" and improvement on the traffic circle. It was reported the bike lane had been redesigned

into a traditional one with minimum striping, but the striping had not been finished. Appropriate signage of about 25 pieces is to be put out later. Mayor Branscum added it was "nice work on 22nd so far; it just needs some fine tuning."

Resident Kathleen Hering was present to express her gratitude for the city finally cleaning the property at 220 18th St., stating, "For years I could not walk down the street; now I can." Hering reported one person trying to access it for herself has been removed, but there is still another trying to get in, and inquired if it was known who was going to take possession of the property, and whether a family member, as the property had not been kept up for years.

Mayor Branscum stated he had been given a tour of the Training Zone to open soon and would like a presentation on that to the Council and that the transition date for that is Feb. 3rd, adding, "What they are doing there is really exciting."

Adjournment was at 6:57 p.m. The next regular City Council Meeting is Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. ★

# Vehicular Manslaughter Sentencing Held at Wheatland High School



Yuba County Sheriff's Deputy Matt Arnold walks Clara Delong out of the gym on her way to prison. Photo courtesy of Yuba County

## Yuba County District Attorney's Office News Release

### YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG)

Yuba County Judge Benjamin Z. Wirtschafter sentenced Clara Ann Delong this morning to serve four years in prison for Gross Vehicular Manslaughter While Intoxicated and Hit and Run Driving Resulting in Death of Serious Injury to Another. Delong pled no contest to the charges on November 8, 2023, as part of a plea agreement with the Yuba County District Attorney.

Delong, a 23-year-old resident of Wheatland, was driving her Chevy Silverado truck home from Top Golf in Roseville on September 12, 2023, when she turned left on Spenceville Road into an oncoming motorcycle ridden by Ken Glass. Glass, a 40-year-old father, and Wheatland resident was killed in the collision. Delong fled the scene on foot and was later determined to have a blood alcohol content of .10%.

Wheatland Police Department Officer Luke Gonsalves investigated the crime with assistance

from the Yuba County Sheriff's Department. Deputies quickly located Delong at her nearby home and took her into custody. Officer Gonsalves determined that Delong had consumed roughly six Twisted Iced Teas while at Top Golf, before driving home. Delong was booked into the Yuba County Jail, where she has remained in custody since the incident.

The sentencing was held in the gymnasium of Wheatland High School in front of the junior and senior classes. "We all agreed to hold the sentencing in the high school in the hope that it will impact the students and prevent at least one DUI fatality in the future," said District Attorney Clint Curry. "I am thankful to Judge Wirtschafter for agreeing to move his courtroom to the gym so we can try to reach these kids."

Chief Deputy District Attorney Shiloh Sorbello prosecuted the case on behalf of the People and handled the sentencing hearing. Ken Glass left behind a wife, three daughters, and many other grieving family members who were present for the hearing. Delong

sat next to her attorney, Geoff Heitman, throughout the sentencing with her head down. She agreed to be sentenced at the high school, hoping that the students might learn from her mistake. She was escorted out of the gym at the end of the sentencing to be delivered to the state prison.

Chief DDA Shiloh Sorbello captured the mood at the hearing, remarking that no amount of prison time will ever make up for the loss of Ken Glass, but hoping that the sentencing would save lives in the future.

Thank you to Wheatland High for allowing the students to see up close the devastation caused by drinking and driving. Thank you to Arrive Alive California Inc. for facilitating the assembly. Thank you to the personnel from the Wheatland Fire Department and Bi-County Ambulance Service who tried to save Ken Glass. Thank you to the officers and deputies for their excellent investigation.

Finally, we pray for Tasha Glass and the three daughters she was left to raise. Rest in Peace, Ken Glass. ★

# Dangerous Substance Presumptively Found on Envelope Sent to Elections Department

## Yuba County News Release

### YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG)

Yuba County Elections is working closely with the Yuba County Sheriff's Office and other local, state, and federal agencies after a staff member was exposed to an envelope that presumptively tested positive for fentanyl Tuesday.

An Elections staff member opened an envelope – which did not appear suspicious in nature, and was addressed from a verified sender – noticed a powder substance, and took precautionary measures. The staff member did not touch

the substance and was uninjured.

A field test conducted by the Sheriff's Office indicated it was fentanyl, though further testing by the Department of Justice will be done to confirm the preliminary results. The Yuba County Sheriff's Office and Yuba-Sutter NET-5 are investigating the incident in coordination with our State and Federal partners.

The Elections Office closed for a short period of time on Tuesday while precautionary decontamination measures were taken. The office reopened around noon.

In light of recent,

similar incidences around the country, Elections staff had recently undergone training led by internal Human Resources on identifying suspicious packages, and reporting and handling potential dangerous substances. The office had also been equipped with Narcan – which can treat narcotic overdose/exposure in an emergency.

"We are grateful that no one was harmed in this incident and we will continue to exercise caution as we perform the important work of conducting elections," said Yuba County Elections Clerk Recorder Donna Hillegass. ★

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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Wow, what I was about to dub the roller coaster Kings suddenly went into a four-game slide, and suddenly they are only five games above five hundred.

From an impressive 4th place in the Western Conference, to suddenly 8th, has a numbing effect, and gives fans and pundits alike a chance to pause and wonder what's to come.

Being a glass half-full guy, I believe in this team, and with Mr. Sabonis turning Mr. double-double into Mr. triple-double, we only need to shoot free throws with more accuracy, and give him a little more help on the boards.

For sure the players have to own giveaway games to Milwaukee and Phoenix, back-to-back, in what are two of the worst losses in Kings history.

But the coaching staff has got to up their game. Better coaching could have won both games, and just as the Kings who are dead last in free throw shooting need to improve greatly, so does this coaching staff.

In today's NBA, it seems there's a coach for every player, but no one is teaching our players how to make an unguarded 15-foot shot with no defense. Seems implausible, but neither fans nor coaches should take this lightly. We are simply losing games due to our inability to shoot free throws.

So, first order of business moving forward, get out of 30th position in free throw shooting.

Secondly, Monte McNair needs to show that his blockbuster trade for Domantas Sabonis was not a fluke. Waiting till the midnight hour of the trading deadline is really not the desired approach, so like the rest of the fans, I'm waiting with baited breath to see what Monte is going to do this year.

Laurie Markkanen with the Utah Jazz is the quintessential fit for what ails the Kings. Domantas Sabonis leads the NBA in rebounding, but he can't do it alone. Starting next to Sabonis is forward Harrison Barnes who has managed to average 10 points and a whopping 2.8 rebounds per game.

Harrison simply doesn't bring it every game, and with only five players on the floor we need more than what he brings.

Markkanen rebounds at a clip four times better than Barnes, and is averaging 24 points per game. Pundits have said Utah may consider a Markkanen for Murray trade and I would hope Monte McNair would take a hard look.

This is not a mark on Murray, but 7-footers that can play forward and shoot are a commodity that can't be ignored, and the likelihood of Murray growing another 4 inches seems unlikely. Currently Keegan is giving the Kings 5.5 rebounds a game and 16 points. Not bad, but it pales in comparison to what Markkanen is doing.

Without question, many Kings fans are adamantly opposed to moving Murray, but if the Kings can actually talk the Jazz into this trade, look out opposing teams.

There have been other trade rumors, and one has Tobias Harris or Jerami Grant coming to the Kings, but for which Kings player is unknown. It is believed that Harrison Barnes would be in the conversation, but both Grant and Harris are tweensers, and the Kings don't need any more tweensers than they already have.

Both Murray and Barnes are 6'8," and so are Harris and Grant. Just swapping names is not what any Kings fan is hoping for, so I'll remain in the Laurie Markkanen camp and say my prayers.

Honestly, for this writer, as long as the Kings aren't including Sabonis, Fox, and Monk in any trade possibilities, I'm open to anything that will improve this team. We were just 10 games over five hundred, and we need to get back there and beyond as soon as possible.

I'm extremely optimistic, and a lot of that comes from what I've seen in Monte McNair. He's young, and to some degree still unproven, but right now would be just the time to make an indelible mark that says, "I've arrived!"

If you have a great trade you'd like to share, let me know at [vgarriskingsfan@gmail.com](mailto:vgarriskingsfan@gmail.com).

Until next time, enjoy the games! ★



## Dare to Live Without Limits

by Bryan Golden

### Low Expectations



"I probably won't get that promotion." "I don't know if I'll get a good grade on my next test." "I just can't lose weight." "I'm always late for work." "It's hard for me to meet people." "I don't like my job but what else can I do?" "I seem to always have bad luck." "People are always taking advantage of me."

I'm sure you've heard all of the above. You may have even made these kinds of statements yourself. The problem with these thoughts is that they put you into a mindset of low expectations. Before anything even happens, you start out anticipating the worst. When your prediction comes true, your belief in low expectations is reinforced.

Unfortunately, this pattern creates a vicious cycle of negative thoughts creating negative results. The person caught up in such a cycle is convinced their attitude results from their experiences, when in reality the reverse is true. What happens to you is affected by your expectations.

People with low expectations object vociferously to any suggestion that they play a role in the circumstances they find themselves in. A failure to recognize the cause-and-effect relationship between attitude and results relegates a person to an endless loop of frustration.

You will hear people with low expectations justify their position by claiming they are being realistic and don't want to be disappointed. What they fail to realize is when you aim for the stars and fall short, you will hit the moon. But if you aim for the basement, you'll never get off the ground.

Low expectations serve no purpose other than to limit the chance for success. No one who has ever accomplished anything significant has had low expectations. Goals will be reached only with high expectations.

People fear disappointment. There is also an aversion to failure. It's a real blow to a person's ego to admit having failed. Low expectations serve as a disclaimer. If something doesn't work it's no big deal. After all, there was never any predication of success. When one

advertises a probability of poor results, in their mind there can be no failure.

In reality, these people have acknowledged they will fail before even starting. So, when low expectations generate poor results, they have simply lived up to their expectations. They have convinced themselves that everything is ok because their expectations are constantly met.

These people limit their accomplishments by expecting so little of themselves. Rather than living without limits, they condition themselves to live with restrictions. These self-imposed limitations then start to feel so normal they don't realize they exist.

The mind is programmed by low expectations to expect and be satisfied with mediocre or poor results. More importantly, the mind works to bring the low expectations to reality. Your mind does not discriminate, it will work equally diligently to accomplish high or low expectations.

People who are consistently successful make a habit of developing high expectations, regardless of the challenges at hand. They don't get discouraged if results should fall short. They redouble their efforts and keep going.

Since you are capable of much more than you realize, why would you want to shortchange yourself by aiming low? Don't be afraid of failure. Aim as high as you can. Expect great results. Before you get started, anticipate a positive outcome. Believe in your own potential.

People with high expectations will always outperform those with low expectations. Every winner expected to win at the outset. Frustrated people tend to lack a belief in their potential. You have complete control over your expectations. So next time you face a challenge, expect the best.

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## Stories from

# The Great Zelito Flea Circus

by Bill Crocker

*A collection of humorous essays about the funny side of life*

### Doc Tukhus Slips Me the Big One

As I advanced in age, I noticed my older male friends frequently talking about the dreaded of all dreaded medical procedures: the colonoscopy. This is the big C not to be confused with the small S. I had participated in a sigmoidoscopy a few times in the past with little concern. But the big C was a different thing. I had no desire to allow that thin black tube to snake its way further up the channel than ever before.

"Have you had a colonoscopy this year?" my friend Ralph asked one day as we approached the second tee of the Sludge Creek Golf Club.

"This year? No, why?"

"I just thought it was about time you participated in this geezer rite of passage. I had my second one last year. Only three polyps. Doc Tukhus harvested them, took a look, and found nothing. I'm good for five years."

"Five years? Your diet of cheeseburgers and fries'll close up your arteries long before that, shoving any colonic concern into relative unimportance. I did the sigmoid thingy, and I'm not willing to let the doc slip me the big one."

This was the way this conversation was left. Each time the subject was raised, I gave the same answer. However, when I went in for my physical the next year, Doc realized I had never had a colonoscopy and insisted I have one. I reminded him I had attempted to have one

done the year before but had committed the major faux pas of completing the colon cleaning and arriving at Doc Tukhus's office one week early.

"Would you like to begin again," the medical office receptionist had asked, stifling a smirk.

"No, thank you. My colon can only take one cleaning per lifetime," I responded.

But that wasn't to be. Prescription in hand, I paid a visit to the pharmacy. Somewhat embarrassed, I stood at the counter, knowing the pharmacy tech knew exactly what I was in for.

"Like, here's the bottle and the flavor packs," the pharmacy tech said, trying her best to keep her gum from becoming caught in her tongue stud.

"Like, man, have you done this thing before?" she asked. Although it wasn't apparent, I knew she was enjoying this. Just you wait, girlie, your time will come, I thought.

"No, this is my first time."

"But, like, you took the meds before." This was a statement, not a question.

"No, this is my first time," I repeated.

"Dude, that's wrong. It says here, you, like, took the pills last year. They're off the market now. Some people who, like, took the pills are, like, now hooked up to machines and stuff. Like, their kidneys were trashed."

"I have never had the procedure done." I was getting a bit antsy about discussing this stuff in public with this dippy kid.

"But, you took the pills,

right?"

"Yeah, but it was just a dry run," I responded, now getting a bit testy.

She looked at me funny, the gum lying dormant somewhere in the back of her mouth.

"It's a geezer thing. You wouldn't understand."

"Like wow, man. I guess that's why there's prescriptions for this stuff?"

"That reminds me. Why do I need a prescription for this? Who in their right mind would take this stuff if they didn't have to?" I asked.

"Dude, you'd be surprised. Some crazies think it's cool to flush the system once in a while. You know, clean up, start stuff over."

"I wouldn't know about that. Can we get on with this?"

"Hey, not a prob. Here's the stuff. The junks in the bottom of the bottle. You can add a pack of flavoring. You need to do that. The stuff's major wicked without it."

I decided not to ask her if she had first hand experience or was just parroting information passed on to her.

I took the jug home with me, put it aside, and waited until two days before the scheduled procedure. I double-checked the calendar to ensure that last year's mistake would not be repeated.

On C-Day minus 2, I filled the bottle with water, added the flavoring labeled Lemon Surprise, mixed it well, and placed the whole thing in the refrigerator. At the beginning of C-Day minus 1, I alerted my wife that I was "heading

in." I notified the local sewage treatment plant to anticipate a surge in the normal inflow and began the process.

The instructions called for drinking an eight-ounce glass of the liquid every fifteen minutes until it was gone and having unfettered access to a sturdy toilet with a flushing capability of no less than 1.6 gpf (that's gallons per flush). Although the fluid was clear, it was a bit viscous. Adding the Lemon Surprise made it taste like lemon-flavored 10W30. But I followed the instructions to the letter. At the end of the treatment, my colon was in pristine condition, and I was ready to go.

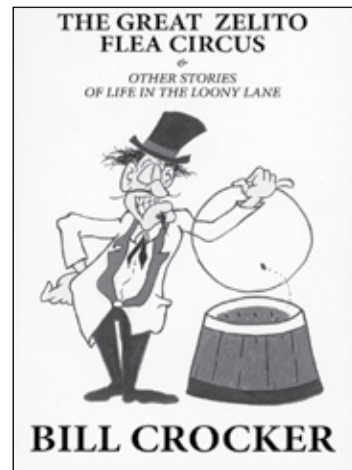
C-Day arrived and my wife drove me to Doc Tukhus's office. Now, the good doctor is no ordinary doctor. He is a gastroenterologist. This means he has completed eight years of a pre-medical and medical education, a year of internship, three years of an internal medicine residency, and three years in a gastroenterology fellowship. All this to jam a black hose five miles up my backside. Go figure!

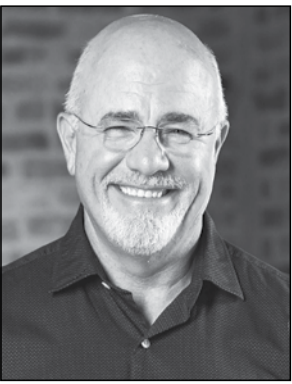
When my time came, I stripped to my tightie whities, donned the infamous hospital gown, and was placed on a gurney that was wheeled into the procedure room. An elderly nurse with a very soft, mesmerizing voice quietly explained, as she gave me a sedation injection, that the doctor would perform a gentle finger examination wearing a clean, lubricated glove. The black hose would be carefully moved up the



colon, gently expressing air at which time I might feel some slight discomfort. If polyps were found, they would be painlessly snipped. Snipped? That got my attention. But it was too late. The thought that I was being sent to la-la land, a tube shoved up where the sun don't shine, and little scissors were going to snip off tissue inside my colon was lost in a merciful drift into oblivion.

I remembered nothing of the procedure, and the doctor pronounced me good for five years. But in five years, I think I'll kiss off continuing to participate in this detestable procedure. It's highly unlikely I will ever agree to swallow another gallon of lemon-flavored 10W30, although the well-deserved giant breakfast I ate after twenty-four-hours of fasting was pretty enjoyable. ★





### Be Fair, But Firm

## Dave Ramsey Says

say about being so far behind with his bill, but at the same time you need to let him know that you can't function as his bank. You're a small business, and you need your money. Some kind of understanding and agreement have to be reached.

For starters, a fair request would be asking him to help things along by trying as best he can to get current on his bill as soon as possible. At the very least, he needs to do something to reduce the amount owed within 10 days. You've provided services for him, and you're owed money that's long past due, so there's nothing wrong with this. I'd also establish an understanding that once he's caught up on the past due amount that all payments for services going forward will be due within 14 days after delivery.

Now, he may not like this. If he pushes back too hard, you may have to switch to a cash-only

basis with payment due on delivery. If it were me, and he didn't like any of these options, I'd politely suggest he take his business elsewhere.

Like I said, he's probably not a bad guy, just another small business person who's disorganized. That's not an uncommon thing. But you definitely need to correct this behavior before it gets any further out of hand. You've got a business and a livelihood to think about, too!

—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* ★

Dear Dave,

Dear Melissa,

In my mind, there's no reason to level accusations or make threats in a situation like this. There are personal dynamics involved, and my guess is he's probably not trying to outright cheat you.

If it were me, I'd go to his office or ask him out to lunch, and then have a friendly sit-down talk. Listen to what he has to



Stone Soup is running along as usual. We have a great soup/salad lunch with bread and dessert every Thursday at noon. This is run by volunteers and could always use more help, so come on by and check it out. It is held at the Ponderosa Community Center in Brownsville where about 30-40 people gather and eat together. There is a small donation asked to cover the cost of the meal.

Do you have February 10 marked on your calendar? There will be a Valentine Dinner at the Ponderosa Community Center in Brownsville. The no-host bar will open at 5:30, followed by a spaghetti dinner, dance and karaoke for \$10.00 per person. This event will help support the Next Step's Mountain Transit project. The van has been helping many people get places they need to go and is a real

addition to our community.

We were sorry to see the last breakfast of Hill Top Gang happen. Now it needs to be decided which non-profit group will take on the project. Yuba Feather Next Step offered to put on the breakfast, but Yuba Feather Community Services would like to, also. They really need financial help getting the community building back in good shape. The expenses are just too much for their budget at the present. There may be a month or two while this is worked out, so stay in tune for news about the February breakfast.

Look Back in time – In 1913 the first mail to LaPorte was delivered in ten days. Eveline Bustillows, age 16, carried it 25 miles on snowshoes (dedication!). ★

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

## Culture Shock



By Kathy Craig Harteis

No matter how nice of an area you are in during your stay in a city, there are still going to be eye opening events.

We've been in beautiful Oceanside, Calif. now for a week.

We go for walks most days.

Overall, the city is lovely, but from time to time we see some pretty sad individuals.

For the past few days, we've seen a particular

street person with definite troubles. He's fairly young, dressed all in black, and unwashed. He apparently is sleeping on one spot on the downtown sidewalk. We've heard him yell at people passing by and occasionally in arguments with his collective garbage bags or nearby trash cans.

Yesterday, he was convinced conspiracy types were in the trash can.

It breaks my heart that this is someone's son or brother.

It makes me wonder what we have become. Why are obviously troubled people just left to fend on their own?

I watch the news here a lot. Topics daily are the high cost of living, homeless issues, and crime that mostly by-passes us on the prairie in North

Dakota.

It's a give and take situation. While some things here are troubling, the bonus is we aren't battling extreme freezing conditions going on at home.

Being here is, as I say, an eye-opening experience.

It has made me more aware of our shortcomings as a society.

Maybe that's a good thing. We need to care more.

Life is good today. *A native of Grimes, CA, Kathy Craig Harteis is a former local journalist and former owner and chief executive of Kathy Craig Media Consulting, in Colusa. She currently lives in Beach, North Dakota, where she lived for many years while raising her family.* ★



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## Planes, Boats and Automobiles

The latest inflation data just out January 11th shows consumer prices rose more than expected in December. I should add more than expected by the Federal Reserve *but not to readers of Money Matters.*

Prices, to the chagrin of those steering our economy, popped up 3.4% year over year, which was an increase over the 3.1% the month prior. Meanwhile, another metric called the "core" inflation number, fell to 3.9% from 4.0% the month prior. Core inflation excludes food and energy, so the question becomes why even mention it. After all, we still need to eat and use energy right?

So goes the minions at the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), the folks that tell us such things. Always a positive spin is presented to keep us from storming the capital.

(Gosh, I guess I shouldn't even go there). Meanwhile, aircraft manufacturer Boeing has blown the doors off what shouldn't be happening by those that make the planes we fly in (literally). Disturbing facts are now becoming known about the unfortunate Alaska Airlines flight that had an exit door blow out at 15,000 feet, depressurizing the cabin and sucking out all that was not bolted down in the passenger cabin.

This included a child's shirt, ripped right off his body, who sat very near the hatch that suddenly disappeared into the nothingness. There was one thing that was bolted down that was ripped asunder. The door to the pilot's cabin flew off its hinges demonstrating the ferocity of the decompression.

Speculation has it, had the exit door blown off at a higher altitude, like the 35,000 feet these planes usually fly at, we might be looking at a catastrophic event which would have killed all aboard and turned the Boeing into metal confetti.

The plane was 737-Max jet that arrived on the scene about six years ago. There are a few different versions of the Max. The Alaska flight was a Max 9. Another version, the Max 8, unfortunately first came with an autopilot system that had a propensity to put the plane in a nosedive that pilots not trained in the new system might not be able to recover from. That little glitch caused two of the Max 8's to crater into the earth nose down (2018/2019), killing all aboard before the FAA and Boeing decided it was time to pull the plane out of service and fix the problem. Since reinstated, this is the first major mishap of any Max since the fatal crashes.

Even more disturbing, having experienced instances of decompression warning lights on three previous flights, Alaska Airline decided to recommend *to not fly at least one*

*of its planes over water*, instead limiting flights to *over land* only trips.

Makes one wonder, and not in a good way.

In other news, the U.K. Marine Trade Operations center reported an unnamed tanker was hijacked off the Gulf of Oman last week. Readers of Money Matters might refer to last week's article how increased piracy problems could spike inflation.

I reiterate once again, unless piracy events are reduced on the major shipping waterways surrounding the gulf region, inflation may not improve anytime soon and could actually get worse.

Other newsworthy events include a blow to those thinking electric vehicles (EV) are the wave of the future. Hertz, the global rental car agency, said on January 10th, it will sell off 20,000 of its EV fleet due to the higher expenses the gas-free cars require. Hertz will replace the EVs with traditional gas powered vehicles.

I definitely didn't see that one coming. Bitcoins enthusiasts were encouraged as a new way to buy cyber tokens arrived on Wall Street in the form of 10 new Exchange Traded Funds (ETF). These funds will allow investors to participate in the Bitcoin arena without actually holding the coins themselves. This could eliminate some of the previous problems that plagued investors when dealing with the exchanges where investors had to buy and hold the actual tokens. Many of these firms went belly up (think FTX) which resulted in partial or total losses to the investors

One has to wonder what the new funds will do to the price of Bitcoin due to the increased demand. The existing firms that sell Bitcoin now also have some serious competition and given the problems many of those firms have had, one has to wonder if they will survive at all.

That's it for today's Money Matters. Past articles, questions or comments can be requested/submitted to the author at the email listed below.

*"Watching the markets so you don't have to"*

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### Imperial Valley Farm Harvests Jalapeños as Sriracha Supplies Improve

A vegetable farmer in the Imperial Valley has pulled off an improbable feat that may be helping to solve an urgent supply shortage—at least for those who crave some extra heat in their rice, soup, noodles or stir-fry. If you tried to buy a bottle of Huy Fong Foods' Sriracha in recent years, you may have gone home emptyhanded. The company shuttered its processing plant in 2022 after running out of its key ingredient: fresh jalapeños. Now, Huy Fong is in production again, and a mystery buyer contracted massive quantities of the pepper from Imperial Valley grower Alex Jack of Jack Brothers, Inc.

### Farmers are Turning to Automation for Transplanting

With farm labor costs increasing, growers continue to look to automation to do jobs traditionally done by people. In vegetable farming, equipment commonly used to plant delicate seedlings still requires a crew. Manufacturers of fully automated transplanters want to change that, and early adopters such as Yolo County farmer Ray Yeung say the machines are ready for prime time, though they may be cost prohibitive for some farms. Yeung was the first in California to acquire the Agriplanter by Agriplanter, one of several fully automated models now used in the state.

### Desert Lettuce Trials Show Promise for Shallow Drip Irrigation

Desert lettuce growers may be able to save more than 10 inches of water by converting to shallow buried drip irrigation. Two years into a three-year study, University of California Cooperative Extension Irrigation and Water Management Advisor Ali Montazar said shallow irrigation paired with high-tech moisture sensors have shown promise for significantly reducing water and nitrogen use. Preliminary results show that converting to drip does not significantly affect yield. And Montazar said drip produces higher quality lettuce by reducing disease pressure.

### Report: Fresh Produce Supply Chain Still Faces Challenges

Global challenges, including weather extremes, geopolitical tensions and a decreasing and more expensive workforce continue to affect players along the fresh produce supply chain, including growers and suppliers of fruits, vegetables, nuts and flowers. These observations were reported by RaboResearch Food and Agribusiness, a market research division of Rabobank, in its report, "The state of the global fresh produce industry." Blueberries were especially hard hit, the report said, noting that the berry was absent last fall in many U.S. supermarkets. ★

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Division Map for the North Yuba Water District is not in compliance with the 2020 Census Data as it should be. The current map is a contrivance of the former General Manager's attempt to make Division 4 qualify as a severely disadvantaged community. By law, the divisions for Special Districts should be apportioned by the most recent Census Data, which is 2020. The current map does not meet this requirement. The North Yuba Water District must not let another election cycle happen without a fairly and legally drawn map

Charles Sharp, Oregon House.

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## Death Notices

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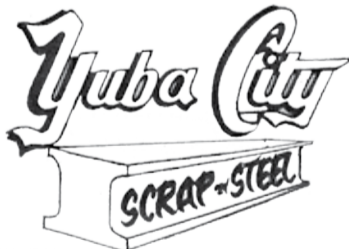
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**Sambhav Soni**  
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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Jose Villasenor & Khaleela Oneal PETITIONER(S) CASE NUMBER: CVPT 23-01334 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE: 2/13/2024  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Jose Villasenor & Khaleela Oneal, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Abel Xavier Sosa O'neal  
to: Abel Sosa Villaseñor

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: 01/02/2024  
Stephen W. Berrier  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
JANUARY 12, 19, 26, FEBRUARY 2, 2024

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 2023F-373  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**Hobby Insights**  
1372 High Noon Drive  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. Michael VanDyken  
1372 High Noon Drive  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
This business is conducted by an individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/20/2021.

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

Signed:  
**Michael VanDyken**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 12/21/2023.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By NELIDA WILLIAMS  
Deputy Clerk  
January 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT**  
File No. 2023F-342  
The fictitious business name referred to in this Statement of Abandonment was filed in Yuba County, CA on: 11-16-23 FBN Filing number 2023F-342

**The Style House**  
818 5th Street  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
1) Gary Vongsavath  
905 5th Street  
Marysville, CA 95901  
2) Allen Vongsavath  
905 5th Street  
Marysville, CA 95901  
This business is conducted by Co-Partners.

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

Signed:  
**Gary Vongsavath**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on Jan. 08, 2024.

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DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
BRIDGETTE EVANS  
Deputy Clerk  
January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2024.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 2024F-004  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**Hai Mochi House**  
905 5th Street, Suite B  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. Gary Vongsavath  
905 5th Street, Suite B  
Marysville, CA 95901  
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.

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

Signed:  
**Gary Vongsavath**

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DONNA HILLEGASS,  
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January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2024.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 2023F-375  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
**EL FENIX MEXICAN GRILL**  
1360 Sundance Drive  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
1. Alberto Guzman  
1360 Sundance Drive  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
2. Leticia Guzman  
1360 Sundance Drive  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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

Signed:  
**Alberto Guzman**

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DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,  
Deputy Clerk  
January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 2024.





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

#### LOCAL FISHING

Rancho Seco; a great place for winter fishing. Families will enjoy this 160 acre impound. Electric motors okay. Planted with catchable hatchery rainbows [ 12-31-2023 and 1-6-2024 ]. Rig up the kids hooks with Power Bait, or Nightcrawlers.

#### SAN FRANCISCO BAY-DELTA

Berkeley and Emeryville, rock fishing ended on Dec. 31, 2023. Halibut season opens on March 1, 2024. California Delta/Sherman Island; lots of legal stripers on the bite. Still fishing...Try: Cut Bait. (b) Trolling...Try: Swim Bait. (b)



Swim Bait

#### COASTAL WATERS

Monterey Bay. December 31, 2023, last rock fish party boat success. Twenty anglers caught 200 rock fish, 10- Bonita, and 3- Lingcod. Try: Cut Bait. (b) Note: season reopens on May 1, 2024. San Francisco Coast; sportsmen allowed to use crab pots. Getting limits of 3 lb. Dungeness Crabs at 140ft deep. Try: Chicken Legs. (b) Note: Commercial boats ongoing full limits of nice Dungeness Crabs.

#### LAKES RESERVOIRS

Lake Amador; nice rainbows to 15.22 lbs. Try: Nightcrawlers. (b) Pyramid Lake/Nev. Lahontan Cutthroat trout bite slowing down. Should improve with warmer weather. Fly fishing... Try: Popcorn Beetle. (a) Trolling...Try: Panther Martin. (a) Lake Berryessa;



Panther Martin

Kayakers net 11 rainbows to 5 lbs. Try: Spoons. (b) Bullards Bar Reservoir; oodles of Kokes caught. Trolling...Try: Kokanee Cut Plug. (b) Davis Lake Ice Report: Air temp. 21 degrees. Ice starting to form, should be good February 2024.

#### RIVERS

Truckee River; 18"-20" rainbows are biting. Try: Stone Fly. (b) Sacramento and Feather Rivers: Tons of striped bass are staging in the Delta, will be moving into the rivers soon. American River below Nimbus Fish Hatchery, turning out nice chromies (steelies). Limit 2-hatchery steelhead. Possession 4. Try: Little Cleo. (b)

"A fish out of water."  
~ Brownie

## Congressman LaMalfa's Bill to Exempt Wildfire Relief Payments from Taxes



Office of Representative Doug LaMalfa News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - Today, Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) announced that his bill with Congressman Mike Thompson (D-CA), H.R. 4970 - the Protect Innocent Victims Of Taxation After Fire Act, has been included in the new tax framework package deal

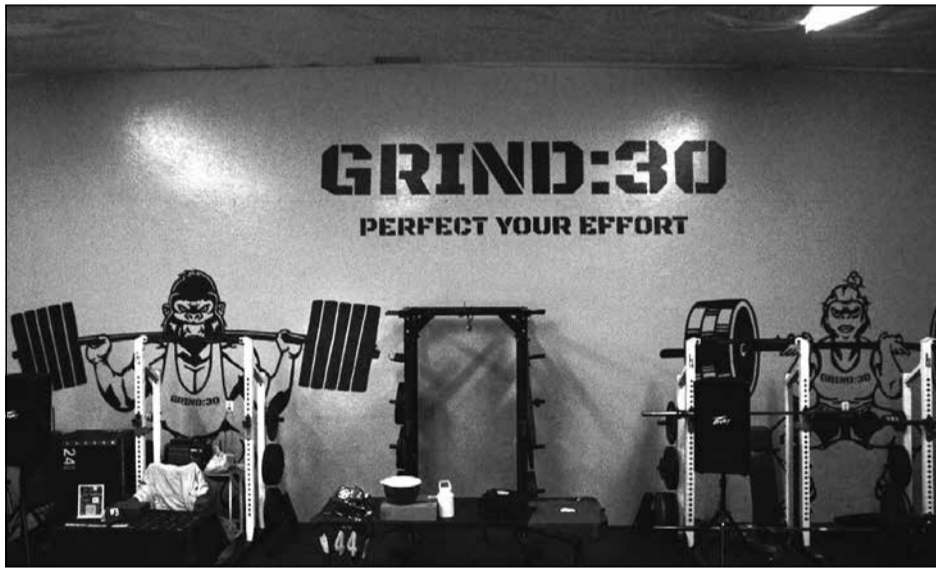
that was made by the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance.

The bill included many bipartisan agreements including increases to Child Tax Credits, Research and Development Tax Credits, and trade agreements with Taiwan. Congressman LaMalfa's bill exempts all wildfire relief payments from federal income taxes, and exempts taxation on legal fees, emotional distress, lost wages, and additional living expenses. The bill is fully paid for under this bipartisan agreement by repurposing funds previously authorized for COVID relief.

"I'm pleased and relieved to see my bill included in this bipartisan tax relief package. I have

been working this iteration of the bill, along with Congressman Thompson, to see that it be included in any bipartisan agreement that is created. Our bill has broad, bipartisan support and was passed by a committee vote unanimously, 38-0. I cannot overstate the importance the passage of this bill will make to the many fire survivors in Nor Cal, across California and around the nation who are being unfairly taxed on their settlement award money that is meant to help them rebuild. There should be no barriers stopping passage of this new package as it is fully paid for, bipartisan, and includes House and Senate support. Now that a House and Senate deal is done, it ought to pass quickly," said Congressman LaMalfa. ★

## GRIND:30 Opens Doors to New Facility in Yuba City



The male and female representations of the GRIND:30 athletes in the walls of the new facility in Yuba City.

Story and photo by Steven Bryla

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - The premier sports conditioning and training regiment for Yuba-Sutter County expanded itself into the community on Saturday, January 13, as GRIND:30 opened a new facility in the Yuba City area.

Michio Takahashi, the owner and founder of GRIND:30, opened and showed off the new 1500 sq. foot facility in front of family and friends as he moved the business from his garage at his home.

Takahashi told the Dispatch he is able to comfortably accommodate about 15-20 athletes per workout session, which doubles the amount he was able to do previously at his home base.

The amenities and specs of the new facility include brand new gym equipment donated by multiple donors throughout the community, a one-person steam room, a cold tub, multiple squat racks/benches and an upstairs loft to hangout in between sessions.

The inside artwork flourishes the walls featuring a male and female

GRIND:30 athlete, and an accent wall that has tribal/floral designs which was handcrafted by Takahashi's spouse/biggest supporter, Alyssa.

Alyssa, who is a local art teacher, expressed to the Dispatch that Michio comes up with the ideas and she connects the dots and brings it all together.

Alyssa told the Dispatch that the gorilla designs for the GRIND:30 athletes were designed by her students, and the accent wall addition of the flowers was a way for her to bring a representation of male and female in the project.

Michio is grateful for the endless support of Alyssa and all of the community that has positively backed his vision of helping the youth in the community.

"It's gratifying. I have done endless hours of volunteer work mentoring and coaching and to get the continuous backing of the community: I know what I'm doing is right," Michio said.

In true family fashion, as everyone in the GRIND:30 family treats one another, it was a big family celebration that featured delicious food, happy smiles and lots

of laughter.

Jennifer White, who is a friend of Michio and has an athlete currently training with him, told the Dispatch that her son has grown because of Michio's work ethic and dedication.

White added the dedication is just not about working out as Michio does grade checks with all of his athletes.

"He checks in and it's good because it's not just about working out," White said. "It's about their relationship and their future."

White's son Justice, Sutter 2026 running back, told the Dispatch that on top of everything Michio does, when he comes out and supports his athletes at their games, it makes them happy to see.

"It shows that he takes the time to learn every one of his athletes and shows that he cares about his athletes outside of working out," Justice said.

The new GRIND:30 facility is located at 1282 Hassett Ave. Space #7, Yuba City, CA 95991. To contact Michio, his social medias are Instagram: grind\_30, X(formerly Twitter): @grind\_30 ★

## Yuba County Sheriff's Office Announces Citizen Academy

Yuba County Sheriff's Office Press Release

YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Have you ever had a curiosity about what it would be like to work in the Sheriff's department? Your chance is finally here!

Starting Wednesday, February 28th, the Yuba County Sheriff's Office will host a 12-week program for those who apply. The program will include speakers from the K9 Unit and SWAT Team, as well as speakers

from crime scene investigations, the dispatch center, and regular investigations.

Classes will be from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Sheriff's Office at 720 Yuba St.

Apply online at [www.yuba.org](http://www.yuba.org) or by coming into the office located at 720 Yuba St in Marysville. The application deadline is Monday, February 26th.

The program is open to all area residents that are 18 years of age or older.

For further information, contact Rosa Leon at 530-749-5103. ★

## Vehicle Pursuit Includes Deployment of Spike Strip

Sutter County Sheriff's Office News Release

SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - On Thursday morning, 1/18/2024, around 3:30 a.m., our deputies initiated a traffic stop on a 2014 Nissan Altima on Bogue Road and Highway 99 in Yuba City for failing to maintain lanes. Upon attempting to stop the Nissan, the Nissan failed to yield, and a pursuit was initiated. Sutter County deputies were staged ahead of the pursuit

and successfully deployed a spike strip on the Nissan. The development was successful, and the vehicle started to slow down in speed.

Upon making a complete stop, two passengers jumped out of the Nissan. The two passengers were detained upon exit and the Nissan continued to flee. The driver of the Nissan then continued onto Central Avenue in Yuba City and stopped, exited the vehicle, and attempted to run. Sutter County K9

sergeant deployed his K9 partner, but the subject surrendered without further incident.

The subject was identified as 24-year-old Santiago Romero of Live Oak. Romero was charged with Resisting an Executive Order, Evading in a Reckless Manner, Assault with a Deadly Weapon (Not Firearm), Possession of a Controlled Substance and Reckless Driving.

Arraignment and Bail have not been posted. ★

## Gung Hay Fat Choy!

Marysville Bok Kai Festival News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - We are excited to present the 144th Annual Bok Kai Day Celebration and Bomb Day, March 9th and 10th, 2024. The Bok Kai Parade is one of the longest continuous parades in California, even operating during COVID-19.

It's history: The Marysville Bok Kai Parade Committee met earlier this week and now is accepting applications for the 144th Bok Kai Parade Festivities to be held on March 9th and 10th. We welcome all to come and enjoy. Parade

entries and vendor applications are now available through our website.

The Marysville Chinese Community is working hard to welcome visitors from all over to the 144th Bok Kai Festival which includes a "Parade" and the "Firing of the Bombs." Both traditionally have been held in Marysville now for 144 years. This year much more will be added to the festivities for the whole family to enjoy! Refer to the web page for more updates on all the festivities.

We rely on the support of community partnerships to continue our

preservation work at the Bok Kai Temple, The Bok Kai Temple Museum, and the Historic Marysville Chinese School Museum. Sponsorship levels are available, attached is the link.

Please go to [BokkaiTemple.com](http://BokkaiTemple.com), and once in the link scroll down to "Bok Kai Celebration." Tap on it and it will take you to the various forms and applications. Should you have any questions there is contact information available on the web page.

Thank you for your continuous support! Happy New Year! ★

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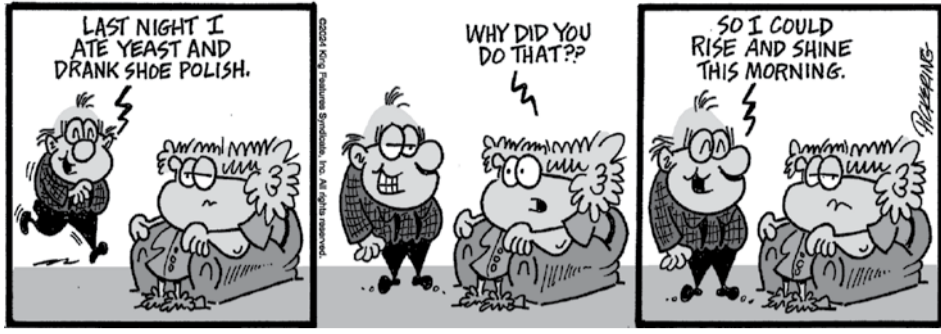
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by Jeff Pickering



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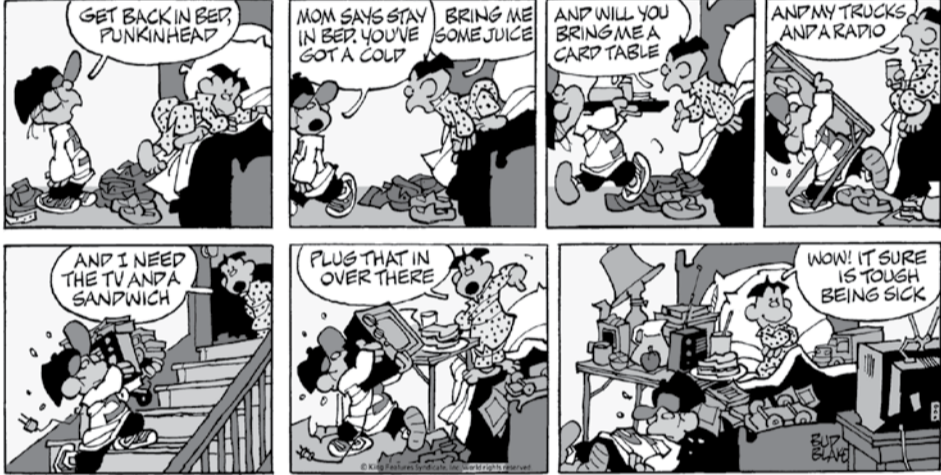
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

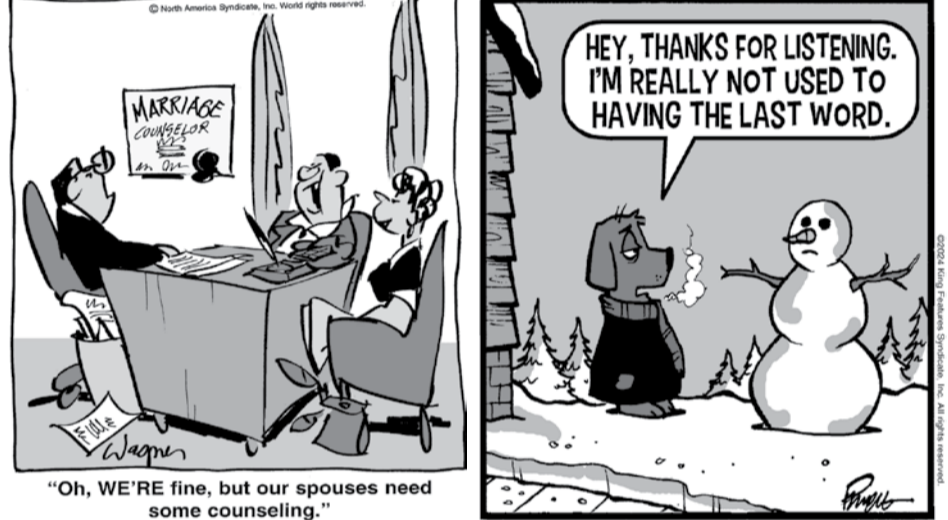
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by BUD BLAKE

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

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- January 26 / 8 am Heather Thompson, Marysville Business Alliance
- January 29 / 7 am Jeff Bonne, Sutter County Supervisor
- January 29 / 8 am Seth Fuhrer Tax Update
- January 30 / 7 am Melissa Swink and Lorán Corona, Cupid Stroll
- January 30 / 8 am Sutter Shotgun Fundraiser Dinner
- January 31 / 7 am Don Blaser, Yuba County Supervisor
- January 31 / 8 am Seth Fuhrer, Supervisor District 3
- February 1 / 7 am TBD
- February 1 / 8 am Tamera Macy, Sutter County One Stop
- February 2 / 7 am Dr. Fai Asrani, Marysville School District
- February 2 / 8 am Chuck Smith, Sutter County P.I.O.

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# When Will Sheriff's Contract be Signed, or Dead Dogs Picked up off the Streets?

By Sharon Pearce

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - The Live Oak City Council spent almost two hours of its January meeting on the 17th shaking out stumbling blocks to approving the Sutter Co. Sheriff's Department contract. It came down to whether dissatisfied members of the Council recognized that the sheriff's office was not going to lower its fee for service from \$880,000, which cost has only been increasing due to delays in signing off. They were reminded the answers to their questions were built into the contract.

Council began with Mayor Ashley Hernandez, attending by Zoom, informing she had been in discussion with a mayor in Willow as to the possibility of Live Oak

partnering with it to create a joint police department. Councilmember Jeramy Chapdelaine commented he had been following the timeline of Willow's police contract discussions and said their costs would run to \$15 million and they know they can't afford it. That is higher than what Live Oak could afford, said Chapdelaine, commenting on insurance costs, CalPERS, unfunded liabilities, and other costs. Comm. Santana said, "We own 55 properties free and clear and we could sell those properties and there would be no costs to residents."

A Public Speaker who identified as 94454 said, "Every agency has its own needs. You must realize agencies have established infrastructures. If you really think you can start

a police dept. from ground up in six months, you must really do due diligence to see what you need. It will take you four to six months to hire one employee, 10 months for four. You are not going to hire officers right and left; many larger cities can afford to pay them more. If you want to do this, you should look into all the costs; don't just look at staff costs; it is infrastructure. You are not going to have a police dept. starting from ground up in two years."

"I think we need to focus on us, our situation, the contract," said Chapdelaine. "Even in our agenda tonight, we should be focusing on our contract, then do a workshop as to alternatives. I have compared to six other jurisdictions, and we are still lower spending per capita

in comparison."

Commissioner Lakhvir Ghag was concerned that "this sheriff puts his information on Facebook and does not discuss it with the mayor or council first. The information they give us needs to be what a common person could understand... We need to think through what we want. There have been fireworks everywhere in the city; the 4th of July — it was crazy." Ghag said there was a need for camera technology and drones. "They can visualize through the cameras and site where the problems are."

Commissioner Santana added, "That's another reason for needing a breakdown of calls. We don't know what crimes are going on in our city and we need the report. Are we getting gang activities? Then we

can work to obtain officers to fit our needs. We have a duty to look over all that before we make a decision to hand over \$880,000." City Manager Aaron Palmer agreed the numbers the county had provided on calls to Live Oak did not add up, and he had to check on that.

Mayor Hernandez emphasized the contract was not due until June. Chapdelaine responded "...the county is also being pressed that they will have to end eating costs, and a state law says they can't...they may have to notify us they may have to cease services."

Commissioner Bob Woten requested it all be handled in a reasonable way but to not refuse to sign the contract for little things that are already built into the contract and can be worked on later.

Council moved on to Animal Services with Comm. Woten wanting to find out its schedule for coming to Live Oak and asking if it reports to Sutter County. Several commissioners stated that there were dead dogs all over the streets; in one case there was a dead deer on the side of the road for three months with an excuse given that it wasn't picked up because that was another jurisdiction.

Comm. Ghag reported on the Vector Control Board going over the properties it owns and is in discussion as to whether it should purchase insurance. A warning was given that an adjacent county elections office had received an envelope in the mail thought to contain fentanyl powder.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm. ★

## Investing in EV Charging Reliability Statewide With Federal Funding

California Department of Transportation News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - In a boost for electric vehicle reliability, the U.S. Department of Transportation has awarded Caltrans more than \$63 million in federal funds to fix and install more than 1,000 chargers at 300 sites statewide.

The \$63.7 million from the federal Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator (EVC RAA) grant program – part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law – will replace broken charging stations and install additional chargers to meet new federal standards for public charging infrastructure.

"Thanks to the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, California will receive nearly \$64 million to improve EV charging stations across the state," said Senator Alex Padilla. "Accelerating the adoption of an electric vehicle powered future requires a strong, reliable, accessible charging network across the state."

"This funding will allow California to continue to lead the nation in zero-emission-vehicle adoption, increasing reliability and cutting planet-warming pollution," said California State Transportation Secretary Toks Omishakin. "We want to thank the Biden-Harris Administration, Sen. Alex Padilla, and the state's congressional delegation for supporting the expansion of a charging network throughout the state while combatting climate change."

"Increasing the accessibility and standardization of EV charging stations will help us to build a more modern transportation system," said Tony Tavares, Caltrans director. "This latest federal funding will support Caltrans in achieving its climate action goals."

"As EVs go mainstream, ensuring a reliable charging network is a top priority," said Patty Monahan, commissioner of the California Energy Commission (CEC). "As California's lead agency for building

out charging infrastructure, the Energy Commission includes reliability requirements for our grants, but many chargers aren't covered by these requirements. This federal funding will help fix and upgrade broken EV chargers, giving EV drivers more options for convenient refueling."

The EVC RAA program is part of the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program and made funding available for states to repair or replace EV charging stations identified as "temporarily unavailable."

For the application, Caltrans worked with EV charging providers to develop a list of chargers to fix and upgrade to national charging standards within the program timeline. The funding will support the replacement of both Level 2 and DC fast chargers. Caltrans will partner with the CEC to implement this funding, building on the agencies' partnership to deliver the NEVI Formula Program.

**HOW WE GOT HERE**  
EV chargers: California currently has by far the most electric chargers in the nation with over 42,000 public charging ports;

California leads the country in all zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) market metrics, including the largest EV market share percentage, and the most extensive public charging infrastructure;

The success of the state's programs has led to ZEVs becoming a top export and has spurred major advances in manufacturing and job creation;

Over 25% of new passenger vehicles sold in California through Q3 of 2023 were zero-emission vehicles;

California has reached its ZEV truck sales goal two years ahead of schedule;

This latest award comes on the heels of California's call for projects to support \$40 million in charging projects for passenger vehicles in the state's NEVI program.

Ten EV charging and hydrogen fueling projects in California, totaling \$168 million, were recently awarded funding under the Federal Highway Administration's Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program. ★

## The Art Box Presents an Artist Triple Play

Continued from page 1

and published author of several children's books. Her enchanting Wisewood Chronicles novels for middle-grade readers are about magic and friendship.

"I take my love of magic and spells, mix that up with a taste of mysteries and clues, and then rub a little treasure hunting into it all before I finish. That's where my book, Wisewood Chronicles, came from," said Adria.

Each artist will talk about their work over the course of the evening. The Art Box is located inside the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts and is also home to several Anchor Artists. See original works of art created by metal sculpture artist, Dude Green, indigenous jewelry and beadwork artist, Jesse Harris, and ceramist Drew Sallee. Your purchase of a work of original art helps support the artist as well as Yuba Sutter



Gay Galvin. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

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# Lady Honkers Win Third Straight CVC Game

By Steven Bryla

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - The Yuba City girls' basketball team kept their playoff hopes within reach as they beat their cross-town rivals in the River Valley Lady Falcons 46-34 on Friday, January 19.

The win for Yuba City solidified the Lady Honkers into fourth place in the Capital Valley Conference standings. According to the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section website, the top three in the CVC will get an automatic playoff berth into the postseason.

Yuba City Head Coach Michelle Brazil expressed to the Dispatch the victory was big on two separate levels.

"It brought us to a good

spot in the league and mentally," Brazil said.

She added the mental part of the impact it had on the team was with its third win within a week as the Lady Honkers beat Roseville on January 12, and Bella Vista on January 17.

Yuba City was a confident team in the first half of the game, as they had good ball movement, spaced the floor out offensively and were able to contest River Valley into a lot of difficult shots.

The Lady Honkers led 22-15 at the half.

Lady Falcons Head Coach Thomas Zaragoza expressed to the Dispatch that Yuba City was more aggressive and took care of the ball better throughout the game.



Yuba City senior forward Josie Carrick (24) snags a rebound away from River Valley junior forward Claudia Dudek (21) in the Lady Honkers' 46-34 win on Friday, January 19. Photo by Steven Bryla



River Valley junior guard Avneeth Gill (4) drives to the basket in the Lady Falcons' 46-34 defeat to Yuba City on Friday, January 19. Photo by Steven Bryla

River Valley was able to take the lead from the Lady Honkers halfway through the third quarter as junior guards Gurleen Nijjar and Avneeth Gill led the charge offensively for the Lady Falcons.

Although River Valley made a good run in the third quarter, Yuba City didn't score its first point in the quarter until there was two-and-a-half minutes left in the quarter.

The Lady Honkers implemented a full-court

press the final couple minutes of the third and early in the fourth quarter, which caused multiple turnovers by the Lady Falcons.

"It was an aggressive press where they wanted you to make mistakes, and that's exactly what we did," Zaragoza said.

Yuba City junior guard Juliana Vasquez and senior forward Josie Carrick expressed to the Dispatch that the press they ran later in the game helped them force turnovers and

eventually maintain the lead they built off of the turnovers committed by River Valley.

Carrick was a problem down low against River Valley, as her lengthy frame pulled down 16 rebounds on the night and helped with three blocks on the defensive end.

Vasquez chipped in on all cylinders as she tied for the team-high in points (10), had five rebounds, three assists and three steals.

The Lady Honkers

quickly jumped ahead by six points early in the fourth and never allowed it to get any closer than that for the rest of the game.

As both teams moved onto the second half of league this week, Brazil told the Dispatch a key for Yuba City is not to try and play their opponent's game.

"If we're patient and play as a team, that's where I believe we can be competitive and give ourselves a chance to stay in games," Brazil said.

# Huskies Fall at Home to Falcons, Stay in Playoff Hunt

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

**SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - The Sutter Union boys basketball team lost a Pioneer Valley League game to the Colfax Falcons 57-51 that slipped away on Wednesday, January 17.

The loss against Colfax was the third league loss for Sutter and it makes the remaining second half of the PVL crucial if they want to return to the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section playoffs for the second consecutive season.

The Huskies started the game with a hot shooting start as they opened the game up with a 14-2 lead in the first few opening minutes of the game as they hit four three-point shots.

The Falcons eventually cut the Sutter lead down as they were down 19-11 at the end of the first.

In the second quarter, it was Colfax's turn to make a few shots and dwindle the Huskies lead as they got back in the game after a few shots made.

Both teams finished the quarter out strong, but



HSutter freshman forward Izzy Bhatti drives to the basket in the Huskies' 57-51 loss on Wednesday, January 17, to Colfax.

Sutter was able to pull away towards the end of the first half and push their lead to 35-25.

In the second half, the

momentum shifted as the Falcons forced a lot of second half turnovers in the early going against the Huskies.

Colfax took the lead a little more than half way through the third quarter and made it difficult for Sutter to get back before the third quarter ended in a tie at 43.

The Falcons were able to quickly build an eight-point lead with three-and-a-half minutes left in the game. Huskies senior guard Naseem Bhatti was able to make it a one possession game with a little over a minute left in the game, but Colfax was able to run out the clock and made their free throws to eventually seal the victory.

The significance of Sutter having three league losses had them tied with Bear River and Marysville for the third and final automatic playoff bid that the PVL gets

for the postseason, according to the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section website, as they all entered the second half of league play this week.

Marysville and the Huskies squared off on Wednesday, and if Sutter were to win, they would have the season sweep

over Marysville. The head-to-head sweep would give them a nod over Marysville if the two finished tied at the end of the season in league play.

Huskies Head Coach Nabeel Bhatti expressed to the Dispatch prior to league play that it was going to be a dog fight in the PVL, and it surely hasn't disappointed anyone thus far.

As of Sunday, January 21, there were five teams within two games of one another fighting for three playoff spots. The CIF SJS also stated that a team could get into the playoffs if they were outside of the automatic berths; if they were ranked in the top 15 of the division rankings by MaxPreps, they would be given an at-large bid.

Sutter was ranked 13th in the MaxPreps Division IV rankings in the rankings as of January 21.



Sutter senior guard Jordan Lee (2) puts the ball up in the Huskies' 57-51 defeat to Colfax on Wednesday, January 17.



Sutter senior forward Jagger Beck (14) puts up a layup in the Huskies' 57-51 defeat to Colfax on Wednesday, January 17.