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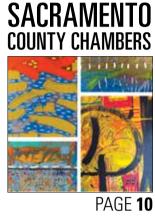
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Lions Club celebrates the arch

By Gene Kypke

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - The Lions Club of Rio Linda has been working on a massive community project that started in 2015. If you have been through downtown Rio Linda, it would be very hard to miss our famous "Arch". It was given to us from a nearby town called Marysville in late 1925 and erected in 1926. Now that the town has a basic landmark, people reflect back by saying, oh yeah, I drove through there in... Fast forward back to 2015. The Lions Club of Rio Linda have proudly been working on three Welcome signs to the Rio Linda area. Lion Larry George and Lion Ed Valencia have been the two major contacts that have documented ALL the issues. upgrades needed and such with the County, and Lion Larry has kept a FINE documented binder of everything involved!

The Lions Club of Rio Linda sketched out and designed what they wanted. We found an engineer that did the lay out, drawing and preparing for the Sacramento Building Department. In days past, if you had a "Welcome to the Community" sign, with all the local groups and organizations represented, they were very basic block or wooden structures. We wanted ours to be unique to us and stand out as art. classic and be memorable. The first sign that was constructed is located at 16th and Elkhorn Blvd. It is property we lease from Rio Linda Parks and Recreations. It was designed with our historic "ARCH" layout, very similar to the main bike trail Arches, that prevail for several miles, from Elverta to Del Paso Heights. They

are updated arches designed after our downtown Archway with the blinking light, located at Rio Linda Blvd and "M" St.

We wrote to our County Supervisor of District 4, at that time Roberta MacGlashan, and explained our proposal and goal. She really helped and blessed it with a good-sized monetary kick off! Once we had the official County requirements fulfilled, we started this endeavor! We worked with Pacific Powder Coating and Metal Fabrication in Sacramento for all three signs. We presented them with our plans in hand, and they were instrumental with the designs and working the magic we laid out for our community! The Lions Club of Rio Linda orchestrated all the building, planning, selling of sign space, operation and coordination of, drilling ground holes, pouring cement, Continued on page 3

Local Girl **Scouts Sharpen Entrepreneurship** Skills as **Cookie Season Kicks Off**

Girl Scouts Heart of Central California News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) Girl Scouts Heart of Central California (GSHCC) is excited to announce the official launch of the 2024 Girl Scout cookie season, bringing delightful treats and smiles to communities in the Greater Sacramento, Stockton, and Modesto regions. The Cookie Program not only spreads joy but also fosters the entrepreneurial spirit of numerous local Girl Scouts.

The Girl Scout Cookie Program is the largest girlled entrepreneurial program in the world. Proceeds from the Program support local Girl Scout troops and enable GSHCC to organize workshops, events, and initiatives that help create the next generation of empowered and innovative female leaders. GSHCC's Cookie Program supports two Girl Scout camps, two STEM Centers + MakerSpaces, a mobile STEM Center + MakerSpace, and provides resources to more than 4,000 volunteers. "Entrepreneurship remains one of Girl Scouts' most powerful program pillars," said GSHCC Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Linda E. Farley. "More than 8,000 local Girl Scouts will participate in the Cookie Program this year, gaining real-world opportunities to practice their entrepreneurship skills. Beyond the goal setting, money-management, and decision-making skills these girls learn, they also make connections with their community, develop friendships with their sister Girl Scouts, express creativity, and build their capacity to be leaders." Local Girl Scouts have already begun taking orders from family and friends, and supporters will begin to see cookies available for local purchase in front of stores beginning February 23 through March 17. Additionally, GSHCC encourages the use of the Cookie Finder feature on the Girl Scouts' website, which provides a convenient and accessible way for cookie enthusiasts to locate nearby cookie booths. Cookie connoisseurs can input their zip code in the Cookie Finder tool to see where cookies are being sold in their community.





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Record Number of Volunteers Count People Experiencing Homelessness in Sacramento

Sacramento Steps Forward News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A two-night effort to count the number of people experiencing unsheltered homelessness kicked off tonight at the primary deployment center at Sacramento State University's Harper Alumni Center on College Town Drive.

Hundreds of the more than 800 registered volunteers showed up at the University site and two additional locations, Citrus Heights and Rancho Cordova, to receive their maps and directions to locations where unhoused neighbors are likely to be found, while officials from the city, county and state kicked off the effort by thanking volunteers and emphasizing the importance of the effort to

understand and act on the homelessness crisis.

Sacramento Steps Forward Chief Executive Officer Lisa Bates told volunteers and Sacramento leaders gathered that "your presence sends a powerful message to those experiencing homelessness -- it says you are not alone. We see you. We hear you. And you count!"

Sacramento's regional civic leaders have become more united than ever in addressing homelessness, taking responsibilities within an "All In" Local Action Plan finalized in 2022. This year the Plan is expanding to include more cities and significant community input and regional focus. The PIT Count data will be used as one measure of progress and help shape future programming to serve the unsheltered and others experiencing homelessness or at high risk.

It will take two nights to reach all the areas selected for the 2024 PIT Count. On Thursday night, additional volunteers will deploy from Sacramento as well as Elk Grove. Outreach workers employed by local agencies will conduct a separate count during daylight hours along the American River Corridor in the coming days.

All census takers will be using a new "Counting Us Mobile App" on their smart phones to conduct the Count. The application was developed by Simtech Solutions and is used in many cities and counties across the U.S. The new method will allow volunteers to gather observational and survey data and upload it to a central command center. The new

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app replaces a previously used app and paper-based collection methods.

Point in Time unsheltered homelessness counts are conducted in communities across the nation every two years. They are mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) for communities that seek federal resources to address homelessness. HUD uses this information to create a comprehensive national picture.

The last PIT community wide effort, held in 2022 in Sacramento, accounted for 6,664 unsheltered individuals. The report, which takes several months to complete, also documented 2,614 sheltered individuals experiencing homelessness, for a combined total number *Continued on page 2*



Trailways Forges Strategic Alliance with Greyhound and Flixbus



Trailways buses will soon be available in your area. Photo courtesy of Trailways

Trailways News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Trailways, the largest and oldest network of independent motor coach operators in North America, has announced a new strategic partnership with Greyhound and Flixbus.

The new alliance will add hundreds of Greyhound and Flixbus destinations to Trailways.com, including stops in Sacramento, and Trailways.ca, giving customers even more access to convenient, comfortable, and affordable bus travel at a time when other travel options have become cost prohibitive and difficult to navigate. Starting Tuesday January 23rd, customers visiting Trailways.com and Trailways.ca will be able to purchase tickets for Flixbus and Greyhound trips, with travel dates commencing January 30th and beyond.

"This is a historic moment for Trailways. Connectivity is the backbone of North America and a critical piece of this partnership. By working in concert with one another and interlining our inventory, we're aligning with Trailways' commitment to make affordable and eco-friendly transportation more accessible to travelers across North America," said Alex Berardi, President of Trailways.com.

Members of Trailways's Loyalty Program, Driven Rewards, will also reap the benefits of the new relationship. Driven Rewards Points members will be able to earn and redeem across all Trailways partners, including Flixbus and Greyhound, when making purchases online, giving members a compelling reason to explore new roads together.

"The Trailways alliance reaffirms Flix North America, Inc.'s commitment to partnering across the industry and delivering even more affordable travel options for customers," said Kai Boysan, CEO of Flix North America, Inc. "We will continue to work with our partners throughout the country to elevate travel and nurture further growth. Trailways shares this vision, recognizing the power of collaboration and the benefit that the Flix platform unlocks in building a brighter future for travelers and the industry."

New connecting services will be powered by technical integrations from Transcor Data Services of Jacksonville Florida. Customers looking for information about service, schedules, arrival and departure times, and fares, are encouraged to visit Trailways.com or Trailways.ca. ★

Bank of America Invests More than \$1.4 Million in Sacramento Nonprofits in 2023

Bank of America News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As part of its longstanding commitment to supporting economic opportunity in local communities, Bank of America has invested more than \$1.4 million across nearly 65 organizations in Sacramento this year through philanthropic grants and sponsorships to the region's nonprofits. The support helps nonprofits remove barriers to economic mobility, with most bank funding directed for workforce development and job skill training, entrepreneurship and small business development, housing, and hunger relief.

For instance, Bank of America continued its grants to food-related small businesses, local farmers and food entrepreneurs through its support of programs like Visit Sacramento's Farm to Fork Festival. Additionally, the Bank has provided grants to Alchemist CDC to scale community-based small business programs, and Second Harvest Food Bank to combat food insecurity.

In addition to philanthropic capital, the company's local employees provided more than 18,000 volunteer hours throughout the year to local causes, ranging from assisting with food distribution, to providing free financial education workshops to more than 20 nonprofit organizations as part of the bank's Better Money Habits program.

"Sacramento's nonprofits know firsthand the needs and obstacles our communities face. Bank of America proudly helps nonprofits develop the solutions and services needed to promote economic opportunity," said CP Parmar, Bank of America market president for the Greater Sacramento region. "Bank of America will continue to deploy capital and resources to help create real impact for all members of the greater Sacramento community." ★

Volunteers Count People Experiencing Homelessness in Sacramento

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of people experiencing homelessness of 9,278. The full 2022 PIT Count report can be referenced at the following website: https://sacramentostepsforward.org/ continuum-of-care-point-in-time-pitcount/2022-pit-count/

"We are grateful for this unprecedent turnout this year," Bates said. "This effort gives ordinary citizens a chance to make a meaningful contribution toward better understanding where this community is when it comes to homelessness. By being here, and working tonight and tomorrow night, they are making tangible contributions toward Sacramento's united vision of preventing and ending homelessness."







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erecting, bracing, etc. Once the actual structure was done and delivered, the signs were attached. It was erected and then dedicated on December 11, 2017.

The second structure was a replacement sign and was built almost identical as the first in the same historic "March" fashion. This time around, we did ask for monetary help, but now it was from County Supervisor Sue Frost! Same story for collecting sign space, digging, cementing, etc. and the second sign was erected at 5931 Rio Linda Blvd, December 1, 2020.

Our third and final sign was another NEW unit, not a replacement version. Once again, this being another \$12K-\$14K project, we went back to our County Supervisor District 4 Representative and asked for another possible little donation. Granted!!! Yay and thank you! It was built and powder coated with the same basic "ARCH", but different style letters. The beautiful new sign was delivered with the help of Aerial Lift a few years ago. Instead of trying to install immediately amidst COVID-19 scary and unclear rules and regulations, plus a county mandated remodel plan, we decided to delay actions, saving grief and money. A little remodeling of the landscaping at George Reed Asphalt property, plus PG&E and Sacramento County coordination to put in sidewalks from the Elkhorn Levee Park and Ride, up to W.6th St., delayed our original installation. On February 6, 2023, a crew came in and dug the holes and erected the third sign!

The best address it can be given is 1060 W. Elkhorn Blvd. We contacted our County Supervisor to let her know, looking for time slots for a Dedication Ceremony. Once that was secured, Lion President Gene informed all of the individual groups that are on the sign, plus local dignitaries and news media, of the time and date. It took a bit more time to receive the remainder signs getting placed upon this last beautiful Arch, but the Dedication was ON!

A mass of community loving, service minded people attended this new "Welcome to Rio Linda" sign Dedication. A table full of treats and beverages hosted by the Lions Club of Rio Linda was available for all to enjoy! Our in-house photographer once again came up from Tracy to help us out with the documentation. Lion President Gene pinned our honored guests, Lion Ed, Lion Larry, and Supervisor Sue with a boutonniere: Yellow Rose with baby's breath wrapped in blue ribbons. The Lions Club of Rio Linda also gave out a very special card to



New arch in Rio Linda. Photo courtesy of Deanna Dyson

Lion Ed and Lion Larry, thanking them for their dedication to seeing this thing through!

Lion Gene started the ceremony by welcoming the crowd, and then gave them a brief history of these three signs we had constructed and why we did it. Lion Gene then introduced our Guest Speaker and facilitator of our official Dedication, Sacramento County Supervisor of District 4, Sue Frost! She welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. She read a Proclamation to the Lions Club of Rio Linda, and then handed it to Lion President Gene. She then read another Proclamation and gave it to Lion Secretary Ed Valencia. Last, but not least, Proclamation number three was read and given to Lion Larry George: Honors from the County of Sacramento, recognizing the amazing efforts by such individuals and the Lions Club of Rio Linda for improving and beautifying this Community. Going well above and beyond in Lionism.

Lion Larry gave a little speech and then presented our Supervisor Frost with

a thank you plaque for her efforts and love given to our community. Then Lion Larry asked for the representative from George Reed Asphalt to come forward: Corey Turner was presented with a beautiful plaque for their gracious donation of \$2K AND the space that this sign is sitting on! After all the bigger shots were introduced, Our District 4-C5 Big Shot, aka District Governor Lion Tim Luckinbill was introduced. Lion President Gene let the crowd know that he is in charge of 50 Lions Clubs in our area, not just ours! He spoke well, and congratulated our club for our efforts, and Lion Ed and Lion Larry for their tenacity! The Dedication came to an end with gracious thank you's to everyone that attended, and we then had snacks and beverages while breaking out into several side sessions of conversation.

Actual service hours for this long of a project, plus all the volunteers in and out of our lives helping, are unknown. Members hours alone are in the thousands. Almost every club, service organization, meeting group, Chamber, etc. came together and helped with sponsorships. Over \$40K has been invested into this 9-year ongoing, now completed, project. And yes, the last few signs are on!

Without the dogmatic tenacity of two long-time members of this awesome club, this would not have been possible. Please thank them and give it up to OUR members of the Lions Club of Rio Linda, Lion Ed Valencia and Lion Larry George for such dedication and excellence in LIONISM, the epitome of service to our community! Years from now, these two men's kids and grandkids will say "my dad built this!" This is a wonderful representation of what Lions do!

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Will California Leaders Nurture Or Strangle The State's Economic Golden Goose?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

During California's 174 years of statehood, it has undergone periodic and often dramatic changes of economic personality.

Its admission to the union in 1850 was largely driven by the gold rush, which temporarily supplanted the agriculture and cattle ranching that had been economic mainstays.

When the gold rush cooled in the late 19th century, farming and ranching resumed their central roles. It's hard to believe now, but Los Angeles County was the nation's most agriculturally productive county in the first decades of the 20th century.

The state's northern reaches developed a major timber industry, and oddly oil was first discovered in 1865 amid Humboldt County's dense forests, a historic fact perpetuated in the name of a tiny hamlet, Petrolia.

However, Southern California saw a much larger oil boom in the final years of the century, and California quickly became the nation's biggest petroleum producer. Simultaneously, the movie industry blossomed in Southern California, thanks to its scenic settings and sunny weather and the desires of early movie moguls to escape from the East Coast's intolerant attitudes and legal disputes.

California's economy, still largely rooted in extracting resources from the earth, underwent a major change when the nation became embroiled in World War II. It became a staging point for the Pacific war, the site of numerous military training bases and an industrial powerhouse producing airplanes and other tools of war, such as ships.

California's central role in producing weaponry and training military personnel continued after the war because the United States soon found itself in a cold war with the Soviet Union, one aspect of which was a hot war in Korea and later another conflict in Southeast Asia.

California also saw postwar expansions in civilian industries with steel mills, petrochemical plants, auto assembly lines and multiple other factories. However, by the 1970s, California's heavy industry was shrinking as one-by-one the plants that had employed hundreds of thousands of workers shut down, with the last remaining major manufacturing industry, aerospace, drying up as the Cold War ended in the 1990s and Pentagon contracts disappeared.

Fortunately, military research contracts and Stanford University had spawned a new industry – digital technology – centered in the Santa Clara Valley south of San Francisco. For many decades, it was an agricultural center. Renamed Silicon Valley, it has anchored California's economy ever since, generating immense wealth that percolated through other economic sectors.

California's economy may be undergoing another evolution. Silicon Valley's high-flying past is giving way to a more uncertain future as companies shed thousands of workers and other states see tech industry growth.

California's past, present and uncertain future deserve intense political, media and academic attention because how its economy evolves will determine how well the state as a whole manages during the 21st century.

That's why a recent announcement that the Public Policy Institute of California is creating an economic research arm is important. Hopefully, the Economic Policy Center's research will persuade political and civic leaders to stop taking the state's economy for granted and reconsider policies that are strangling the golden goose.

However, the center's first paper – aimed at framing the existing economic picture – is not reassuring. It all but ignores the structural factors that threaten the economy, dwells on superficial effects, and shows a fondness for political mitigation of those effects rather than fixing the fundamentals.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for more than 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. ★

California Comment on the Latest National Small Business Poll

Two big compliance headaches adding to the pessimism leading into 2024, says NFIB.

NFIB California Press Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -Tiny bits of good news could be found in today's release of the monthly Small Business Optimism Index from the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), but they offered no serious counterweight to the pessimism small business owners have heading into 2024—a pessimism made heavier and darker by two new laws certain to give Main Street entrepreneurs compliance migraines.

"Today's Optimism Index is the 24th consecutive monthly one below its 50-year average," said John Kabateck, California state director for NFIB. "But it does not factor in the compliance misery facing small business owners who must calculate the substantial cost and time of abiding by the new federal beneficial ownership information reporting requirements under the Corporate Transparency Act and the new state requirement on every enterprise to have workplace violence prevention plans in place and constantly update them.

"Add to all of that the return of a Legislature never shy about sticking small businesses with another rule, regulation, or tax, and it's not a good time to start a business let alone keep one going."

More about the workplace violence prevention plan can be found in this article, The Top Five Compliance Headaches in 2024. The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) issued a final rule that sets forth beneficial ownership information reporting requirements as mandated by the Corporate Transparency Act. The rule, effective January 1, 2024, affects a broad spectrum of businesses (virtually all LLCs, corporations, and entities formed under state or tribal laws with 20 or fewer employees and \$5 million or less in gross annual receipts), and requires them to begin filing periodic reports on their beneficial owners to FinCEN.

Today's Optimism Index found 23% of small business owners reported that inflation was their single most important problem in operating their business, up one point from last month, and replacing labor quality as the top concern. Other key findings include:

-Small business owners expecting better business conditions over the next six months increased six points from November to a net negative 36% (seasonally adjusted), and 25 percentage points better than last June's reading of a net negative 61%.

-Seasonally adjusted, a net 29% of owners plan to raise compensation in the next three months, down one point from November.

-The net percentage of owners raising average selling prices was unchanged from November at a net 25% (seasonally adjusted).

-The net percentage of owners who expect real sales to be higher increased four points from November to a net negative 4% (seasonally adjusted), the highest reading since January 2022.

"Small business owners remain very pessimistic about economic prospects this year," said NFIB Chief Economist Bill Dunkelberg. "Inflation and labor quality have consistently been a tough complication for small business owners, and they are not convinced that it will get better in 2024."

Keep up with the latest California small-business news at www.nfib.com/ CA and on Twitter @NFIB_CA ★



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As California Closes Prisons, the Cost of Locking Someone Up Hits New Record at \$132,860



An inmate at San Quentin State Prison on March 17, 2023. Photo by Martin do Nascimento, CalMatters

Cal Matters News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION CA (**MPG**) - The cost of imprisoning one person in California has increased by more than 90% in the past decade, reaching a record-breaking \$132,860 annually, according to state finance documents.

That's nearly twice as expensive as the annual undergraduate tuition — \$66,640 — at the University of Southern California, the most costly private university in the state.

California's spending per inmate jumped steeply during the COVID-19 pandemic and it continued to increase despite recent cost-cutting moves, including Gov. Gavin Newsom's recent move to close three state prisons. It's propelled by lucrative employee compensation deals and costly mandates to improve health care behind bars, according to fiscal analyses by the nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office. Newsom's most recent budget proposal includes \$18.1 billion for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, up from \$15.7 billion when he took office in 2019. Some lawmakers and advocates have argued California should focus on rehabilitation and shut down additional prisons to save money in the face of what the governor's office projects to be a \$38 billion deficit. Last year, the Legislative Analyst's Office suggested the state could close as many as five more state prisons because of California's declining inmate population. That would stand to save upwards of \$1 billion in operating costs, and even more money on unfunded capital improvement projects, the report said. Newsom's three closures and the cancellation of a contract for a fourth privately run prison save the state an estimated \$667 million over the next year, according to the Department of Finance, but the savings are not enough to offset increased operational and employee costs.

Officers Association, which represents 26,000 prison guards, last summer negotiated a contract with successive 3% raises and other perks that will cost the state roughly \$1 billion over the next three years. The prison doctors' union, which represents 1,700 employees, also negotiated a two-year contract with a combined 5.5% general salary increase and a range of other incentives. The Newsom administration estimates it will cost \$234 million over three years.

But Newsom, at least for now, is not recommending any additional prison closures. Instead, his state budget proposal recommends keeping prisons open with fewer inmates in them to provide more Opponents of mass incarceration say the administration's argument for keeping empty prison beds open doesn't align with how the money is spent.

"This is a cash grab by (the corrections department)," said Brian Kaneda, deputy director of the prison abolitionist group Californians United for a Responsible Budget. Newsom has touted transforming San Quentin State Prison into a rehabilitation center, but advocates like Kaneda and state advisory groups say the plan is vague.

Rehabilitation costs, which currently include prisoner education and activities, only make up a fraction of total correcOffice. Direct costs include things such as food and clothing while the remaining 91% of spending per prisoner comes from fixed costs like salaries and facility upkeep.

She found that compensation for employees at the corrections department increased by 43% between 2010 and 2019 from \$110,000 to \$158,000 — nearly triple the rate of inflation.

Last summer, the state prison guard contract included \$10,000 bonuses for officers at certain prisons and a new guaranteed 401k contribution in addition to regular pension benefits.

The state's current savings from prison closures, about \$200 million current state legislators and it gave \$1.75 million to help Newsom defeat a 2021 recall campaign. It also recently contributed \$1 million to support Proposition 1, the measure Newsom placed on the March ballot to build housing and treatment facilities for people with serious mental health conditions.

Despite a precipitous decline in prison populations, corrections spending has remained relatively stable. In 2018, the average daily prison population topped 120,000 compared to a projected 90,240 people in 2024. That's a 25% decrease. In contrast, correctional spending as a share of the total state budget has barely dropped in the same time period from 7% to 6%. What should be good news to opponents of mass incarceration — decreasing populations — has not resulted in a leaner criminal justice system. "If you have \$700 million in annual savings from prison closure, but you're spending hundreds of millions of dollars on new prison infrastructure and giving prison guards a billion dollar raise (over three years), that starts to show why the math isn't mathing," Kaneda said. But wholesale cuts to correctional spending don't necessarily always

equate to better prison conditions, said John Pfaff, a law professor at Fordham University.

"If you don't cut (budgets) carefully, that makes prisons worse places to be. It makes them more dangerous, more traumatic," Pfaff said. "I say that as someone who is not a fan at all of prisons as a general institution."

Medical care is one area of increased spending where the state, under court order, is trying to improve prison conditions.

The average cost per person for medical care has more than doubled in the past 10 years, and total health care spending by the corrections department has increased by about 67%. Although the recent prison closures have cut about 2,700 correctional positions, medical spending has eaten up those savings. Former Assembly Budget Chair Phil Ting, a Democrat from San Francisco, said corrections is the only state program where having fewer people translates into more spending. In 2022 Ting proposed closing three more prisons to bring down fixed costs and account for the shrinking number of prisoners. "If we were educating 50% less kids, you'd see the funding go down. If we had 50% less people in health care or 50% fewer families using CalFresh, the programs would go down," Ting said. "So how is it at a time when the prison population has not just gone down a little bit, has gone down significantly, that spending increased?" There were roughly 15,000 empty beds last year in prisons across the state, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office. That number, driven largely by decades of sentencing changes and court-ordered mandates to decrease prison crowding, is expected to reach 20,000 over the next three years. "We're not not talking about some very small number where they want to keep a little bit of a buffer," Ting said. "They want to keep three to five empty prisons up and running."

The California Correctional Peace

space for rehabilitative programs.

"The administration is not currently proposing any additional prison closures," H.D. Palmer, spokesperson for the Department of Finance, said in a statement. "We remain committed to meeting the needs of staff and the incarcerated population while right-sizing California's prison system as the prison population declines over time, and to addressing space needs as the state transforms the carceral system to one more focused on rehabilitation."

tional spending — roughly 3% — over the past decade, according to state budget documents.

In a written statement, the corrections department said its spending plan "judiciously uses taxpayer dollars in a manner that balances the need for cost-efficiency while maximizing public safety, the wellbeing of incarcerated people and successful rehabilitation."

The actual cost to house a prisoner is much closer to \$15,000, said Caitlin O'Neil, a criminal justice analyst for the nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's per facility, is not nearly enough to offset those pay and benefits boosts.

"We would have to close one or more prisons per year just to offset employee compensation increases that happen regularly," O'Neil said.

The peace officers' union did not respond to requests for comment. Prison labor advocates often argue that jobs are dangerous and difficult to staff, warranting high compensation benefits.

The union can be a force in the Capitol. It has contributed \$2.2 million to the campaigns of

Ting, who is no longer the budget chair, said he may still push this year to shut down more prisons. \star

Per inmate spending in California prisons surged during the COVID-19 pandemic and has remained high despite Gov. Gavin Newsom's cost-cutting efforts. Here, guard towers stand outside of Kern Valley State Prison on Nov. 15, 2022. Photo by Larry Valenzuela, CalMatters/CatchLight Local







Sacramento Kings fans have not been accustomed to 5-2 road trips, and since that's exactly what the Kings just did, you would think the town would be celebrating. But blowout wins by the Oklahoma City Thunder, and of all teams, the Detroit Pistons, have given fans reason to pause and ask the question, who are these guys?

Well, they are a team with a huge upside, and one that is capable of beating any team in the NBA on any given night.

The most recent road trip started in San Francisco where the Kings came away with a one-point win over the Warriors, 134-133. During that same road trip, the Kings came away with wins over teams like Dallas, Memphis, Miami, and even the defending champs, the Denver Nuggets.

In the Denver game, should-be all-star Domantas Sabonis outplayed two-time MVP Nicola Jokic in every aspect of the game, coming away with another triple-double, and extending his streak of consecutive double-double games to 31, tying the franchise record held by Oscar Robertson.

Currently Domantas is not only leading the league in double-doubles for the second straight year, he is leading the league in triple-doubles with an eye popping 17! Domantas overtook Nicola Jokic, and is now leading the entire NBA in both categories.

After an amazing season last year, leading the league in rebounding and double-doubles, it is almost incomprehensible that he could be doing even better this year. No one in the league brings the consistency of effort to the hardwood every night like the Kings center, and he has become an absolute anchor for the team.

One other note, in regards to the win over the Nuggets, is that the Kings finally found their shot from the free throw line, shooting 89% for the game. Sadly, Sacramento remains in last place in the league, shooting with a 73% mark from the charity stripe. If the Kings have any hope of moving beyond the first round of the playoffs this has to change. Players have to take responsibility for making free throws and taking it seriously. This is a player issue, and definitely a coaching issue. Last place is not just embarrassing, it's unacceptable!

As the Kings go into Phoenix they bring a 30-22 record with them, which puts them 7th in the Western Conference. Both the Pelicans and

Suns enjoy a half-game lead over the Kings, and if Sacramento has any hope of moving beyond the first round of the playoffs, they need to leapfrog over both these teams.

Finishing in 5th place will likely provide a first-round matchup that is far better than the opponent they would meet if they finish 7th or 8th.

So, that begs the question, how do the Kings elevate their game and accomplish this task. One word — consistency. Something that has been lacking all year.

Throw in free-throw shooting and you have the recipe for success.

This team has players that bring it every night, and other players that recede for games at a time.

Harrison Barnes has been roundly criticized for his lack of consistent scoring, but I would have to add rebounds, and practically every other aspect of the game. Harrison will suddenly show up and look like the Harrison Barnes that played for the Golden State Warriors, and literally put the team on his back. But, just as quickly he will vanish, and at times it looks like the Kings are playing four-on-five. I have repeatedly begged for more playing time for Trey Lyles who is arguably a better all-around player, but this is a coach's decision, and Coach Brown doesn't show signs of messing with his starting lineup.

Keegan Murray looks like the guy with the sophomore slump, and much like Harrison, has games in which he is all but impossible to find. Keegan has had numerous positive moments this year, scoring 47 points in one game, and showing off an impressive midrange game that sometimes reminds me of Malik Monk.

Positives are that Davion Mitchell is getting increased time, as is Trey Lyles. Domantas Sabonis, De'Aaron Fox, and Malik Monk bring a consistent effort every game, but we need to add to this list.

I will add Kevin Huerter to the list of inconsistent players, and the real problem is that, like Harrison Barnes, Kevin is a starter. Coach Brown needs to shake things up and get both Malik Monk and Trey Lyles into the starting lineup. Both Huerter and Barnes can make their mark coming off the bench, but if the Kings continue on this path, I see a 7th or 8th seed in their future.

If you have a thought let me know at vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com.

Go Kings and let's Light the Beam!!



Fruit Fly Quarantines Multiply to Prevent Threats to Farms

Seven counties remain under quarantines in a battle to eradicate and stop the spread of four different species of invasive fruit flies that agricultural officials say could wreak havoc on California farms and hundreds of crops. The Oriental fruit fly triggered quarantines in parts of Santa Clara, Contra Costa, Sacramento, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. Portions of Los Angeles County have been under quarantines due to findings of the Mediterranean, Tau and Queensland fruit flies. The Queensland quarantine largely affects Ventura County centered around Thousand Oaks.

Governor Announces Strategy to Protect Salmon Populations

As California experiences hotter, drier temperatures due to climate change, Gov. Gavin Newsom has announced the state's first strategy to protect and help restore salmon species to reduce their risk of extinction. The California Salmon Strategy, released last week, is a 37-page document that outlines actions state agencies are already taking to stabilize and recover salmon populations. The strategy calls for steps including removing barriers and improving infrastructure for salmon migration, restoring habitat, protecting water flows in key rivers and modernizing hatcheries.

Pg&E Electric Transmission Project Raises Concerns in Lodi Wine Country

Farmers and vintners in northern San Joaquin County are expressing concern about an electrical transmission project they say would bisect farm properties, restrict the ability to change crops and negatively affect property values in one of the state's top wine regions. Growers with farms in the path of the transmission system proposed by investor-owned Pacific Gas & Electric Co. and the local municipal power provider, Lodi Electric Utility, raised concerns during a virtual meeting last week of the California Public Utilities Commission.

Wine Sales Slow Amid Messaging Discouraging Drinking

Winemakers in the U.S. and abroad are struggling to sell their product, and leaders in the sector are increasingly focused on anti-alcohol messaging. Shanken, a news organization that collects data on wine, beer and spirits, reports that 2023 was the third consecutive year of negative volume growth for U.S. wine sales, following more than a decade of flattening consumption. Some in the wine sector have traced the origin of negative health messaging around wine to a 2018 study published by The Lancet, which found there was "no safe level" of alcohol consumption.





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Proposed Initiative Establishes University of California Online

Office of California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D.

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Secretary of State Dr. Shirley N. Weber announced that the proponent of a new initiative was cleared to begin collecting petition signatures on January 10, 2024.

The Attorney General prepares the legal title and summary that is required to appear on initiative petitions. When the official language is complete, the Attorney General forwards it to the proponent and to the Secretary of State, and the initiative may be circulated for signatures. The Secretary of State then provides a calendar of deadlines to the proponent and to county elections officials. The Attorney General's official title and summary for the measure is as follows:

Establishes New "University Of California Online." Initiative **Constitutional Amendment.**

California's public higher education systems - University of California, California State University, and California Community Colleges — currently offer courses in person and online. This measure would amend the California Constitution to require creation of an online public university named "University of California Online" with two divisions: one providing online courses for credit towards an academic degree, open to anyone who pays tuition; and one providing free public access to all online courses not for credit. Requires tuition for for-credit courses to be based on their cost, and additional fees for most out-of-state students. Requires state treasurer to issue bonds to fund University of California Online, repaid from tuition. Summary of estimate by legislative analyst and director of finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Operating a new public online university could cost in the hundreds of millions of dollars to low billions of dollars annually. All of the cost is to be covered through student tuition revenue generated by the new university. The measure is not intended to have any direct fiscal impact on state or local governments. (23-0034)

The Secretary of State's tracking number for this measure is 1975 and the Attorney General's tracking number is 23-0034.

The proponent of the measure, Boyd Roberts, must collect signatures of 874,641 registered voters (eight percent of the total votes cast for governor in the November 2022 general election) in order for the measure to become eligible for the ballot. The proponent has 180 days to circulate petitions for the measure, meaning the signatures must be submitted to county elections officials no later than July 8. 2024. The address for the proponent is 237 San Joaquin Street, Laguna Beach, CA 92651. The proponent may also be contacted at Boyd.UCOCA@gmail.com.



A Lesson He'll Remember for the Rest of His Life

Dear Dave,

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- Melinda

Dear Melinda,

Believe me, I understand

you wanting to help him out. It means you've got a good heart, and you love him. No parent likes seeing their child in a bad situation.

Dave Ramsey Says

There's a reality here, though, I hope you won't overlook. It's his debt, not yours. He knew what he was doing when he signed up for that credit card. He knew what it meant, what was expected, and he's the one who should make good on the repayment. There's nothing unfair about that.

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At this point, my advice is for both of you to give him a great big hug, and lovingly explain where he went wrong and why it was a bad idea. If you want, you can even go a step further, and help him find a parttime job if he doesn't have one right now, so he can pay off his debt and get out of this mess. It'll take some planning and discipline on his part, but leave the payments to him. Hopefully, by the time he finishes working his tail off-and scrimping and saving to pay this debt-he will have learned a lesson he'll remember for the rest of his life.

- Dave

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

Momentum Continues for the Homelessness, Drug Addiction, Retail Theft Reduction Act

Becky Warren, Elevate Public Affairs News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Californians to Reduce Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft announced February 2nd that they have collected another nearly 100,000 signatures from California voters totaling over 300,000 to place the Homelessness, Drug Addiction, Retail Theft Reduction Act on the November 2024 ballot.

"We continue to see an outcry of overwhelming support from Californians of every political affiliation and geographic region across the state demanding for change that will improve community safety and hold repeat offenders of theft and serious drug crimes including those involving fentanyl accountable," said campaign chair Greg Totten who is also chief executive officer for the California District Attorneys Association.

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repeat crimes of theft and serious drugs like fentanyl while making sure individuals receive and complete drug and mental health treatment they need," added Totten.

A survey of likely California voters found that 70% of voters support the title and summary of the Homelessness, Drug Addiction, Retail Theft Reduction Act. The overwhelming support was consistent across every demographic and geography including the Bay Area and Los Angeles. Furthermore, 89% of likely voters support amending Proposition 47 for stronger penalties for those engaged in repeated retail theft and trafficking hard drugs like fentanyl. The measure also includes incentives to complete drug and mental health treatment for people who are addicted to hard drugs. The survey was conducted online from November 8-November 13, 2023, with a margin of error of +/-2.28%.

To qualify the measure for the November 2024 ballot, the law requires 546,651 valid signatures.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-00737 Tiffani Harter, 9002 Oak Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jump the Groove Consulting/Jump the Groove Consulting & Coaching" 9002 Oak Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 1.2023

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00444

Daniel Joseph Palermo, 1175 Reston Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Mortgage Name(s) "Sterling Services/Sterling Mortgage Loans/Palermo Home Real Estate Services/Roy's Umbrella/ Sterling Mortgage Solutions' 1175 Reston Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 17, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNE2024-00354 Yegor Lyashenko. 7820 Daffodil Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lyko Build" 7820 Daffodil Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 11, 2024 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00620 Rooney's Plumbing Co, 2114 59th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) The Plumber" 2114 59th Street. Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 24, 2024 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00193

Zumwalt & Associates Inc. 3301 Sunrise Boulevard Suite J, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Business Name(s) Fictitious "Zumwalt & Associates Erosion Control" 3301 Sunrise Boulevard Suite J. Rancho Cordova. CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-00656 Fernando Soria. 705 Claire Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Soria Painting Sacramento CA" 705 Claire Avenue, Sacramento. CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 25, 2024

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Carmichael Times Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 317294 – February 7, 1984 o Cordova Independent Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 195380 – September 18, 1969 leights Messenger Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 34-2020-00273535 – March 12, 2020 The Rio Linda News Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Adjudication No. 358073 – March 21, 1988

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-00824 Gaskin-McPherson LLC, 657 Tarryton Isle, Alameda, CA 94501 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) Crest Apartments, "Regalia 3536 Watt Avenue" 3536 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 31, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00310 Kellie Velasquez and Carlos Velasquez, 7612 Zephyr Hills Way, Antelope, CA 900-0 is doing business under the Name(s) Fictitious Business Name(s) "Palette Cakes" 7901 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite C, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 10.2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00403 Pamela Willover, 1125 Los Robles Boulevard #A, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Real Brand Marketing" 1125 Los Robles Boulevard #A, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNE2023-09518 Café Diem LLC, 2359 Jay King Walk, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ca Phe Diem" 2359 Jay King Walk, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2023 Publish: Feb 9, 16, 23, March 1, 2024 CAFE 3-1-24

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00506 Tycoon Management Group LLC. 901 H Street Suite 120. Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Organic Loose Leaf" 901 H Street Suite 120, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 19. 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09475 Harjinder Kaur, 1501 E. Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Name(s) 1501 E. Business "Capita Grocery" 1501 Street. Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 28, 2023 Publish: Feb 9, 16, 23, March 1, 2024 CAPITAL 3-1-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00754 Big Bay'B Records LLC, 4500 Tynebourne Street Apt #303, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doer the Fict ina husiness Business Name(s) "Big Bay'B Records LLC/Big Bay'B" 4500 Tynebourne Street Apt #303, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 29, 2024 Publish: Feb 9, 16, 23, March 1, 2024 BIG 3-1-24 CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Melas Auto Sales" 4541 Woodhawk Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 1, 2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00033 Ex-Cell Auto Group, LLC, 6385 Auburn Boulevard Suite B-7. Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious "Fx-Cell Business Name(s) Auto Group, LLC" 6385 Auburn Boulevard Suite B-7. Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00042 Foxborough LLC, an Oregon limited liability company, 5800 Meadows Road Suite 240, Lake Oswego, OR, 97035 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Foxborough Apartments" 7795 Antelope Road. Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2023-09515 Hadi Pizza, Inc, 612 E. Bidwell Street Suite B, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pizza Guys" 612 E. Bidwell Street Suite B, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2023

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00659 Rosenquist Consulting LLC, 2108 N Street OLL N. Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cybersecurity Insights/cybersecurityinsights.us" 2108 Ν Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 25, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00965 Earthquake Publishing LLC 6231 Oak Valley Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Farthquake Publishing/Earthquake Writers Group" 6231 Oak Valley Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 6, 2024 Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024 EARTHQUAKE 3-8-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00417 Jaime Rosas Rodriguez and Victoria Mejia, 4990 Del Norte Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95820 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sprinklers Landscape Management" 4990 Del Norte Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95820. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2024

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Home Care" 6701 Almond Ave, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 1, 2024 Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024 ALMOND 3-8-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00909 Trade Key Virtual Media Inc. 11230 Gold Express Drive 310-160, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Web Design Group/Sacramento Web Design" 11230 Gold Express Drive 310-160, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 2. 2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00219 Barbara Fenton, 2641 Riverpine Court. Carmichael. CA 95608 is doing business under the Business Name(s) Fictitious "Barbie Elliot Designs" 2641 Riverpine Court, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 8 2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00981

Jaylen Richard Johnson, 5150

Fair Oaks Boulevard 101 #137,

Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing

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Business Name(s) "Pool Kings"

5339 Moody Lane, Carmichael

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Victory Investments, LLC, 25

Quinta Court B1. Sacramento.

CA 95823 is doing business

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Quinta Court B1, Sacramento,

CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk

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Rubios Tacos and Grill LLC

5825 Manzanita Avenue #1.

Carmichael. CA 95608 is doing

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Tacos & Grill" 5825 Manzanita

Avenue #1, Carmichael, CA

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00478 Oleksandr Naydonov, 6092 Garfield Avenue, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Royal Pool Service" 6092 Garfield Avenue, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 18,2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00438 Empire Oaks LLC, 3924 Stedway Court, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) 'Score Revive Academy" 3924 Stedway Court. Sacramento. CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16,2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-00313 Joshua Lee Downey and Jackson Lewis Ray, 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 76, Sacramento, CA 95825 and Garrett Lewis Ray, 624 Grider Drive, Roseville, CA 95678 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tanpopo" 2400 Sierra Boulevard Apt 76, Sacramento, CA 9582. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 10, 2024 Publish: Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00625 Wali Hassany, 1808 Richmond Street, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dreamland Aahoo Immigration Consultant/Next Chapter Aahoo Legal Document Prep' 2740 Fulton Avenue 101-16, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024 2-23-24 ALAMO

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00481 Steven R Hill, 6929 Fair Oaks Boulevard #712, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Get Vin Verification" 1401 21st Street #7715, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 18, 2024

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The Sushi Sac Inc., 1200 K Street Suite 7, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sushi Paradaisu/Sushi Paradise" 1200 K Street Suite 7, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024 SUSHI 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00616 Jesus Rios Courier LLC, 6722 Fair Oaks Boulevard #204, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jesus Rios Private Investigations" 6722 Oaks Boulevard #204. Fair Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 24, 2024 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024 **JESUS** 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00472 Out Loud Bags LLC, 1718 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Midtown Loud" 1718 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 18, 2024 Publish: February 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024 MIDTOWN 2-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00578 Keri Esquibel, 1463 Barona Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Strand & Co Hair Lounge" 2220 J Street Suite 5, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 23, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00053

Sandie Moreno, 5915 Spring Glen Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Caring Mobile Phlebotomy 5915 Spring Glen Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2024 Publish: Feb 9, 16, 23, March 1, 2024 CARING 3-1-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00262 WD Investment Company LLC. 9494 Valleio Drive. Orangevale. CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "B & L Properties/5th Street Apartments" 9494 Vallejo Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00848 Bloo Investments Inc, 4541 Woodhawk Way, Antelope. Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024 SPRINKLERS 3-8-24

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Affordable & Trenchless Plumbing Inc, 4206 Barrett Road, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Affordable Trenchless & Pipe Lining" 8037 Fair Oaks Boulevard #109. Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 2, 2024 Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024 3-8-24 AFFORDABLE

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-00862 Edivine, Inc. 6701 Almond Ave. Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious "Almond Business Name(s)

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01014

Arshkeerat Inc., 5376 Calabria Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rivera Mart" 907 Rivera Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 7, 2024 Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024 RIVERA 3-8-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-01072

Jennifer Ware, 3501 Bradshaw Road Space 8, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Creative Harmonies Holistic Healing" 3501 Bradshaw Road Space 8, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 8, 2024 Publish: Feb 16, 23, March 1, 8, 2024

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STATEMENT FBNF2024-01075 Quinton Boucher, 1848 2nd Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Quinton Boucher, CPA" 1848 2nd Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 8, 2024

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REQUEST FOR BID

The Northern California Regional Public Safety Training Authority (NCRPSTA) in McClellan, CA 95652 is seeking public bids from qualified contractors to provide construction services for the Northern California Regional Public Safety Training Authority. The bid documents can be reviewed and obtained at the Sacramento Builders Exchange or by reaching out via email to KevinD@ losrios.edu. Interested bidders are responsible for checking both the Builders Exchange or links periodically for any updates, revisions, or Addenda.

The bid proposal is for a one-story (20x60) wood framed building. The building totals approximately 1,312 square feet. A non-mandatory site visit is scheduled for 2:00pm on Thursday, February 29, 2024 at 2345 Dean St. McClellan, CA 95652. Individual site visits can be arranged in advance by calling Stephen Quinn, Executive Director at 916 837-1402. Bidders' questions/inquiries can be received no later than March 8th, 2024 to David Kevin @ KevinD@losrios.edu. Sealed bids shall be received no later than 2:00pm on Friday, March 15th, 2024 at 2409 Dean Street, #116, McClellan, CA 95652. This is considered a prevailing wage project. Each bid must conform to the requirements of the drawings, project specifications manual, and other documents comprising the Bid Documents. All bids received will be date/time stamped and deposited in the unopened bid file. A public opening of the bids will take place at NCRPSTA at 2409 Dean Street, McClellan California on March 18th 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

No bid will be considered unless it is made on the bid form that is part of the Project Documents, filled out in its entirety. Additional information and bid requirements can be found in the Bid Documents.

The successful bidder will be required to provide proof of the appropriate insurance coverage, to the satisfaction of the Authority, such as a comprehensive general liability policy, professional errors and omissions policy, or a workers compensation policy, depending upon the nature of the personal property, services or construction requested.

The successful Bid will be subject to Board Approval.

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New Art Displayed in Sacramento County Board Chambers





Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The next time you attend a meeting in the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Chambers, be sure to check out the rotating art on display! Sacramento County sponsors bi-annual art exhibitions in the Board Chambers, located at 700 "H" St. "Meanderings: Paintings by Leslie Smith" is on display now through July 12, 2024.

Leslie is a Northern California artist who shares her life experiences, self-reflections and love for curiosity and exploration through her paintings. Leslie has been artistic her entire life – drawing inspiration from nature. She attributes the inspiration to her mother who sparked her imagination and storytelling abilities through drawing prompts to pass time on their way to camping trips in Mendocino, CA.

While camping she experienced public art on display in nearby towns. "I'm really very grateful to have my artwork in a public place. Public art is so important because it provides people with something they aren't expecting," says Leslie, who believes that everyone should have access to the arts and is delighted by the thought of an unsuspecting passerby viewing her paintings from their own perspective.

Leslie's paintings come together in a unique process which she describes as dynamic. "As I develop each painting, the process causes me to inspect my own personal boundaries and limitations," Leslie explains. "Sometimes it is dynamic and other times I seek a silence within the very perpetual motion or energy of the process itself. I work by detaching myself from the ordinary flow of thought – and to detach from things I can readily identify as painting because this allows me to move beyond my habitual way of seeing and being."

The result is an abstract and eclectic collection of shapes, brush strokes, and textures which, when combined, bring a vibrant liveliness to the otherwise neutral color palette of the chambers.

Visitors are welcome to view the art when meetings are in session. To check when the next meeting is scheduled, view the online Board Meeting Calendar. \star



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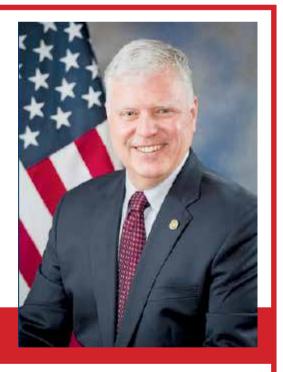
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