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The A's are Coming to Town



Here is the Sutter Health Park entrance, which will welcome thousands of Oakland A's fans now that the Major League Baseball team will call West Sacramento home temporarily. Photo courtesy of West Sacramento

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Oakland Athletics have changed their dugout location and it's at 400 Ballpark Drive, West Sacramento. Known as the A's, the Major League Baseball team will call Sutter Health Park home for the next three seasons in West Sacramento before moving into a new stadium on the Las Vegas Strip in 2028. The A's are moving, following failed negotiations with the City of Oakland about a new

lease for the coliseum there. "The A's look forward to making Sutter Health Park their home for the next three years through the move to Las Vegas," an Oakland Athletics spokesperson told the West Sacramento News Ledger on April 5. The home of the West Sacramento River Cats will become the interim venue for the A's, beginning with the 2025 Major League Baseball season. Mayor and Chair of the Financing Authority Martha Guerrero shared her excitement over the partnership.

"We're delighted to welcome the Oakland A's and Major League Baseball to West Sacramento," said Mayor Guerrero. "This is a great honor, and we're looking forward to hosting visiting MLB teams and fans from throughout the region at our beautiful ballpark along the Sacramento River." As a former affiliate of the A's, "there are many shared connections with the River Cats, its players and the wonderful fan base in West Sacramento." *Continued on page 3*

California Launches Youth Suicide Prevention Campaign

MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO REGION (MPG) - Suicide was the second leading cause of death among youth ages 10 to 25 years in California between 2018 and 2022, with youth ages 10 to 18 experiencing a more than 20% increase in suicide rates from 2019 to 2020 according to the California Department of Public Health. "Young Californians are facing a mental health crisis like never before," said California Department of Public Health Director and State Public Health Officer, Dr. Tomás J. Aragón. "While this crisis has been growing for years, the pandemic put a spotlight on the issue, especially those in marginalized and underserved communities. This ('Never a Bother' campaign directly addresses this crisis with education, tools and resources informed and co-created by diverse young people across the state." The California Department of Public Health stresses that suicide prevention can only be effective when everyone is part of the solution. That includes learning how to support yourself, a friend or a youth in your care before, during and after a crisis; telling a friend or youth in your care that they are never a bother; and encouraging them to reach out for help when needed. The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recently launched the "Never a Bother" campaign, a youth suicide-prevention public awareness and outreach campaign for youth, young adults, parents, caregivers and allies. The campaign to address youth suicide incorporates input from more than 400 Californian youth, and 34 youth-serving community-based organizations and tribal entities with oversight by the state Department of Public Health's Office of Suicide Prevention. California is investing \$4.7 billion so every California up to 25 years old has increased *Continued on page 3*

Bond Issue Brings School Board Meeting to Boil

Story and photos by Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A resolution to refund a bond based on market conditions caused some controversy at the March 28 Washington Unified School District (WUSD) Meeting. Washington Unified School District Chief Business Officer Monique Stovall and KNN Public Finance managing director Blake Boehm presented to the board trustees and the public a presentation on general obligation bonds and how they are used to improve and maintain school and district facilities. Stovall explained that doing so costs "a pretty large amount of money." "As a matter of fact,



Blake Boehm, financial advisor, and Monique Stovall, Washington Unified School District, chief business officer, present the public and board with bond refinancing information.

in 2016, over 60,000 West Sacramento voters approved the \$49.8-million bond," Stovall said, adding that the bond is distributed in a series based on needed projects. Stovall explained that a possible bond refinancing was for Measure V in 2015, amounting to \$24.9 million. The chief business

officer likened the district's financial situation to homeowners refinancing for better interest rates. "The key difference *Continued on page 2*



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Bond Issue Brings School Board Meeting to Boil

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between refunding a bond and refinancing a home is when refund bond a bond it does not extend the length of the payment schedule," Stovall said.

The item on the board agenda, listed under action rather than information, upset two community members at the podium. Suzanne Johnson made it clear that she found it "reprehensible" that the district was considering the "possibility of refinancing the bond."

"That is not what you are doing; it is an action item. You are clearly going to try to approve that tonight," Johnson said.

Community member Danielle Langford agreed that the agenda item should have been informational and up for further discussion rather than actionable. Langford read from an email she sent to each board member, whom she accused of "signing a blank check" before asking the board to table the resolution until actual costs clear.

Former Washington Unified School District board trustee Pat Flint said it would be hard for anyone to oppose the action if it resulted in an "overall decrease in the cost of the bonds to the taxpayers."

"However, as I looked through the over 150 pages of the documents that were presented, I found very few specifics," Flint said. "In fact, most of the locations where specifics would be included, such as the amount of interest rate and



Community member Diane Langford wanted the bond resolution action to be tabled at the Washington Unified School District Board of Trustees meeting March 28.

bond rate, everything was left blank."

Citing Yolo County's error in not charging up to \$52 million in bond obligations in 2013 because the county assumed it was paid in full, Johnson said the district can no longer use the county as a scapegoat.

"You can blame the county all you want for the stuff that happened before but somebody in the district is responsible for watching those things," Johnson said, adding that's what they pay administration to do. "You want to know why we don't trust you; this is why."

Holding up a laptop with real-time footage of projects and reports, Board Clerk Sarah Kirby-Gonzalez, Area 1, made it clear that board trustees

have nothing to hide.

"We are very transparent about the bond money and what is happening with it, and you can view it all on the website," Kirby-Gonzalez said.

Board Trustee Coby Pizzotti, Area 3, asked Bohem and Stovall to return to the podium "to clear up some of the lies" made by the public, to which Pizzotti immediately apologized for his sarcasm.

Boehm explained the reason parts of the document remained blank was because "until we get approval from the board to move forward with the refunding," they cannot look into the market to price the bonds for better rates.

Boehm said he and Stovall are "working off information based on

were, in fact, included within the resolution.

"The current good faith estimates that are reflected are based on a total level of debt service savings of approximately \$1.16 million, which is reflected a reduction in interest," Boehm said. "The current series 2015 bonds have an average interest rate of roughly 3.9%, and we are looking at reducing that rate closer to 3.06%, equating to about \$1.7 million in interest cost savings."

Board Trustee Jackie Thu-Huong Wong, Area 4, clarified that blank spaces are necessary for now.

"To underscore, you can't do this if it's a cost burden to us; two, you are estimating because you are not in the market, really understand what those [eco], so you can't put in a number you can't commit to," Thu-Huong Wong said of what could be a \$1.16

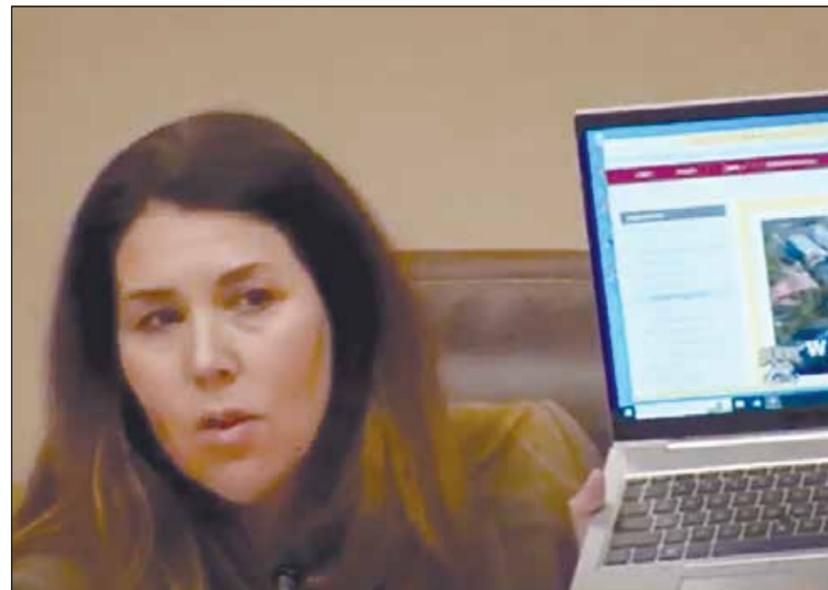
million saving over the life of the bond.

As for any future errors on the county's side, Thu-Huong Wong said, "Next time this comes to fruition, we will contact the county and make sure our taxpayers are not delayed charged."

The Board of Trustees unanimously approved the resolution, which directs the city staff together and Boehm to conduct a detailed analysis of current market conditions. The analysis must show a minimum percentage threshold in savings before Washington Unified School District can proceed with a refunding. Closing out the comment portion of the meeting, Pizzotti empathized with the public.

"I understand that you are frustrated because you are taxpayers, and so are we," Pizzotti said. "I felt my taxes go up as well." ★

current markets and preliminary numbers in conjunction with the underwriter" to provide good faith estimates that



Board Clerk Sarah Kirby-Gonzalez, Area 1, shows the public how transparent the district is on its website that lists all projects and information for view.

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Welcome Baby Celebrates Successful First Year

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - First 5 Yolo is sharing the remarkable achievements of its Welcome Baby program in its inaugural year.

This initiative, offered free of charge and on a voluntary basis, has received support for three years with funding from Yolo County's American Rescue Plan Act funds. Welcome Baby offers extensive support to new parents, ensuring they receive the necessary resources and aid during the crucial postpartum phase, promoting birth equity.

Welcoming a newborn into the family can be both exciting and challenging. Recognizing this, Welcome Baby offers eligible new parents or caregivers with Medi-Cal or no insurance a range of invaluable services.

Those services include an in-home Welcome Baby Nurse visit within two weeks of bringing home the newborn, up to two additional visits from a community health worker specializing in family resources, available either in-home or virtually. These visits are tailored to meet the specific needs of each family, encompassing clinical medical assessments of mother and baby, coordination of care, breastfeeding support and referrals, connection to community resources, assistance with scheduling appointments, health education and more.

Welcome Baby extends its support to



Lucas Frerichs. Courtesy photo

offer additional services intended to address the diverse needs of new parents, such as mental health support, guidance on newborn care and assistance with accessing essential supplies.

The high-quality direct client services of Welcome Baby are provided by First 5 Yolo's partners, CommuniCare+OLE and Yolo County Children's Alliance. The program's emphasis on early intervention and comprehensive assistance is pivotal in fostering the health and well-being of parents and infants in Yolo County.

This significance is underscored by a report from UC Davis's Health Equity Across the Lifespan (HEAL) Lab, which evaluated Welcome Baby's first-year outcomes. The report is accessible at www.YoloCounty.org/WelcomeBabyReport.

"Welcome Baby is achieving real results for women, children and families in Yolo County and I'm proud that the county and our cities have partnered with First 5 Yolo to launch this innovative

and transformative effort," said Lucas Frerichs, chair of both First 5 Yolo and the Yolo County Board of Supervisors.

In its inaugural year, Welcome Baby achieved remarkable milestones, demonstrating its significant value to families in need. Notably, the program successfully reached higher-risk populations, with one-third of mothers and babies identified as moderate or high risk for adverse postpartum outcomes. Its inclusive approach ensured diverse participation, with more than half of the participants identifying as Hispanic/Latina and many expressing a language preference other than English.

The program's emphasis on mental health facilitated early identification and referral for postpartum depression and anxiety. Essential referrals to community resources and the provision of infant supplies also provided support to families.

Welcome Baby families surpassed maternal and infant benchmarks, with almost all participants completing postpartum visits and high rates of well-child visit completion and breastfeeding. These outcomes underscore the program's commitment to comprehensive maternal and infant care and highlight its effectiveness in reaching families early for prevention and intervention.

For more details about Welcome Baby and enrollment information, visit First 5 Yolo's website at www.First5Yolo.org/WelcomeBaby ★

Congresswoman Makes Annual Visit to West Sacramento



From left are City of West Sacramento Fire Chief Steve Binns, Supervising Transportation Planner Jason McCoy, Congresswoman Doris Matsui, Government Affairs Manager Doug Drozd, City Manager Aaron Laurel, and Flood General Manager Greg Fabun. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Congresswoman Doris Matsui made her annual visit to West Sacramento, focusing on flood control, transportation, and fire safety, on March 28.

West Sacramento public information officer Paul Hosley calls the congresswoman a "hands-on leader" who prioritizes learning the needs of the communities she represents, including how the federal government can help them achieve their goals.

"These annual visits offer an invaluable opportunity for city staff to discuss the city's federal priorities for the year so that the congresswoman can most effectively advocate for the city in Washington, D.C.," Hosley said of the March 28 meeting. "We know we are lucky to have a leader in Congress who cares deeply about our city."

Matsui, a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee and ranking member of the Communications and Technology Subcommittee, also serves on the Energy, Climate and Grid Security Subcommittee. According to Hosley, it is rare for members of Congress to take time out of their busy schedules to have in-depth conversations with city staff.

"Knowing that

Congresswoman Matsui is committed to representing the city's interests at the federal level provides a morale boost to staff and encourages our departments to continue to think big and push forward with major investments because we know we have a great champion for our interests in the nation's capital," Hosley said.

One department head thinking big is Fire Chief Steve Binns, who is working with the congresswoman to help secure FEMA SAFER grants for the fire departments that add additional positions.

"For federal grant applications to be successful, it is critical to have the support of elected representatives," Binns said. "The city is very thankful for Congresswoman Matsui's support for the Fire Department's FEMA SAFER grant application." According to the fire chief, if successful, this application will allow the Fire Department to hire nine additional firefighter positions and a new fire engine.

"These positions are necessary to meet the city's current and future fire protection needs and will provide a 25% increase in WSPD's (West Sacramento Fire Department's) ability to distribute the workload of escalating call volume, thereby reducing call response times, the likelihood of injuries, and other stress and burnout-related

issues for its personnel," Binns said.

Matsui also discussed transportation projects, including the Enterprise Bridge, Light Rail Extension, and bike and pedestrian traffic with city staff.

"The City of West Sacramento is committed to providing a transportation network that is safe and reliable for all modes of transportation, including bicyclists and pedestrians, while efficiently moving people and goods within, into and out of the city," Hosley said. "It is important for us to keep the Congresswoman up to date on our transportation improvement plans so that she and her staff can advocate on the city's behalf."

Thus far, West Sacramento has worked extensively with the federal government, investing in the city's transportation infrastructure with the replacement of the I Street Bridge, the light rail connection to Sacramento, and the bike and pedestrian trail network.

Hosley said West Sacramento, like all local governments, relies heavily on federal funding to provide these transportation connections.

"The city has benefited greatly from Congresswoman Matsui's stalwart advocacy for these investments in Washington, D.C.," Hosley said. ★

California Launches New Youth Suicide Prevention Campaign

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access to mental health and substance use supports. The Never a Bother youth suicide-prevention campaign is a major component of this investment in California's youth, according to the public health department.

While suicide is a risk within every population, according to the "Never a Bother" campaign, certain factors can overlap with others to increase this risk, due to heightened levels of adversity, negative social conditions, and/or decreases in

protective factors. Those factors include youth who are American Indian/Alaskan Native, Hispanic/Latinx and African-American/Black; live in rural communities; experience mental health challenges; and/or are impacted by the foster care system.

The "Never a Bother" campaign resonates with youth, according to the Department of Public Health, as it validates their feelings of not wanting to be a burden to others. It speaks to their need to know that they

are never a bother, that no problem is too small and that it is important to check in with one another before, during and after a crisis.

According to the "Never a Bother" campaign: "If you are experiencing thoughts of suicide, you are not alone. Call or text 988 to reach the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline. Trained professionals can reconnect you with your reasons to keep going and show you ways to cope with difficult days.

Support and coping resources are at NeverABother.org. ★

Yolo Local Agency Formation Commission Accepting Applications for Public Member

Yolo Local Agency Formation Commission News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) is currently accepting applications for the regular and alternate public member seats. There will be a vacancy in the current Regular Public Member term beginning July 2024 through January 2027. The term for the Alternate Public Member will be February 2025 through January 2029.

LAFCo is an independent agency created by the California State Legislature in 1963. LAFCo is charged with encouraging orderly governmental boundaries and efficient services, discouraging urban sprawl, and preserving agricultural and open space resources. LAFCo meets these objectives by regulating the boundaries of cities and special districts and conducting municipal service reviews and other special

studies.

Yolo LAFCo is composed of five voting members. Two regular members are elected county supervisors appointed by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. Two regular members are elected city officials appointed by the Mayors of the County's four incorporated cities. The public member and alternate are citizens appointed by the four regular members.

Yolo LAFCo meetings are typically held on the fourth Thursday of every month except for August and November where there will be no regular meeting, and on the first Thursday in the month of December. Meetings are held at 9:00 a.m. in the Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chamber, 625 Court Street, Room 206, Woodland, CA, 95695, or at a time and place set and noticed by the Commission, Commission Chair or the Executive Officer of the Commission.

Requirements: Applicants must be

residents and registered voters of Yolo County, able to regularly attend LAFCo meetings, have a general understanding of LAFCo functions and authorities, and cannot be officers or employees of Yolo County or any city or special district in the county. Public members are considered public officials and are required to file a standard annual financial disclosure statement with the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

In order to be considered, a completed application form must be received in the Yolo LAFCo office by noon on Monday, May 6, 2024. The office is located at 625 Court Street, Suite 107, Woodland, CA. Applications may be submitted by email at lafco@yolocounty.org. To download an application form, and for more information about Yolo LAFCo, please visit our website at www.yololafco.org, or contact the LAFCo office at (530) 666-8048. ★

The A's are Coming to Town

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Sacramento," according to the Oakland Athletics spokesperson, who added, "The A's extend their appreciation to the Kings and the City of West Sacramento for hosting the A's."

West Sacramento City Manager Aaron Laurel said West Sacramento is ready for the professional baseball team, noting that Sutter Health Park's location offers stunning views of Tower Bridge and downtown Sacramento.

"As the City of West Sacramento prepares to welcome the A's, excitement is building among residents and businesses alike," Laurel said.

According to Laurel, the beer garden Drake's BARN and the French-inspired wine bar Franquette across the street from the stadium are two businesses that will benefit from the A's new location.

"There are also several other restaurants along West Sacramento's Third Street corridor within walking distance of the ballpark," Laurel said. "Together, with our neighbors

across the river in Sacramento, there will be no shortage of amenities available to A's fans and those from visiting teams."

Yolo County Supervisor Oscar Villegas, who governs the Sutter Health Park region and serves with Mayor Guerrero on the Financing Authority board, said he is proud to support the temporary relocation of "this fantastic franchise" to West Sacramento.

"Hosting the Athletics in Yolo County represents a significant opportunity for economic growth and community enrichment," Villegas said. "I am confident that this will foster a profound sense of community among our residents."

Residents now have two mascots to be proud of, with A's mascot, Stomper, joining Dinger and Sacramento River Cat's mascot. The A's have captured nine World Series titles, including four since moving to Oakland in 1968.

"We're prepared to accommodate the A's and the River Cats to ensure a seamless transition for both teams and their fans," Laurel said. ★

SAFE Grants \$15,000 to Program Dedicated to Preventing Falls

SAFE Credit Union News Release

FOLSOM, CA (MPG) - A \$15,000 community grant awarded by SAFE Credit Union is aiding many residents in the Sacramento region to live safer and fuller lives.

The credit union recently awarded the funds to Rebuilding Together Sacramento's Safe at Home program dedicated to preventing seniors and those with disabilities from experiencing falls at home. The program's volunteers and staff build and install free safety improvements to the homes of qualifying area residents including ramps, railings and grab bars.

"We have an aging population in the Sacramento area that are finding it harder and harder to do the things they love. Much of that is because they can't get in and out of their homes safely," says Rebuilding Together Sacramento Executive Director Bonnie Patterson. "Donors like SAFE Credit Union allow us to help more and more people. We are very, very thankful to have received this grant."

In 2023, Safe at Home volunteers and staff helped 623 area individuals in 400 homes in El Dorado, Sacramento, San Joaquin counties and in West Sacramento.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, one in four older adults over 65 experienced a fall in 2020 - equating to an average of 3 million subsequent visits to emergency rooms each year. The CDC also reports



Safe at Home volunteers Dan Ward, of Carmichael, and Stan Jones, of the Greenhaven/Pocket area, install a handrail for a Sacramento resident in need of safer step way. Photo courtesy of SAFE Credit Union

that at least one out of five falls can cause serious injuries resulting in adverse quality of life situations for patients, including difficulty getting around, doing everyday activities, and living independently.

"SAFE Credit Union has a long history of helping improve the health of residents through philanthropy in the communities we serve," says SAFE Credit Union Vice President of Community Relations and Financial Education Rebecca Delmundo. "This grant exemplifies that, and we are so glad to have been able to support such a time-tested nonprofit."

Founded in 1991, Rebuilding Together Sacramento works to fill the need and enhance affordable housing for older adults and those with disabilities.

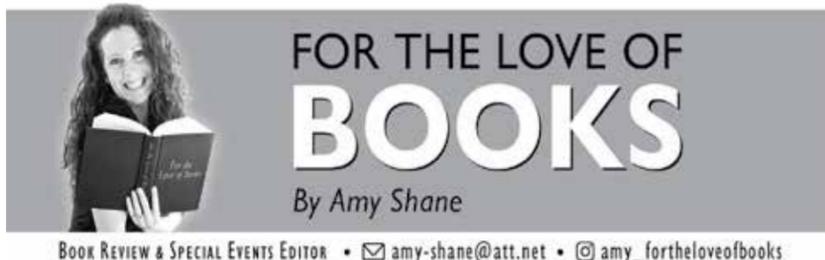
"If you go in and install a handrail or a grab bar, a lot of times the folks are just so grateful and so thankful and are just delightful people," says Safe at Home volunteer Dan Ward of Carmichael. "It's good just helping folks out."

Volunteer Stan Jones of

the Greenhaven-Pocket area says he has put in hundreds of grab bars in the 12 years he's worked as a volunteer. "The clients are very grateful for the help that they receive, and our work prevents falls," Jones says.

Rebuilding Together Sacramento's grant was one of two grants selected by a public vote to receive \$15,000. Foster Youth Education Fund also received a \$15,000 grant for its program supporting former foster youth in the Sacramento region with financial scholarships, as well as laptops for students enrolling or attending a college, university or trade school.

To find out more about Rebuilding Together Sacramento or to volunteer, visit: <https://www.rebuildingtogethersacramento.org/>. For media information about the nonprofit, contact Rebuilding Together Sacramento Resource Development and Marketing Manager Liz Godfrey at (916) 455-1880 ext. 9, or lsgodfrey@rebuildingtogethersacramento.org. ★



The Getaway

by Emma Lord

Growing up, Riley and Tom were the best of friends, bonding over their favorite childhood book series, Tides of Time. But that was then. Now, Tom barely talks to Riley since he moved to New York, and Riley realizes everything will never be the same. For the last four years, Riley worked on being the perfect daughter and doing everything she needed to get into college, but now it's graduation day, and Riley has no idea what she's going to do. Then she finds the Getaway List. A list of adventures she and Tom wanted to take before graduation, and now it feels too late.

There's only one thing left to do: grab the list and jump on a bus to New York, even if her mom is entirely against it. Before she knows it, Riley is at Tom's front door, worrying that things have changed. But the moment she sees him, it's as if no time has passed, and their friendship feels as effortless as it used to be. Riley's weekend trip quickly becomes a summer to remember as she and Tom set out to tackle the list. Now, with a band



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of friends at their side, Riley and Tom finally get the chance to accomplish their childhood goals and dreams, but there's one thing not on the list they need to face: each other.

As new friends, new adventures, and new challenges take over their summer, one thing still stands right in front of them: Riley's new and awkward feelings. Now scared of losing the one friendship she can't live without or the chance at true love, Riley has a lot to figure out. With a few unexpected twists and a handful of sweet snacks, Riley and Tom are

undoubtedly set out for a summer to remember,

The Getaway List will take readers on an uplifting and sweet adventure just in time for this year's graduates. Emily Lord delivers a heartwarming read full of friendship and charming childhood adventures. With characters that readers will instantly fall for and cheer for, this book has all the makings of the perfect spring break or summer read. Riley and Tom make the best friendship mash-up with just the right amount of romantic yearning. Readers will be reading as fast as they can to see if the Upcoming kiss ever takes place. Notable side characters also fill the pages, making this rom-com adventure an even more enjoyable ride.

This story blends in topics of self-discovery, supportive friendships, parent relationships, and friends to lovers in the most uplifting and heartwarming manner, making every experience and adventure well thought out and meaningful. A definite book to add to any reading list, and hopefully will inspire many more getaway lists. ★



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California Enjoys Healthy Water Supply But Battles Over Its Uses Continue to Fester



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

California's major reservoirs are nearly full thanks to two wet winters, the Sierra snowpack is deeper than usual and the state is likely to receive even more rain and snow this spring.

After years of drought, California's water supply is the healthiest it's been in the 21st century. Nevertheless, the state's age-old jousting over water use priorities continues and may become more intense as climate change affects the amount of water available.

On Tuesday (April 2), Gov. Gavin Newsom strapped on snowshoes to accompany state water officials as they measured the Sierra snowpack near Lake Tahoe and declared that it's well over 100% of average.

The event was streamed online and Newsom used it to warn Californians that the state's water future is uncertain and unveil an update of the state's master water plan.

"You can take a deep breath this year, but don't quadruple the amount of time in your shower," Newsom advised, "then consider that this time next year, we may be at a different place."

The water plan must be revised every five years and the new version dwells on "resilience" – making

the water systems less vulnerable to climate change – and "equity." It notes that "for more than 95 percent of Californians, safe, reliable, and affordable water is perceived to be a daily guarantee, but for approximately 1 million Californians, there is a persistent struggle to access water fit for human consumption."

"These extremes are becoming the new reality, and that new reality requires a new approach," Newsom said, adding, "I'll remind all of you the water system in California was designed for a world that no longer exists."

The updated plan describes itself as a "call to action, an all-hands-on-deck endeavor, in which everyone has a role – state agencies and departments with water, regulatory, and climate responsibilities; regional water and resource managers and stewards at every scale across water sectors; and individual Californians."

It assumes that California will build two major projects: the Sites Reservoir on the west side of the Sacramento Valley to bank 1.5 million acre-feet of water during high precipitation years, and a 45-mile-long tunnel that would carry water from the Sacramento River to the head of the California Aqueduct near Tracy, bypassing the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

"We're seeing real progress," Newsom said of the \$16 billion project. "My goal is to get that permitted by the time you kick me out." Newsom described it as "foundational (and) critical if we're going to address the issue of climate change. It is a climate project. It is one of

the most important projects this state can advance."

Environmental groups contend that the tunnel would deprive the Delta of flows needed to maintain water quality for wildlife. Its future is linked to persuading – or compelling – farmers to reduce their diversions from the San Joaquin River and its tributaries, thereby allowing more water to flow through the Delta.

Environmentalists are pressing the state Water Resources Control Board to mandate reductions by updating Delta water quality standards, but that effort collides with historic water rights. Newsom wants diversions to be reduced through "voluntary agreements" rather than by decrees that would lead to legal battles.

The new water plan dances around the issue, endorsing the concept of voluntary agreements but declaring that the water board needs "increased capacity to halt water diversions when the flows in streams diminish (and) modernize the water rights system in a manner that respects water right priorities and aligns with current public values and needs."

Within those vague words lies what could be a monumental battle.

Dan Walters has been a journalist for more than 60 years, spending all but a few of those years working for California newspapers. He began his professional career in 1960, at age 16, at the Humboldt Times in Eureka, while still attending high school, and turned down a National Merit scholarship to continue working as a journalist. ★

Social Security Matters

When Should My Wife Claim Her Social Security Benefit?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I just saw an article which said that certain spousal options were going away, but there are still good options for when a spouse can claim. I am filing for my Social Security to start in October when I turn 70. My wife's full retirement age (FRA) is in December, and she now plans to file then for half of what my FRA benefit would have been (our original plan was for both to file in August). My wife's main reason for delaying until her FRA is to lock her into my maximum benefit if she has to someday change to Survivor's Benefit. Will this be gone for us? Neither of us was born before January 1, 1954. Please advise. **Signed: Planning for Both**

Dear Planning: I expect that the article you refer to was speaking of the option to claim only a spousal benefit first and allow one's personal SS retirement benefit to grow. That option

was available only to those who were born before 1954 and had reached full retirement age. As you now know that option is not available to you.

Assuming your wife's highest benefit entitlement will be as your spouse, your current strategy – you claim your maximum benefit to start in October at age 70 and your wife starts her benefit in December at her FRA – is a good one which will yield the maximum possible monthly benefit for both of you. But for clarity, your wife's survivor benefit as your widow has nothing to do with when she claims her spouse benefits now.

The only thing which will affect your wife's benefit as your surviving spouse is her age when she claims the survivor benefit. If she has already reached her FRA of 66 years and 8 months when you pass, she will get 100% of the amount you were receiving when you died, instead of the smaller spousal amount she was receiving while you were living. Her survivor benefit would only be less than 100% of yours if she claimed it before reaching her full retirement age (which, of course, we hope would not be the case).

Just so you have the complete picture, your wife could, if desired, claim her Social Security

to start at the same time as you in October but, since that would be earlier than her FRA, the amount she would get would be less than 50% of your FRA entitlement. Her spouse benefit would be reduced by 0.694% for each month earlier than her FRA it starts. For example, if your wife starts her spousal benefit in October when your benefit starts, she will get about 98.6% of the amount she would get if she waited until December to start her benefits. That's a permanent reduction, so if your wife's life expectancy is at least average (about 87), it's likely still wisest for her to wait until her FRA to start benefits. But in any case, when your wife claims her spousal benefit now will have no effect on the survivor benefit she will get as your future widow.

This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance. It presents the opinions and interpretations of the AMAC Foundation's staff, trained and accredited by the National Social Security Association (NSSA). To submit a question, visit our website (amacfoundation.org/programs/social-security-advisory) or email us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org. ★



State, Federal Agencies Increase 2024 Water Allocations

State and federal water providers have increased promised allocations after accounting for recent storms that improved snowpack and reservoir levels. The California Department of Water Resources doubled the amount of water it expects to deliver this year to most contractors that rely on the State Water Project from 15% to 30% of requested supplies. The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation increased Central Valley Project allocations for south-of-delta agricultural water users from 15% to 35% of their contracted allotment and from 75% to 100% for those north of the delta.

United Kingdom Suspends Tariffs on Almond Imports

The Almond Board of California is praising the United Kingdom's announcement that it will suspend tariffs for at least two years on raw kernel and in-shell almonds from the U.S. and other countries. The tariffs—4% on in-shell almonds and 2% on raw kernels—have been in place since the UK left the European Union in 2021. They are to be lifted on April 11. The tariff suspension is expected to save UK almond importers about \$4 million a year, allowing them to offer a more competitive price on raw California almonds to UK processors and ultimately to consumers.

Dairy Industry Eyes Continued Steps to Curb Methane Emissions

With a construction boom of methane digester projects on California dairy farms in recent years, milk producers have begun to reduce a powerful greenhouse gas emitted by the manure coming from their cows. Now they must tackle the methane coming from the front end of their animals. Cow burps emit what's known as enteric methane, and the race to reduce it represents a new frontier for the dairy industry. The California Dairy Sustainability Summit in Davis last week shed light on some of the latest innovations in feed, genetics and vaccines showing promise.

Judy Culbertson, Guiding Force of 'Ag in the Classroom,' Retires

Judy Culbertson, executive director of the California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom, has retired after more than 40 years of guiding the organization. Ag in the Classroom provides educational resources to about 1 million students and thousands of teachers each year. California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross praised Culbertson for her dedication to agricultural education. "Judy has touched so many lives of children, teachers and parents...who have benefitted from her passionate commitment to ag literacy," Ross said. ★

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted **electronically** through the City's Procurement system at <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/business/invitation-to-bid> until **2:00 PM local time on Friday, April 19th, 2024**, at which time and place results will be posted and available for public review for the:

CITY HALL GALLERIA CONCRETE FLOOR REFINISHING PROJECT

This Invitation To Bid is for the preparation and refinishing of the Galleria floors at City Hall. The City is seeking a qualified contractor to provide all labor and materials necessary.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Mandatory Bid Walk: April 9, 2024 10:00am
 City of West Sacramento City Hall
 1110 West Capitol Ave
 West Sacramento, CA 95691

Bid Release Date		March 29, 2024
Cutoff for Pre-Bid RFIs	no later than	April 12, 2024
Bids Due	no later than	April 19, 2024
		5 P.M.
		2 P.M.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240232
The following person(s) is doing business as: Pakpour Banks Divorce Lawyers, 1712 Picasso Avenue Suite B, Davis, CA 95618.

Brian Pakpour and Keith Banks, 1712 Picasso Avenue Suite B, Davis, CA 95618. This business is conducted by A General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 1, 2024.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 12, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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PAKPOUR 4-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240219
The following person(s) is doing business as: Muffler Express, 2415 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Anthony Sargetti, 2415 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 1, 2023.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 7, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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MUFFLER 4-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240203
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LIFETIME GREEN COATINGS 041 042 CA, 1757 Cannery Loop, Davis, CA 95616 County of YOLO Mailing Address: 1757 Cannery Loop, Davis, CA 95616 SILICON VALLEY ECO FLOOR COATINGS LLC, 3400 COTTAGE WAY, STE G2, SACRAMENTO, CA 95825 This business is conducted by a limited liability company The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

SILICON VALLEY ECO FLOOR COATINGS LLC S/ Raymond Kung, Managing Member, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/05/2024. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy 3/22, 3/29, 4/5, 4/12/24 CNS-3787406#

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240128
The following person(s) is doing business as: Ruiz Farms, 35837 County Road 24, Woodland, CA 95695.

Jose Ruiz Michel, 4141 Palm Avenue Apt 627, Sacramento, CA 95842. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 11, 2019.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on February 12, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024
RUIZ 5-3-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240272
The following person(s) is doing business as: Alliance Tree Care, 109 Colby Lane, Winters, CA 95694.

Alejandro Lopez, 109 Colby Lane, Winters, CA 95694. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 22, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024
ALLIANCE 4-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240262
The following person(s) is doing business as: MANNA BEVERAGES, 2150 STONE BLVD. WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691, County of YOLO.

Mailing Address: 3309 COLLINS LN LOUISVILLE, KY 40245 MBV-CA, LLC, 3309 COLLINS LN LOUISVILLE, KY 40245 This business is conducted by LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

/s/ KEVIN R. ATKISSON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/19/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
By: MELISA VERA, Deputy
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CNS-3795940#
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240234
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Pik Stop Photo Booths, 813 HARBOR BLVD. 122, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 County of YOLO

Pik Stop Co. LLC, 813 HARBOR BLVD. 122, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 This business is conducted by a limited liability company

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

Pik Stop Co. LLC
S/ Geneve Reyes, Member
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on

03/12/2024.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240284
The following person(s) is doing business as: Petras Cleaning Services, 154 Oak Avenue, Woodland, CA 95695.

Petra Olivera, 154 Oak Avenue, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 26, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024
PETRAS 4-26-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240174
The following person(s) is doing business as: YYS Accounting, 532 Short Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

Yelena Yavorskaya, 532 Short Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 1, 2018.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on February 26, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024
YYS 4-26-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240271
The following person(s) is doing business as: LCL Consulting, 544 S Campus Way, Davis, CA 95616.

Brett Lee, 544 S Campus Way, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 22, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024
LCL 4-26-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240128
The following person(s) is doing business as: Ruiz Farms, 35837 County Road 24, Woodland, CA 95695.

Jose Ruiz Michel, 4141 Palm Avenue Apt 627, Sacramento, CA 95842. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 11, 2019.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on February 12, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 2024
RUIZ 5-3-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240279
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Clear Cut Coatings and Painting, 1111 Kato Ln., Winters, CA 95694 County of YOLO Fernando Gutierrez Tafoya, 1111 Kato Ln., Winters, CA 95694 Jaime Rodarte, 1106 Almeria Ave, Winters, CA 95694 This business is conducted by Co-Partners

The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. S/ Jaime Rodarte, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/26/2024. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder kquam, Deputy

Publish: 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3/24 CNS-3799804#
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240261
The following person(s) is doing business as: 1. CALIFORNIA WINE TRANSPORT, 2. ALDENBRIDGE, 3910 SEAPORT BLVD. WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691, County of YOLO.

Mailing Address: 1000 BRICKELL AVE., STE 215 MIAMI, FL 33131 PSTV B2, LLC, 15751 TAPIA STREET IRWINDALE, CA 91706 This business is conducted by LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

/s/ HARALD KOHLMAN, MANAGER OF PSTV B2, LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/19/2024. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder By: MELISA VERA, Deputy

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240287
The following person(s) is doing business as:

BAY AREA VET BEHAVIOR, 9253 JOHNSON RD., WINTERS, CA 95694, County of YOLO.

BEHAVIOR PATHWAYS VETERINARY CORPORATION, 9253 JOHNSON RD, WINTERS, CA 95694 This business is conducted by A CORPORATION.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 3/12/2024

/s/ WAILANI SUNG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on MARCH 27, 2024.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
By: MELISA VERA, Deputy

Publish: 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3/24
CNS-3799030#
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LIEN SALE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION / LIEN SALE

NOTICE HEREBY IS GIVEN that a mobilehome registered to FARHAN MOHSIN, and described as a 1963 LAKEWOOD mobilehome, Decal Number AAL3922, Serial Number S610, Label/Insignia Number A55701, and stored on property owned by Casa MFD Home Community, LLC ("Casa Mobile Park"), at 1050 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691, Yolo County (specifically, those goods located/stored at Space #32 within the park), will be sold by public auction at the Casa Mobile Park on **May 9, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.** and such succeeding sale days as may be necessary, and the proceeds of the sale will be applied to the satisfaction of the lien, including the reasonable charges of notice, advertisement, and sale, as well as costs and attorney's fees pursuant to contract, statute, and/or law. This sale is by public auction on a certified funds basis (money orders, cashier's or traveler's checks only). **Must have money order(s), cashier's/traveler's check(s) made payable to Casa MFD Home Community, LLC to participate/bid.** NO cash, NO personal checks, NO business checks, NO guarantees or letters of credit allowed. NO exceptions. Payment is due and payable immediately following the sale. The mobilehome and/or contents are sold as is, where is, with no guarantees. Casa Mobile Park reserves all rights.

This sale is conducted under the authority of California Civil Code § 798.56a and Commercial Code §§ 7209-7210.
DATED: March 28, 2024
/s/ Stephanie D. Rice
LAW OFFICES OF JOSEPH W. CARROLL, P.C. Attorney for Casa MFD Home Community, LLC
610 Fulton Avenue, Suite 100 Sacramento, CA 95825
(916) 443-9000
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PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated. 19389 County Rd 102, Woodland, CA, 95776 on 4/24/24 @2pm: Mikayla Otero: Zhiyi Huang 975 F St, West Sacramento, CA, 95605 on 4/24/24 @11am: Tiffany Godina: Christina Johnson Clary: Kathleen Kim: David Vanিয়ে 1100 N 1st St, Dixon, CA 95620 on 4/24/24 @2pm: Mabel Margate The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-0536

Sunshine Elise Faiad has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sunshine Elise Faiad to Sunshine Elise Flores.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 30, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 1, 2023
Daniel M. Wolk, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 2024
FAIAD 4-12-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-0455

Tatyana M Arnaudova aka Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov and aka Tatyana Arnaudov has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tanya M Arnaudova aka Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov and aka Tatyana Arnaudov to Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 1, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 21, 2024
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024
ARNAUTOVA 4-19-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-0455

Tatyana M Arnaudova aka Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov and aka Tatyana Arnaudov has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tanya M Arnaudova aka Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov and aka Tatyana Arnaudov to Tanya Mikhailovna Arnaudov.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 1, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: February 21, 2024
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024
ARNAUTOVA 4-19-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-0650

Kimberly Souza has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kimberly Christina Souza to Dominique Christina Souza.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 21, 2024
David W. Rosenberg, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024
SOUZA 4-19-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-704

Selena Marie Martinez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Selena Marie Martinez to Selena Marie Anderson.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 21, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 21, 2024
David W. Rosenberg, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024
MARTINEZ 4-26-24

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
FILE NO. F20240216

The person(s) or entity listed below are abandoning the use of the following fictitious business name(s): Redwood Tree Apartments, 607 East Eighth Street, Davis, CA 95616.

The fictitious business name was originally filed in Yolo County on August 12, 2019, and is being abandoned by the registrant(s) listed below: Bart Connolly, 1949 Farndon Avenue, Los Altos, CA 94024, and Brooke C Brandow, 1528 Brown Drive, Davis, CA 95616.

The business was conducted by: A Limited Partner.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on March 7, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 2024
REDWOOD 4-19-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
PETE AGRAAN, JR.
CASE NO. PR2024-0075

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Pete Agraan, JR.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Alicia Agraan, in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting Alicia Agraan be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: May 9, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 11. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor.

You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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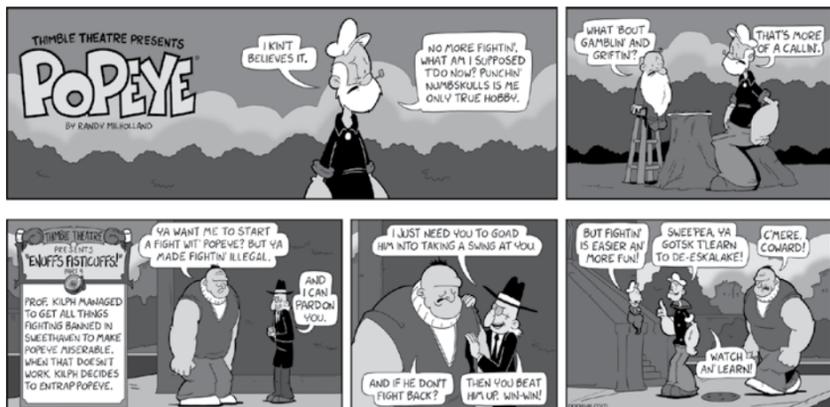
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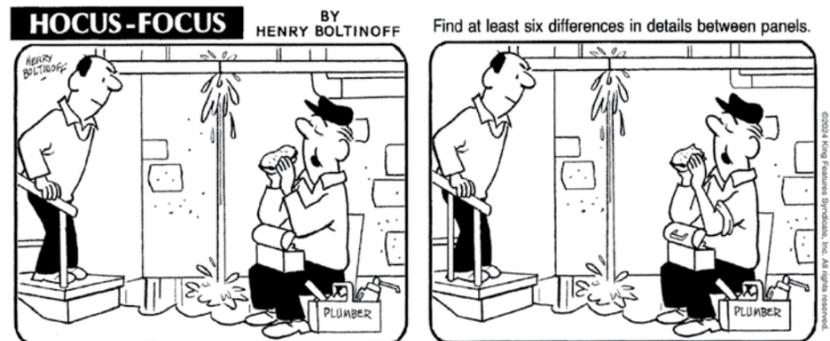


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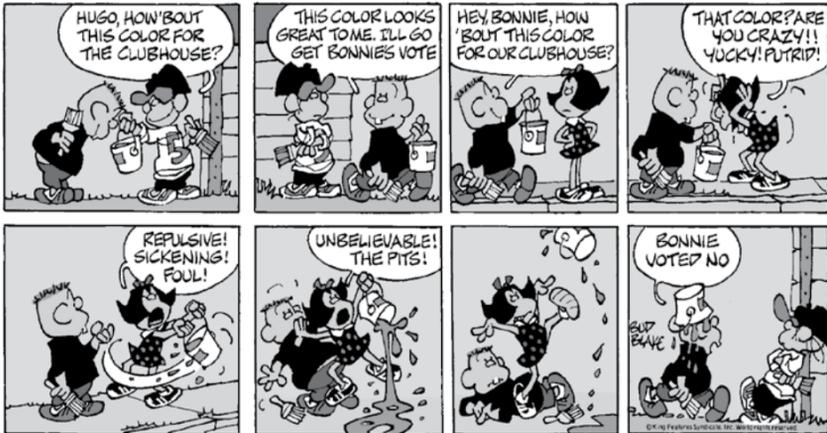
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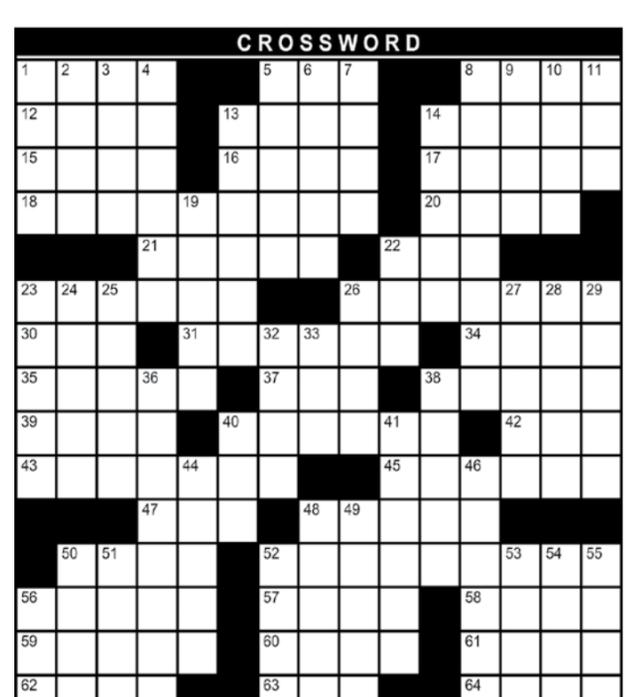
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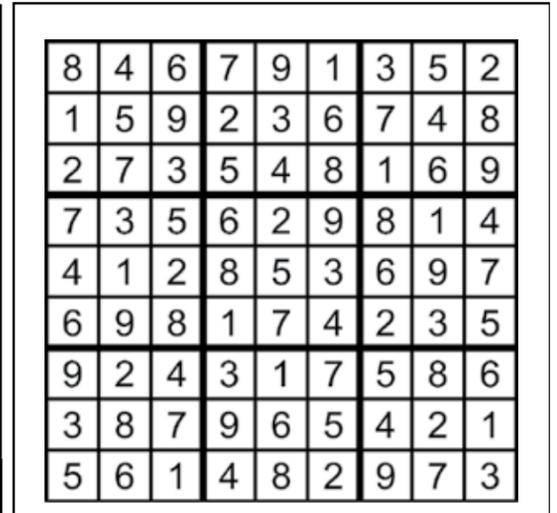
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Kings Korner
 By V.G. Harris

SACRAMENTO KINGS

Our Sacramento Kings find themselves in the middle of a Western Conference quagmire, and at this moment, as the Kings prepare to face off with the Oklahoma City Thunder, it's anyone's guess as to who will be in 7th and 8th place when things wrap up in a week.

Sacramento began their road trip with a disappointing loss to the Knicks, a team that they should have defeated. After a close three-and-a-half quarters, the Kings disappeared in the last two minutes of the game, and a competitive game with two minutes remaining turned into an 11-point loss.

To the Kings' credit, they bounced back the very next night and narrowly missed defeating the vaunted Boston Celtics. An up-and-down game, the Celtics took control in the 4th quarter, and with less than two minutes remaining had a seven-point lead.

Showing the stuff that has made them the beloved team they are, led by lightning-quick De'Aaron Fox, the Kings threw a blanket over the Celtics, and drained shot after shot down the stretch. With 15 seconds left and the Kings holding a one-point lead, the Celtics missed the go-ahead shot and Keegan Murray snagged the rebound.

With only seconds remaining, the Celtics stripped the ball and hit a floater in the lane to go up by one point. Now, with only seven seconds in the game, the Kings called a timeout and advanced the ball into the forecourt.

Drama is an understatement, as would-be hero De'Aaron Fox drove into the paint and leaped high for one of his patented eight-foot jump shots to win the game. The ball came off the rim and Keegan Murray collected the rebound while shooting the putback in one motion. The shot narrowly missed, and who of all people was there for the potential winning tip, was none other than Colby Jones. Not who you expected in a pivotal game with under a minute to play, but there he was nonetheless. Colby tipped the ball and was karate chopped across the face, falling to the hardwood. The ball slid off the rim, while every official on the court collectively swallowed their whistles.

Yes, the team with the best record in the NBA stole a game from the Sacramento Kings, that without a doubt should have been decided with no time on the clock from the charity stripe. But once again, the zebras looked the other way, and instead of allowing the game to be played with integrity, it was simply awarded to the home team.

In the industry I have worked in for over 45 years, I have to complete continuing education every year, and the same can be said for real estate agents, cosmetologists, and accountants. If I don't pass the continuing education classes, the state simply doesn't renew my license. In other words, I'm out of a job.

Wow, can you imagine that? Actually oversee the abilities of referees during the offseason, to assess if they have the required skills to officiate at the highest level in the sport of basketball. Oh, would I love to see that.

I hope everyone can get on the same page, and raise their voices for giving our gladiators the officiating they deserve.

Meanwhile, the Kings have 48 hours to lick their wounds and try to upset a team that has already put 53 wins in the win column. The Thunder are a tough team, and the Kings are tasked with defeating them on their home court. Can they do it, and keep alive the hope of avoiding the dreaded Play-in? I, for one, believe in this group, and my prognostication of 48 wins this season remains alive.

Anyone out there want to join me in my optimism?

Domantas Sabonis continues to amaze with a consistency that no Kings player has ever demonstrated. His double-double streak is a nail-biting watch every game, all the while still leading the NBA in triple-doubles!

Yes, it's a magical season for the big man, so enjoy this while you can. No one plays tougher, takes more punishment, and plays with more effervescent joy that has a ubiquitous quality that every player on the team has embraced!

Love this team! Send your thoughts to vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com.
 Go Kings!

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Fix Prop 47

By John McGinness

On the general election ballot in 2014 California voters were given the opportunity to vote for Proposition 47, the so-called Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act.

For those of us who took the time to read the text of the proposition, it was clear that nothing in this law would make schools or neighborhoods safer. On the contrary, the proposition was fraught with damaging ideas. Crimes such as possession and use of dangerous drugs would be reduced from felonies to misdemeanors. Possession of the so-called date rape drug would be an offense that would warrant no jail time whatsoever. Possession of methamphetamine would also be reduced to a mere misdemeanor, those possessing it could claim it was for personal use, regardless of the quantity, and no time in custody would follow. In recent history, very few people had been forced to serious time in custody for mere possession of illicit drugs. However, the threat of incarceration would often be the impetus for defendants to go to drug court, where they would stipulate to their guilt and be forced into treatment to put them on a path to a much better life. The success of drug court was very impressive. We did not see droves of people occupying the streets, parks and sidewalks of our communities looking like

the walking dead, while discarding human waste and dirty hypodermic needles on the playgrounds and streets of cities and towns throughout the state.

The loss of the ability to file felony charges in these cases would foreseeably evaporate the participation in drug court, because the incentive to do so would be lost by removing the criminal justice-imposed consequences for such offenses.

Similarly, changes that would eliminate real consequences for serial theft were a part of this horribly ill-conceived proposition. Previously, repeat thieves would be subject to jail time felony consequences. The criminal element generally knew of the consequences of California Penal Code Section 666 that would make even petty theft with a prior a potential felony that could result in time in-custody for repeat cases of theft, reducing the incidents of repeat theft. All the penalty enhancements for repeat theft cases would be eliminated by the passage of this proposition.

It was abundantly foreseeable – if this proposition passed it would incentivize chronic dangerous drug abuse, and serial theft. Retailers would have a difficult time staying in business, their incentive to cooperate with the criminal justice system would go by the wayside, because liability risks of stopping thieves would simply become greater than the benefit



John McGinness. Courtesy photo

to be realized from a system that would not punish offenders.

Similarly, drug addiction as the result of chronic drug abuse would skyrocket. The quality of life would be profoundly diminished in urban, suburban, and even rural parts of California.

All of this would be abundantly clear to those who took the time and effort to read the proposition, and realize the devastating consequences that would follow if this concept became law.

Regrettably, the good people of California had faith in those they had elected to represent their best interest in state government. Voters were

very people who had been entrusted with their vote.

Consider the ubiquitous tents in public places; the sickly pathetic souls wandering about in a daze; and the areas lost for use by law abiding, tax paying citizens because of fear for their safety and concerns for their health posed by those who have ravaged their own bodies by chronic drug abuse. Consider relentless images of smash and grab retail thefts that have forced long-time successful businesses to flee the state, because they cannot endure the current conditions.

Retail and cargo theft have exploded in California. Drug addiction and homelessness have become a humanitarian crisis. The consequences are impacting public safety and the quality of life of all Californians.

Members of the California legislature have promised to fix the problem, as have members of the state's executive branch. Do not be fooled into believing these false promises. This mess was created by well-intended voters who were lied to. Proposition 47 is a law that was created by the voters, ONLY the voters can amend it.

There is good news, the Homelessness, Drug Addiction, and Theft Reduction Act is very likely to qualify for the November ballot and will give the voters an opportunity to ameliorate the adverse consequences of

Proposition 47. There is still an opportunity to sign the petition to ensure the voters have a legitimate choice this year.

This effort will reclassify theft with two or more prior convictions as jail-eligible felonies, add new laws to address “smash and grab” thefts, add Fentanyl to the list of hard drugs resulting in felony prison time, and provide addiction and mental health services for treatment-mandated felony charges.

Some have asserted that enforcing laws and imposing consequences on offenders represents a lack of compassion. Who do you love that you want to see sleeping on a cold Sacramento sidewalk on a January night with temperatures in the teens, or conversely baking in the summer sun in triple digit heat? Who honestly believes that a young offender who begins to steal, and is not persuaded away from that behavior by predictable consequences for their actions will live a richer, fuller life?

Compassion demands providing the resources and impetus for change.

To sign the petition, or learn more, visit <https://casafecommunities.com>.

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