

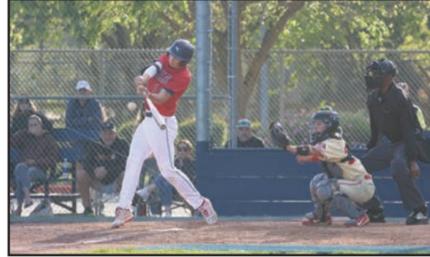


**Council Honors  
2024 Stars  
of Service**

PAGE 3

**Pleasant Grove  
Revs Up, Snags  
Win From Jesuit**

PAGE 14



# Elk Grove Citizen

75¢ per copy

115TH YEAR • ISSUE 16

Official Newspaper of Elk Grove Since 1909

APRIL 19, 2024

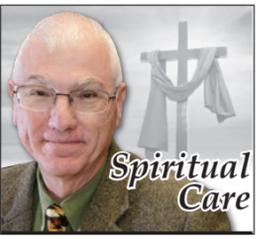
**SEE  
INSIDE**

**HERD SOFTBALL  
BACK IN WINS  
AFTER DAVIS**



PAGE 13

**LOST  
IN THE  
TRANSLATION**



*Spiritual  
Care*

PAGE 6

**GARDNER NEW  
INSPECTOR  
GENERAL**



PAGE 7

## Monterey Trail Honors Founding Principal



Monterey Trail High School Principal Lara Ricks presents founding Principal W. Terry Chapman with a framed varsity letter and staff autographs. Photos by Emanuel Espinoza

**By Emanuel Espinoza**

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - Monterey Trail High School celebrated its 20th anniversary in Elk Grove by holding a carnival and a dedication to founding Principal W. Terry Chapman on April 12.

A stage and a lectern, along with green and gold balloons to represent the school's colors, were set up in front of the school's gymnasium for the unveiling of the gym's new name to honor Chapman.

There were initial reports of rainfall. However, a windy day and possible rain forecast did not stop students, faculty, alumni

and others from attending the event.

Monterey Trail High School Principal Lara Ricks said that this dedication was "an amazing way" to honor Chapman, who impacted the school and the community.

"I think that people who work in education don't always get the recognition they have put into their work and this is only fitting that we do this for him (Chapman) and let him see it with his family and the staff," Ricks said. "For us to be able to honor him and say thank you, it's the biggest 'thank you' we can give him."

Current and former staff



The Monterey Trail High School gym is now called the W. Terry Chapman Gymnasium.

members spoke about working with Chapman, such as Rick Sansone, a former counselor at the school when it opened, and

Mark Zalunardo, a math teacher.

Ricks spoke about Chapman and presented

*Continued on Page 5*



Anita Maldonado. Photo Courtesy of Sacramento County

## County Appoints SETA Director

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors at its April 9 meeting authorized the county executive's appointment of Anita Maldonado as the Sacramento Employment and Training Agency (SETA) executive director. The Sacramento City Council, at its April 9 meeting, also confirmed Maldonado's appointment.

Maldonado's appointment is effective April 10.

"Ms. Maldonado's extensive experience in nonprofit administration, combined with her commitment to understanding community needs and delivering impactful programming, makes her the ideal choice for executive director of the Sacramento Employment and Training Agency," said Sacramento County Executive David Villanueva.

Maldonado has more than 25 years of executive level and administrative management experience. Her experience includes leading nonprofit and public social services agencies that champion policies, programs and efforts to heighten awareness regarding issues that impact youth and underserved communities.

Maldonado has nearly eight years of teaching experience as an adjunct faculty member of the Franklin University Public Administration Department, where she taught online courses that cover public and nonprofit governance and leadership.

Since 2020, Maldonado served as chief executive officer of Social Advocates for Youth, overseeing Youth Crisis, Career and Educational, Counseling, and Housing service programs.

SETA, a joint powers agency of the City and County of Sacramento, was formed in 1978. SETA connects residents to jobs, business owners to employees, education and nutrition to children and assistance to refugees. For more information, visit SETA website at [www.seta.net](http://www.seta.net). ★

## Pinwheels Planted Around County for Child Abuse Prevention Month



Dozens of Sacramento County Department of Child, Family and Adult Services staff planted pinwheels outside the department's buildings April 9 to create awareness about child abuse prevention. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento County recognizes April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. This year, the Sacramento County Department of Child, Family and Adult Services (DCFAS) spread awareness about child abuse prevention by planting pinwheels outside of all the county Department of Child, Family and Adult Services buildings. The pinwheel symbolizes childhood

innocence and joy.

The pinwheels will remain planted throughout April as part of an effort to continue to raise awareness about preventing child abuse and neglect. The pinwheel plantings took place on April 9, with dozens of workers participating at each building.

"Together, we can all raise awareness for child abuse prevention," said Child Protective Services Deputy Director Melissa Lloyd.

The recognition month also serves as a reminder that everyone can work

together to keep children in the community safe.

The Department of Child, Family and Adult Services offers five tips that residents can do to help prevent child abuse and neglect.

The first two tips are to be a friend to a parent you know and offer support when needed, and to be a friend to a child you know and show you care about their interests and well-being.

The third tip is to talk to neighbors

together to keep children in the community safe.

The Department of Child, Family and Adult Services offers five tips that residents can do to help prevent child abuse and neglect.

The first two tips are to be a friend to a parent you know and offer support when needed, and to be a friend to a child you know and show you care about their interests and well-being.

The third tip is to talk to neighbors

*Continued on Page 7*

PRSRD STD.  
U.S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
CARMICHAEL, CA  
PERMIT NO. 350  
OR CURRENT  
POSTAL CUSTOMER



8 21681 04552 0

# Council Recognizes Donors, Names Planning Commissioner

Story by Shaunna Boyd

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - At the April 10 meeting, the Elk Grove City Council issued a proclamation recognizing April as National Fair Housing Month, in commemoration of the federal Fair Housing Act of 1968.

"I just want to acknowledge it wasn't that long ago that people of color weren't able to buy a home in a certain neighborhood," said Councilmember Darren Suen. "It's nice to see that things continue to progress where we don't have to worry about that in today's society."

Suen read the proclamation, stating that "the City of Elk Grove is proud of its commitment to fair housing, recognizes the need to affirmatively promote fair housing in its policies and practices, and will continue to work to identify and remove impediments to fair housing choices."

The proclamation was accepted by a representative from Project Sentinel, a nonprofit organization serving Northern California residents with housing issues.

City Council also issued a proclamation recognizing April as Donate Life Month. Councilmember Kevin Spease read the proclamation and explained that "more than

100,000 Americans and 20,000 Californians are currently on the national transplant waiting list ... and, on average, 17 people die each day while waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant."

City Council encouraged residents to register as organ donors at the National Donate Life Registry ([www.BetheGiftToday.com](http://www.BetheGiftToday.com)) or at the local DMV.

The proclamation also recognized Sierra Donor Services, which serves Northern California by connecting donor families, local hospitals and transplant centers. In 2023, Sierra Donor Services helped facilitate 442 organ transplants that were made possible "thanks to the selfless generosity of 171 Northern California organ donors," read Spease.

Kyla Aquino Irving and Chris Mateo accepted the proclamation on behalf of Sierra Donor Services. Both are kidney transplant recipients and Irving said, "We are both a testament to the miracle of organ donation."

Irving said that they use this month to "bring awareness to this cause, to thank the people who've passed on and given their organs as donors." She explained that people of color make up 80% of the transplant waitlist in California but



The Elk Grove City Council recognized April as Donate Life Month, encouraging all residents to sign up to be an organ donor. Kyla Aquino Irving and Chris Mateo accepted the proclamation, both as representatives of Sierra Donor Services and as prior donor recipients who have received the gift of life through organ donation. From left: Councilmember Kevin Spease, Councilmember Sergio Robles, Mateo, Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen, Aquino Irving, Vice Mayor Rod Brewer and Councilmember Darren Suen. Photo Courtesy of Dave Soto Productions

are also less likely to register to be donors, so she hopes to initiate more conversations about this issue in communities of color.

Irving also said there were Elk Grove residents waiting for kidneys who were planning to speak at the meeting but were not well enough to attend: "So, we stand in their place, very fortunate to have had the gift of life, and just to let you know that the people who are waiting are right here in our neighborhood."

Mateo dedicated this month to his best friend who died last year: "He was an organ donor and he gladly gave everything that he had to be able to save lives after he passed away. So, for him, for everybody else that's willing to donate, I'm so thankful, because you give so much to so many lives with just

one person and their willingness and ability to do that."

City Council considered applications to fill a seat on the Planning Commission after long-serving Commissioner George Murphey announced his plan to retire once a replacement was appointed. Nine applications were received by the deadline: from Allan Veto III, Gus Vina, Ronald Washington, Brian Van Lente, Dave Preciado, Varinder Singh, Rachell Owen-Reinwald, Irfan Mehmood and Julie Kaur Singh. Many of them spoke during Public Comment to share their backgrounds and professional experiences.

Mayor Bobbie Allen-Singh said, "This is not an easy decision. We have some amazing applicants." She acknowledged that the

group all had "diversity of experience, wealth of knowledge and a passion for our city." Singh-Allen said that Murphey was leaving "big shoes to fill" and she thanked all the applicants for being "willing to step up and serve."

Mayor Singh-Allen said that she wanted a new commissioner who would represent the rural area of Elk Grove because that community "deserves a voice." She also considered educational and professional experience, as well as community engagement and their time as an Elk Grove resident. But she said she gave the greatest weight to input from Planning Commission Chair Suman Singha and Commissioner Murphey, who both rallied around one candidate. So Mayor Singh-Allen recommended Varinder Singh for the

position.

Vice-Mayor Rod Brewer said that serving on the Planning Commission is not easy, as it requires intensive reading, research and communication: "Serious thought, serious consideration and real work goes into it." Brewer said that he supported the mayor's recommendation as Varinder Singh is from a rural community in Elk Grove, is engaged in the community and has "a willingness to learn and grow in that position in public service."

With a majority of City Council consensus, Varinder Singh was appointed to serve on the Planning Commission.

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. April 24 at 8400 Laguna Palms Way. ★

# Something's in the air.

## Get seasonal allergy relief.

It's that time of year. Runny nose, sore eyes, and—bless you. If you're experiencing the effects of seasonal allergies, we can help. Dignity Health Mercy Medical Group offers a variety of treatments to relieve symptoms to get you through the season. Connect with your primary care doctor for a referral and get to know our allergy specialists by scanning here:



**Dignity Health®**  
**Mercy Medical Group**

A Service of Dignity Health Medical Foundation





Residents, Neighborhoods and Community Groups honoree Hollis Erb with Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen and Vice Mayor Rod Brewer.

The Elk Grove City Council poses with members of Boy Scout Troop 118, the Service Organizations and Groups honoree. Photos courtesy of Dave Soto Productions



Social and Community Services honoree Robert Rhymes with Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen and Vice Mayor Rod Brewer.



Joshua Green, standing to left of Elk Grove City logo, was honored in the Sports and Recreation category. He poses with students he has helped as a coach and volunteer coordinator.



Supporting Culture and Heritage honoree Kelly Le, center, with Thuy Pham, left, and Ivy Nguyen.

# Council Honors 2024 Stars of Service

By Shaunna Boyd

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - The Elk Grove City Council recently announced the 2024 recipients of the city's Stars of Service Awards, which Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen said recognizes the "significant contributions that volunteers make by generously donating their time and talents to worthy causes."

The winner in the Residents, Neighborhoods and Community Groups category was Hollis Erb, who has served as a volunteer on the parks advisory committee and as a member of the Measure G oversight committee. She helped start a pollinator program designed to provide a haven for native birds, bees and insects, and the first pollinator garden was established this year at Lawrence Park. Erb also donated a little library to Lawrence Park. Last year, she spent over 250 hours volunteering in Elk Grove. Erb said she loves keeping busy and contributing to the community: "I'm so happy doing what I can."

In the Social and Community Services category, the winner was Robert Rhymes, who supports the youth of today in becoming the leaders of tomorrow.

Rhymes serves as a volunteer for Cub Scout Pack 255 and Boy Scout Troop 255, is a member of the Council Advancement Team, a merit badge counselor, part of the Boy Scout National Leadership Team and a mentor to youth leaders. He has served as president of the Laguna Sunrise Rotary Club and donates time at the Elk Grove Teen Center. Rhymes said, "To me, it's all about giving back to the neighborhood, to

Elk Grove, to these youth so they'll have a better future."

In the Supporting Culture and Heritage category, the winner was Kelly Le, who organized the Mid-Autumn Festival of 2023 and the Lunar New Year Festival in 2024. She was the primary organizer for the Têt Festival for the local Vietnamese community, which created enduring memories and strong bonds in the community. Le also serves on the city's Diversity and Inclusion Committee. Le thanked the council for the opportunity to establish events that "foster diversity in your community. Your support is instrumental toward making Elk Grove a vibrant and inclusive city for all."

In the Supporting Arts category, the winners were Carolyn and Brian Baptista for establishing Elk Grove's first and only Free Little Art Gallery in front of their home. There, residents can contribute or collect a piece of unique handmade art. Carolyn Baptista said, "This award is the result of our community's spirit and promotion of the arts. So I want to thank every single artist who shared their artwork and every single person who took the time out of their day to stop by the gallery to support the artists."

In Sports and Recreation, the winner was Joshua Green, who inspires and supports female athletes and youth throughout the community. He has been the assistant coach for the Cosumnes Oaks High School (COHS) women's basketball team for the last five years and he volunteers more than 400 hours to the team each season. He started a scholarship for students

from Cosumnes Oaks High School and also coaches the third-grade girls' team at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School. Green is a board member of the Sacramento County Children's Coalition and the Golden Empire Scout Council. Green said he loves coaching, as well as the camaraderie of working with other volunteers to support the athletes.

In Service Organizations and Groups, the winner was Boy Scout Troop 118. The current members volunteered more than 2,000 hours serving the community in the past year, from serving breakfast at Lions Club holiday events to supporting the annual community campout. The troop contributes to Elk Grove events and fundraisers, and their service generated the donation of more than 1,800 items supporting the Elk Grove Food Bank and more than 200 pairs of pajamas for women and children of St. John's. To date, 115 from the troop have earned the top rank of Eagle Scout. The troop leader said the Scouts are happy to contribute to their city.

Young Volunteer of the Year was Kassi Parsons, who is the city's longest serving Youth Commission member, now in her fourth year. Her work on the commission has supported several successful events, including a Youth Mental Wellness event and Family Fun Day.

Parsons thanked her parents for being her "biggest cheerleaders" and always supporting her as she serves her community.

Singh-Allen thanked all the recipients for the "significant impact on the quality of life you're making in our city." ★



Supporting Arts honorees Brian and Carolyn Baptista.



Young Volunteer of the Year Kassi Parsons with parents Bob and Kristin.

# LOCAL ARREST RECORDS

Find out what's happening  
in your local area at...

[EGCITIZEN.COM](http://EGCITIZEN.COM)

ARREST LOGS UPDATED DAILY

**RETIRED COUPLE**  
HAS \$1MIL TO LEND ON CA. REAL ESTATE\*

**V.I.P. TRUST DEED COMPANY**  
Buys T.D.s and Buys/Lends on Partial Interests

OVER 40 YEARS OF FAST FUNDING  
Principal (818) 248-0000 Broker  
[WWW.VIPLoan.com](http://WWW.VIPLoan.com) \*Sufficient equity required - no consumer loans

Real Estate License #01041073 CA Department of Real Estate, NMLS #339217  
Private Party loans generally have higher interest rates, points & fees than conventional discount loans

Thank

A Veteran  
TODAY

Find Back Issues at  
[EGCitizen.com](http://EGCitizen.com)

# Californians Get Hacked All the Time



Audits have found that California state agencies are unprepared for cyber attacks. The state's top cybersecurity post has been empty for some time. Image by Nikita Belokhonov - Pexels

By Khari Johnson  
CALMatters.org

You might think the home of Silicon Valley would rush to hire a cybersecurity chief, but you'd be wrong: California has left its top cybersecurity post vacant for nearly two years.

A spokesperson said there is no current timeline for Gov. Gavin Newsom to appoint anyone for the position, commander for the Cybersecurity Integration Center.

"We are a target," as a tech industry leader, the most populous state in the country, one of the busiest ports in the world, and the fifth largest economy in the world, said former cybersecurity integration center commander Jonathan Nunez in a video posted to YouTube two years ago. He took the helm in June 2020 and was the last commander appointed by Newsom, leaving the position in June 2022.

State officials say the vacancy hasn't hampered the state's ability to respond to threats, but experts outside the state government are concerned that an acting commander is spread thin.

The commander job entails assisting law enforcement agencies with criminal investigations and safeguarding California's economy and critical infrastructure. Other job duties include maintaining a security operation center that disseminates actionable information to all state entities, forming public and private partnerships, and developing state cybersecurity strategy. The commander is paid a salary of up to \$187,000 a year.

The challenge of a position like cybersecurity commander is it's not a matter of public or media interest until something goes wrong, said Dan Schnur, a former spokesperson for Gov. Pete Wilson who now teaches political communication at

the University of Southern California and University of California, Berkeley. There's no set timeline for appointments and depends almost entirely upon the urgency to fill the job and quality of applicants, but in his experience, taking more than a year to appoint is an unusually long amount of time.

"Either they're going through a painstaking process to pick the right person or it slipped through the cracks and there's no way to know which of the two it is," he said. "Unless you find a unicorn who's willing to forego that kind of financial compensation in exchange for public service, you're already starting out with a compromise."

There have been four full-time commanders prior to the current acting

Tresh previously served as chief information security officer for the states of California and Idaho and was the first Cybersecurity Integration Center commander. He said he jumped at the opportunity because the job acts as a second set of eyes for public institutions like city and county governments, not just the state of California.

"We helped school districts and regional transit authorities when they had breaches," he said. "That's why I think it's absolutely a perfect position to continue on."

Cyber attacks on public institutions like local governments, hospitals, and school districts are on the rise. Hospitals and health care providers are still

and report incidents and helps restore operations after an attack. Director Liana Bailey-Crimmins told CalMatters in an interview in February that her agency works closely with the office of emergency services to address the needs of the state as they fill key positions so they never miss a step.

A spokesperson for the governor's Office of Emergency Services said Osborne is serving as acting commander while the governor carries out a nationwide search for a qualified candidate.

Over the course of the past month CalMatters repeatedly asked

details about data breach reports and compliance assigned to the commander and cybersecurity integration center by a five-year cybersecurity plan approved in 2021 but received no comment.

The last time the state compiled a report detailing the kinds of data breaches, number of records compromised, and number of Californians affected in cyber attacks was back in 2016, before the cybersecurity integration center existed.

CalMatters reached out to the office of Attorney General Rob Bonta for the latest data breach report. The attorney general's office referred CalMatters to the cybersecurity center, which did not share new information but said it would post new data publicly later "this spring."

After audits found that

state agencies were woefully unprepared for cyber attacks, California Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin, a Democrat from Thousand Oaks, coauthored a 2018 law that made the Cybersecurity Integration Center a permanent state agency and required development of a state cybersecurity strategy. Irwin, who is also chairperson of the Assembly cybersecurity committee, told CalMatters in a statement that finding a new commander has not been easy.

"The state has struggled to recruit and retain cybersecurity specialists, just as many businesses have, with their skill set in high-demand," she said. Competition with private sector

Former state cybersecurity employees told CalMatters they think it's difficult for the cybersecurity center to keep commanders because the pay is less than for similar jobs in the private sector. State employees may treat an acting commander — who will be in the job temporarily — differently than a commander appointed by Newsom.

A former cybersecurity center employee who spoke to CalMatters on background for fear of professional reprisals said the biggest issue with the position is lack of real authority; the commander has limited capacity to act and hold people accountable.

Public agencies, especially in California, are major targets for

cybercriminals seeking confidential information or just want to cause panic, said Steven Ward, a cybersecurity fellow at center-right think tank R Street Institute and former digital forensics examiner for law enforcement agencies in Sacramento.

Ward said the vacancy is reflective of a number of trends: First, the cybersecurity threat landscape moves quickly, and public agencies move slowly. Second, it mirrors a larger cybersecurity workforce shortage. California has the second-highest in the U.S., according to a 2022 report by the nonprofit International Information System Security Certification Consortium.

Third, public agencies can't compete with pay and benefits offered by private companies. Another 2022 study found that the private sector pays 14% more than government agencies. The pay gap creates a situation in which entry-level employees are responsible for guarding highly sensitive systems. It's hard to say what the consequences of the vacancy are, but since the center develops the state cybersecurity strategy and is a hub for sharing attack threat information and how to patch vulnerabilities, Ward said he's worried that the acting director might be spread too thin.

"It definitely needs to be filled," he said. "It's important that this type of work continues without interruptions."

Khari Johnson is CalMatters' first tech reporter. He previously covered artificial intelligence use by businesses and governments as a senior writer for WIRED and VentureBeat with an emphasis on policy, power, human rights abuses and telling the stories of people demanding accountability after being harmed by automation. ★

# HACKED

# Monterey Trail Honors Founding Principal

Continued from page 1

him with a framed varsity letter and staff autographs. The gym's name was unveiled as the W. Terry Chapman Gymnasium.

Chapman delivered a speech about his experiences from being a school administrator and helping with the school's community. Staff members and Chapman's family members all went on stage for group photos.

Chapman said that it was "very humbling" to be honored. "When this school was about to open, I was asked by the district and I was fortunate enough to have talented people around me," Chapman said. "We worked really hard to develop a vision for this school and the vision came true."

Monterey Trail High School alumni also attended this event. Jennifer Duffey, a 2008 graduate, said that it was exciting to bring back the first principal of the school and dedicate the gym to him.

"He was very involved with students and staff," Duffey said. "Every event we had, he was wholeheartedly here with us."

Duffey said that being at her old school "felt like a flashback with the community being here again" honoring their principal.

"I was so excited to be here with everybody to watch this dedication go down in history with the students who are here now," Duffey said.

Destiny Robbins, another 2008 graduate, said that this was an emotional moment to watch Chapman being honored and to see staff and alumni come together to be a part of this experience.

"It felt amazing to know that I was here 20 years ago when this place opened and to walk the halls and point with my children and say, 'I was in theater right there, I went to lunch right there, I was in that gym!'" Robbins said. "It's a feeling that I can't even describe." ★



Staff go on stage to congratulate Founding Principal, W. Terry Chapman, on April 12. Math teacher Mark Zalunardo has the microphone. Photo by Emanuel Espinoza

## ARTS CALENDAR

### Elk Grove Festival of the Arts, April 27

The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center presents the Elk Grove Festival of the Arts, a full day of creative expression at the Old Town Plaza.

This partnership with the City and the Elk Grove Arts Commission brings together fine artists, musical performers, creative students, and the community to enjoy a bit of culture in the beautiful California spring.

Collectors will find dozens of fine artists with work at accessible prices – a vast open studio with live painting demonstrations, handcrafted jewelry, and fine and decorative artwork suitable for any home or business.

This year's festival is calling for sponsors and artists! Please visit [www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org](http://www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org) to find out more!

### Elk Grove Artists Inc. (EGA)

Each month, Elk Grove

Artists Inc. engages established and recognized guest artists who conduct workshops, presentations, demos, critiques and more, often sharing stories and experiences that inspire their creativity.

To sign up for workshop notices, call (916) 715-3749 or (916) 591-7446, or visit [elkgroveartists@att.net](mailto:elkgroveartists@att.net).

### The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

Check out the local website for featured rotating local artist. The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center is at their new location, 9020 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 101. The Center entrance is on Walnut Avenue, with parking available out front or in public lots in Old Town Elk Grove.

They are open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays through Saturdays, and Sundays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit us every First Saturday from 4-7PM at the Center for

refreshments, an opportunity to meet featured artists, and enjoy live music.

For more information, visit [www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org](http://www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org) or call (916) 685-5992.

### Call for Artists at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

All art competitions require online submission through Smarter Entry. Fees may be paid directly online through this system.

Visit the individual exhibition pages to explore deadlines, fees, awards, and to download the prospectus. Here's the calendar for the upcoming themes for submissions:

April: Elk Grove Festival of the Arts, Caiti Chan in the Foyer Gallery, and Member Art exhibition

May: Abstractly Speaking Competition, Amy Vidra in the Foyer Gallery, Stop Stigma Sacramento

June: Wide Open Spaces

### Competition

To find out more information about the monthly contests and for more details about submissions, please visit <https://elkgrovefineartscenter.org/>

### Art Workshops for Adults at Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

Enhance your visual arts skills or learn a new technique in an art class or workshop at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center.

At the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center you can find art workshops for adults in a variety of mediums and techniques.

We periodically offer workshops for younger people, dependent upon the instructor and type of class. If you're looking for basic to advanced instruction in Batiking, Ceramics, Clay, Encaustics, Fabric Art, Mixed-Media, Mosaics, Plein Air, or Watercolor (and more!), you will find it at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center. *(Availability of these classes can change*

*at any time)*

Register Now For Upcoming Classes:

Building Multimedia Collages with Terri Bianco – April 19, 2024

Beginning Acrylic with Andrea Morris – May 25, 2024

Portrait Drawing with Andrea Morris – April 20, 2024

Beginning Acrylic with Andrea Morris – May 25, 2024

To sign up for classes and learn more, please visit [elkgrovefineartscenter.org/workshops](http://elkgrovefineartscenter.org/workshops).

### A Seat at the Table Books

This bookstore is hosting these ongoing events at their bookstore: every Wednesday, 4:30-5 p.m., Reading Circle Storytime with Samantha Tucey; every Saturday, 11-11:30 a.m., Family Storytime; every Saturday, 10:45-11:15 a.m., Mindfulness Drop-in Group with the store's co-owner Ryan; every first Friday, 5:30-6

p.m., Aloha Friday Storytime with Sergio; every first Friday, 6:15-8:45 p.m., Poetry Night, admission is \$15, which includes a \$10 voucher for anything in the store, suitable for ages 16 or older.

A Seat at the Table Books is at 9257 Laguna Springs Drive.

For more information, visit [seatatthetablebooks.org/](http://seatatthetablebooks.org/) or call (916) 538-3482.

### View Artwork from Elk Grove

At [webmaps.elkgrovecity.org/publicartelkgrove/](http://webmaps.elkgrovecity.org/publicartelkgrove/). The Elk Grove Arts Commission has created a virtual Citywide Art Guide

hensive inventory of art pieces and art events in Elk Grove. If you know of a piece or event that should be included, contact the city of Elk Grove's community event center manager, Lana Yoshimura at [lyoshimura@elkgrovecity.org](mailto:lyoshimura@elkgrovecity.org). ★

## POLICE LOGS

### Thursday, April 4

10:40 a.m., 8400 block of Laguna Palms Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Jeremiah Saunders, 38, on warrant charges.

1:22 p.m., Bond Road/Elk Grove-Florin Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Steavan Jordan, 43, on charges of ignition interlock device violation and carrying a loaded firearm.

4:49 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Ikwil Singh, 41, on witness intimidation and contempt of court charges.

5:48 p.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove-Florin Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Jacob Munayer, 27, on reckless driving charges..

10:58 p.m., Elk Grove-Florin Road/Campbell Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Salender Singh, 46, on charges of DUI causing bodily harm.

### Friday, April 5

8 a.m., Sky River Parkway/Promenade Parkway: Elk Grove Police arrested Brannndon Estrada, 34, and Madisen Buckmanster, 27, on charges of unauthorized driving or taking of a

vehicle, receiving a stolen vehicle, burglary tool possession, and meth and drug paraphernalia possession.

1:42 p.m., 8200 block of Geneva Point Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Parminder Sahota, 22, on charges of large-capacity magazine possession, assault weapon possession, and concealed weapon possession.

2:32 p.m., 8800 block of Sheldon Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Kenneth Cole, 39, on warrant charges.

2:34 p.m., Calvine Road/Bader Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Melvin Davis, 58, on charges of DUI and ignition interlock device violation.

7 p.m., 9800 block of Grany Line Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Diane Hill, 55, on contempt of court charges.

### Saturday, April 6

2:43 a.m., 9700 block of Dino Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Herbert Lofton, 36, on theft and warrant charges. Lofton was wanted on charges of grand theft, unauthorized driving or

taking of a vehicle, and petty theft, according to jail records.

4:54 p.m., Sheldon Road/Lewis Stein Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Henry Fulton, 29, on warrant charges.

7:50 p.m., Sky River Parkway/Promenade Parkway: Elk Grove Police arrested Martin Gallegos, 59, on charges of DUI and ignition interlock device violation.

### Sunday, April 7

3:26 p.m., 7500 block of Laguna Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Donna Mortz, 25, on weapon brandishing charges.

11:37 a.m., 9950 block of Bruceville Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Ronald Anderson on warrant charges.

1:57 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove police arrested Derek Poon, 36, on domestic battery and child endangerment charges.

1:21 p.m., 9800 block of Sintra Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Kimberly Wyatt, 44, on controlled substance and meth possession charges.

2:50 p.m., Koto Drive/Gessnger Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Omie Williams, 37, on warrant charges.

3:06 p.m., Mackey Road/Sheldon Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Michael Freeman, 57, on DUI charges.

10 p.m., 9600 block of Anton Oaks Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Casey Baker, 31, on concealed weapon possession charges.

10:30 p.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Jose Arenas, 30, on DUI charges.

11:17 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Sharon Lopez, 38, on charges of corporal injury to an intimate partner, child endangerment, resisting an executive officer, and resisting arrest.

### Monday, April 8

6:21 p.m., 5400 block of Lotus Way: Elk Grove Police arrested James Williams, 43, on warrant charges. Williams was wanted on charges of drug paraphernalia and meth possession, receiving a stolen vehicle, and

unauthorized driving or taking of a vehicle, according to jail records.

7:13 p.m., 8800 block of Elk Grove Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Chase Hunt, 34, on warrant charges. Hunt was wanted on post release supervision violation and vandalism charges, according to jail records.

10:06 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Ashmeeta Mishra, 47, on domestic battery and child endangerment charges.

### Tuesday, April 9

5 a.m., 8800 block of Classical Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Gaige Bradley, 20, and Travell Alfaro, 21, on charges of receiving a stolen vehicle, burglary tool possession, conspiracy, unauthorized driving or taking of a vehicle, and felony reckless evading.

5:30 a.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Carl Smith, 55, on charges of corporal injury to an intimate partner and damaging a communication device to prevent help.

5:57 a.m., 9100 block of

East Stockton Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Donavon Davis, 25, on unlawful tear gas possession charges.

11:03 p.m., Apple Mill Drive/Black Swan Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Steven Singleton, 36, on parole violation charges.

### Wednesday, April 10

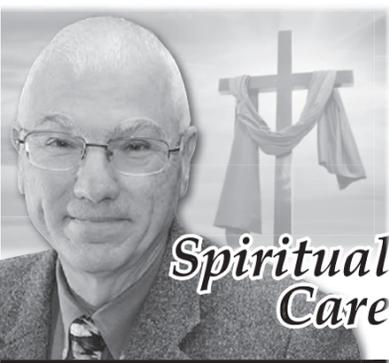
1:08 a.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Nicolas Munoz, 20, on domestic battery charges.

11:02 a.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Quinn Delrio, 23, on shoplifting charges.

1:35 p.m., 5200 block of Meadowland Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Charles Haste, 22, on vandalism charges.

2:32 p.m., 9100 block of West Stockton Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Justin Gibson on drug paraphernalia possession and warrant charges. Gibson was wanted on charges of assault to cause great bodily injury, criminal threats, and vandalism, according to jail records. ★

# Lost in the Translation



## Spiritual Care

BY NORRIS BURKES

Anytime I tell people that I'm a chaplain, I can never be sure they understand the title, much less spell it. (I'm not a Chaplin, like Charlie.)

Some people think a chaplain is just like a church pastor. Some think chaplains are exclusive to the military. Some assume chaplains are always Christians.

After I encourage them to disavow these assumptions, they still aren't sure what chaplains do.

Chaplains serve in many roles, but during the years I was fully employed as a hospital chaplain, I often told folks that I was a religious translator. When they cocked their heads for better understanding, I offered this story.

In the early 1990s, I was working at Houston Northwest Medical Center when I found the ICU nurse manager, Grace Heffron, madly flipping through a patient's chart.

Grace was five feet three inches of green-eyed Italian. She charged her work

with a no-nonsense approach and didn't fancy interruptions. Nevertheless, I asked her to suggest which patients might need to see a chaplain.

Grace shot me a look over the top of her glasses. She didn't see her job as bird-dogging problem-patients for me.

"How about bed number two," she suggested. Her voice was baited with East Coast sarcasm, but I bit nevertheless.

"Why, what's going on?"

"Oh, nothing really," she said, her volume increasing. "Nothing except for a bill passing two million and their religious family is calling us 'liars.'"

"That actually makes some sense," I said.

Grace slapped the chart down. None of it made sense to her.

"Give me a few minutes and I'll come back to say more."

Having her undivided but somewhat undesired attention, I retreated into the patient's room to find a 75-year-old man, suffering from a massive stroke and nearly brain-dead. Now, sixty days after admission, he was on a ventilator and radiated a nauseous aroma from multiple bedsores.

His daughters greeted me with suspicion, but when I offered a prayer, they instantly raised their open-palmed hands and began shouting a prayer something like this:

"God, we believe you've already healed our father! These doctors are liars. Our

father will walk again because Romans 3:4 says, 'Let God be true but every man a liar!'"

It's a bit disconcerting to hear people quote the Bible back to God. It's as if they found a contractual loophole that forces God to act as they say.

Nonetheless, I quickly recognized their prayers were coming from "Word of Faith" theology. So after the final amen, I excused myself to the nurses' station. Grace had obviously overheard the prayer because she was fit with her best told-you-so expression.

"I don't think they are literally calling you liars," I said.

Grace leaned forward, so I offered more.

"They come from a faith tradition better known by the less flattering terms of 'name-it-and-claim-it' or 'Prosperity Gospel.' It's a Pentecostal-like group that believes a miracle only has a chance to work when believers publicly proclaim the desired outcome to be true; despite it being obvious to all others that it isn't true.

"Just think of it as a coarse expression of Norman Vincent Peale's Positive Thinking," I said. "The word 'liar' is a faith expression."

With Grace starting to see the connection, I offered a translation. "I know it's like trying to buy a yacht by telling the salesman, 'I'm a millionaire who's waiting for my lotto check to clear the bank,' but

they are sincere in their expression."

"So what do I do?" she asked. Like most supervisors, she appreciated solutions, not problems.

"If you'll listen to the daughters, and not react or take it personally, I think they'll be ready to disconnect life support in a few more days."

When Grace relayed my translation to the nursing staff, they began responding to the daughters with a new understanding. And once they realized that faith finds translation in all different kinds of words and rituals, they were able to obtain consent to remove the patient from life support.

Three days after my translation, the daughters held hands, prayed and watched their father go home to his final miracle.

**Announcement:** Learn more about what chaplains do by ordering my latest book, "Tell it to the Chaplain." Order online or send \$20 to 10556 Combie Rd. Suite 6643, Auburn, CA 95602. Email comment@thechaplain.net or message at (843) 608-9715. www.thechaplain.net.

While you're writing a check, consider helping Chispa Project create six new libraries, reach 4,000+ more students and 200 teachers. Your donations are needed to buy 9,000 new books. Every \$100 donation will provide library access to four children. Give online today at Chispaproject.org/chaplain or make check to "Chispa Project." ★

## RELIGION NEWS

### St. Peter's National Day of Prayer May 2

Now as never before, our nation needs to be in prayer. Please stop by St. Peter's anytime on May 2nd to pray for our families, leaders, churches, city, state, nation and society.

Come pray with us and get a free "I Prayed" sticker. St. Peter's Lutheran Church & School Sanctuary will be open from 7am- 7pm., 8701 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove. "Lift Up The Word - Light Up The World" nationaldayofprayer.org

### Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Services

Community members are invited to the Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Sunday worship service at

10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove. Sunday School and nursery services are available.

For more information, visit www.FieldOfHopeUCC.org

### Events and Sermon Topics at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

JAZZ and BLUES HOUR: May - No concert (see below). June 2nd, Pinkie Rideau will be presenting Blues for your enjoyment.

On May 5th, Diane Sakakihara and Elk Grove Presbyterian Church will be bringing the Triumphant Quartet to Elk Grove for the 5th year. Mark your calendar as the program starts at 3pm (doors open at 2pm) for a wonderful performance by this

renowned group. Your \$25 ticket will reserve your seat for this great concert. www.itickets.com/events/476208. A portion of the ticket proceeds will go to several charities. This concert will be held at the Center at District 56. For more info contact Diane at (916) 479-3578, or diane@hardinghallinc.com.

### UPCOMING SERMON TOPICS

Rev. Dexter McNamara has announced upcoming sermon topics in April and May: Apr 21st - "Listen to the Right Shepherd"; Apr 28th - "Radical Attachment Creates Radical Fruit"; May 5th - "Loved into Service"; May 12th - "Trusting Beyond Our Knowing"; "May 19th - "Spirit Filled for a Purpose"; May 26th

- "Doxology or Dogma?"

Rev. Deter McNamara welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 am. Our church is located at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn Blvd. For more information Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or elkgrovepres@gmail.com.

### Chabad of Elk Grove's Weekly Torah classes

Local community members are invited to attend weekly Torah classes that will be offered by Chabad of Elk Grove. Each class will be held from 6:45-7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at a private location.

The course, "Flashbacks in Jewish History," will examine how our past

informs our future. Rabbi Chaim Groner is leading the discussion.

Classes are free. For location, call (917) 724-4443.

### St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church's Mass schedule

Elk Grove's St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church invites everyone to their celebrations of Holy Mass.

Mass will be held there at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays. They also have weekday Masses at 9 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

The church's office hours are Mon, Thurs, Fri, 9:30-2:30, Wed, 9:30-6:00.

For more information, call (916) 647-4538, visit www.SMGCC.net, or download

the MyParish app and enter the code, 55321. St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church is at 8700 Bradshaw Road.

### Grace Church Welcomes You to Join Us as We Worship the One True God

Begin your week with a congregation who seeks to glorify Jesus Christ through singing and God's Word, the Bible. Sunday worship service begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

Our gatherings are at 9766 Waterman Road, Suite F (next to Mel Dogs restaurant). For more information, call (916) 714-3444 or email: office@gracechurcheg.org. Check out our website at GraceChurchEG.org. ★

## CRAWFORD'S BOOKS

NEW - USED - TRADE  
FAMILY OWNED INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORE

**SUPER SATURDAY SIDEWALK SALE!**

1st Saturday of every month  
10am - 5pm  
\$1 per book - \$5 per bag

**MONTHLY BOOK CLUBS!**

5301 FREEPORT BLVD #200  
SACRAMENTO, CA 95822

916-731-8001

MON - SAT: 10 - 6  
SUN: 11 - 3

WWW.CRAWFORDBOOKS.NET

## LEGAL ADS FOR SACRAMENTO COUNTY?

# We Can Do That!

Call to place your legal advertising **916-773-1111**

All Legal Ads Published by Messenger Publishing Group

# Places of Worship

**Light of the Valley**  
Lutheran Church Missouri Synod  
**Where Word & Spirit Meet Life**  
A warm, friendly greeting awaits you every Sunday. We always have a special message and **would love for you to join us.**  
This is a great opportunity to meet new people, join in fellowship and fun activities and learn more about our faith.  
**We look forward to seeing you:**  
Traditional service at 8:45 a.m.  
Contemporary service at 10:30 a.m.  
Children's Ministry during Contemporary Service  
Nursery available at 10:30 a.m. service  
9270 Bruceville Road in Elk Grove  
Stream our service at lightofthevalley.net  
916-691-3568

---

**Family Praise and Worship Ministries**  
4099 Emerson Road, Acampo, CA 95220  
Pastors Claude & Jan Moore  
209-224-8145  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m., | Sunday Service 11:00 a.m.  
Bible Study Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.  
Worship Service 4th Friday 7:00 p.m.

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church**  
8701 Elk Grove-Florin Rd.  
Pastor Joe Dapelo  
916-689-7300  
In-Person Services:  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School for all ages  
at 9:45 a.m.  
Website: <https://stpeterseg.org>  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/St.PetersLutheranChurchElkGrove/>

**Full Gospel Church**  
9286 E. Stockton Blvd.,  
Elk Grove, CA 95624  
Pastor Daniels  
916-685-6607  
Tuesday Prayer Healing 6pm  
Sunday School 10am  
Sunday Worship 11am

## MEETING MINDERS

Community members can watch these meetings online and submit public comments for the officials to review.

**The Elk Grove City Council** has its regular meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. To view the meeting, visit the city of Elk Grove's website, [www.ElkGroveCity.org](http://www.ElkGroveCity.org).

**The Elk Grove Planning Commission** has its online meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of the month.

A live video stream of this meeting can be viewed at the city of Elk Grove's website, [www.ElkGroveCity.org](http://www.ElkGroveCity.org).

**The Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors** has in-person meetings at 5 p.m. the

first and third Wednesday of the month. It governs the Cosumnes Fire Department as well as Elk Grove's parks and recreation system.

The CSD board meetings can be watched live at [www.CosumnesCSD.gov](http://www.CosumnesCSD.gov) and they are held at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

**The Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees** will have its next meeting Tuesday, April 16, 2024, beginning at 6 p.m. This meeting will be held in-person at the Cosumnes Community Services District headquarters, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

Members of the public can also view it online by using the Zoom application and visiting the school district's website, [www.EGUSD.net](http://www.EGUSD.net).

Past board meetings can

be watched on the district's YouTube channel, "ElkGroveUnified."

**The Florin Resource Conservation District Board**, which governs the Elk Grove Water District, holds online meetings every third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are held via the Zoom application. To access them, visit the district's website, [www.egwd.org](http://www.egwd.org).

**The Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetery District Board** has in-person meetings every second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. They meet at their district office, 8540 Elk Grove Blvd. Attendees are required to wear face coverings and practice social distancing.

For agendas, visit [www.EGCCD.com](http://www.EGCCD.com). ★

# Gardner is County's New Inspector General

## Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors voted unanimously on March 26 to approve the selection of Kevin Gardner as the county's new inspector general and authorized the county executive to sign a contract with Gardner, effective April 2.

The nationwide search commenced with two collaborative interview panels that were convened for the Inspector General search. One panel was comprised of members appointed by the Community Review Commission, as well as representatives from both the Law Enforcement Management Association (LEMA) and the Sacramento County Deputy Sheriff's Association (SCDSA).

The second panel included the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, the Sheriff, and representatives from LEMA and SCDSA.

All panel representatives supported moving forward with recommending Gardner's appointment.

Gardner has 31 years of sworn law enforcement experience,



Kevin Gardner, Sacramento County's new inspector general. Courtesy photo

including service with the City of Vacaville and City of Sacramento police departments.

During his time with the City of Sacramento, Gardner rose through the ranks, ultimately becoming an Acting Deputy Chief.

Beginning in 2017, Gardner served two years as the Chief of the Division of Law Enforcement for the California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General.

Most recently, he served as the Interim Director for the City of Sacramento's Office of Public Safety Accountability.

Gardner has a bachelor's degree in administration of justice from Union Institute and University and a master's degree in leadership from Saint

Mary's College.

The Office of the Inspector General was created to facilitate the Board of Supervisors' responsibility to oversee without interfering with the Sheriff's investigation of personnel deployment functions.

The Inspector General ensures the integrity of the citizen complaint process and the thoroughness and fairness of related Sheriff's Office investigations, while fostering positive relations with the community.

The Community Review Commission acts in a supporting role to the Office of Inspector General and acts as a conduit between the community and the Office of Inspector General.

The Inspector General works independently on items detailed in the scope of services. The Inspector General will present recommendations relating to these examinations to the Board of Supervisors, County Executive and the Sheriff.

The Office of the Inspector General is a contract position. The contract will be effective through March 31, 2026, with the option to renew for one additional two-year term. ★

## MEMORIAL

### LARRY LAWRENCE • JAN. 5, 1941 - MARCH 19, 2024

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Larry Lawrence. Larry was born Jan. 5, 1941, and departed this life March 19, 2024.

Larry's life-long passion was his company, Lawrence Mechanical. As the company grew, so did the importance of his employees and close friends, who became like family over the years. If anyone needed help with a project, Larry was there with a helping hand.

Most recently, you could spot Larry zipping around Elk Grove on his bright red e-bike heading to Laguna Creek Trail to feed the ducks, geese, and turtles. His yellow happy face flag flowing behind his e-bike was a reminder to all that today was another good day. At 83, Larry was never one to slow down and had an infectious enthusiasm for life.

Larry was a doting husband to his wife, Linda, and a dedicated father to his children, Kimmy Merrick, Bobby Lawrence,



Cathy Rice, Shelley Messer, and Philip Stephens, and grandfather to seven grandchildren. The gap he has left within their lives and hearts is immense, but the cherished memories they've made together will always bring comfort in the most difficult of times.

A Celebration Life will be held at 3 p.m. April 27 at Herberger Family Elk Grove Funeral Chapel. A reception will follow at Happy Garden Elk Grove at 4:15 p.m. All who knew and loved Larry are welcome to join us as we remember a man who made our lives brighter. The family invites friends to share some of their favorite memories of Larry during the celebration.

As a token of our respect and love for Larry, in lieu of flowers, please make a donation to "The Bear League," a cause close to Larry's heart. ([savebears.org](http://savebears.org))

Larry's passing is a somber reminder of the fragility of life. His friendly, social nature, and zest for life will be deeply missed but forever remembered.

## MEMORIAL

### ROBERT SELZLE • MAY 8, 1951 - JAN. 3, 2024

Robert Roy Selzle was born in Stockton, CA on May 8, 1951, to Henry and Elizabeth (Stetson) Selzle. He graduated from Elk Grove High School in 1969. Robert married the love of his life, Holly (Holler), in August 1971.

They were married for 52 years until his passing on January 3, 2024.

Robert worked in the grocery warehouse business for 40 years, at Safeway (25 years) and at Walmart (15 years).

Robert was an active member of several chapters of E. Clampus Vitus for many years. He served as a historian for ECV, which he enjoyed very much.

In 1999, Robert and Holly moved to Los Lunas, New Mexico where they embraced the heritage and culture of the area. They enjoyed many years of gardening, camping, and traveling the New Mexico territory.

Robert is survived by his wife Holly, his daughter Cody Snyder (Phil), his son Henry Selzle (Judy), his sisters Ann and Patty, several grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life is scheduled for Robert at Cody's home in Shingle Springs on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 1:00.

If you would like to attend the celebration, please contact her at [rvrprincess73@hotmail.com](mailto:rvrprincess73@hotmail.com) for more information.

# A Veteran Thank Today

**Glenn Guenard & Ross Bozarth**  
are dedicated to the victims of accidents.

We help with serious injuries that require serious representation.

We are the Law Offices Of Guenard & Bozarth.

We have over 80 years of experience on our legal team... the most experienced law firm in Elk Grove. If you are looking for results Call GB Legal 24/7/365 at 888-809-1075 or visit [gblegal.com](http://gblegal.com)

**DO YOU KNOW THESE GUYS?**

Insurance Companies Know Them Because They Have Paid Them Over **\$130 Million Dollars**

**WE CAN HELP!**

The Law Offices of Guenard & Bozarth represent injured people. Our Office is located at 8830 Elk Grove Blvd. in the heart of Elk Grove.

## Pinwheels Planted for Child Abuse Prevention Month

Continued from page 1 about looking out for one another and the children where you live.

The fourth and fifth tips are to donate items to families in need to alleviate financial stress, and to volunteer your

time and resources for programs supporting children and families in your community.

To learn more about Sacramento County's dedication to preventing child abuse, visit the Child Protective Services

webpage at [dcfas.sac-county.net](http://dcfas.sac-county.net). Call the 24-hour Child Abuse Hotline at 916-875-5437 to report child abuse in Sacramento County and call 9-1-1 in case of an emergency. ★

# PAYROLL and HR Support \$299 a month

Only available for businesses with up to 10 employees

We specialize in small and mid-sized businesses. Offering comprehensive and intuitive payroll and HR solutions.

HR | Payroll | Benefits

**916-760-7227**

**DIRECT DEPOSIT**  
**QUARTERLY TAXES FILING**  
**PAYROLL TAXES PAY**  
**ACCRUAL TRACKING**  
**FILING AND REPORTING**  
**PAYROLL APP**  
**HR COMPLIANCE**

9685 Elk Grove-Florin Rd.  
Elk Grove, CA 95624

**Tim W. O'Hara**  
REALTOR®  
**(916) 753-5000**  
For Your Real Estate Needs  
DRE Lic# 01305858

[www.mikeguttridgerealty.com](http://www.mikeguttridgerealty.com)

# Living Trust Attorney

**Robert "Jeff" Busch**  
Living Trusts – Wills – Powers of Attorney  
Trust Administration – Probate

2228 Longport Court #110 • Elk Grove, CA 95758  
**(916) 859-0370 • [www.RobertBuschLaw.com](http://www.RobertBuschLaw.com)**

## BINDRA LAW FIRM

Family Law, Immigration Law, Conservatorships, Guardianships, & Bankruptcy

**PARAMPRIT SINGH BINDRA (PAUL) - ATTORNEY AT LAW**

9245 Laguna Springs Drive Suite 200, Elk Grove, CA 95758  
Phone: **(916) 512-8413** Fax: **(916) 512-8572**

[www.bindralawfirm.com](http://www.bindralawfirm.com)

**FREE**  
Initial Consultation

# ABOUT TOWN

## Gardeners of the Grove May 7 Meeting

The Gardeners of the Grove will hold its May meeting on Tuesday, May 7. Our speaker will be Kathy Morrison, Master Gardener, journalist and co-author of the gardening blog Sacramento Digs Gardening.

Kathy will be advising us on how NOT to plant tomatoes.

The meeting will be held at the Elk Grove Library, 8900 Elk Grove Blvd. (Entrance is on the Elk Grove Blvd. side.) Social time starts at 6 p.m. and the meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome! For more information, contact Anne Padilla apadilla0511@gmail.com.

## Caregiver Coffee April 20

Local caregivers are invited to a support group at the Elk Grove United Methodist Church (8986 Elk Grove Blvd.) This is open to all as a way to share experiences in caregiving as well as resources.

The meeting begins at 10:30 a.m., the third Saturday of each month. For more information, contact Ruth at 916-509-1414.

## Widowed Persons Social Club Activities for April

The Widowed Persons Social Club (WPSC) will host the following activities in April. Attendees can join up to three gatherings before joining the club.

For information, contact Bonnie Dale at (916) 422-1522.

April 19 - 10 a.m. - Pinochle at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

April 24 - 1 p.m. - Book Club at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Merrylynn at 916-549-4264.

April 25 - noon - no-host Lunch and Bunco at Round Table, 8795 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

April 26 - 10 a.m. - Hand and Foot card game at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Geri at 916-698-1940. April 30 - 5 p.m. - Dinner at Joy City, 2745 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove. Contact is Joyce at 916-896-0831.

May 2 - noon no-host Lunch and Bunco at Round Table, 8795 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

May 3 - 10 a.m. Pinochle at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

May 4 - 10:30 Coffee Gathering at Peets Cofee, 7127 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

May 6 - 10:30 MA - WPSC Board Meeting at the Oaks Mobile Home Park Clubhouse, 16 Calle Entrada, Elk Grove. Open to all members.

May 6 - noon - Lunch at Loving Hut, 8355 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove. Contact is Barbara at 916-516-6009.

May 8 - noon - no-host Lunch followed by Beginners Pinochle at Original Mike's, 9139 E. Stockton Blvd. Contact is Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

May 9 - noon - General Meeting at Valey Hi Country Club, 9595 Franklin Blvd., \$35 includes lunch. Reservations must be made at least a week in advance by calling Pat at 916-802-4524.

May 10 - 10 a.m. Hand and Foot card game at

La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Geri at 916-698-1940.

May 17 - 10 a.m. Pinochle at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Jim at 916-768-1923.

May 20 - 11:30 a.m. - Mahjong at the Oaks Mobile Home Park Clubhouse, 16 Calle Entrada, Elk Grove. Contact is Pat Hunter, 530-559-0191.

May 2 - 1 p.m. - Book Club at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected.

Contact is Merrylynn at 916-549-4264.

May 23 - noon - no-host Lunch and Bunco at Round Table, 8795 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact Evelyn at 916-685-9669.

May 24 - 10 a.m. Hand and Foot card game at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Geri at 916-698-1940.

May 28 - 5 p.m. - Dinner at Joy City, 2745 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove. Contact is Joyce at 916-896-0831.

May 31- noon - Bingo at Oaks Mobile Home Park Club House, 16 Calle Entrada, Elk Grove. Buy-in of \$20 includes lunch and Bingo Cards. Contacts are Deanna at 916-760-7474 and Pat at 916-802-4524.

A widowed person may attend up to three events before joining WPSC. Contact Bonnie Dale at 916-422-1522 if you are interested in membership.

## Jazz and Blues Hour Held Monthly

The monthly Jazz and Blues Hour concert series will bring various bands and musicians to Elk Grove Presbyterian Church (8153 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 50) on first Sundays through November.

Performances start at 4 p.m., and attendees are asked to make a \$10 donation at the door. For more information, email jbvspers@gmail.com or call Nan Mahon at 916-806-9476.

Upcoming acts are: May, no concert; June 2, Pinkie Rideau (blues); July 7, Tressa Gaye's Twisted Jazz; Aug. 4, Julie and the Jukes (blues); Sept. 1, Gary Mendoza Trio (jazz); Oct. 6, Papa Day Blues Band (blues); and Nov. 3, Beth Duncan (jazz).

## Historical Society Tea May 11

The Elk Grove Historical Society announces that tickets are now available for their annual Mother's Day Spring Tea, "Victorian Era Courtship."

The event takes place on May 11, noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased on our website, elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com, or from our gift shop, eghistory.org. But hurry because the tickets are selling quickly.

Please come in your best outfit and Victorian hat to Heritage Garden at 9941 E. Stockton Blvd.

## Garden Club slates Pre-Mother's Day plant sale

The River Valley Garden Club would like to thank the communities of Wilton, Sloughhouse, and Rancho Murieta for their continued support of our club's projects and activities.

Your support of our Garden Stroll in May 2023 allowed the club to award three scholarships to outstanding community college students, and five grants to exceptional community organizations and

nonprofits.

The club will host a Garden Stroll every other year during the years ending in an odd number, the next one to be in 2025.

During years ending in an even number, the club will host a spectacular plant sale on the Saturday before Mother's Day. This year that date will be Saturday, May 11.

We look forward to seeing you there.

## Elk Grove American Legion Baseball

Under the Pillar of Americanism, American Legion Baseball was established in 1926. The leadership of the American Legion's Elk Grove Post 233 is sponsoring the return of American Legion Baseball to the Elk Grove area for 2024. The players come from the high school age group (ages 13-19). The season runs from the end of the high school season with hopefully a shot at the National Championship in early August after regional qualification.

We are committed to growing the game in the Elk Grove area and providing our young men with the opportunity to compete in a sport they love and a chance to represent the Elk Grove area community.

We will be developing a highly competitive American Legion Baseball team from the Elk Grove area that is accessible to our regions high school players with minimal cost to the players.

We will play other American Legion teams with two to three games a week starting the first week of June through the week of July 10th.

We are committed to

growing the game in the Elk Grove area and providing our young men with the opportunity to compete in a sport they love and a chance to represent the Elk Grove area community.

For more information, please contact Dennis Barksdale, Baseball Program General Manager, 916-207-9026, dcb@claybar.com.

## American Legion Post 233 Invites Veterans

The Elk Grove American Legion Post 233, established in 1994, invites veterans to our monthly meetings every 4th Thursday of the month at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove.

Our next meeting will be held April 25th, 2024.

Elk Grove American Legion Post 233 invites veterans and their spouses to a dinner/social hour from 6-7 pm. The veterans' general meeting starts at 7 pm.

Veterans' spouses are welcome to join the Elk Grove American Legion Auxiliary Unit 233 that meets in another room from 7-8 pm in the same location. For questions, please contact Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

We also invite veterans and spouses to join us each month on the first Saturday for our Elk Grove American Legion Post 233 Family Social Breakfast.

Our next Saturday breakfast will be held May 4th at 9:00 am at Mimi's Cafe on the corner of Laguna Blvd and W. Stockton Blvd (just off Hwy 99).

We hope to see you there. ★

# BUSINESS DIRECTORY

## TREE SERVICE

**BEST PRICE Stump Grinding**



& Tree Service  
CALL Jessie - FREE ESTIMATES 209-210-0625

## STUMP GRINDING

**TREE TECH SERVICES**

**CERTIFIED ARBORISTS**  
ST.CONT.LIC.#653836

www.treetechservices.com

Free Estimates

**1-800-821-TRIM (916) 688-7979**

RESIDENTIAL / COMMERCIAL • Locally owned & operated

## PURCHASE • REFINANCE FIXED RATE LOANS

### 15 Year Term Fixed Rate Loan

RATE 5.250% APR 5.55%  
180 Monthly Payments of \$8.04 per \$1,000 Borrowed

### 30 Year Term Fixed Rate Loan

RATE 6.000% APR 6.18%  
360 Monthly Payments of \$6.00 per \$1,000 Borrowed

### Check the El Dorado Advantage:

✓ No Application Fee ✓ No Prepayment Penalty ✓ Local Processing and Servicing



**EL DORADO SAVINGS BANK**  
Serving our local communities for over 65 years!

ELK GROVE • 9003 Elk Grove Blvd. • 916-685-3936  
RANCHO MURIETA • 7185 Murieta Drive • 916-354-2661  
SHELDON • 8973 Grant Line Road • 916-686-0200

Se Habla Español

Maximum loan \$650,000.00, primary or vacation residence. 20% minimum cash down payment on purchase. 25% equity required on refinance. Other loans available under different terms.

LOAN TERMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE



www.eldoradosavingsbank.com 800-874-9779



IT'S NOT JUST A RENTAL... IT'S A TOYOTA!

Rent a Toyota



**LOW WEEKLY RENTALS**

Starting at \$419<sup>94</sup> per week

Over 700 30¢/mile Expires 3/31/2024

**ELK GROVE TOYOTA RENT-A-CAR**

In the Elk Grove Auto Mall, Elk Grove (916) 405-8085

New Location!

rental@elkgrovetoyota.com

elkgrovetoyota.com/rental

Ask for San, Cindy, Ju, Ashley, Jenese or Santiago for your rental needs.

### Winter Special

**4 Runner \$89<sup>99</sup> per day**  
100 free miles/day, 30¢/mile over 100 Expires 3/31/2024

**4 Runner \$539<sup>94</sup> per week**  
7 day minimum, 700 free miles/week, 30¢/mile over 700 Expires 3/31/2024

**Tacoma \$69<sup>99</sup> per day**  
150 free miles/day, 30¢/mile over 150 Expires 3/31/2024

**Tacoma \$419<sup>94</sup> per week**  
7 day minimum, 700 free miles/week, 30¢/mile over 700 Expires 3/31/2024



**Publisher, Paul V. Scholl**

Elk Grove Citizen is a member of Messenger Publishing Group

To submit your articles, information, announcements or letters to the editor, please email to:

Publisher@mpg8.com.

Be sure to place in the subject field "Attention to Publisher". If you do not have email access, please call us at (916) 773-1111.

## Elk Grove Citizen

Serving Elk Grove and Sacramento County since 1909

It is the intent of the Elk Grove Citizen to strive for an objective point of view in the reporting of news and events. It is understood that the opinions expressed on these pages are those of the authors and cartoonists and are not necessarily the opinions of the publisher or our contributors.

The Elk Grove Citizen is not responsible for unsolicited manuscripts or materials. The entire contents of the Elk Grove Citizen are copyrighted. Ownership of all advertising created and/or composed by the Citizen is with the publishing company and written permission to reproduce the same must be obtained from the publisher.

Subscriptions should be mailed to Elk Grove Citizen, 217 Fourth Street, Galt, CA 95632. Subscription rate is \$52 per year within Elk Grove, \$62 within Sacramento County.

Elk Grove Citizen is published weekly. Call our main office (916) 773-1111 for more information. Visit www.MPG8.com.

We are proud members of these newspaper associations.





Legal Advertising Hotline  
916-483-2299  
Legal Advertising Fax  
916-773-2999

# LEGAL ADVERTISING

The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Case No. 14303 - October 14, 1910  
The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the City of Elk Grove, Case No. CS01032 - August 25, 2000

Legal Advertising  
7144 Fair Oaks Blvd #5  
Carmichael, CA 95608

## TRUSTEE SALE

you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 916-939-0772 or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 132334-5. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. IF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY CONTAINS FROM ONE TO FOUR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCES, THE FOLLOWING WILL APPLY: NOTICE TO

TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 132334-5 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of

the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: 04/08/2024 MORTGAGE LENDER SERVICES 7844 Madison Ave., Suite 145 Fair Oaks, CA 95628 (916) 962-3453 Sale Information Line: 916-939-0772 or www.nationwideposting.com LAU-

REN MEYER, VICE PRESIDENT MORTGAGE LENDER SERVICES MAY BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NPP0459104 To: CITIZEN (ELK GROVE)  
Publish: 04/19/2024, 04/26/2024, 05/03/2024  
Elk Grove Citizen 5-3-2024

APN: 132-1860-118-0000 TS No.: 22-05078CA TSG Order No.: 220686401-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED MARCH 29, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Affinia Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded March 30, 2007 as Book No.: 20070330 Page No.: 2064 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, executed by: Crystal Bing Ho, an unmarried woman, as Trustor, will be sold AT PUBLIC AUCTION

TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER for cash (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county and state, and as more fully described in the above referred deed of trust. Sale Date: May 10, 2024 Sale Time: 2:00 PM Sale Location: At the main entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 File No.:22-05078CA The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 5012 Ocean Lane, Elk Grove, CA 95757. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the re-

maining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$271,975.53 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on

## City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on **Thursday, May 2, 2024** for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

### TRAFFIC SIGNAL AND STREETLIGHT MAINTENANCE (OM2403)

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

#### Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: maintenance of the City's traffic signals and streetlights. This Work includes programmed and reactive maintenance, emergency Work, and any extra Work related to traffic signals and streetlight maintenance (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the Total Bid Price is \$289,080 (basis for award). Bid Alternate A shall not be used to determine low bid.

**Bidder shall have current standing as a City approved pre-qualified Bidder prior to submitting a bid for this Project. Bidders that submit a Bid without being pre-qualified shall have their Bid deemed non-responsive.**

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

#### Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class "A" General Engineering and/or Class "C-10" Electrical Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California.

#### For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Ron Faulk, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 627-3203 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

#### For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Whitney Yann, Administrative Analyst I, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 687-3062 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$20.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: March 25, 2024

Jeffrey R. Werner, PE  
Public Works Director

Elk Grove Citizen 4-12 aand 4-19-2024

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### ON THE RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY COSUMNES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 (ELK GROVE FIRE PROTECTION)

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that pursuant to California Government Code Section 53322, the Board will hold a public hearing at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday May 1, 2024, at the meeting place of the Board, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove, California, to consider:

- A. A summary of the text of Resolution 2024-04 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COSUMNES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DECLARING INTENTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF THE SPECIAL TAX THEREIN is as follows:

The Board has conducted proceedings to establish Community Facilities District No. 1 (Elk Grove Fire Protection) (the "CFD") pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended (the "Act"), Chapter 2.5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5, commencing at Section 53311, of the California Government Code and The Board hereby finds and determines that public convenience and necessity require that territory be added to the CFD. The name of the existing CFD is "Cosumnes Community Services District Community Facilities District No. 1 (Elk Grove Fire Protection)." The territory included in the existing CFD is set forth in the map of the CFD recorded in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Sacramento in Book 116 at Page 1580 of Maps of Assessment and Community Facilities Districts, to which map reference is hereby made. The territory now proposed to be annexed to the CFD is as shown on Annexation Map No. 50 to the CFD, on file with the Clerk of the Board ("Board Clerk"). The services and facilities to be financed by the CFD (the "Services and Facilities") and pursuant to the Act are described in Exhibit A of Resolution No. 2012-25 of the District, adopted on June 6, 2012 (the "Resolution of Formation") which is incorporated herein by reference. The Resolution, Description of Facilities, Rate and Method of Apportionment of Special Tax and the proposed boundaries of the Community Facilities District No. 1 Annexation No. 50 are on file with Nou Vang, Cosumnes Community Services District, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, California, and are available for review there during business hours by any interested persons.

On Wednesday, May 1, 2024, at the meeting place of the Board, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, California, this Board, as legislative body for the CFD, will conduct a public hearing on the annexation of the territory to the CFD and consider and finally determine whether the public interest, convenience and necessity require the annexation of the Property to the CFD and the levy of the Special Tax thereon.

At the public hearing, the testimony of all interested persons or taxpayers for or against the proposed annexation will be heard. If owners of one-half or more of the area of land in the existing CFD and not exempt from the Special Tax, or if the owners of one-half or more of the area of land in the territory proposed to be annexed and not exempt from the Special Tax, file written protests against the proposed annexation, and protests are not withdrawn so as to reduce the protests to less than a majority, no further proceedings to annex the same territory shall be undertaken for a period of one year from the date of the decision of the District Board on the issues discussed at the hearing.

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19 and 4-26-2024

## City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on **Tuesday, May 14, 2024** for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

### ON-CALL CONCRETE SERVICES – INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF CURBS, GUTTERS, SIDEWALKS, AND RELATED ITEMS (OM2405)

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

#### Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: remove and replace concrete sidewalks, curbs, gutters, driveways, ADA access ramps, including adjacent hot mix asphalt (HMA) pavement, root removals, install detectable warning surface (DWS), and other related items as directed by the Engineer (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the work is \$322,849.

**Bidder shall have current standing as a City approved pre-qualified Bidder prior to submitting a bid for this Project. Bidders that submit a Bid without being pre-qualified shall have their Bid deemed non-responsive.**

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

#### Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class A "General Engineering" and/or Class C-8 "Concrete" Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California.

#### For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Ron Faulk, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 627-3203 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

#### For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Whitney Yann, Administrative Analyst I, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 687-3062 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$20.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: April 8, 2024

Jeffrey R. Werner, PE  
Public Works Director

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19 and 4-26-2024

## City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on **Thursday, May 16, 2024** for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

### 2024 PAVEMENT MAINTENANCE PROJECT – SLURRY SEAL AND PAVEMENT RESURFACING (WPR024)

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

#### Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: place slurry seal, micro-surfacing, two layer treatment system, adjust utility frames and covers, and re-stripe various streets throughout the City (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the work is \$4,037,804.

**Bidder shall have current standing as a City approved pre-qualified Bidder prior to submitting a bid for this Project. Bidders that submit a Bid without being pre-qualified shall have their Bid deemed non-responsive.**

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

#### Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class A "General Engineering" and/or Class C-12 "Earthwork and Paving" Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California.

#### For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Robert French, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 478-3648 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

#### For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Whitney Yann, Administrative Analyst I, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department

Telephone: (916) 687-3062 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$20.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: April 8, 2024

Christina Castro, PE  
Capital Program Division Manager

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19 and 4-26-2024

# UC Davis Health Successfully Implants New System to Repair Leaky Heart Valve

## UC Davis Health News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - UC Davis Health cardiology team members are among the first in the country to treat patients with tricuspid regurgitation, or a leaky heart valve, by using a groundbreaking catheter.

The minimally invasive procedure, a transcatheter edge-to-edge repair (TEER), is made possible with a new medical device called the Abbott TriClip™ system.

UC Davis Medical Center is one of the first sites nationwide to have

commercial access to TriClip and is the first hospital in Western United States to utilize the system since it was approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) last week. UC Davis also hosted clinical trials for the procedure in 2023.

“We are excited to offer our patients this novel treatment that offers meaningful improvement in quality of life without the high procedural risk often associated with tricuspid surgery,” said Gagan D. Singh, associate professor of cardiovascular medicine and the surgeon who

performed the first procedure at UC Davis Medical Center.

Tricuspid regurgitation is a condition in which the tricuspid valve of the heart fails to close completely. This can allow blood to leak backward into the atrium from the tricuspid valve, causing the patient’s heart to pump harder to move blood through the valve.

Tricuspid regurgitation affects an estimated 1.6 million Americans. Symptoms include active pulsing in the neck veins, enlarged liver, fatigue and swelling throughout the

body.

Current nonsurgical treatments include diuretics (medicines that help remove excess fluid and salt) and drugs aimed at easing symptoms. Left untreated, tricuspid regurgitation can lead to atrial fibrillation, heart failure, kidney disease and even death.

“Severe tricuspid regurgitation is a debilitating condition that is associated with substantial morbidity,” said Jason H. Rogers, professor of cardiovascular medicine. “Patients with tricuspid regurgitation are extremely high risk for any

type of surgical intervention, so historically they have just been monitored and treated with diuretics.”

The human heart has four valves, and if any of them leak, there is no universal way to repair them. For example, the mitral valve can be repaired with a catheter-based system. But the same catheter can’t be used on the tricuspid valve due to the valve’s location, thinness and variability.

The new system is designed specifically for the tricuspid valve’s position, location and shape. With the patient under

general anesthesia, the device is delivered to the heart through a catheter, starting in the groin and guided by X-ray and ultrasound. Once in place, the clip brings together portions of the leaflets (flaps of the valve), improving the seal and reducing the leaking.

The device was tested for its safety and clinical efficacy as part of the TRILUMINATE Pivotal trial. UC Davis Health was one of the sites with the highest enrollment rates in the national trial. ★

Legal Advertising Hotline  
916-483-2299  
Legal Advertising Fax  
916-773-2999

## LEGAL ADVERTISING

The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Case No. 14303 - October 14, 1910  
The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the City of Elk Grove, Case No. CS01032 - August 25, 2000

Legal Advertising  
7144 Fair Oaks Blvd #5  
Carmichael, CA 95608

### TRUSTEE SALE

this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law re-

quires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, (916) 939-0772 for information regarding the trustee’s sale or visit this internet website, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 22-05078CA. Information about postponements that are very short in

duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an “eligible tenant buyer,” you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an “eligible bidder,” you may be able to purchase the property if you

exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916) 939-0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-05078CA to find the date on which the trustee’s sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee’s sale. Third, you must

submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee’s sale. If you think you may qualify as an “eligible tenant buyer” or “eligible bidder,” you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. File No.:22-05078CA If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. For Trustee Sale Information

Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: (916) 939-0772. Dated: March 22, 2024 By: Omar Solorzano Foreclosure Associate Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 (833) 290-7452 NPP0458395 To: CITIZEN (ELK GROVE)  
Publish 04/19/2024, 04/26/2024, 05/03/2024  
Elk Grove Citizen 5-3-24



### City of Elk Grove – Zoning Administrator NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Monday, April 29, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove Zoning Administrator will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall in the **Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way**, Elk Grove, California to consider the matter:

#### 9730 KENT STREET ADDITION (PLNG18-089) – MINOR DESIGN REVIEW:

The Project consists of a Minor Design Review for an 8,000 square foot addition on the western side of an existing 4,800 square foot building consisting of a mixture of warehouse and office space. The addition will utilize the same material type as the existing building and includes site improvements consisting of the extension of the existing drive aisle and parking area, new landscape planters, and associated utilities necessary for the support of the addition.

PROPERTY OWNER/PROJECT APPLICANT:	PROJECT AGENT:
Faziola Kent, LLC Hilda Faziola (Representative) 532 Huron Avenue San Francisco, CA 94112	Hartin & Hume, Inc. Eric Curtis (Representative) 2664 Mercantile Drive, Suite A Rancho Cordova, CA 95742
LOCATION/APN:	9730 Kent Street; APN: 134-0050-055
ZONING:	Industrial-Office Park (MP)
GENERAL PLAN:	Light Industrial (LI)
ENVIRONMENTAL:	Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing Facilities) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.
PROJECT PLANNER:	Joseph Daguman, Associate Planner 916.478.2283 or <a href="mailto:jdaguman@elkgrovecity.org">jdaguman@elkgrovecity.org</a>

Dated/Published: April 19, 2024

#### NOTICE REGARDING APPEALS

Pursuant to §23.14.060 of the Zoning Code, appeals of a final action by the Zoning Administrator must be filed with the City Clerk no later than ten (10) calendar days after the day on which the final action was taken, along with the appropriate fee.

#### NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call (916) 478-3620 or TTY (888) 435-6092. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

For more information: Secretary (916) 478-3620 or [skyles@elkgrovecity.org](mailto:skyles@elkgrovecity.org).

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19-2024

### City of Elk Grove - Planning Commission NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall in the **Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way**, Elk Grove, California to consider the following matter:

#### THE LODGE AT ESPLANADE MADEIRA RANCH (PLNG23-031) – MAJOR DESIGN REVIEW:

The Project consists of a Major Design Review for a new ±21,658 square foot private clubhouse with associated site improvements including parking, lighting, landscaping; and indoor and outdoor amenities for a private age-restricted community in the Esplanade subdivision. The new nonresidential development shall be constructed in compliance with the City’s Climate Action Plan (“CAP”) measures.

PROPERTY OWNER:	Taylor Morrison of CA, LLC Jay Pawlek (Representative) 81 Blue Ravine, Suite 220 Folsom, CA 95630
LOCATION/APN:	8500 Lodge Way; APN:132-2990-058
ZONING:	Southeast Policy Area (SEPA)
GENERAL PLAN:	Parks and Open Space (P/OS)
ENVIRONMENTAL:	No further environmental review is necessary under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15183.
PROJECT PLANNER:	Kyra Killingsworth, Senior Planner 916.478.3684 or <a href="mailto:killingsworth@elkgrovecity.org">killingsworth@elkgrovecity.org</a>

Dated / Published: April 19, 2024

#### NOTICE REGARDING APPEALS

Pursuant to §23.14.060 of the Zoning Code, appeals of a final action by the Planning Commission must be filed with the City Clerk no later than ten (10) calendar days after the day on which the final action was taken, along with the appropriate fee.

#### NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call (916) 478-3620 or [skyles@elkgrovecity.org](mailto:skyles@elkgrovecity.org) or TTY 888-435-6092. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19-2024

### City of Elk Grove - Zoning Administrator NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **Monday, April 29, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove Zoning Administrator will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall in the **Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way**, Elk Grove, California to consider the matter.

#### MADEIRA RANCH RACQUET PARK SHADE STRUCTURE (PLNG24-002) – MINOR DESIGN REVIEW:

The Madeira Ranch Racquet Park Shade Structure Project consists of a Minor Design Review for the construction of a new, ±1,920 square foot prefabricated metal shade structure in a newly developed racquet park for Maderia Ranch in the Southeast Policy Area. The structure will be open on all sides and be constructed over paving.

PROPERTY OWNER:	Taylor Morrison of CA, LLC Richard Birdwell 81 Blue Ravine Road Folsom, CA 95630
LOCATION/APN:	8600 Lodge Way/132-3010-085
ZONING:	Southwest Policy Area- Parks/Open Space/Low Density Residential
GENERAL PLAN:	
ENVIRONMENTAL:	The Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15303 (New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures).
PROJECT PLANNER:	Kyra Killingsworth, Senior Planner 916.478.3684 or <a href="mailto:killingsworth@elkgrovecity.org">killingsworth@elkgrovecity.org</a>

Dated / Published: April 19, 2024

#### NOTICE REGARDING APPEALS

Pursuant to §23.14.060 of the Zoning Code, appeals of a final action by the Zoning Administrator must be filed with the City Clerk no later than ten (10) calendar days after the day on which the final action was taken, along with the appropriate fee.

#### NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call (916) 478-3620 or TTY (888) 435-6092. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

For more information: Secretary (916) 478-3620 or [skyles@elkgrovecity.org](mailto:skyles@elkgrovecity.org).

Elk Grove Citizen 4-19-2024



# OH NO!

Is that really happening?

Read the public notices in our newspaper or on our website to learn more about:

- Government meetings, bids & contracts
- Foreclosures
- Unclaimed property
- School Board issues
- Elections/Polling places, initiative petitions
- Tax assessments/proposals



# COMICS & PUZZLES

## The Spats



by Jeff Pickering

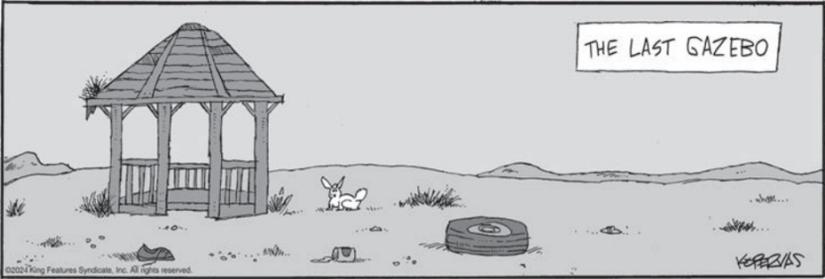


## Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

## Out on a Limb



by Gary Kopervas

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Spoon is missing. 2. Box is missing. 3. Collar is missing. 4. Mouth is different. 5. Refrigerator handle is not as long. 6. Oven handle is missing.

## TIGER



by BUD BLAKE



## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



Do You Need **MPG**  
Your Legal Ads  
Published?

We can help.  
Call us now to place  
your legal advertising!

**916-773-1111**

All legal ads published by Messenger Publishing Group.

## STATEPOINT CROSSWORD • GRADUATION

### CLUES

- ACROSS**
- Accumulate
  - Popular pickup
  - Johnny Depp's 2001 biopic
  - Jousting pole
  - Mozart's "L\_\_\_ del Cairo"
  - Figure of speech
  - Oak nut
  - Be off base
  - Less typical
  - \*Graduating class
  - \*S in BS
  - \*Graduating NCAA player's goal?
  - FedEx, verb
  - "I Want My \_\_\_," television channel
  - Daytime drama
  - Online business
  - Fleur-de-lis
  - Dart
  - Planktonic tunicate
  - Not naughty
  - Break of day
  - Last row
  - Verdi's opus
  - Lion's do
  - D.E.A. agent
  - Sell again
  - Penny
  - To the \_\_\_ degree
  - Prep for certain potatoes
  - Metered ride
  - \*Final reward
  - \*Academic \_\_\_, a.k.a. Cap and Gown
  - Gibson garnish
  - Rocks, to a bartender
  - Angry
  - Lieu
  - Not solid or liquid
  - Post-it user
  - Of two minds
  - Bldg unit
  - Opposite of friend
- DOWN**
- "Oh, woe!"
  - Riot spray
  - At another time, archaic
  - Substitute for tender
  - Misters in Spain
  - Fish eggs, pl.
  - Acronym, abbr.
  - Wet land
  - Highlands hillside
  - Forsaken
  - Oil org.
  - "The Way We \_\_\_"
  - \*Finals at Cambridge University
  - Building toppers
  - El \_\_\_, Spain's national hero
  - Popeye's fuel
  - \*Major's partner
  - Beef \_\_\_, dim sum choice
  - Moral weaknesses
  - \*Grad
  - Mountain lake
  - As a whistle?
  - 1960s abstractionism
  - \*"Pomp and Circumstance," e.g.
  - Dried up
  - Adjust the pitch, with "up"
  - Previous VP
  - Marcona nut
  - Skedaddle
  - Moroccan spiced stew
  - Eurasian antelope

CROSSWORD												
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13					14			15				
16					17			18				
19					20		21	22				
23					24							
25	26	27		28	29		30		31	32	33	34
35			36		37		38		39			
40					41		42		43			
44				45		46			47			
48					49		50		51		52	
				53		54		55		56		
57	58	59	60				61			62	63	64
65						66	67		68			
69						70			71			
72						73			74			



Off First Month of New Service!  
USE PROMO CODE: GZ590

Consumer Cellular

CALL CONSUMER CELLULAR 888-804-0913

© 2023 Consumer Cellular Inc. For promo details please call 888-804-0913

© StatePoint Media

- Sacha Cohen's middle name
- Olden days "do", second person singular
- Sean Penn's movie "\_\_\_ the Wild"
- Embarkation location
- \*Student aid
- Catch one's breath
- Not on time
- One on a list
- Bald eagle's nest
- \*Graduation garb topper

SUDOKU								
			8					
	8	9				5	3	
	4	7		9			8	2
	9		7					3
			2	3				
2				6				1
1	3		6		7			5
	7	6				1	4	
						4		

Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3-by-3 box includes all digits 1 through 9.

## Classified Advertising

Sell Your Stuff!  
Reach 1000's of  
Readers Every Week!

MPG

916.773.1111

3	6	2	8	4	5	7	9	1
7	8	9	1	2	6	5	3	4
5	4	1	7	3	9	6	8	2
6	9	8	5	7	1	4	2	3
4	1	7	2	9	3	8	6	5
2	5	3	4	6	8	9	1	7
1	3	4	6	8	7	2	5	9
9	7	6	3	5	2	1	4	8
8	2	5	9	1	4	3	7	6

# Herd Softball Back in Wins After Davis

By Alejandro Barron

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - Late clutch hitting and pitching from the Elk Grove Thundering Herd got them back in the win column in league by a score of 3-1 at home over the Davis Blue Devils.

The previous day against the Monterey Trail Mustangs, the Herd broke a three-game losing streak that started on April 1 with a loss to league rival the St. Francis Troubadours and was able to get over the Blue Devils on April 10 to move to 2-1 in league.

"We had a long talk about stepping up and being leaders and being positive but sometimes they get down on themselves and as leaders, it gets off on others on the team so we did team bonding this week to be able to get them comfortable with talking to each other," Herd head coach Amanda Buck said.

Leading off the third inning for the Herd was senior Taylor Fitzgerald, who hit a high fly ball into right field that hung up in the air and just as she was rounding first, the ball hit off the right field fence sending the outfielder crashing into it.

Fitzgerald turned on the jets with the fallen outfielder and slid across home plate to give her the team the lead for her first career home run for the Herd, according to MaxPreps.

"She's (Fitzgerald) has been struggling a bit with getting her timing down so she did a great job at making an adjustment on her own and squared that ball up and I thought she was going to get her first out-of-the-park home run, but she got around the bases pretty quick," Buck said.

This gave the lead to senior Madison Carda, who to this point had hung three zeros on the scoreboard but was met with a lead-off triple from the Blue Devils that scored two batters later on a double.

Neither team could push runs across, as Carda continued to move the ball well even without strikeout stuff, Buck said.

"She mixes up her speed going in and out and she has a nice curveball that she's throwing, which keeps people on their toes, and she gets us ground balls and we've really focused on our defense this year as we don't really have strikeout pitchers, but I have pitchers who will keep



Loie Moore celebrates her go-ahead RBI double to break the 1-1 tie for the Elk Grove Thundering Herd over the Davis Blue Devils at home in the bottom of the 6th inning on April 10. Photo by Alejandro Barron

batters off-balance," Buck said.

Buck gives props to her defense to be able to support their pitchers, and even if they do make errors, they don't hang their heads and make the next play to record the out.

Carda ran into trouble in the top of the sixth inning when two singles and an error loaded the bases with two outs, but she was able to get out of the jam to hang another zero and allow her team to go to the plate with the tie game intact.

"I think it comes down to our veterans with a senior on the mound and a senior behind the plate because they don't get rattled very often as they're very confident in their defense and in their pitcher," Buck

said.

Taking the lead in the bottom of the sixth meant giving Carda the chance to come out for the final three outs of the ballgame, and that's exactly what the Herd offense did.

The offense was sparked with small ball as sophomore Annabel Focht reached on an error, which was followed by a sacrifice bunt from senior Angelina Barros. The following batter was junior Loie Moore, who doubled down the third-base line to put the Herd ahead.

To extend the lead to 3-1 and add to her RBI total, Fitzgerald hit a single down the first-base line that hit off the bag to allow Carda to close it out.

"We finally made some adjustments as we were struggling there with the speed, and that's been our struggle this year with making the adjustments early but we find a way to make them at the end but they came up clutch," Buck said.

A lead-off single did not phase Carda, as she got two ground balls with the following batters with a fielder's choice and then a tailor-made 4-6-3 double play was turned to end the game.

The final out was met with an eruption from her home dugout with her head coach even jumping in the air as the final out was recorded at first base to improve the Herd's overall record to 9-7. ★

## Local Classifieds Advertise in your local community newspaper Call 916-773-1111

### Advertising

Prepare for power outages today with a Generac Home Standby Generator. Act now to receive a FREE 7-Year warranty with qualifying purchase. Call 1-844-439-5645 today to schedule a free quote. It's not just a generator. It's a power move. (Cal-SCAN)

Eliminate gutter cleaning forever! LeafFilter, the most advanced debris-blocking gutter protection. Schedule a FREE LeafFilter estimate today. 20% off Entire Purchase. 10% Senior & Military Discounts. Call 1-855-424-7581 (Cal-SCAN)

### Automotive

**DONATE YOUR CAR TO KIDS** Fast Free Pickup - Running or Not - 24 Hour Response - Maximum Tax Donation - Help Find Missing Kids! Call 1-888-491-1453. (Cal-SCAN)

**GOT AN UNWANTED CAR???** Your car donation to Patriotic Hearts helps veterans find work or start their own business. Fast free pick. Running or not! Call 24/7: 1-877-529-0495. (Cal-SCAN)

Tiene un vehículo no deseado? Donelo a Patriotic Hearts! Recogida rápida y gratuita en los 50 estados. Patriotic Hearts ofrece programas para ayudar a los veteranos a encontrar trabajo o iniciar su propio negocio. Llama ahora: 1-844-244-5441 (24/7) (Cal-SCAN)

Get your deduction ahead of the year-end! Donate your car, truck, or SUV to assist the blind and visually impaired. Arrange a swift, no-cost vehicle pickup and secure a generous year-end tax credit. Call Heritage for the Blind Today at 1-844-491-2884 today! (Cal-SCAN)

### Concrete

**SONDROL CONCRETE**  
25+ years experience.  
All types of finishes.  
Patios, driveways, slabs  
Walkways, Spa pads.  
Tear out/  
Replace Tractor work.  
Written estimates.  
Lic. # 778034  
**916-955-1083**

**3DR CONCRETE**  
All your concrete needs.  
Bobcat services, driveway repair. Comm & Res.  
Lic # 968987 insured  
(209)570-7304

Advertise in your local community newspaper  
Call (916) 773-1111

### Concrete

**Kevin Young CONCRETE & Pumping**  
Since 1994  
Custom Concrete  
•All Finishes •Patios  
•Walkways•Driveways  
•Slabs• RV Pads, etc.  
Free Estimates.  
Lic# 699627  
**(916)826-6926**

### Perez Landscaping & Concrete

•Concrete Finishing/  
Stamping  
•Landscape installation  
and Design  
•Sodding, •Planting  
•Irrigation •Retaining Walls  
•Yard maintenance.  
Free estimates. Fore more  
info, call **916-834-2352**  
email: [Elyerperez@att.net](mailto:Elyerperez@att.net)  
Lic #14-00016214

### Financial Services

Over \$10K in Debt? Be debt free in 24 to 48 months. No upfront fees to enroll. A+ BBB rated. Call National Debt Relief 1-888-231-4274. (Cal-SCAN)

### Help Wanted

Residential Care Home located in Galt is currently in search of an individual possessing exceptional communication skills, patience, computer proficiency, ability to conduct light house cleaning, meal preparation, and a valid driver's license. While preferred, DSP 1 & 2 certifications are not mandatory. Paid training is provided, with a starting wage of \$18 per hour, increasing to \$20 with DSP 1 & 2 certification. Nights, weekends and PM shifts are currently open. For inquiries, please reach out to Phyllis at (209) 981-6484

### Home Improvement

Jacuzzi Bath Remodel can install a new, custom bath or shower in as little as one day. For a limited time, we're cutting all installation costs in half and offering a FREE safety upgrade! (Additional terms apply. Subject to change and vary by dealer. Offer ends 6/30/24 Call 1-833-985-4766 (Cal-SCAN)

Advertise in your local community newspaper  
Call (916) 773-1111

### Home Improvement

Safe Step. North America's #1 Walk-In Tub. Comprehensive lifetime warranty. Top-of-the-line installation and service. Now featuring our FREE shower package and \$1600 Off for a limited time! Call today! Financing available. Call Safe Step 1-888-989-5749 (Cal-SCAN)move. (Cal-SCAN)

### ALL PHASE HOME REPAIR

Elk Grove, CA  
•Electrical •Plumbing  
•Fencing •Fans •Decks  
•Doors •Windows •Tile  
Flooring •Trim base-  
board •Sheetrock •Dry  
Rot Texture •Painting  
•Lighting •Concrete  
•Sprinkler Repair  
•Framing and more!  
All phases of home  
repair & any construction  
needed- Big or small.  
Quality work guaranteed!  
Low prices- free  
est. Serving Elk Grove,  
Rancho Murietta, Galt,  
Wilton, Herald, Sac. &  
Surrounding Areas  
Bus. Lic #1023318  
**(916)287-6164**  
local

### Insurance

SAVE BIG on HOME INSURANCE! Compare 20 A-rated insurance companies. Get a quote within minutes. Average savings of \$444/year! Call 1-844-410-9609! (M-F 8am-8pm Central) (Cal-SCAN)

DENTAL INSURANCE from Physicians Mutual Insurance Company. Coverage for 400 plus procedures. Real dental insurance - NOT just a discount plan. Do not wait! Call now! Get your FREE Dental Information Kit with all the details! 1-844-203-2677 www.dental50plus.com/calnews #6258 (Cal-SCAN)

### Jobs

Hardworking, tender-hearted, Christian woman available for full-time Elder Care. References. Maria 916-283-1427

### Junk Removal

**MS Hauling**  
•Junk Removal  
•Garage Cleanouts  
•Yard Debris  
•E-Waste  
Mention this ad and receive 15% off!  
  
Call (916)207-5702  
License # 778034

### Landscaping

**BRILLIANT LANDSCAPE**  
Artificial Turf | Fencing  
Retaining Wall | Concrete  
Drainage | Irrigation  
Planting | Tree Trimming  
**209-251-9387**  
LIC# 1108441

### Automotive



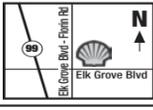
**Elk Grove Shell**

**Your Local Full Service Auto Repair Shop Committed to Customer Satisfaction**

**Specializing In:**

- Oil Changes
- Check Engine Light Diagnosis
- Smog Repair
- Tires
- Smog Inspection
- Tune-Up
- Safety Inspection
- Batteries
- Transmission Service
- 30, 60, 90K Service
- Brakes
- Brake & Lamp Station
- Wheel Alignment

Mon-Fri, 8-5 • 916-685-7796






### Roofing

**JIM MOYLEN ROOFING**

1981 License # 407605  
A+ Rating with BBB.  
Specialize in Re-Roof, Prompt Repairs, Low Slope Roof, Seamless Gutter Installation.

Free Estimates! Open Monday-Saturday  
**916-531-2793 Cell**  
**Tile Repairs**

### Landscaping

**YARD CLEANUP & DECORATIVE ROCK**  
One time cleanup pruning. Also bark, weed control, sod, seed, pruning, sprinkler systems, hauling, etc. Mobile homes, commercial or residential. Local gardener.  
  
916-205-9310 or 916-627-9000

### YARD CLEAN UP

Sod installation  
Landscape installation  
Lawnmowing services  
Fence repair  
  
Call for free estimate  
**916-271-7265**

### Miscellaneous

Switch and save up to \$250/year on your talk, text and data. No contract and no hidden fees. Unlimited talk and text with flexible data plans. Premium nationwide coverage. 100% U.S. based customer service. For more information, call 1-844-908-0605 (Cal-SCAN)

### Miscellaneous

The difference in winning and losing market share is how businesses use their advertising dollars. CNPA's Advertising Services' power to connect to nearly 13 million of the state's readers who are an engaged audience, makes our services an indispensable marketing solution. For more info call Cecelia @ (916) 288-6011 or cecelia@cnpa.com.

### Painting

**Shelton Painting, Inc.**

- Repaints: Exterior & Interior
- Dry Wall Repair

Free Estimates  
**(209) 745-7897**  
3 Generations of Quality Painters #908019  
We accept Visa & Mastercard



### Roofing

**PREMIER ROOFING INC.** *Se Habla Espanol*  
LIC# 1097848

- ROOF REPAIR
- NEW ROOFS
- ROOF MAINTENANCE
- GUTTER CLEANING
- COMPLETE RE-ROOF

CELL 209.810.6233  
**209.745.7565**  
1premierroofing@gmail.com

### SACRAMENTO VALLEY ROOFING & GUTTERS

**RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL**

- NEW ROOF INSTALL
- GUTTER REMOVAL & INSTALL
- TEAR OFF & REROOF
- GUTTER REPAIR & INSTALL
- ROOF REPAIR
- GUTTER GUARD & INSTALL
- OVERLAY ROOF INSTALL
- DOWNSPOUTS INSTALL
- DRY ROT REPAIR
- CUSTOM COLORS
- SEAMLESS GUTTER INSTALL

**FREE ESTIMATES!**  
**916-719-8288**  
RAMON M., FOREMAN/OPERATOR  
LIC# 1072137

### Tractor Work

**MAC Industries DIRT WORK**

- Excavations •Utility Trenching •Foundations-All types
- Laser Grading & Dozer work •Driveways •Building Pads •Drainage-All Types
- Field Mowing / Firebreaks •Flail •Bushog
- Septic System Installation •Drilling •Foundations
- Post •Tree holes •Trenching •Irrigation
- Drainage •Rototilling •Disking

License #919198 & Insured  
Michael- 916-747-9667 Bill- 916-869-1019

### Painting

**NO PROBLEM PAINTING**  
Interior / Exterior  
**NO JOB IS TOO BIG**  
Serving E. G. & Galt since 2004  
Mike Johnson - Owner  
**916-257-9609**  
Bonded & Insured Lic#953045

### Real Estate Loans

RETIRED COUPLE \$\$\$\$ for business purpose Real Estate loans. Credit unimportant. V.I.P. Trust Deed Company www.viploan.com Call 1-818-248-0000. Broker-principal DRE 01041073. No consumer loans. (Cal-SCAN)

### Roofing

**ROUTT ROOFING**  
Specializing in Res Roofing & Repairs  
We Hand Nail for Quality!  
Free Estimates  
916-423-1288 or 209-748-5588

**BBB** Since 1975 Lic.#302302

### Advertise in your local community newspaper

Call (916) 773-1111

# Pleasant Grove Revs Up, Snags Win From Jesuit

Story and photo by Alejandro Barron

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - At the start of the fifth inning in the Pleasant Grove Eagles' series finale against the Jesuit Marauders, being down 3-0 might have seemed like every reason to roll over and get swept.

After losing the previous two ballgames by a four and three-run margin, it seemed like it was going to be much of the same to get swept on April 12, especially when a routine ground ball was hit by sophomore Zac Black to start the inning but was bobbled at second. What ensued was the definition of "hitting is contagious."

Hits from pinch hitter Darian Roberts and Justin Dougan loaded the bases, followed by an RBI walk to Gabe Wolfgram and an RBI single from Cole

Davis to move every runner up one base to make the score 3-2 with no outs.

The big hit came from senior Alan Quirarte-Guzman, who hit a single to left field that skidded past the left fielder to give him two RBIs on the base, but it scored three runs with Quirarte-Guzman standing on second to give the Eagles the 5-3 lead that they would not relinquish.

"We needed a spark and Zac getting on base got things going, and Darian coming up with a base hit, you could feel the momentum switch and we put a string of at-bats together finally where we executed and didn't try to do too much and Alan came up with the big hit," Eagles head coach Chris Terry said.

The starting pitcher for the Eagles, junior Justin Dougan, has been essential

for the team and entered this game with a 1.28 ERA in 27.1 innings pitched, sporting a 2-2 record, but it just wasn't his day and after four innings pitched, he was in line for the loss.

"He was off from what we've seen of him, and he struggled throwing strikes today at times but he competed and got out of some jams, and you can only do that for so long against Jesuit and his pitch count was up but I felt like Justin absolutely battled all day today and that's a sign of a good pitcher," Terry said.

Another instance where the Eagles could have rolled over was when freshman pitcher Matt Emmons came in for relief and gave up a single and a walk but was able to get out after recording the out on a sacrifice bunt, a fielder's choice and a strikeout.

Hanging a zero in the



Alan Quirarte-Guzman caps off the Eagles' five-run 5th inning that allowed them to take the win over the Jesuit Marauders at home on April 12 to move to 6-3 in league.

top of the fifth gave way for the Eagles to make their comeback, which led junior Jake Dougherty to close out the game. He was not expecting to enter the game after going three innings and giving up five earned runs in the first game of the series.

Terry said he knew his team could play in this game and "just needed things to go their way, and with that big fifth inning that was able to happen for them to hold on and it was a big win" for their

program.

As opposed to the first game, Dougherty went two innings with no earned runs with two strikeouts to earn the win.

"Jake started the first game, which was a high-scoring game, and he got touched up by this same team and as a young pitcher as he is, to come back in that situation and asking him to hold them off to win a game is a pressure situation for him, but it was an opportunity for him to get redemption and

he got some big outs in key situations," Terry said.

The Eagles are now 6-3 in the Delta, holding on to third place with a 10-9 overall record.

"For us to come away with a win in this game was huge and we still have Davis and Franklin, and we have other big games coming up but anytime we can pick up a win against anybody in league, it's good with how tough our league is," Terry said. ★

# Sheldon Soccer Alumnus Barajas Getting Attention

By Alejandro Barron

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - The young prospect of Major League Soccer club Real Salt Lake and a member of the Mexican National Team youth system is Sheldon High School alumnus and Sacramento native, midfielder Fidel Barajas.

Barajas, 18, started in the Sacramento Republic's and San Jose Earthquakes academy when he signed a professional contract with United Soccer League Championship Club Charleston Battery in 2022 at age 15.

In May 2022, Barajas made five appearances for the US National Team under-17 squad in the UEFA Development Tournament, where he assisted for a goal, but by June of the same year, Barajas

decided to represent the Mexican National Team.

In his tournament debut for Mexico in June 2022 at the International Dream Cup in Japan, Barajas scored a goal against South Korea and two assists against Uruguay. By that October at the UNCAF FIFA Forward U-16 Tournament, he scored a goal with four assists.

In 2023, the Husky alumnus played in the CONCACAF U-17 Championship where he led Mexico to a tournament win with three goals and five assists. This was only the beginning for Barajas on



**Fidel Barajas.** Photo courtesy of Real Salt Lake

the international stage as he played in the U-17 World Cup in Indonesia.

Against New Zealand on the world stage, Barajas scored a goal and logged an assist against Venezuela where rumors began to go wild about him being transferred to some of the best clubs in the world.

Following this tournament, Barajas was listed by the British publication The Guardian among the 60 best talents born in 2006.

In Barajas' first full season with the Charleston Battery in 2023, he logged five goals and 11 assists in 32 matches across the regular season and playoffs as he was named the USL Championship Young Player of the Year.

Amid rumors of a transfer to the best

clubs in Europe, Barajas transferred from the second tier of US soccer to the top-flight MLS club Real Salt Lake, where they paid a \$250,000 transfer fee to Charleston.

Barajas turned 18 on April 5 and is getting minutes off the bench for RSL, where he has logged two assists in six matches and was named to the Team of the Matchday squad for Matchday Six, the game in which he got his first two MLS assists.

After RSL's matchup on Feb. 21 against Inter Miami, Barajas took to social media to share a picture with Argentine superstar Lionel Messi, someone who was once a young prospect making a name for himself as a teenager like Barajas is now doing. ★

Choose from 100s of Fabrics

**6 pc Catalina** \$1529 reg \$1699

Brooklynn, CPO (Chief Persuasion Officer) 5th Generation, Naturwood Family

# Sofa Sale

All sofas, loveseats, sectionals, chairs, ottomans, and recliners are on sale!\*

Choose from 100s of Fabrics

356199 **90" Tasha** \$1149 reg \$1279

473194 **88" Linda** \$1199 reg \$1349

264085 **96" Brooklynn** \$1349 reg \$1499

Choose from 100s of Fabrics

512873 **80" Digby** \$1879 reg \$2099

438545 **82" Broadway** \$2497 reg \$2837 (limited to stock on hand)

375453 **81" Fenwick** \$2999 reg \$3399

Power Reclining Sofa

Choose from over 100 Sofas, 35 Sectionals, 90 Chairs & 70 Recliners



Mon - Fri 10am - 6pm  
Sat 10am - 6pm • Sun 11am - 6pm

12125 Folsom Blvd.  
Rancho Cordova  
916-351-0227  
www.naturwood.com

"Tell 'em Brooklynn sent you!"



Largest Selection of



Products

\*Sale applies to all indicated items except "Special Buys" and all "Mega Clearance". Sale price not available in conjunction with any other offer or discount. Allow time for delivery on some items. Sizes and colors are approximate. Sale ends 04/28/24.