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Anthony Lipkins (left) and Andre Wilson (right) film a halftime show for a Shootinthestraight sports (STSS) during the halftime of the Liberty Ranch at Sutter football playoff game on Thursday, November 9, 2023.

Story and photo by Steven Bryla

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Two local residents have brought a new type of media and hype to the Yuba-Sutter area, and expanded it into an empire across California and Nevada. Andre Wilson, 38, of Yuba City and Anthony Lipkins, 36, of Olivehurst told the Dispatch that during the COVID-19 pandemic, they didn't see any new media visual architects in the area giving the local youth athletes the shine and recognition they deserved. "When we were that age, we didn't have anyone out here to take it upon

themselves to put tape together of kids out here even though there was so much talent to choose from," Wilson said. Wilson and Lipkins started Shootinthestraight sports (STSS) in April 2021 where the new type of media included video equipment where they filmed games and put it all out in the tape. "We're shooting it for what it is and letting all the talent show on the film and the field," Wilson said. Lipkins added that they are out there for the kids and giving them the love. "We want to make sure the kids who deserve to play at the next level get their opportunity," Lipkins said.

STSS started out as a podcast in April 2021, when Lipkins and Wilson were both coaches at Lindhurst High School. Now they expanded from the podcast to a YouTube channel featuring the games they go to, and have expanded it with a halftime show as well. "We were able to help them out at our time there so we thought of how we could tap in and help more kids," Lipkins said. Wilson and Lipkins expressed to the Dispatch that Sutter Head Football Coach Ryan Reynolds gave them the first start locally in the area. Lipkins and Wilson told the *Continued on page 9*

MJUSD Selected for Advocacy Leadership



Superintendent Dr. Fal Asrani. Photo courtesy of MJUSD

MJUSD News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Superintendent for Marysville Joint Unified School District, Dr. Fal Asrani, has been appointed to serve on the California Jobs First Capital Region Leadership Council (formerly CERF: Community Economic Resilience Fund), overseen by Valley Vision. An ad hoc committee, made up of Collaborative members representing various counties within the Capital Region, made the selections using a customized scoring rubric. Considerations for membership representation by region, sector, and disinvested communities were also factors in the selection process. Additionally, Dr. Asrani has been selected to serve on the UC Davis AvenueM Advisory Board focused on STEM. The Capital Region Leadership Council serves as the decision-making body of the Collaborative with representation from subregions to advance efforts, regional alignment, and advise regional strategic planning based on the California Jobs First core values of inclusivity and equity. "When developing an economic plan for a region, it is integral to involve the leaders within the education system," said Asrani. "The conversations around career preparation and workforce development starts in the TK-12 system, and together with higher education partners, local leaders and business organizations, the TK-12 leaders play an integral role in designing a job-ready workforce for a region. I am excited to be part of the conversation with California Jobs First and will do whatever is required to benefit the greater Sacramento region ensuring that our students have a successful future," said Dr. Asrani. Earlier this year, Dr. Asrani also spearheaded the formation of the Greater Sacramento Education and Economic Commission, with other local leaders similarly interested in workforce *Continued on page 3*

Moving Forward, Community Improvements and Upgrades in Yuba City

Story and photo by Teri Saya

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Have you noticed the tiny flags popping up on your lawns and blue markings in the streets along the roads in your neighborhoods? It looks like preparations for a gnome golf tournament or landing strips for leprechauns... Well, it's not quite as fanciful as that. Kaitlin Colston, the Director of Marketing for Race Communications, a California company, which is constructing a fiber-based network in Yuba City, provided an explanation. "We get that question rather frequently. It can be surprising when the little flags pop up in yards. Those are USA Markings. They help mark underground utilities like electric to ensure when we dig we are not getting hurt or harming others. It's a safety measure. You've probably seen the 'call before you dig' government campaigns: it's the



Equipment used to place fiber optic lines is shown here.

same thing. We estimate that our services will be available to over 28,000 homes and businesses in Yuba City. The project began in 2021, and we estimate completion in 2025. The first residential installs are projected to occur as early as January 2024." Definition of USA Markings: The first step in the construction process is for utility companies to mark the locations of their existing underground

facilities. You may see paint markings on streets, sidewalks, driveways, and flags in the utility easements on your property, including grass and planter areas. These utility markings are temporary and help ensure that construction teams avoid any potential conflicts with existing infrastructure. On the December 13, 2023, a project proposal was put forth to the Yuba City Planning Commission during their monthly meeting. Use permit and construction of a 60-foot-high monopole cell tower at 223 Clark Ave. was approved unanimously after the presentation showed the project passed the California Environmental Quality Act. Aaron Brown, an assistant planner, and Melissa Vios, a representative of Epic Wireless on behalf of Verizon, *Continued on page 3*

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CA RINO Swamp Says Block Trump



Commentary
by Lou Binninger

mantra is the latest criminal psyop being inflicted upon us. In December 2023, California's Lieutenant Governor Eleni Kounalakis (D) sent a letter "urging" California's Secretary of State (SOS) Shirley Weber (D) "to explore every legal option to remove former President Trump from CA's 2024 presidential primary ballot." The Lt. Gov. was likely doing some virtue signaling to liberals for her future bid for governor.

This Kounalakis request led 3-Republican lawmakers to write an appeal to Weber. They asked her to deny any request to "cherry-pick" who can be on California's November 2024 ballot for President. (Please read California Globe's article "Only 3 Assembly Members Sign Letter Urging SOS Weber to Disregard Calls to Remove Trump from Ballot" by Katy Grimes 12/21/23.)

Certainly, it must be Assembly minority leader James Gallagher that penned this letter to preserve the people's right to vote for their candidate. Or at least he signed the document. Is this Republican Whip James or Uniparty James?

It turns out that Assemblymen Bill Essayli, Vince Fong and Joe Patterson sent the letter – but only after inviting every member of the Assembly and Senate to join-in opposing Kounalakis' request.

"When the Lieutenant Governor of the largest state in the nation pressures the Secretary of State to unilaterally remove a candidate for President from our ballot, we cannot be silent. This attack on our democracy violates our Constitution and decades of case law. We are a government of the People, by the People, and for the People. The People must be free to elect the candidate of their

choice without interference," Assemblyman Essayli posted to Twitter/X.

Globe writer Grimes writes, "Sources inside of the Capitol told the Globe on condition of anonymity that the Republican "swamp" in the Capitol, as well as the "consultancy class" sabotaged the letter. And specifically, the sources produced names, saying Curtis Grima, Chief of Staff to Republican Leader James Gallagher, and Assemblyman Heath Flora (R-Ripon), orchestrated the letter's boycott by other Republicans."

"The sources said many Assembly members initially signaled that they would sign the letter – until there was a sudden change of heart – which is really odd because the issue of the Lt. Governor's letter to the Secretary of State demanding Trump be removed from the California ballot should be unifying."

Grimes says the hatred of California's swamp Republicans for Trump is so extreme that they use it as an excuse to do nothing other than go along with Democrats' horrible legislation. In fact, they undermine other Republicans instead.

Their real focus seems to be maintaining their power and control of their little Swamp World.

It was shocking to note Republican leader Gallagher's endorsement of The Death Tax (Prop 19 – Nov 2020) that costs California's families millions in new taxes annually. Now, using Communist strategies where elites hand-pick candidates shows Gallagher to be a conservative poser.

(Lou Binninger can be heard on No Hostages Radio podcast, live on KMYC 1410AM 10-1 Saturdays, read at Live with Lou on Facebook and at Nohostagesradio.com) ★

'Poetry Out Loud' Competition is Around the Corner

'Pizza and Poetry Party' for Students Open to the Public

Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - One of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture's longstanding, marquis arts in education programs is Poetry Out Loud. If you are unfamiliar with it, Poetry Out Loud is a poetry recitation event for high school students. Labeled a "Pizza and Poetry Party," all participating students receive gift cards, and pizza, and winners receive cash prizes.

Last year's event marked the return to an in-person event following a three-year hiatus due to the pandemic. This year's competition will take place on Saturday, February 3rd. Yuba County students will compete starting at 11 a.m. and Sutter County students will start at 2 p.m. This is a free event open to the public.

Students will have selected poems from the Poetry Out Loud online anthology of nearly 1,000 poems. They recite the poem from memory and are judged based on physical presence, voice and articulation, dramatic appropriateness, accuracy, level of complexity, evidence of understanding, and overall performance. Last year's Sutter County winner was Ainsley

Nelson, Sutter Union High School, and the Yuba County winner was Salma Antonia Alfaqeeh, Marysville Charter Academy for the Arts.

Poetry Out Loud is a national program that encourages students to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. It helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about literary history and contemporary life. Founded by the National Endowment for the Arts, Poetry Out Loud has grown over the years to include more than 3 million students and 50,000 teachers from 10,000 schools in every state, Washington, D.C., the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture has been hosting the local event for sixteen years.

The two county winners will go on to compete in the California Poetry Out Loud state finals on March 17-18 in Sacramento. At the state level, one winner will be selected to represent California in the national competition in Washington, D.C. in May. For additional information about this and other Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture programs and events, call 530-742-ARTS or write to email@yubasutterarts.org. ★

Traffic Safety, Caltrans, and the CIF Partner to Promote Safe Driving Behaviors

Office of Traffic Safety and Caltrans News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announced today a partnership with the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) aimed at raising awareness and educating drivers on safe travel behaviors, especially in and around highway work zones.

The OTS and Caltrans will display digital messages, signs and audio public service announcements at the CIF State Wrestling Championships in February, Basketball Championships in March, and the Swim & Dive and Track & Field Championships in May encouraging student-athletes, parents and families to always "Be Work Zone Alert" and "move over" for highway workers, or slow down if unable to do so.

"Traffic Safety is a team sport and we're thrilled to team up with the CIF to encourage safe driving behaviors," said Caltrans Director Tony Tavares. "Engaging youth is a great play to help reach our Vision Zero Initiative's goal to eliminate traffic-related severe injuries and deaths."

"Traveling safely is a game plan that's always a win," OTS Director Barbara Rooney said. "We are excited to partner with the CIF to relay important traffic safety messages to student-athletes, parents and fans that everyone can get behind."

"We are happy to have California OTS and Caltrans as partners," said Bryan Powell, General Sales Manager for CIF Sports Properties. "Traveling safely to and from CIF events is incredibly important, and we are pleased to share this messaging with the attendees of our upcoming championship events."

Additional messaging and content will focus on safe and responsible driving, including awareness about California's hands-free cell phone law and the risks of distracted driving, as well as reminding drivers to slow down and "Share the Road" by looking out for bicyclists and pedestrians.

In addition, traffic safety messages will appear on social media, the CIF state website, and the CIF Sports 365 mobile app.

Car crashes are a leading cause of death for teens in the United States. In 2021, there were more than 17,000 fatal and injury crashes involving teen drivers across California, according to data from the California Highway Patrol's Statewide Integrated Traffic Records System.

Student-athletes, parents and fans are encouraged to join the Go Safely Movement and sign up as "traffic safety champions" for their families and communities.

To learn more about efforts to save lives on California roads, visit gosafelyca.org and follow on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram @GoSafelyCA ★

This Month In Your Garden

by Jeff Rice

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February means we still have one more month of bare root season to go. All varieties of dormant fruit trees are currently available. If you are wanting to plant bare root fruit trees there is still time and selections are still good. Bare Root Season is January and February.

Now for the other things that we need to do in February. One of the most important things to be done is the third and final dormant spraying in mid-February with a copper based fungicide. It is important to keep ahead of the fungal pests that might occur on fruits and nuts, as well as some vegetables and ornamentals. Rose are very susceptible to black spot, powdery mildew, and rust. Copper spray is well known for its use for curly leaf on peaches and nectarines, but it can also be used as a dormant spray on roses to help stop the fungal diseases before they start. Once a fungal disease is started it is difficult to control because the spores produced are easily blown to neighboring plants that might become infected. Because of its variable uses, it is a good product to have on your shelf for gardening needs. You should mix it with horticultural oil or Neem Oil, to help the spray spread evenly and cling to the foliage. Neem Oil has many other good uses. It is an excellent insecticide as well as controlling some fungi, to a lesser extent than the copper spray.

February usually brings hints of spring with it. Buds for the spring blooms begin to form. I am always fascinated by looking at those bare stems on the deciduous trees and shrubs and seeing the buds form for spring blooms. Wait to fertilize until the plants have their full set of leaves. The plants won't utilize fertilizer when they are bare of leaves. If they leaf out soon following the application of fertilizer, they will utilize any fertilizer that hasn't been washed away by rain or irrigation, but the usefulness of some has been lost. So- not too soon, but get on it when the signs of life show and give them a boost into spring. Use an appropriate fertilizer for the plants being fertilized. There is a basic all purpose fertilizer that can be used on most things. It is often referred to as a "balanced" fertilizer since it has almost equal amounts

of the three basic elements that are in moist formulas. Those three elements are N,P and K, or Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Potassium. They will frequently be seen on the front of fertilizer packages. Acid fertilizer is used on azaleas, camellias, rhododendron and gardenias, plus other things that do well in similar conditions. Other elements will have been added to the basic three to create the desired acidity. Citrus trees have a special fertilizer with nutrients needed by that species. There is an abundance of formulas available to meet the needs of differing plants, there is also an abundance of plants that do well on the basic fertilizers. Grasses are growing and weeds will be growing right along with them. Weeds can be controlled quite well in flower beds, now before they have emerged, by covering the areas with 2" of mulch. That will also help with watering chores later by reducing the frequency of watering since evaporation will be slowed.

As the weather gets warmer, be on the lookout for slugs and snails. Irregular holes in leaves are a clue that they are out and about. They also leave a slightly shiny trail behind. Use snail bait to destroy them. I have had very good luck with Sluggo – it is granular and is sprinkled in the infested areas. It is safe around pets and wildlife. I never saw the snails, just their empty shells. Snails also like beer and will be attracted to a bowl of beer cradled in a depression in the ground and will drown when they fall into it. Of course, it has to be emptied and wastes a bit of beer. Aphids are also one of the early pests that you will encounter. They produce a sweet and sticky substance that is left on the leaves. Ants are attracted to that and will farm the aphids and that compounds the problem, so look for ants at the base of a plant infested with aphids and bait for or spray them. Spring is on the way – enjoy it.

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Gearing Up for the 59th Colusa Farm Show



The Colusa Farm Show, billed as the "granddaddy" of farm trade expositions on the west coast, will open for its three-day run, Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2024, at the Colusa County Fairgrounds, 1303 10th St., in Colusa, to provide farmers and ranchers one-stop shopping for all agriculture-related services. Photo by Susan Meeker

By Susan Meeker

COLUSA, CA (MPG) - The Colusa County Fairgrounds will welcome visitors to the 2024 Colusa County Farm Show, Feb. 6-8.

Sponsored by the 44th District Agriculture Association and organized by a committee of local farmers and businessmen, the Colusa Farm Show will be the focal point of activity for the agriculture industry in Northern California.

"The Colusa Farm Show always has the newest and most innovative technology," said Farm Show Committee Chairman Joe Steidlmayer, who is working alongside Joe Steidlmayer, Terry Bressler, Susan Gibbs, Shawn Hedleston, Justine Hedleston, John Loudon, Nancy Loudon, Gina Moresco, Kasey O'Brien, Bill Rohde, Patti Turner, and Elizabeth Harper to bring in the 59th installment of a show that offers visitors the opportunity to scout out the latest advancements in farm equipment and agriculture-related services.

Visitors will be greeted at the rain-or-shine Colusa Farm Show by manufacturers and retailers of farm equipment and other vendors, who provide one-stop shopping for all farm services.

While the show will be somewhat smaller than in recent years, Steidlmayer said no one is expected to notice among the sweepers, sprayers, combines, tractors, shakers, scrapers, tillers, mowers, risers, and farm vehicles that will be on display outdoors. Farm credit and banking services, nursery and seed suppliers, water, soil and conservation experts, insurance agencies, and other service providers will hold court inside and outside the exhibit buildings.

Gates will be open 9 a.m. to 4 a.m. Feb. 6-7 at the Colusa County Fairgrounds, 1303 10th St., Colusa. Gates will be open 9 a.m. to 3 a.m. on Thursday, Feb. 8, the final day of the show.

Food concessions stands are located near the front entrance and inside Festival Hall. There is free parking and free admission. ★

Former Farm Bureau Manager Arrested

Story by Susan Meeker

COLUSA, CA (MPG) - The former executive manager of the Colusa County Farm Bureau was arrested last week for allegedly stealing from the organization that exists to protect, promote, and enhance the agricultural industry through community involvement, advocacy, and education.

Colusa Police Department Lt. Sara Martin said Monica Sankey, 38, was arrested on Jan. 16, following a five-month investigation that began last summer, which led to Sankey's termination of employment when the alleged embezzlement was first discovered.

Martin said after being contacted by the Colusa County Farm Bureau regarding their suspicions, it was quickly determined that a significant amount of funds had been embezzled internally.

After a lengthy review of various financial records, a warrant for Sankey's arrest was issued, Martin said.

Sankey was appointed to the executive management position by the Colusa County Farm Bureau in 2021, after the former longtime manager retired.

Sankey helped organize the nonprofit's fundraisers, as well as organized other fundraisers for local causes, including a destination photoshoot in Colusa County for a terminally ill girl in 2020.

Sankey was taken into custody and booked on one felony charge of embezzlement at the Colusa County Jail and released on \$10,000 bail.

Martin said the investigation remains ongoing, and if anyone has any relevant information regarding this case, they are instructed to call the Colusa Police Department at (530) 458-7777. ★

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presented a detailed proposal with computer graphics showing how the tower would look after construction. Disguised as a pine tree, the tower would blend in with other foliage in the neighborhood. All safety questions were answered satisfactorily, and a vote was taken which

passed 6-0.

The multi-use recreational area, Didar S. Bains Park at 1400 Harter Pkwy., across from the Walmart Super Center, was officially opened on August 26, 2023. It has been enthusiastically used by the public since and still has a little way to go in its construction at the south end connecting with the

Sutter Bike Trail.

Next to the park is a wide-open field that has been cleared and is ready for the construction of Harter Estates single-family homes. With our growing community, many more upgrades and improvements to Yuba City and the surrounding area will be ongoing throughout the new year. ★

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development in the Yuba-Sutter region. The group includes Mary Jane Griego, Jeremy Brown, Karm Bains, Kevin Mallen, Dan Flores, Brynda Stranix, Randy Davis, and Kary Hauck. The group met last Fall to brainstorm how business and education leaders can collaboratively develop the economic success of this local region and at held their second meeting last week, joined by several new community and business leaders to advance their mission. The group

has developed a draft mission and goals document that will be finalized and published before March.

Long time business leader Mary Jane Griego, owner of Dukes Diner shared the goal of this group, "We are energized and committed to begin discussions around preparing and hiring well-trained individuals. We must understand what we need to be successful as a region and train the right employees for the jobs. With almost 20% of jobs remaining unfilled, we must create a

platform that clearly develops a workforce through job training and certifications to fill these gaps and raise the employment rate and therefore the economic success of this area," said Griego.

Brynda Stranix, Executive Director of Yuba Sutter Economic Corporation stated "We are excited with the progress that has been made and look forward to next steps in defining programs that fit the needs of our employers. This is critical for the region. ★

Marysville Police Arrest Suspect for Kidnapping and Domestic Violence

City of Marysville Police Department News Release


MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - On January 21, 2024, at about 4:17 PM, Marysville Police received emergency calls in reference to a possible kidnapping and suspect holding the victim against her will in the 1200 block of B Street. Officers responded and personnel were subsequently able to track the phone. Officers located and stopped the vehicle on the north side of the levee on Jack Slough Road. Officers obtained information on the assault and collected physical evidence. The suspect forced

the victim into the vehicle, refused to let her out, and was attempting to take her to Texas. The suspect and victim are known to each other.

As a result of this investigation, Officers arrested a 57-year-old Ruben Carrasquillo of the 1400 block of Hayne Ave, Yuba City, CA. for Domestic Violence, False Imprisonment, and Kidnapping. Carrasquillo was booked into the Yuba County Jail.

If you would like more information about this topic, please contact Chief of Police Christian Sachs at 530-749-3957 or email csachs@marysvillepd.org. ★





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25 Years of Commitment to Our Youngest Citizens

Sutter County Children and Families Commission News Release

SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Join us in commemorating a remarkable journey as the Sutter County Children & Families Commission (SCFC) celebrates its 25th anniversary. Over the last quarter of a century, SCCFC has invested over \$26 million dollars nurturing the growth and development of children aged 0-5 and providing unwavering support to their families and caregivers.

2024 Mini-Grant Application Announcement

In honor of this milestone, the SCCFC is excited to announce the release of the 2024 Mini-Grant Application, available on January 24, 2024. \$25,000 has been allocated to support licensed childcare providers in enhancing the quality of care for our youngest residents. If you are a licensed childcare provider in Sutter County, we encourage you to apply for this funding opportunity to further enrich the learning and development environments for children in your care. For more information and to access the application, please call (530) 822-7505 or visit www.sutterkids.org.

A Legacy of Change Through Mini Grants

With an investment of over \$750,000 in mini grants over the years, SCCFC has been instrumental in enhancing the quality of childcare and early education across the county. These grants have empowered numerous childcare providers to create safe, stimulating, and enriching environments for our children, fostering their development and well-being.

Michele Blake, the Executive Director of SCCFC, reflects on this milestone: "As we mark 25 years of dedication to Sutter County's children and families, we are reminded of the transformative power of early support and education. Our commitment has enriched the lives of countless children and fortified the community, creating a network of care and collaboration that spans across the county."

Renewing Our Commitment

As we look forward to the future, SCCFC renews its commitment to the early years of child development. Our initiatives, including the celebratory childcare provider mini-grant program, align with our strategic goals to enhance family functioning, child development, and the overall health of our community.

Be Part of the Celebration

We invite the community to join us in this year of celebration as we continue our mission to support and enhance the lives of our youngest citizens and their families. Your involvement is key to fostering a nurturing environment where every child in Sutter County can thrive.

Together, We Shape the Future

Your participation and support make a significant difference in our children's lives. Whether you are a caregiver, educator, or community member, your contribution helps pave the way for a brighter future for all.

*This Public Service Announcement is a tribute to the enduring legacy and future promise of the Sutter County Children & Families Commission. Here's to celebrating 25 years of impactful work and looking forward to many more years of making a difference in the lives of our children and families. ★

Valentine's Day Edition of the Projector Room Speakeasy



Classic speakeasy during the Prohibition. Photo courtesy of David Read

Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture proudly presents the next in its series of unique events in a hidden-away corner of its Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. Get the secret code and be part of the Valentine's Day -Edition Speakeasy on February 10th from 6-8pm. Tickets are \$35 which includes appetizers, a glass of champagne, and sweet treats. The address is 754 Plumas Street in Yuba City.

Live music will be provided by the incomparable Jim Achilles of Idle Fret. The speakeasy will also welcome a special guest bartender, Justin France. Guests will provide spirited conversation in this unique setting to really enliven the event. Tickets are available at yubasutterarts.org. Ticketholders will enter through the main theater doors but will need a secret code to enter the speakeasy for the added thrill of exclusivity. Costumes are encouraged but are not required. Sign up early as seating is limited to 25 guests. This is a 21+ event.

So, what is a speakeasy anyway? Back during Prohibition from 1920-1933ish, speakeasies, also called blind pigs, were illicit drinking establishments that sold alcoholic beverages. During that time, the manufacture, sale, and transportation of alcoholic beverages was illegal throughout the United States. It was crucial that patrons kept quiet about these secret bars,

thus the term "speakeasy." Speakeasies largely disappeared after Prohibition ended. Nowadays, the concept is enjoying a renaissance in mostly urban environments with retro-style bars that replicate the secretive aspects and vibe of historical speakeasies. The new speakeasy trend began in 2000 with the opening of the bar Milk & Honey in New York.

Today's speakeasies still offer a special and unique evening, without the illegal activity. It is fun to offer a hidden cocktail lounge for savvy Yuba-Sutter partygoers in a bar tucked away behind secret doors, complete with password-protected experiences that give a person the thrill of exclusivity. With speakeasies evolving and becoming a thing even in more rural communities, the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts Projector Room Speakeasy makes it easy for Yuba-Sutter residents to enjoy this experience close to home.

About YSA: Yuba Sutter Arts is a non-profit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance, and service to artists, organizations, and residents of Yuba and Sutter Counties. The local affiliate for Yuba and Sutter of the California Arts Council, its programs include Arts in Education, Veterans Initiatives in the Arts, Arts in Corrections, Very Special Arts Festival, Center Stage Youth Performing Arts, Convergence Theatre Co., and many more. ★



Dare to Live Without Limits

by Bryan Golden

*Life Guarantees a Chance
— Not a Fair Shake*



"That's not fair," is a common childhood mantra. It's typically heard when a child doesn't get what he or she wants. Sometimes the sentiment is valid, more often it's not.

As we grow up, adults, whether it be parents or others, tend to intercede on our behalf to demonstrate fairness. The problem is we then develop a false expectation of fairness. This leads to great frustration as we mature since fairness in life is not guaranteed.

You've probably encountered many unfair circumstances. Invariably, you will encounter more. You can yell and scream, but you won't make life fair. Unplanned, unexpected, and even unfortunate circumstances do occur. It's not ideal, but that's the way it is.

Anger is a normal reaction when encountering unfair events. You may even feel bitter or resentful. These reactions, however, do not serve you well. They are counter-productive. Additionally, they are as destructive as poison to your mind and body.

Feeling victimized is another associated emotion. When you think something is unfair you may feel someone else is out to get you. When you take on the role of victim, you become reactive instead of proactive. This means you wait for what will come next rather than becoming a proactive participant. Victims are defensive. Those who refuse to act like a victim are offensive.

On the other hand, determination is good. When something is unfair, you have a chance to make the best of it. You can choose to use a bad situation as a stepping stone to something better. You can't control your environment but you do decide how to respond to it.

When faced with the unfair, you have to decide where you want to go from there. In order to make the best of a situation, consider all of your options with an open mind. Harboring resentment impairs your judgement. You are then more likely to react emotionally instead of logically. The goal is to make your situation better, not worse.

Julie had applied for an open position in her company. She was eminently qualified and consistently received excellent performance reviews. Julie was optimistic about her chances. She really wanted the promotion. To Julie's dismay, Cathy, a friend of her boss, was hired for the job. Julie felt it wasn't fair. Cathy didn't have nearly as much experience as her.

What were Julie's options? She could go to work each day filled with bitterness, determined to get even. She didn't have to perform at such a high level. Julie could do just enough to get by. Why should she work so hard only to be treated unfairly?

The second option was for Julie to accept that such things happen. As a well-regarded employee, other opportunities would emerge. If Julie wasn't happy with the growth path at her company, she could get another job elsewhere.

If Julie picked the first option, she would only be hurting herself. As her productivity dropped, her reviews would suffer along with her chances for a promotion. Should Julie then look for another job, she certainly wouldn't get any glowing references.

The second option is much more beneficial to Julie's future. Regardless of whether she looks for a new job or not, Julie would not be acting in a self-destructive manner.

Regardless of what unfair situations you face, you have a chance to improve your situation. Understand what sequence of events lead you to your current circumstances. It may not always make sense, but that doesn't matter. What's important is optimizing your chances to make the best of it. Moving forward always beats getting mired in the past.

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



I was worried. Genuinely worried that after a miserable four-game losing streak that saw the Kings give away two games, largely because of abysmal free throw shooting, I would have nothing positive to write about.

Enter Harrison Barnes. Yes, the much maligned Harrison Barnes, and rightfully so. Harrison has under-performed nearly all season, and I have been critical of his effort: to the point of calling for coach Brown to give Trey Lyles his starting spot in the lineup.

So, after four miserable games, the Kings have now won three straight, and Mr. Barnes has played prominently in all three. 32 points, then a career best 39, and finally a solid 20-point performance against the Dallas Mavericks to help the Kings string three wins together.

The most prominent name mentioned in trade talks has been none other than Harrison Barnes, and this most recent resurgence in productivity has fans and pundits alike scratching their heads.

For many of us that have followed Harrison's career, we know and have seen what he is capable of doing, so the question must be asked, where has this been, and why now?

Coach Brown has been criticized with his starting lineup, and I will say, regardless of how well Harrison plays, Trey Lyles needs more minutes on the court every game. Trey has a basketball ceiling that we have yet to see, and we're only going to see it if he gets 30 minutes plus per game.

Much like Domantis Sabonis, Trey Lyles brings a workmanlike effort every game, and could start on many NBA teams.

Malik Monk continues to be coach Brown's 6th man, and if Malik can thrive in that role, I'll stand back and applaud. Without question, like Trey Lyles, Malik needs more minutes. His game time is a bit erratic, and if there is anyone that makes his presence felt immediately, it's Malik Monk.

What this brings us to, is what if anything are the Kings looking for as the trade deadline approaches?

If Harrison Barnes is going to play with the enthusiasm he's shown in recent games, it may very well change decisions made in regards to possible trades. We will see.

Another positive is the positive sight of Davion Mitchell coming off the bench again with regularity!

Like most players, Davion is at his best when he sees regular playing time, and he played well in all three of the Kings recent wins.

I would be remiss if I didn't mention the recent change in the Kings effort on defense. Davion Mitchell brings it every game, and his ferocious defensive style is contagious. When Davion disappeared for games at a time, getting no playing time, the defense struggled. Collectively the Kings have been getting better every game as their defense is currently at the best I've seen all season.

The Kings implausible nine blocked shots in the first half of the Maverick's game is without a doubt a record for most blocks in a half for this team, and one notable standout was none other than Keegan Murray. Three blocked shots against Luka Doncic in the first half set the tone for the game, and although the Mavericks made it closer than was necessary, the Kings defense rose to the occasion, and truly was the principal reason for the victory.

If we have learned anything about this team, it is that they can beat any team in the NBA on any given night, and further, if they decide to bring their defense to the court, they can win any game!

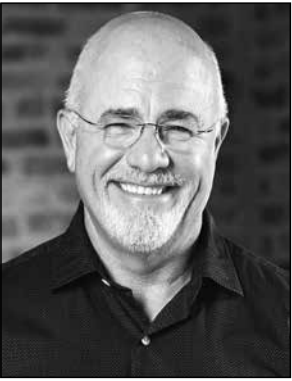
As the Kings continue on their seven-game road trip, I will watch with interest the reinvigorated Harrison Barnes, and watch to see if Davion Mitchell and Trey Lyles will continue to get extended minutes on the hardwood. These are absolute keys!

If Monte McNair can somehow add a player that can be a contributor to this team, I say all the better. Don't be too surprised if ultimately we stand relatively pat, as we did last year, making one move that proved to produce little to the equation.

Regardless, enjoy this team. This group has great leadership in Sabonis and Fox, and as the rest rally around them, great things can yet happen.

Stay tuned for an exciting second half, and if you like what you've read let me know your thoughts at vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com.

Until next time, GO KINGS!! ★



Dave Ramsey Says

Otherwise, you might use your emergency fund for something that's just the result of poor planning.

Number two, is it absolutely necessary? Most of us think we know the difference between needs and wants, but sometimes the line gets a little blurry. If your car goes completely kaput, and you need transportation, use your emergency fund to buy something affordable and reliable you can pay cash for. But don't dip into your emergency fund just to upgrade your good car for one with a million bells and whistles. That's a want, not a need.

And three, is it urgent? Sometimes, you have act like a grown-up. Every idea that pops into your mind isn't unexpected, necessary or urgent. You can live that way if you want, but the result will be a quickly depleted emergency fund. Then, what're you going to do when a real emergency comes along?

Practice the art of patience. Avoid impulse

buys. Urgent things include stuff like a broken air conditioner in the middle of summer, a busted transmission or sudden, unexpected medical expenses. A big sale at Wal Mart? No. Concert tickets? Definitely not. That great new pair of shoes you just saw in a store window? Give me a break!

Your emergency fund is about long-term security, not instant gratification. Don't use it on a whim. But don't be afraid to use it when you really need to!

— 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 ★

An Emergency Fund Isn't About Instant Gratification

Dear Dave,

We've all our debts paid off, except for our home, and our fully funded emergency fund of six months of expenses is in place. In talking to people, it seems there are lots of different opinions as to what constitutes an emergency. What guidelines do you suggest when deciding whether to use our emergency fund?

— Ingrid

Dear Ingrid,

Here are three things to ask yourself when you're tempted to dip into your emergency fund. One, is it unexpected? Things like Christmas, birthdays and even certain bills come around at the same time every year. If you're not already budgeting for these things, it's time to start.



The Brownsville Bailiwick & Beyond

We sure miss One-Eyed Jack at Stone Soup. His friendly smile always helped make our day. His celebration of life will be held downstairs at the Ponderosa Community Center on Friday, Feb. 9. Soup and salad will be served after a brief service at 11:00.

AmplaHealth is offering help to many: homeless, people with mental health problems, abused and many more. Their aim is to help people connect with agencies that can be of help. For more information please call 530 749-4100.

We are waiting for winter. Not much snow has fallen yet, and we always look forward to a few inches so then we can hope for spring. However, I remember the many feet that fell in February of 1990. That was just too much snow for our area. It did shut things down for a bit.

The Hillside Community Church's

Outreach event, sponsoring live music and food, will be waiting spring weather before starting up again. They enjoyed the two evening they had and hope to start again later.

Saturday, February 10, the Valentine Dinner will be held at the community center in Brownsville. Tickets are available at Books & More and Ray's Hardware. It should be a good party with spaghetti dinner followed by fun with Karaoke. Proceeds help support Mountain Transit.

Look Back in Time – In 1916 residents of La Porte reported that snow was so deep they had to dig tunnels from their homes to the store (before "global warming").

Hope to see you soon in Brownsville.
~ Yvonne

Oroville Man Found Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity in Murder

Butte County District Attorney News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Butte County Superior Court judge found an Oroville man to be legally insane at the time he used a shotgun to kill his mother. Previously on December 20, 2023, Andrew Nathan Iles, 35, pleaded guilty to a count of murder and admitted he used a shotgun to commit the crime. The insanity finding at the time of the murder ruled out a prison sentence but subjects Iles to a possible lifetime commitment to a state hospital.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the murder charge stemmed from a January 5, 2022, incident where Iles was in an argument with his stepfather and his mother, Susan Hill, 58. Iles had accused his parents of altering a shotgun he had. His parents denied it, and Iles went outside, shooting off a round to determine if the gun was functioning properly. After firing a round, Iles appeared satisfied and apologized to his stepfather before his stepfather left for work.

A few hours later, however, Iles called 911, telling dispatchers he had shot his mother. Deputies arrived on scene shortly after receiving the 911 call, contacted Iles, and discovered Iles shot his mother at close range, using a shotgun.

When questioned by law enforcement, Iles admitted to killing his mother because he believed she had been poisoning him and putting skin irritants on him to make him suffer. He also told detectives he attempted life-saving measures on his mother after he called 911.

Iles is an Air Force veteran with no previous criminal record. He was honorably discharged in 2010 and returned to Oroville to live with his mother and stepfather. After his return home, Iles suffered from paranoid thoughts and delusions, believing the government and others, including his mother, were trying to kill him. Iles was ultimately diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia while seeking mental health treatment through the Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Chico.

Iles had been prescribed medication to treat his schizophrenia, but he stopped taking it before the shooting. In a recent national investigative article published by ProPublica, it was claimed Iles had difficulty establishing consistent care with a mental health provider through the VA: <https://www.propublica.org/article/when-veterans-cant-access-the-psychiatric-care-they-need>.

Iles was evaluated by three separate court-appointed psychologists. Two of the three doctors agreed that Iles was legally insane at the time of the murder. The prosecution and defense submitted all three reports to the court as evidence. Taking the reports under submission, Judge Jesus Rodriguez determined Iles was legally insane at the time of the shooting.

Iles is next due in court on February 7, 2024, for the court to determine where he should be housed to receive treatment.

Absent a state hospital psychiatric clearance in the future, Iles faces a potential life term in the state hospital system. ★



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The Financial Instruments Game

When one hears about "financial instruments" on the evening news being the cause of the latest stock or economic rout, they most likely roll their eyes and change the channel, not having the faintest idea of what the news anchor is talking about.

Some might think "Oh, Wall Street is up to their money games again and I'm going to end up paying for it".

And yea, that's about the long and short of it.

A financial instrument is just a contract between two parties. There are many financial contract instruments that we use in our daily lives. They include stocks, checks, mortgages, bank deposits and loans, to name but a few.

But there are contracts that large financial institutions use that you might have never heard of.

These larger financial contracts can be best understood as something resembling a bet.

The professionals might prefer the term *hedge*, but *bet* pretty much covers it.

These larger contracts act as insurance policies for large financial institutions. They can be simple mechanisms or very complex ones. One of the easiest ways to understand these products might be to compare them to a car insurance policy. You pay an insurance company a premium and they take the risk of covering any damage to your vehicle. Insurance is simply transferring your risk to another party for a *fee*. The same goes for many of these complex financial contracts. The "writer of the instrument" or "seller" assumes a financial risk and gets paid by the other party (the buyer) to do so.

There is always a loser and a winner.

In the case of your automobile, if you don't have an accident, the insurance company wins the bet. If you do crash your car, you win the bet. Realistically, no one wins if they crash their favorite car, but you get the point.

One of the most complex financial instruments is called a *derivative*.

Warren Buffett, the famous investor and billionaire that runs Berkshire Hathaway, a huge investment firm, once coined derivatives as "financial weapons of mass destruction...."

Buffett goes on to say he doesn't use them for the most part because he doesn't fully understand them. Makes us wonder who does.

These instruments can go by acronyms like CDO (Collateralized Debt Obligation), MBS (Mortgage Backed Security), CMO (Collateralize Mortgage Obligation) and hundreds of other strange sounding names and descriptions.

You might recognize some of these names as making the evening news way back in 2008/09 as the cause of the real estate blow up and banking crisis. And you

would be partially correct. Many of these derivative contracts such as the CDO and the MBS did play a huge part in the crisis.

The terms and conditions of these financial instruments can be very complex. Such so as they may be understood by a very few, which may include the purchasers of these products including experienced investors like Warren Buffett.

In the case of many of the 2008/09 derivative like the MBS or CDO, many were bought by large pension funds, huge hedge funds and even the investment funds of entire cities, states and countries. As it came to be known, many of the managers of these funds understood very little about what they were buying and the subsequent risks they were exposed to. And therein lay the problem.

Because they were so complexed, in some cases the only people that really understood them were the math quants that developed them. Many of these contracts were also intertwined and interdependent with each other, meaning a failure in one could cause failures in others. Sort of like the proverbial game of dominoes. And the game played out very well in 2008.

Keep in mind we're not talking about contracts for a few thousand dollars. The amount of the derivatives in force around the 2008 crisis was over 600 trillion, a staggering amount. The GDP of the entire planet (all the money spent on all the goods and services around the globe in one year) is estimated at about 88 Trillion. This meant the amount of derivative contracts in force in 2008 was comparatively inconceivable. The amount in force today is just as large, if not larger.

As we found out in 2008 when something goes seriously wrong somewhere in the chain of these financial Frankenstein's, things can go very wrong, very fast.

Although we survived the 2008/09 global financial crisis and were assured by our monetary authorities they have installed better safeguards and a repeat is not possible, that statement has a familiar ring to it.

And we seem to have a lot of repeats.

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

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Grant Funds Awarded to Help Citrus Farmers Enhance Pollinator Habitat

The California Farm Bureau and its partners have received \$5 million from the California Department of Food and Agriculture to implement climate-smart farming practices in citrus groves in 11 counties. The project, which is part of CDFA's Healthy Soils Block Grant Pilot Program, will focus on hedgerow planting, carbon sequestration and soil management practices, all of which create safe pollinator habitat in citrus groves. It will fund citrus groves in Fresno, Imperial, Kern, Kings, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Tulare, San Diego, Placer and Ventura counties.

UC Davis Launches Center to Study Cultivated Meat and Proteins

The University of California, Davis, is establishing a new Integrative Center for Alternative Meat and Protein. The center will work toward large-scale commercialization and technological advancement of alternative proteins, including cultivated meat from animal cells, growing in large fermentors, plant- and fungal-based foods and hybrids that combine conventional meat products with alternative proteins. The world's demand for meat is expected to increase 50% to 100% over the next 25 years, said Center Director David Block.

Research Takes Aim at Using Farm Byproducts for Fuels and More

University of California researchers are sharing new findings on how to access the sugars locked up in plant materials to convert byproducts into new feedstocks to produce fuels, materials and chemicals. The findings, published in the journal Green Chemistry, can help lower the technological barrier and make it easier for the sustainable conversion of plant material, including agricultural byproducts, said Tina Jeoh, a professor of biological and agricultural engineering at the University of California, Davis, which led research on the project.

USDA Announces \$207 Million Effort to Boost Fertilizer, Renewable Energy Production

The U.S. Department of Agriculture will invest \$207 million in renewable energy and domestic fertilizer projects in an attempt to lower energy bills, generate new income and strengthen competition for U.S. farmers, ranchers and agricultural producers. The plan was announced by Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack at the American Farm Bureau Federation convention in Salt Lake City. Vilsack said the investments "will expand access to renewable energy infrastructure and increase domestic fertilizer production." ★

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Chico Man Sentenced to Probation for Bizarre Assault

Butte County DA News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At a sentencing hearing yesterday in Butte County Superior Court, Daniel Mason Clark, 49, of Chico, was sentenced to a two-year term of probation for his bizarre assault with his truck on an unsuspecting pedestrian in Chico.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said

the incident occurred on April 15, 2023, near the Esplanade and Lassen Avenue when Clark intentionally turned his Ford Ranger truck into a 39-year-old male pedestrian walking on the sidewalk alongside the Esplanade. The victim suffered minor injuries to his right foot. Clark then armed himself with a chain and rocks and continued to pursue the victim on foot before Chico police arrived and arrested Clark.

Clark told police he was seeking revenge on the victim for an alleged prior incident at a recent party. The victim informed officers he had never met Clark before.

At the sentencing hearing, Clark's attorney said Clark had been struggling with recent mental health and substance abuse issues before the incident. Evidence was presented of attempts by Clark to address his then rapidly declining

mental state by him contacting local emergency services for a psychiatric evaluation.

Butte County Superior Court Judge Corie Caraway granted Clark a two-year term of probation citing Clark's lack of any criminal history and recent mental health challenges. In exchange, Clark agreed to waive his 264 days of custody credits for his time in custody since he was arrested on April 15, 2023, and stipulated that

should he violate his probation he would receive an upper term of four years in prison.

As part of his probation, Clark was ordered to a residential treatment program to complete psychiatric testing and treatment.

Ramsey said the Department of Motor Vehicles will be notified of the conviction which will cause a lifetime revocation of Clark's driving privileges. ★

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of trust in the property situated in said county and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced deed of trust. As more fully described in the attached legal description. See Exhibit A. Sale Date: February 23, 2024 Sale Time: 9:00 AM Sale Location: The Fifth Street Entrance, Yuba County Courthouse, 215 Fifth St., Marysville, CA 95901 File No.:23-05960CA The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 4835 Arboga Rd, Olivehurst, CA 95961. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$416,057.42 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than

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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

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2024F-019

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

XEROPOINTE
2076 Moss Glen Loop
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
1. Christy Galli
2076 Moss Glen Loop
Marysville, CA 95901
2. Wes Pamplona
6100 48th Ave., Apt. 5206
Sacramento, CA 95828
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 01/24/2024.

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

Signed:
Christy Galli
CA President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 01/24/2024.
(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
Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2024F-001

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

Midas Marysville
928 H Street
Marysville, CA 95901
MAILING ADDRESS:
2201 Francisco Dr.
Ste. 140-573
Eldorado Hills, CA 95762
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
Thunder Strike Investments LLC
2201 Francisco Dr.
Ste. 140-573
Eldorado Hills, CA 95762
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 N/A.

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

Signed:
Brandy Sparks
CA Manager
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 01/04/2024.
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DONNA HILLEGASS,
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By BRIDGETTE EVANS
Deputy Clerk
Jan. 12, 19, 26, Feb. 2, 2024

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2024F-014

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

Lopez Maintenance Services
1779 Linda Avenue
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
1. Jesus Lopez Mata
PO Box 281
Olivehurst, 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 1/17/2024.

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

Signed:
Jesus Lopez
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 1/17/2024.
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DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,
Deputy Clerk
January 26, February 2, 9, 16, 2024

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2024F-007

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

The Liquor Empire
301 E Street
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
1. Sarvasva Success Inc.
301 E Street
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by a Corporation.

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

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

Signed:
Sambhav Soni
CA President
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on January 9, 2024.
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DONNA HILLEGASS,
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By NELIDA WILLIAMS,
Deputy Clerk
January 19, 26, February 2, 9, 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.
(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By 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
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on Jan. 08, 2024.
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DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
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,
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Community Events
VALENTINE'S DINNER & DRINKS
Saturday, Feb. 10 • 5:30 pm
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Adults \$8, Children under 12 \$4, 3 & under Free.

Focusing on Local Athletes

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Dispatch originally the goal was to cover Sutter as one of the “big time” programs they would eventually do, but they treat the Huskies program as their second home for giving them the start and the opportunity to break into the empire.

STSS expressed to the Dispatch that the biggest game they have covered was a game between national power football programs of Mater Dei of Santa Ana (CA) at Bishop Gorman in Las Vegas (NV).

On top of doing football games, STSS has expanded to basketball, and they plan to attempt other sports as well in the future.

“At the end of the day, we are

Shootinthestraightsports — it’s about the kids at the end of the day,” Wilson said.

As many people see them on the field or hardwood shooting with their cameras, the behind the scenes includes long hours of video editing, pictures and videos.

“The biggest thing is we’re perfectionists — it has to look a certain way,” Lipkins said.

STSS hopes to continue growing in 2024 as they continue to tell the kids and everyone watching their story of the local athletes who deserve to get love, and as their famous phrase echoes in your mind, remember, “We out here,” Wilson and Lipkins said. ★

The Acting Company Presents OUR TOWN

The Acting Company News Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Established in 1984, The Acting Company kicks off its 40th Anniversary Season with Thornton Wilder’s OUR TOWN. Directed by Geoff Wander, OUR TOWN is a three-act play performed without the use of scenery and very few props. It presents the fictional American town of Grover’s Corners, New Hampshire between 1901 and 1913 through the everyday lives of its citizens. This play will not be like others you have seen before or what you expect. Edward Albee described OUR TOWN as “the greatest American play ever written.”

Leading the cast of OUR TOWN are local favorites Neil Thorson as the Stage Manager, Charlotte Ramey as Emily Webb, and Nico Buttacavoli as George Gibbs. Other local favorites in the cast include Elizabeth Acosta, Ayla Beamer, Cozy Beamer, Nolia Beamer, Dennis Bissell, Morgan Cassady, Todd Chambers, Sian Comp in, Meredith Davenport, Nora Davenport, Jacob Hankins, Samuel Madrid, Foster McManus, Emma-Lee Pate, Michelle Rewerts, Sam Scott, Megan Shearer, Miles Small, and Stuart Suwabe.

Wilder explained his vision in writing the play: “Our Town is not offered as a picture of life in a New Hampshire village or as a speculation about the condition of life after death. It is an attempt to find a value above all price for the smallest events in our life. I have made the claim as preposterous as possible, for I have set the village against the largest dimension of time and place. We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.”

The Acting Company is a non-profit organization who engages, inspires, entertains and challenges audiences with theatrical productions that range from the classics to new works. Our productions train and support our existing actors and provide a venue for the next generation of theater artists. We provide youth acting programs that promote life-long learning to a diverse community. We continue to celebrate the magic of live theater

to illuminate our common humanity. The Acting Company brings a cultural focus to our area through live theater by involving adults and children of all ethnicities—on stage, backstage and as audience members. Keep up on all the fun, learn audition dates, and be in the know on upcoming shows at Facebook.com/TheActingCompany.

OUR TOWN plays weekends February 9 - March 3 at The Acting Company, 815 B Street, Yuba City. Performances are on Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm and Sundays at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20. Opening weekend ONLY discounts are \$18 for seniors, students, and military families. Best to make reservations in advance. Tickets may be purchased online at www.actingcompany.org or at the Box Office: 815 B Street, Yuba City, 530 751-1100. Regular hours are Monday-Friday from Noon to 2:00 p.m. (except holidays).

Curt Schroeder, one of the founders of The Acting Company, noted, “OUR TOWN was the first play ever performed by The Acting Company in its theater at 815 B Street, Yuba City. The play is being reprised in celebration of our 40 years of bringing live theater in the Yuba-Sutter Community. You are cordially invited to attend our 40th Anniversary Gala which will be held on March 23 at the Tri-Counties Community Center, 1830 B Street in Marysville. The evening will include dinner, an auction, and entertainment by favorite local actors and singers. Tickets are \$50 per person. For more information, please call our Box Office at 530-751-1100 or online at www.actingcompany.org.” OUR TOWN is America’s answer to Shakespeare. It will touch your heart.

AUDITIONS—COMING UP NEXT AT THE ACTING COMPANY:

The Dining Room — Written by A.R. Gurney and Directed by David Wheeler

Auditions will be held at The Acting Company, 815 B Street, Yuba City, on February 19 and 20 at 7:00pm. Six actors are needed for the roles—two men, two women, one teenaged boy and one teenaged girl. ★

California Farm Bureau-Sponsored Bill Targets Impacts of Statewide Wildfire Smoke

California Farm Bureau News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Over the past five years, California has experienced unprecedented wildfire activity that has devastated nearly ten million acres across the state. Wildfire smoke has poured in from hundreds of miles away, severely impacting air quality around regions unaffected by the wildfire itself.

This is a direct result of years of mismanaged forest and wildland strategies that have created a new reality for California — one in which wildfires burn faster and hotter than ever before, presenting grave dangers to the environment and residents. As a result, many people suffered from health and economic impacts as they have been forced to shelter in place, with businesses and schools shutting down, and other daily operations coming to a halt.

Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil’s Senate Bill 945 (The Wildfire Smoke and Health Outcomes Data Act) would allow state agencies to track and monitor air pollution, population exposure, and cases of adverse health outcomes due to

wildfire smoke. Using the compiled data, the appropriate agencies would be able to facilitate future research efforts to better understand the negative impacts of wildfire smoke on the environment and California’s population. Currently, there is insufficient data by the state and medical community on these health impacts.

“Ensuring the well-being of our communities means understanding the true impact of wildfire smoke. Our bill aims to unveil the impacts on our population, emphasizing the urgent need to address forest health for a resilient and healthier California,” Senator Marie Alvarado-Gil stated.

The California Council of Science and Technology recently published a report stating that improving the health of California’s forests not only reduces the risk of wildfire, it can also benefit people’s health.

Shannon Douglass, President of the California Farm Bureau, weighed in on the significance of the bill saying, “Farming and ranching communities have been hit directly by wildfire smoke. At a time when state and federal governments, including

private landowners, are making substantial investments to mitigate wildfire hazards in our forests and woodlands, it is imperative that policy makers understand how neglecting to invest in our wildfire-prone communities can impact health outcomes -- from bringing on respiratory illnesses to pregnancy complications -- across the state’s population.”

It is essential that we work with our environmental partners to create and maintain a resilient California, where informed research guides our actions, and a commitment to forest health becomes the foundation for a safer, cleaner, and brighter future for all.

Senator Alvarado-Gil represents the 4th Senate District, including the counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Inyo, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne.

The California Farm Bureau works to protect family farms and ranches on behalf of nearly 26,000 members statewide and as part of a nationwide network of 5.3 million Farm Bureau members. ★

Missing Teenager Found Safe

Story by Susan Meeker

LEESVILLE, CA (MPG) - The desperate hunt for a runaway teenager is over.

The 15-year-old Leesville girl who was last seen three months ago has been found safe and has been reunited with her family, Colusa County Sheriff’s Officials reported.

The Colusa County Sheriff’s Office’s Detective Unit located Lilly Edwards, on Jan. 19, living in a tent near the American River, in Sacramento, with Andrew Magana, 18, of Maxwell, the man she left home with sometime in the night of Oct. 9, without her parent’s permission.

On Sunday, Lilly’s mother, Cristy Edwards, posted on social media her relief that her daughter was home, and thanked the local law enforcement team, including Assistant Sheriff Michael Bradwell and Detective Kane Lausten, for their tireless effort to locate Lilly, and for the support she received from the community.

“My tribe of family, friends, and community are powerful prayer warriors and

loving people,” Cristy Edwards said. “I am so profoundly touched.”

In a news release, issued shortly after the pair were located, the Colusa County Sheriff’s Office also thanked everyone who assisted in this investigation, including the public, non-profit entities, and other law enforcement agencies involved in trying to find the teen after she and Magana were driven out of the county by a friend.

According to the Sheriff’s Office, Edwards and Magana were cooperative when they were discovered around 11:50 a.m. last Friday. Both were transported back to the Colusa County Jail, where Magana was arrested on two misdemeanor charges on suspicion of defying a custody order and contributing to the delinquency of a minor. He was booked into the Colusa County Jail on \$5,000 bail.

Lilly Edwards was reportedly unharmed by the ordeal, although her mother noted, while posting a new photo of the smiling teenager, that there would be some “down time and work to do.” ★

Fatal DUI Crash Occurs in Sutter County

California Highway Patrol News Release

SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - On January 27, 2024, at approximately 1605 hours, a 2021 Honda Accord driven by Adrienne Maloney, was traveling northbound on South George Washington Boulevard, south of Lincoln Road. Mallory Myers was driving a 2012 Mazda 3m southbound on South George Washington,

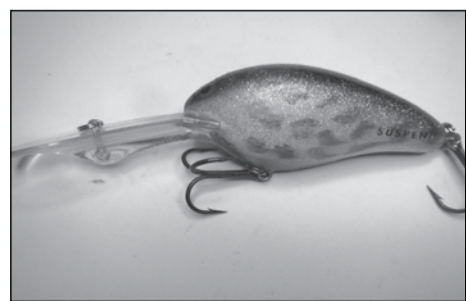
south of Lincoln Road.

A collision occurred and the right front passenger of the Mazda suffered fatal injuries. Both drivers remained on scene. Alcohol is considered to be a contributing factor to the collision at this time. Maloney was arrested for 191.5(a) PC - Gross Vehicular Manslaughter while Intoxicated and 23153(a) VC - Felony DUI Causing Injury. Maloney was booked into the Sutter County Jail. ★



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Crankbait

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LAKES RESERVOIRS

Donner Lake; water temp is 59 degrees. Slow troll at 1.8 MPH, side-planer set at 150 ft, 8-feet deep. 15 pound Mackinaws caught and released. Try: 6”-Broke-back Rebel. (b) Folsom Lake; King Salmon of 4-5 lbs. caught at 30-ft



Rapala with side planer

deep. Try: Side-planer at 30’ deep/ 3 ¾” deep running Rapala. (b) Paradise Lake; tired of fishing. Go ice skating. Admission \$14.00 includes ice skates. Rollins Reservoir, just north of Colfax on highway 80. Originally named “Rio de Oso” (Bear River). Lots of Spotted Bass. Camp at Long Ravine CG and fish the shoreline. Try: Carolina Rig. Also, known for its Pumpkin Seed Sunfish. Found in shallow waters, kids love Um, they taste so good. Try: Baby Frog. (b)

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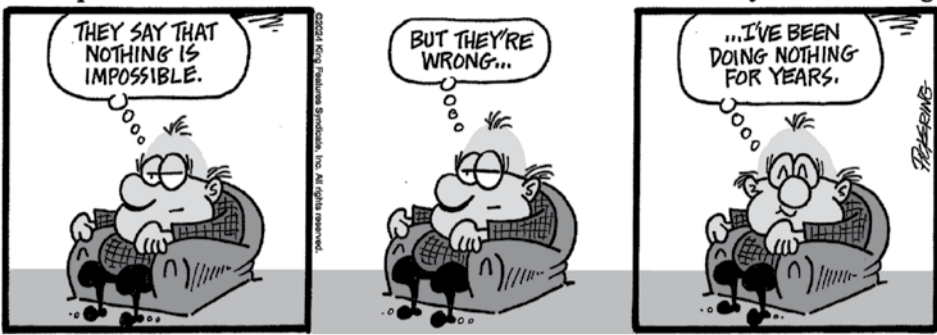


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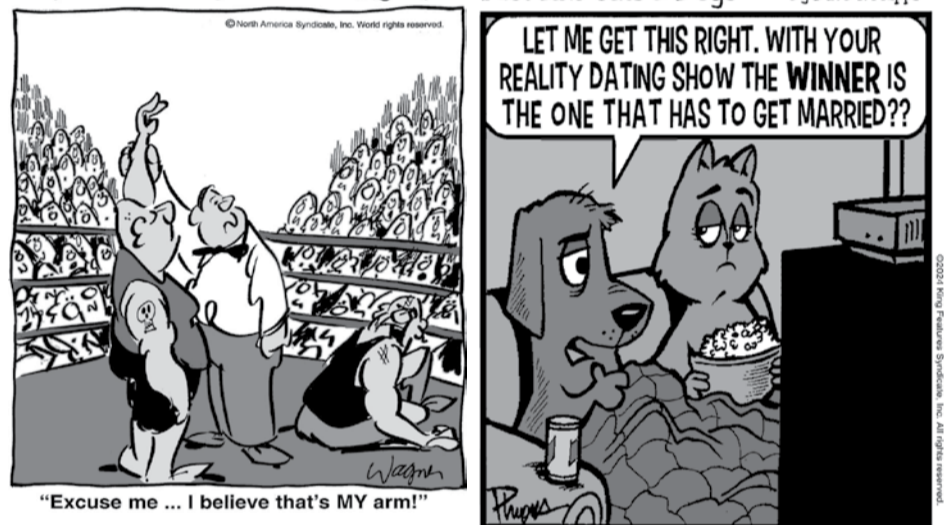
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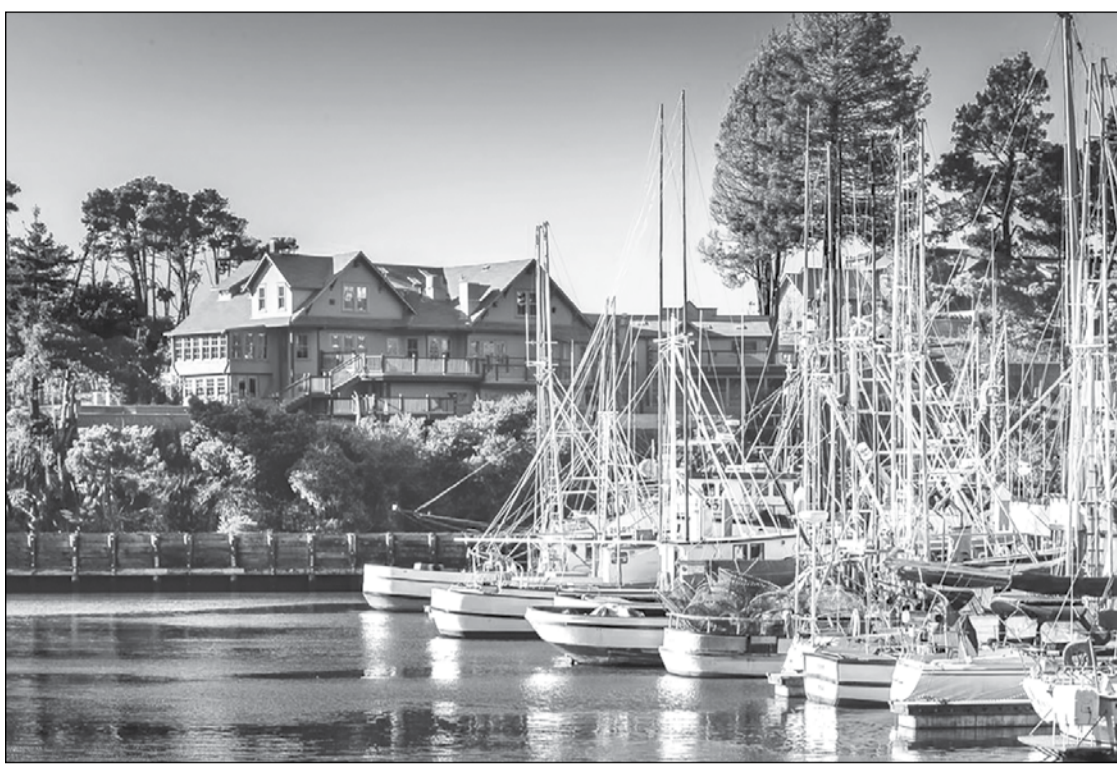
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Romantic Inn on The Mendocino Coast Offers Tranquility

Noyo Harbor Inn
News Release

FORT BRAGG, CA (MPG) - Most of us have tried it. Some sort of sleep soundtrack to help us drift off into the land of Nod. Anyone seeking a cozy, romantic getaway may appreciate that Fort Bragg's own Noyo Harbor Inn offers a "live" sleep soundtrack all its own.

"Because our inn is located on a bluff where the Noyo River meets the ocean, the sights and sounds of both the harbor and open sea are a part of the visitor experience," said Noyo Harbor Inn General Manager Scott Schneider. Indeed, the chatter of sea lions, gulls, fishing boats, kayakers, and a variety of shore birds, such as nearby nesting Ospreys, are just some of the gentle effects that are amplified from the waterway below, which is the only working fishing harbor between San Francisco and Crescent City.



Historic Noyo Harbor Inn features "Cupids Arrow" cocktail and dining; immaculate accommodations; and a coastal serenade. Photo courtesy of Noyo Harbor Inn

train excursion through ancient redwoods aboard the Mendocino Railway's Pudding Creek Express. Skunktrain.com

-Downtown Fort Bragg and nearby Mendocino are historic landmarks with distinctive shops, galleries, cafes, and restaurants.

-Glass Beach in Fort Bragg was once covered in sea glass thanks to bottles discarded there more than a century ago. Today, much of the glass is gone, but the beach and surrounding trails offer a dramatic environment for exploring.

-The Noyo Headlands Coastal Trail stretches more than 10 miles along the coast, offering a level, smooth, wide path for walking and biking, with easy access for strollers and wheelchairs, too. The trail leads to stunning views, beaches, and the new Noyo Center for Marine Science.

-Private charters for sea fishing and whale watching are available in



Noyo Harbor Inn features many excursions to fill up your itinerary. Photo courtesy of Noyo Harbor Inn

While the sounds of nature abound, the noises of other inn guests do not. "We have created a luxuriant getaway with comfort in mind," said Joseph Marino, the inn's owner and visionary. "The structure is soundproofed between floors so that each of our 15 rooms and suites is its own

private cocoon." Indeed, private decks, gas fireplaces, soaking tubs, spa services, sumptuous linens, 42-inch flat-screen televisions and French-press coffee makers are just some of the comforts that exist amid the inn's architectural design elements. A range of spa services are also available. Bookings are

encouraged in advance of arrival by emailing info@noyoharborinn.com or calling (707) 961-8000.

The inn is also offering plenty of "flavor" this winter season. Fresh crab is currently a menu specialty at the on-site, full-service HarborView Bistro & Bar, which has been honored as a Wine Spectator Restaurant Award winner for a second consecutive year. Meanwhile, the resident mixologist is featuring the "Cupids Arrow," a champagne cocktail made with Empress 1908 Elderflower Rose Gin; and elderflower liqueur. Another special is the "Rose Lemon Drop" made with Grey Goose Le Citron; house made rose simple syrup; lemon juice; and house made lemon bitters.

Famed for its fresh, locally sourced, and mostly organic entrées and small plates, the restaurant offers an elegant yet approachable setting with tranquil views of the picturesque Noyo River and boat docks. Diners may relax at a table on the pet-friendly outdoor deck or cozy up in the Craftsman-period wood paneled dining room.

Outdoor paths invite guests to explore the gardens, lounge in



One of the many homey yet luxurious rooms the Inn offers. Photo courtesy of Noyo Harbor Inn

the gazebo or wander down to the working harbor below . . . all amid the therapeutic soundtrack of sea life and breaking waves. For the latest packages, please visit noyoharborinn.com.

Things to do and see while staying at Noyo Harbor Inn:

-Enjoy a 75-minute roundtrip

the Noyo Harbor, as well as paddleboard and kayak rentals.

-The Point Cabrillo Light Station is a working, historic light station just south of the Noyo Harbor Inn. The surrounding area is a state park with trails along the rugged coast, along with a visitor center and tours. ★

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Huskies Take Over Third-Place in PVL, Indians Split Week

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Sutter Union boys basketball team swept the season series over the Marysville Indians as they beat them 51-48 on Wednesday, January 23, and took a step forward toward the playoff hunt.

As this was the final time these two teams met in the regular season due to them both being in separate leagues next season, both teams expressed to the Dispatch post-game they are excited to move on as these games are stressful against one another.

The intense battle started out in the first quarter as Sutter took an early 13-2 lead after scoring 13 straight over a four-minute stretch before Marysville scored a couple baskets.

A great Huskies defensive play denied the Indians of a shot opportunity and Sutter ended the first with a 15-6 lead.

In the second quarter, the Indians took a couple of charges and got some good momentum throughout the quarter. Before the end of the half, the Huskies defense again stepped up and had a big defensive stop, not allowing a Marysville shot to go towards the basket.

Sutter took a 27-22 lead into the half.

The Indians quickly tied the game in the first couple minutes of the second half as their defense forced a few turnovers by the Huskies.

Defensively for Marysville, junior guard

Dennis Syders facilitated the defense along with senior center Joshiah Arrington being a force in the middle, and he had spurts throughout the night that were a huge positive for the Indians.

Sutter struggled early on in the third as they didn't score their first points of the second half until there were three minutes and 19 seconds left in the third when senior guard Naseem Bhatti hit a jump shot.

The Huskies roared back, and after senior Jordan Lee hit a three, Sutter didn't relinquish their lead again.

The Huskies took a five-point lead heading into the fourth quarter, and every time Marysville got within a possession of tying or taking the lead, Sutter would instantly stretch the lead to two possessions.

Indians senior forward Anthony Walker was fouled with 1.6 seconds in the game down by three points, and had the chance to tie the game, but after missing the first and making the second, he intentionally missed the third but was called on a violation for not hitting the rim.

Walker hit four three-pointers during the game.

Bhatti was fouled on the following inbound play and put the lead back to three with less than a second in the game remaining.

Sutter Head Coach Nabeel Bhatti expressed to the Dispatch they made plays when they needed to throughout the game and shots fell when they needed too.



Marysville junior guard Dennis Syders (4) lays the ball out after driving the paint in the Indians' 51-48 loss to Sutter on Wednesday, January 24.



Marysville senior forward Anthony Walker (24 white), junior guard Dennis Syders (4 white) and Sutter senior guard Naseem Bhatti (23 blue) go for a rebound in the Indians' 51-48 loss to Sutter on Wednesday, January 24.



Sutter senior guard Gannon Deal (24) puts a layup off the glass in the Huskies' 51-48 victory over Marysville on Wednesday, January 24.



Sutter senior forward Jagger Beck (14) attempts to put the ball up in the Huskies' 51-48 win against Marysville on Wednesday, January 24.

He added that the biggest win for the Huskies is being consistent with the good effort.

Sutter senior forward Jagger Beck and Lee told the Dispatch they were consistent with the effort and made adjustments on the court at the right time.

Lee and Beck added that

if they continue to play their type of games in the second half of league season, the team will be good moving forward.

Marysville assistant coach Verne Harris told the Dispatch that both sides played with a lot of heart.

Moving forward for the

Indians, Harris said that in the rest of league play, it's going to be about pride for Marysville.

The Indians bounced back on Friday, January 26, with a victory over Center. They hosted Colfax this past Wednesday and travel to Lincoln tonight as they

play at Twelve Bridges.

The Huskies hosted Center on Wednesday night in hopes of avenging the January 10 defeat at Center. Tonight, Sutter host Bear River as they are looking to jump the Huskies in the third and final automatic Pioneer Valley League playoff bid. ★

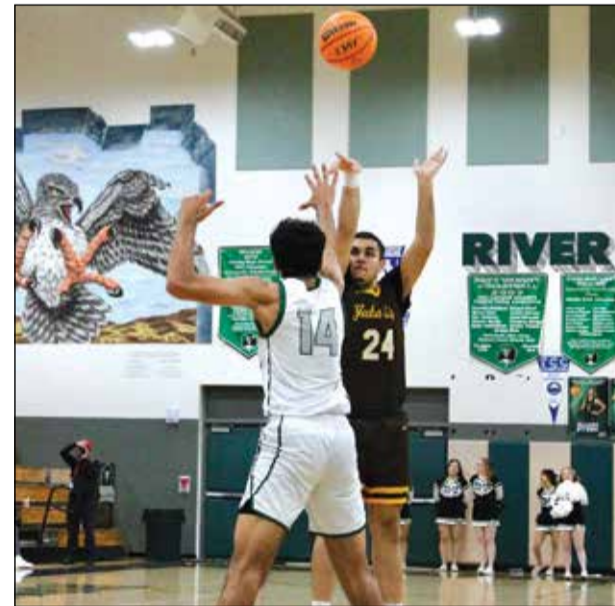
Falcons Get First CVC Win of Season as Honkers Stay Winless



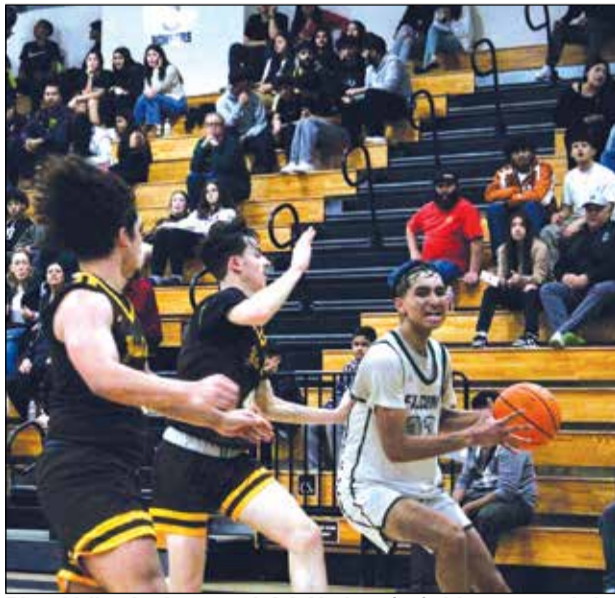
Yuba City senior guard Anthony Medina (5) shoots a three pointer in the Honkers' 57-47 defeat to River Valley on Monday, January 22.



Yuba City junior forward Abhi Mehata (24) drives to the basket in the 57-47 Honkers' loss to River Valley on Monday, January 22.



Yuba City junior forward Abhi Mehata (24) shoots a three-point shot in the Honkers' 57-47 loss to River Valley on Monday, January 22.



River Valley junior guard Jai Chohan (23) drives toward the basket in the Falcons' 57-47 win over Yuba City on Monday, January 22.



River Valley senior guard Munneth Gill (14) drives to the basket in the Falcons' 57-47 victory over Yuba City on Monday, January 22.

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - The River Valley Falcons picked up their first league win in the Capital Valley Conference in a 57-47 win over their cross-town rival in the Yuba City Honkers on Monday, January 22.

It was a battle of

winless teams in the CVC, but the hometown bragging rights meant more and it was apparent in the gym as both schools showed up with pride and school spirit.

River Valley took a 16-9 lead at the end of the first and were successful with driving the ball into the paint and getting the ball into the low post for

easy scores.

In the second quarter, River Valley did get into foul trouble with three minutes and 40 seconds left and Yuba City was able to climb back into the game as they started hitting shots.

The Falcons led 28-27 at the half.

In the third quarter, River Valley quickly got

into foul trouble again and was in the penalty with six minutes and 32 seconds left in the third quarter, but the Honkers failed to capitalize on the opportunity and get to the foul line.

Yuba City head coach Terry Evans, who was visibly frustrated post-game, told the Dispatch they had a lot of

self-inflicted wounds during the game.

"There's no morale victories," Evans said. He added that he is frustrated with the offense not being run for a full game.

The Honkers were doubled up on rebounds by the Falcons (37-18) in the game and also didn't take full opportunity of River Valley being in the penalty super early in the third quarter.

Yuba City was led by junior forward Abhi Mehata with 15 points and senior guard Anthony Medina added 12 points and six rebounds.

The game was knotted up at 41 heading into the fourth quarter where it was the Falcons show, and they protected their home court for the first win over Yuba City since the 2021-22 season.

River Valley came out in the fourth more hungry for the win as junior forward Yuvraj Dosanjh led the Falcons in points with 15 and senior forward

Munneth Gill had a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

River Valley Head Coach Brian Lowe told the Dispatch working the ball inside throughout the game is what put them over the edge.

Lowe expressed the play of junior guard Tarun Nijjar was huge in the victory as he ran the show. Nijjar had eight points, seven rebounds, four assists and played the entire game.

Lowe told the Dispatch for the second half of the CVC schedule they need to continue to get the ball inside.

The Falcons hosted Bella Vista and Roseville this week and will next travel to Antelope on Monday, February 5.

Evans told the Dispatch he is leaving the second half of the CVC schedule in the hands of the seniors — if they want to change the momentum and transfer what they do in practice, then it's up to them. ★