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CALFIRE Lends Helping Hand in Lahaina



The CALFIRE team has been making a difference in the wake of a tragic fire in Lahaina. Photo courtesy of CALFIRE

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - After devastating fires struck Maui in August of 2023, some of CALFIRES own responded to the call for aid.

Local CALFIRE/Butte County/Gridley Fire Department Captain Dustin Mattos was one of two area firefighters whose CALFIRE Incident Management team deployed to provide support services to the catastrophe. He was joined by Oroville Fire Departments Jordan Webber.

Captain Mattos told the Herald that there are 6 “All Risk” Incident Management Teams throughout the State of California with specialized team members ready to respond to any disaster. These CALFIRE IC

Teams can be deployed as part of a global response to natural and unnatural disasters.

Captain Mattos serves as a resource officer on Chief Chris Trindade’s 69-person IC team that deployed to Maui on August 17 for 21 days.

Mattos said the scene at Lahaina was very reminiscent of the aftermath of the Paradise Camp Fire, and others like the Valley and Dixie Fires.

Upon arrival in Maui, the team’s job was to function in a support role for the Emergency Operation Center, using their experience from the California wildfires to aid in organizing the cleanup and rebuilding efforts.

Mattos said that his IC Teams specialized skills were used to work with other law enforcement and first

responders to help kick-start the rebuilding process. He reports that the friendships and bonds forged between his teammates and those at Lahaina are still strong.

Mattos believes the wide variety of calls an “All Risk” team responds to hones their abilities for future incidents.

“All these experiences our departments have, going out to these other places and all these other incidents (like Maui) just makes us better at our local incidents.” Referring to these experiences, Mattos says, “I have the background to improve this incident that is happening right here, right now.”

From Paradise to Maui, CALFIRE’s experience is ultimately to our local benefit. ★

Enloe Health Holds Ceremony for Gonzales Comprehensive Cancer Center

**Enloe Health
News Release**

CHICO, CA (MPG) - Enloe Health celebrates the beginning of construction for the new Comprehensive Cancer Center with a groundbreaking ceremony and reveals the name of the center. It represents a major step toward relieving the critical need for expanded cancer care services in the North State. Completion is slated for the summer of 2026.

“Several years have been spent planning this critically needed project and we couldn’t be more excited to finally begin construction,” said Mike Wiltermood, president & CEO of Enloe Health. “For decades to come, the Gonzales Comprehensive Cancer Center will be critically important to our recruitment and continued ability to provide outstanding care close to home.”

The Gonzales Comprehensive Cancer Center name honors Dan and Dawn Gonzales, who contributed 13 acres of land in the Meriam Park community. Design firm HGA created the facility’s design and led engineering, interior design and medical planning efforts; Swinerton was selected as the general contractor. Program management firm Covalus has been guiding the collaborative design process and will continue to oversee the project through completion. Construction of the center will cost approximately \$154 million.

“HGA is honored to be a partner to Enloe Health in the design and medical planning of the new state-of-the-art Comprehensive Cancer Center to serve the region, delivering clinical excellence and compassion, patient-focused care,” said James Willisie of HGA. “We are excited to see the project moving forward into construction in realization of this goal!”

“Covalus is thrilled about the upcoming launch of the new Enloe Health Comprehensive Cancer Center and the collaborative effort that is driving this project,” said Covalus founder Mark Chenoweth. “This facility represents a step forward in providing high-quality care to the community, and we are grateful to be part of the project team.”

The new Comprehensive Cancer Center is a vital project that will have tremendous impact on the

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FFA Life is Sweet!



The 2023-2024 BHS FFA Officers smile before auctioning off a table full of sweets at their annual FFA Banquet.

Story and photos by Seti Long

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - On the pleasant, breezy evening of May 1st, the Biggs High School south lawn was filled with tables, blue and gold floral arrangements, and navy jackets as the annual FFA Banquet took place.

Families gathered to partake of a free tri-tip dinner prepared by BHS FFA, including salad, rice and homemade rolls. Guests would stand in

line to be served by FFA students before taking a seat at one of the beautifully decorated tables, arrangements courtesy of the BHS FFA floral department.

Seated on the stage were the 2023-2024 FFA Officers, each posted at their station, who would eventually speak to the crowd and take turns at the podium announcing this year’s outstanding FFA members.

FFA Historian Jayden Beck told

the Herald that the event is not only a changing of guard and acts as the current Officers “retirement” but is also an awards ceremony and big fundraiser for the group.

BHS FFA President Thomas Job would welcome the crowd and provide a yearly recap of the group, including their various success and memorable moments.

Next, Vice President Addie Scott

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Red Suspenders Day Car Show Revs Up



Classics line up for the annual Red Suspenders Day Car and Motorcycle Show.

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A returning facet of the Red Suspenders Day event line up, the Red Suspenders Day Car Show, got some fresh tweaks.

This year, the RSD Car Show on Saturday, May 18 will have 14 award categories with first place only. Organizer Annette Boone said that the elimination of second and third places allowed for the expansion of award categories. The hopes were that it would include more participants in the awards circle.

In addition, an exclusive raffle for car show registrants only will be held. The Cash Prize Raffle will draw three tickets with first place winning \$300 dollars, second \$200, and third \$100. Must be present to win.

The public is invited to participate in the 50/50 raffle.

The show is open to cars, motorcycles and trucks from 1990 and older. Pre-registration costs are just \$10, \$20 the day of. Line-up is first-come, first-serve

along Kentucky street, with entry from Spruce Street. Car Show participants must have their vehicle in place before 8:00 and remain until 10:00 for judging. The show lasts until 1:00 pm. Late vehicles can still park for display but will not be included in judging.

Categories are: Best Engine, Best Interior, Best Paint Job, Best in Show, People's Choice, Best 40's, Best 50's, Best Rad Rod, Best Corvette, Best Convertible, Best Chevelle, Best Pickup, Best Motorcycle and Best Antique Tractor.

Winners will be announced immediately after the parade at the Hazel St. judges table. Custom plaques will be awarded to title winners, with gift baskets going to People's Choice and Best in Show.

"I'm really excited!" says Boone of this year's show. Reports suggest a strong turnout.

To register your vehicle for the RSD Car Show, pick up a form at the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce office located at 890 Hazel St., Gridley. Vehicles arriving the day of are encouraged to get there early. ★

The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

I once had a friend who believed that if you ate a Snickers bar and then drank a Diet Coke, they would somehow cancel each other out, and it would cause weight loss. I had a hard time criticizing this logic because about 90% of diets work about as well as the Diet Coke and Snickers cancellation diet. News from Sacramento in the last few weeks has been much like this. The good news is that the Oakland Athletics major league

baseball team will be playing at least two seasons in West Sacramento. Having the greatest baseball teams in the world in a very tiny stadium will make for an incredible sporting experience - that would be the Snickers bar of the news. Now, for the Diet Coke part of the news (I wouldn't say I like Diet Coke), the Sacramento Zoo is closing and moving south. You may not have heard this, but it seems there has been some long-term planning going on (which they hid from us) and discussions with drawings, maps, charts, and graphs, which have led to the Zoo deciding people to close the Zoo in Land Park and move to Elk Grove. Elk Grove used to be a small town on Highway 99 south of Sacramento. It is a rather large town south

of Sacramento and connects to Interstate Five on the west and Interstate 99 on the east. There have been tremendous residential buildings along with all the other commercial and industrial growth that comes with them, and somehow, the people who plan to build Zoos have decided that this Zoo would go well in Elk Grove. New Zoos have much higher standards of animal care, and animal enclosures have become much more sophisticated than when the original old Zoo was built. The new Zoo will be state of the cutting edge latest and greatest in animal habitats. Change may be good.

Josh F.W. Cook is an administrator and educator. Views expressed here are solely his own. ★

Citizen of the Year, Lions Celebrate Solis



Gridley Lions celebrate the Lions Citizen of the Year, Javier Solis. Pictured left to right: Barbara Ott, Pedro Mota, Don Daniels and Javier Solis.

Story and photo by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Lions International Club recently honored a local citizen for their dedication to the community.

Each year clubs throughout the area have the opportunity to nominate an individual from their town who exemplifies dedication and service to their fellow community members. This year Lion Pedro Mota's nomination was named Lions International 4C1 Citizen of the Year — Gridley's Javier Solis.

Solis joined the Lions at the Lions Den on the evening of May 1 to be recognized by the club. Lion Barbara Ott read his nomination letter aloud, which outlined his contributions to his neighbors,

including over 30 years of coaching and working with the youth in the community, volunteering his BBQ set up and business for local events, preparing 500 meals for a Special Olympics event and in 2018, organizing over 300 meals for evacuees of the Camp Fire.

Ott described Solis as humble and always willing to be of service. "To paraphrase Javier," said Ott, "people four to 84 are my priority. If they ask for help or I see they need help, I find a way to help them."

The 4C1 Lions Citizen of the Year Award covers territory from Sacramento to the Oregon border, and from the coast to the Nevada border, which the Lions Club expressed was quite the honor. Solis' letter of recommendation will be forwarded on to the state level competition. ★





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Hogs pose for the camera at the 2019 Silver Dollar Fair. Courtesy photo

Engelbrecht Advertising News Release

CHICO, CA (MPG) - Chico is gearing up to host another exciting Memorial Day Weekend with American Flair at the Silver Dollar Fair! Join us Thursday May 23rd through Monday the 27th for food, fun, and livestock exhibition events for all ages. 4-H and FFA members can even participate in the Junior Livestock Auction, as well as other skill events.

Supporting local youth has always been a goal of the Silver Dollar Fair, and this year you can play a part too! Join us for our annual Junior Livestock Auctions in the Pavilion and help make this a memorable year for the local ag youth. The Sale of Champions on Friday May 24th will begin at 4:30PM, featuring the first and second place winners for each class. Saturday the 25th's auction will begin at 9:00AM, featuring over 650 hogs, sheep, goats, rabbits, and steer, all for sale. By supporting these young entrepreneurs, you are helping them develop leadership and financial skills—and you get access to the freshest most wholesome livestock for your own table!

To register as a new buyer, please email a completed application to livestock@silverdollarfair.org – registration must be completed by 12:00 p.m. Friday, May 26th. If you can't make it to the auction or



A bull rider is in action at the 2022 Silver Dollar Fair. Courtesy photo

don't wish to purchase livestock but want to support the kids, you can also make a \$50 or more donation to the participants.

For more Ag related fun, head over to the Diamond W Grandstands for some rodeo family fun the whole weekend. The Silver Dollar Bulls and Broncs Chute Out will be wowing crowds Friday, May 24th and Saturday, May 25th at 7:00PM. You won't want to miss out on either night of thrilling rodeo action!

Please visit SilverDollarFair.Org for more information, the full schedule of events and tickets, and head out to the fairgrounds for American Flair at the Silver Dollar Fair, May 23rd -27th! ★

FFA Life is Sweet!



Outgoing President and senior, Thomas Job, invites the new BHS FFA Officers on stage to officially announce them and their roles.

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would announce the 2024 Honorary Member saying, "This year our chapter would like to recognize a true agriculturalist, generous community member and all-around selfless individual." Scott would outline the extensive way this individual has helped support the program, school and FFA students, not to mention serving on the AG Advisory Board for over 10 years. She would continue, "That you for always supporting our chapter and promoting the true spirit behind agricultural education," before inviting John Scott, her father, to the stage to receive the award.

Mason Kaelin would take the stand next, thanking a long list of individuals and families that had been pivotal to the success of their group before introducing Kari Wheeler.

Wheeler, on behalf of the Butte County Cattlewomen's Association would award Addie Scott a \$1,000 scholarship. "I've watched this young woman here grow to be a lady who not only puts her best effort forward but goes beyond that...I would say that Addie gives 140% of every single thing she does."

As the evening continued, each officer would spend time at the podium awarding and acknowledging the fellow FFA members for their outstanding work throughout the semester.

Karma Oliverez would receive the blue and gold reward, Reagan Jones the Star Greenhand award, the Star Farmer award would go to Gracie Sheppard, and the Chapter Award would be received by Mason Kaelin.

The recognition would continue as a host of FFA students were honored for their efforts throughout the semester. Before the installation of the new officers, one more award would be handed out.

The Excellence in Agriculture Award, sponsored by Mike and Jennifer Job of Job Farming, was awarded for the second year in a row. Ag Mechanics instructor Steven Boyes says the honor "goes to who we consider to be the most outstanding Ag student of Biggs High School," and is "not necessarily an FFA award."

At the banquet, Boyes shared that this year's decision was tough, but the



Kari Wheeler (right) awards Addies Scott (left) the Butte County Cattlewomen's Association Scholarship.



Stephen Boyes (right) awards Thomas Job (left) the Excellence in Agriculture Award.

recipient was more than deserving. The gleaming belt buckle and Excellence in Agriculture Award for 2024 would go to Thomas Job.

The night would end with the installation of the new chapter officers and desert auction.

Existing officers would individually pass the torch to the new chapter officers, President Josey Navarro, Vice President Mailey Seipert, Secretary Rosemary Castaneda-Aguilera, Treasurer Mason Kaelin, Reporter Gracie Sheppard and Sentinel Logan Harrison. Outgoing FFA Officers were President Thomas Job, Vice President Ally Williams, Secretary Josey Navarro, Reporter Jazmin Ibarra, Sentinel Mason Kaelin and Historian Jayden Beck.

A lively desert auction would follow with nearly 20 supreme sweets to be sold. The money raised from the sales typically covers the cost of the banquet while leaving enough funding left over to support future BHS FFA needs. ★

Sutter Buttes Family Orchestra to Perform



Vocalists rehearse for the Sutter Buttes Family Orchestra's free 10th Anniversary Concert this Friday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 400 Spruce Street, Gridley. Piano music will begin at 6:35 p.m. We hope you can come celebrate with us. Photo by Carol Brown



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RED SUSPENDERS DAY

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Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce

Invites you to **Five Alarm Fun** at the **63rd annual Red Suspenders Day!**

- 7-10 a.m. Pancake Breakfast in Railroad Park
- 8-1 p.m. Classic Car Show on Kentucky St.
- 8-3 p.m. Kid's Games in Rotary Park
- 9:30 a.m. Bed Races on Virginia St.
- 11 a.m. Parade - Virginia and Hazel Street
- 12-3 p.m. Live Music by "Missing Gray" in Gazebo Daddow Park
- 12:30 p.m. Lion's Club Marshmallow Competition in Rotary Park
- 1 p.m. Firemans Games at Rotary Park
- 4-7 p.m. Museum Tri-Tip dinner on Kentucky St.

Tacos and Tamales Festival Raises Funds for PTSD



Supporters for change, the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program and Khris-Tina Kelly from Celebrating Life One Event at a Time came out to support Fishing for Change's Tacos and Tamales Festival! Pictured left to right: Missette Butte County Josielynn Payan, Miss Teen Second Runner Up Maddie Garcia, Fishing for Change Director and Taco & Tamale Festival organizer Craig Dickerson, Khris-Tina Kelly, Miss Teen First Runner Up Gracie Yost, Missette Second Runner Up Ava Cote, Miss Butte County Makayla Mellinger and Mini Miss Tamale Princess Seliyah Saetum.

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Heavy rains couldn't stop the first inaugural Tacos and Tamales Festival, held by non-profit Fishing for Change. Director of Fishing for Change and festival organizer Craig Dickerson said that the inspiration for the event came from similar festivals he had witnessed in southern California, and since then it was Sinco de Mayo weekend, a Taco and Tamale Festival would be appropriate for his first big fundraising event. The festival is part of his plan to fund a month-long luxury fishing retreat for veterans and first responders suffering from PTSD. During Dickerson's own battle with PTSD, he found that the calm of nature and the soothing waters he emerged himself in while fishing eased his symptoms. A mission to share that with fellow sufferers began for Dickerson. His end goal is a fishing retreat for PTSD sufferers

with private trailers, high-end cuisine, 24-7 access to counselors, daily behavioral therapy classes, and of course, a lot of fishing. Although a heavy storm rolled through the day of the event and forced the cancellation of the car show, the Butte County Fairgrounds offered its Expo Hall so that the festival could move indoors. The first Tacos and Tamales Festival went off without a hitch. "It was more than I could have ever expected!" said Dickerson. Guests were welcomed by Dickersons Fishing for Change booth, where children could practice their fishing aim with a casting game and visitors could learn more about the cause. Fellow non-profit Celebrating Life One Event at a Time, run by Kris-Tina Kelly, was on hand with the Kids Zone – staffed by the royalty of the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program. Kelly's Kid Zone provided children activities such as jewelry

making, painting, face painting and a Mexican Bingo game with fun prizes for participants. Visitors browsed vendor booths, while the band Suika T set the festival's mood. A variety of food and sweets were available for purchase, with a portion of all food sales from the taco and food trucks donated to Fishing for Change's veterans' program. Fellow Queens and Princesses of the Miss Butte County Program helped the Mini Miss Tamale Princess Seliyah Saetum get ready to make her debut. Her adorable smile lit up the hall and was a highlight of the event. Even though the event didn't unfold quite as planned, Dickerson was overjoyed with the end result. He expressed his genuine thanks to the community that came out in support of the event, the participating vendors, volunteers and the Butte County Fair Grounds. The Tacos and Tamales Festival will be returning in 2025. ★



Miss Butte County Scholarship Programs Josielynn Payan helps this visitor paint handprints at the children's corner courtesy of the non-profit, Celebrating Life One Event at a Time.



The Tacos and Tamales Festival was studded with royalty, both visiting and resident! Pictured left to right: Miss Teen Second Runner Up Maddie Garcia, Miss Butte County Makayla Mellinger, Missette Butte County Josielynn Payan, Miss Teen First Runner Up Gracie Yost, and Mini Miss Tamale Princess Seliyah Saetum (front).

Ready for Red Suspenders Day!



Red Suspenders Day arrives this weekend!

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The 63rd annual Red Suspenders Day is upon us! This weekend the fun starts off with the traditional Firemen's Baseball Games on Friday, May 17 at Manuel Vierra Park. CALFIRE/Butte County north county will take on south county. Allstars from that game will play a double-header against Sutter Fire Department after a short break. During the intermission, a home-run derby will be held. Saturday, May 18, the Gridley Little League will start the RSD festivities by hosting a fundraising pancake breakfast in Railroad Park, downtown Gridley. Then things will get really competitive as 6 bed-race teams will take to Vermont Street, racing for the win. This year Bed Race participants will see a bit more structure as the bed races take on a more serious edge, while maintaining the goofy fun. Just before the parade, a new event will take place – the first responders

costume contest for children in grades K-2. Children are invited to design and create first responder vehicles out of cardboard boxes for a chance at a \$25 price. After the contest, they will have the opportunity to join the parade with an adult chaperone. The parade will kick off at 11:00 a.m. A large list of entries will entertain guests, including a wide variety of Fire apparatus. The Gridley Lions will host another new event after the parade – the Marshmallow Olympics. Following that, crowds will gather for the traditional fireman games at Rotary Park. The Gridley Museum Tri-Tip Dinner will wrap up the day's events. From 4:00 -7:00 p.m., the community is asked to support this museum fundraiser. The dinner is a drive through and \$25/plate. The public is invited to come out to this free community celebration. Over 110 vendors will be joining the RSD festivities this year. Whether is food, gifts, crafts of information, downtown will be full of something for everyone! ★



The 63rd annual Red Suspenders Day is upon us.

Enloe Health Holds Ceremony for Gonzales Comprehensive Cancer Center



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Chico community and North State region for generations — saving lives and delivering better health outcomes for cancer patients, their families, and friends,” said Keith McCurry, senior project manager for Swinerton. “Swinerton is grateful to be an integral part of the excellent team that is bringing this critical project to fruition.” The new center will serve Northern California between Colusa County and the Oregon border. It will include expanded patient care space, advanced treatment

options, new equipment, integrated supportive therapies and more. Over the last two years, the Enloe Health Foundation has raised more than \$17 million toward their \$20 million goal to support the Gonzales Comprehensive Cancer Center. “We are profoundly grateful to our volunteer campaign committee and the hundreds of donors across our region, who have committed gifts of time and financial support to help bring this project to life,” said Jolene Francis, vice president of Philanthropy & Communications. ★

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Perfect Treat for the Heat



GHS girls volleyball team encourages people to attend.

Story and photos
by Mickey Mrakuzic

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Orchard Hospital Auxiliary recently held its annual Ice Cream Social. It was a beautiful, sunny day and perfect weather for the event. The ice cream social offered a wonderful opportunity for families to enjoy an outing and others to meet up with friends and chat for a while.

Each attendee had the choice of cake, pies, cobblers, and cupcakes. There was the choice of vanilla, chocolate, rocky road, and butter pecan ice cream. The best part was it was all-you-can-eat!

The Gridley High School girls volleyball team was on hand to set up, work the event and clean up. They also encouraged those passing by to come enjoy some ice cream.

There was a basket raffle afterwards to participate in. There were baskets for Mother's Day, BBQ items and even a pizza oven!

The Herald spoke with Kirsten Storne-Piazza about the history of the event. Storne-Piazza explained that it all started with a group of ladies that got together and wanted to support the hospital. They opened a gift shop and volunteered to run it. Originally named Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital Pink Ladies, they had two men join and changed the name to Auxiliary.

The ice cream social is the auxiliary's



Left to right: Jodie Crandall, Kirsten Storne-Piazza and Steve Stark serve up ice cream.

main fundraiser and has been held for over 30 years. Volunteers can remember in the early years, the doctors from the hospital served homemade ice cream to those attending the event. It was previously held on the first Thursday in August, but the event was changed due to the heat.

The Auxiliary continue to run the gift shop, which is now located at the Medical Specialty Center, 284 Spruce Street. The gift shop has many items to choose from including cards and gifts.

All the proceeds of the event are donated to Orchard Hospital. The proceeds have previously been used to purchase glucose machines, blanket warmers, tables and chairs and various items for all the different departments. ★



Young attendees enjoy the event.

Gridley Christian Church to Host Open House

Gridley Christian
Church News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On Red Suspenders Day (May 18), Gridley Christian Church invites you to come visit. There is a historical display featuring various pictures, artifacts, and documents since the church's beginning in 1885, including an 1886 pulpit Bible. The

church building, dedicated in 1900, has a beautiful stained-glass window you must see.

There will be some carnival games for children. Take a picture in our photo op area. Bring your lunch and eat under an awning using our tables and chairs. Our handicap restroom is available to all who need it. Free Bibles are available. If the

weather is too hot, just come in and sit a while in our air-conditioned sanctuary. Pastor Ed will be hanging around to answer any questions you may have.

Gridley Christian Church is located on the corner of Hazel and Washington Streets. It is a place where everyone is family. Call 530-846-4002 for more information. ★

Two Arrested During Missing Child Investigation

Butte County Sheriff's Office News
Release

BANGOR, CA (MPG) - On May 6, at approximately 10:35 p.m., the Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) dispatch center received a call from a female who reported her 3-year-old child was missing from a residence, which is located on a 51.65-acre parcel in the 7000 block of Laporte Road, Bangor. Deputies and detectives identified the missing child's parents as Mayra Barajas, 32, of Bangor and Jose Valenciacontras, 35, of Bangor.

Butte County Sheriff's Office deputies, detectives and search-and-rescue personnel immediately responded and began searching for the missing child. Deputies from the Yuba County Sheriff's Office also assisted with the search. During the search, a Butte County Sheriff's Office tracking K-9 was deployed.

Butte County Sheriff's Office deputies and detectives conducted an investigation and determined the child had been missing since approximately 7:30 p.m. May 6. Detectives also located evidence that the

child's parents were allegedly cultivating marijuana on the property and the child frequented marijuana grow sites with her parents.

The Butte County Sheriff's Office tracking K-9 led deputies to an illegal marijuana grow. At approximately 3:21 a.m. May 7, deputies located the child under a tarp that was covering a large illegal marijuana grow. The child was located approximately two feet away from hundreds of marijuana plants. The child was cold and required immediate medical attention. The child was transported to a local hospital where she was treated and later released to Butte County Children's Services.

Barajas and Valenciacontras were arrested for felony child endangerment and booked at the Butte County Jail. On the afternoon of May 7, detectives served a search warrant at the residence on Laporte Road. During the service of the search warrant, detectives reportedly located 6,674.55 pounds of processed marijuana, 5,257 marijuana plants and four firearms. ★

Butte College SBDC In-Person Business Trainings

How To Get Funding To Start and Grow Your Business (Orland)

Accessing funding can be critical to successfully start, grow, and expand a small business, and getting approved for business loans is challenging in the current lending climate. This workshop provides step-by-step information on funding opportunities available for business owners and entrepreneurs. You will be guided through the process of pursuing business financing including what to consider before applying for a loan, the factors of evaluation that all lenders use when reviewing your loan requests and tips on how to prepare based on your strengths & weaknesses. Topics include: SBA loan requirements & application, traditional bank loans, lines of credit, and alternative lending programs.

Date: Tuesday, May 21, 2024 | **Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am

Cost: Free | **Location:** Butte College-Glenn County Center, 1366 Cortina Dr., Orland

New Venture Series for New and Startup Businesses (Chico)

This 4 weeks, 2 hours per week training series provides essential information to individuals thinking about starting a business and new business owners (in business one year or less). Topics include: Legal Requirements, Market Analysis, Cost Analysis, Funding Your Business, and Overview of the Business Plan - bringing it all together. You will learn the legal requirements for starting your business, how to assess your market and plan for direction, how to obtain funding, types of funding available, calculate start-up costs, and best practice for completing a business plan.

Date: Thursdays, June 6, 13, 20 and 27, 2024 | **Time:** 8:30am – 10:30am

Cost: Free | **Location:** Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

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Determine the right marketing strategy for your business, based on Paid marketing, or through low-cost Guerilla marketing. Learn the differences between the types of marketing based on paid or non-paid strategies, as well as expected results. You will learn about various aspects of both Paid and Guerilla marketing strategies, examples of each, and what activities are involved with each. This is a great opportunity to learn more about unique strategies to make your business stand out from the rest. Topics will include: Paid vs Guerilla marketing overview, best practices of Paid and Guerilla marketing strategies, costs involved, time expectations/work involved, creative vs consistent strategies and strategies to build your own marketing plan.

Date: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 | **Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am

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Date: Wednesday, June 12, 2024 | **Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am

Cost: Free | **Location:** Job Training Center, 2801 Main Street, Red Bluff

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CalAnimals and More to Host First-Ever California Adopt-A-Pet Day



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Will Reisman,
Progress Public Affairs News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The California Animal Welfare Association (CalAnimals), the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SF SPCA), and the ASPCA (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) recently announced

the first-ever California Adopt-a-Pet Day, taking place on Saturday, June 1.

The statewide adoption day will feature more than 150 California animal welfare sites offering free adoptions to find homes for 2,024 shelter pets. The ASPCA will be providing funds to cover the cost of free adoptions at participating shelters. California animal welfare groups that would like to take part in the event have until Friday, May 10 to register online at caadoptapetday.org.

“California shelters are facing enormous pressures due to overcrowding conditions, as the number of animals entering shelters is outpacing those leaving,” said Jill Tucker, CEO of CalAnimals. “By increasing adoption demand and encouraging pet-ready families to visit their local shelter first, we can make a change. This unprecedented and collaborative statewide effort can help reduce the number of animals in our shelters while also providing loving, caring families for our most vulnerable pets. There has never been a better time or better selection of incredible animals ready for new homes, and we know the people

of California will rise to this challenge.”

The large influx of animals being brought into shelters in recent years is due to a severe nationwide shortage of veterinary professionals as well as a confluence of other factors, such as inflation and pet-friendly housing restrictions. Many communities in California do not have access to affordable veterinary care, including spay and neuter services.

“Shelters are such integral parts of our communities—we are where families find their next cat or dog or get treatment for their beloved pets—and now we are asking for the community’s help,” said Dr. Jennifer Scarlett, CEO of the SF SPCA. “By working together, we can find homes for thousands of animals throughout the state. Californians are famous for their compassion, empathy, and care. California Adopt-a-Pet Day is a perfect time to put those emotions into action.”

“Shelters in California and around the country are facing an overcrowding crisis that requires the support and collaboration of national and local organizations working together with communities to help our most vulnerable animals,” said Matt

Bershadker, President & CEO, ASPCA. “The lifesaving impact of our collective efforts will be felt by the animals, the participating organizations, and communities across the state.”

California Adopt-a-Pet Day is being managed by CalAnimals, an organization that focuses on the success of California animal welfare and sheltering organizations in meeting the needs of animals and people in their communities.

The initiative is being generously supported by the SF SPCA, a nonprofit that works in San Francisco, the Central Valley, and across California to ensure that every companion animal has access to quality medical care, compassionate shelter, and a loving home, and the ASPCA, the longest-standing animal welfare organization in North America that works on the frontlines to save, transform, and protect the lives of millions of dogs, cats, equines, and farm animals in the fight against animal cruelty and homelessness.

To find a participating animal shelter in California Adopt-a-Pet Day, please visit <https://caadoptapetday.org>. ★

Reelin’ It in — Gridley Fishing Day

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Locals turned out bright and early Saturday morning to Bone Yard Pond at Gray Lodge for some family fishing fun courtesy of Gridley Parks and Recreation.

The 23rd annual Kids Fishing Day returned Saturday May 11, inviting children to fish until their hearts content or 11:30 am, when the event ended. The pond was stocked with 1,000 pounds of catfish to ensure the little ones would get one on the line. For those that didn’t have their own, poles were available to check out and free bait was provided. Ashley Ayala of Gridley Parks and Recreation said that over 10,000 nightcrawlers were ordered!

Gridley Lions Club served complimentary barbecued hotdogs, chips and drinks, while members of CALFIRE

educated and ensured the safety of participants and refreshed bait with the Simpson University Bass Team.

Gridley Parks and Recreation raffled off 88 prizes and the two lucky anglers with the biggest catches of the day won bikes.

Ayala says, “A special thank you to our partners and sponsors – we truly could not have done it without you! From the Simpson University Bass Team coming out, to all the prizes/donations received from businesses in our community, we are incredibly thankful for the support! A BIG shout out to Gray Lodge Wildlife Staff, Alex from CALFIRE and our beloved Gridley Lions Club – we are blessed to have you all!”

Parks and Rec encourages everyone to continue to fish the Bone Yard Pond as it is still well stocked with fish. Just make sure to have your fishing licenses as per law. ★



The Gridley Lions Club voluntarily provided a free lunch for the 23rd annual Kids Fishing Day.

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The following person(s) are doing business as: Keepin It Saucy, 6705 Echo Glen Court, Magalia, CA 95954
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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000337
The following person(s) are doing business as: Autumn Creek Post Acute, 587 Rio Lindo Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
Chico Heights Wellness GP LLC, 7223 Beverly Boulevard Suite 205, Los Angeles, CA 90036
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AUTUMN 5-24-24

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The following person(s) are doing business as: Oakwood Healthcare Center, 375 Cohasset Road, Chico, CA 95926
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The following person(s) are doing business as: Chico Terrace Care Center, 188 Cohasset Lane, Chico, CA 95926
Chico Terrace Wellness GP LLC, 7223 Beverly Boulevard Suite 205, Los Angeles, CA 90036
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The following person(s) are doing business as: Paradise Affordable Homes, 1201 Bille Road, Paradise, CA 95969
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PARADISE 5-24-24

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QUEENS 5-24-24

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The following person(s) are doing business as: To Be or Not To Be Therapy and Consultation Services, 95 Declaration Drive Suite 5, Chico, CA 95973
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THERAPY 5-24-24

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The following person(s) are doing business as: Precision AG Services, 26 Susan Court, Oroville, CA 95965
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CHICOBAG 5-31-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000373
The following person(s) are doing business as: Topline Property Management and Linemen Housing, 74 Magnesio Street, Oroville, CA 95965
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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000379
The following person(s) are doing business as: 3D in Paradise, 738 Madrone Way, Paradise, CA 95969
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3D 6-7-24

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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000377
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DFP 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000371
The following person(s) are doing business as: Answered Prayers Antiques and Second Hand Store, 8247 Skyway, Paradise, CA 95969
Date filed in Butte County: April 29, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
ANSWERED 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000365
The following person(s) are doing business as: Chicobag Company, Chicobag, To Go Ware, 747 Fortress Street, Chico, CA 95973
Chicoeco, Inc., 747 Fortress Street, Chico, CA 95973
Date filed in Butte County: April 26, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: December 29, 2004
This Business is conducted by: A Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation

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CHICOBAG 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000388
The following person(s) are doing business as: Sergios Catering Services LLC, 1001 Washington Street Apt 50, Gridley, CA 95948.
Sergios Catering Services LLC, 1001 Washington Street Apt 50, Gridley, CA 95948
Date filed in Butte County: May 6, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
SERGIOS 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000386
The following person(s) are doing business as: Rainbow Personal Training, 956 Humboldt Avenue, Chico, CA 95928
Thomas B Fahey, 956 Humboldt Avenue, Chico, CA 95928
Date filed in Butte County: May 6, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 4, 2024

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RAINBOW 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000395
The following person(s) are doing business as: Dewsnap Fire Support, 179 Little Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948
Craig H Dewsnap, 179 Little Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948
Date filed in Butte County: May 9, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 9, 2024
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DEWSNUP 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000400
The following person(s) are doing business as: Bolos Cookout, 203 Table Mountain Boulevard Apt 105, Oroville, CA 95965
Fernando D Grant, 203 Table Mountain Boulevard Apt 105, Oroville, CA 95965
Date filed in Butte County: May 10, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 10, 2024
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BOLOS 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000362
The following person(s) are doing business as: Butte Water Truck Service, 5656 Miners Ranch Road, Oroville, CA 95966
John R Vogler, 12 Coho Court, Oroville, CA 95966
Date filed in Butte County: April 26, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: April 24, 2024

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County

Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
BUTTE 6-7-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #24CV01111
Petitioner Gary James Smith filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Gary James Smith to Gary James Hughes.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing May 29, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 1, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on April 17, 2024
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 2024
SMITH 5-17-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #24CV01250
Petitioner Carson Paul Christensen filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Carson Paul Christensen to Carson Little Wallace.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing June 12, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on April 22, 2024
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024
Christensen 5-24-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #24CV00616
Petitioner Yesenia Melchor filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Angelo Rodriguez-Melchor to Angelo Melchor.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing June 12, 2024, 1:30 p.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on April 25, 2024
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024
MELCHOR 5-31-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #24CV01384
Petitioner Sai Xiong Her filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Sai Xiong Her to Si Xiong Her.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing June 12, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 1, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on May 6, 2024
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court
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HER 6-7-24



Congressman LaMalfa Announces Winner of 2024 Congressional Art Competition



The winning piece of this year’s competition is “Soaring Above Lake Oroville Dam” by Kayla Grozea. Photo courtesy of the Office of Congressman Doug LaMalfa

Office of Congressman Doug LaMalfa News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On May 7, Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) announced the winner of the Spring 2024 Congressional Art Competition. Las Plumas High School Senior Kayla Grozea won for her piece, “Soaring Above Lake Oroville Dam”. The annual Congressional Art Competition is open to all high school students in the 1st District. This year’s theme is “Dams & Lakes for Goodness Sakes - Storing water for flood & food”.

“I’m pleased to announce that this

year’s winner of the Congressional Art Competition is Las Plumas High School senior Kayla Grozea. Her piece, ‘Soaring Above Lake Oroville Dam’, beautifully captured this year’s theme, ‘Dams & Lakes for Goodness Sakes - Storing water for flood & food’. This piece is a testament to the long and storied history Lake Oroville has in Butte County and will represent the North State in the halls of the Capitol, for visitors and my colleagues to view on the way to the House floor,” said Congressman LaMalfa.

The winning artwork will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol along with other contest winners from all the other

Congressional districts nation-wide. The winner not only receives the honor of having their art hang in the Capitol exhibition but will also receive two tickets (for the student and one guardian) from Southwest Airlines to fly to Washington, D.C. and take part in viewing their art in the exhibition. There will also be a reception in the U.S. Capitol held in honor of the Congressional Art Competition Winners.

Congressman Doug LaMalfa is a lifelong farmer representing California’s First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties. ★

Chico Man Arraigned for Embezzling from Local Veteran Organizations

Butte County District Attorney News Release

CHICO, CA (MPG) - On May 10, A Chico man was arraigned in Butte County Superior Court where he was assigned a public defender and notified of embezzlement and forgery charges against him involving his theft from local veterans’ organizations.

Michael David Zylstra, 60, of Chico, is charged with embezzling thousands of dollars from two different veteran associations, and for forging the signature of another veteran to cash felonious checks. In total, upwards of \$68,000 is alleged to have been stolen from the Chico American Legion Post, and upwards of \$4,000 was stolen from the Chico Disabled American Veterans Chapter.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey stated that on September 13, 2023, the Chico Police Department received a complaint from a member of the Chico American Legion Post who stated their bank account was almost completely emptied by Zylstra, who had been the acting treasurer of the post for several years.

On September 18, 2023, the Chico Police Department received a complaint from a member of the local Disabled American Veterans organization that their bank account was also drained by Zylstra, who had been the acting Commander of the Disabled American Veterans for several years.

After reviewing bank accounts, bank statements, cash withdrawals, and check deposits, the Chico Police investigators alleged Zylstra had been slowly

withdrawing money from both organizations without permission since September of 2021. It was also alleged that Zylstra forged the signature of another veteran member to make check transactions appear legitimate. Chico investigators also found cash withdrawals from the veteran associations’ bank accounts occurred at numerous casinos within Butte County.

Ramsey stated embezzlement is a type of theft committed by betraying the trust of others and abusing the powers of one’s position to take property for personal gain. As the treasurer of the American Legion and commander of Disabled American Veterans, Ramsey stated Zylstra was able to conceal his alleged embezzlement for years.

After serving a search warrant on Zylstra’s personal bank accounts, investigators discovered Zylstra withdrew funds from the veteran organizations’ bank accounts and then deposited those same funds directly into his own personal bank accounts. Members of both veteran organizations informed the Chico Police Department that Zylstra did not have permission to pay himself from the organization’s bank accounts.

On March 14, 2024, Zylstra was arrested and interviewed by the Chico Police Department regarding his embezzlement scheme. When Zylstra was asked where all the veteran organizations’ money went, Zylstra responded that it was gone. He was booked into Butte County Jail where he was later bailed out on a \$90,000 bond to appear May 10 in court.

Zylstra will return to court on May 30 at 8:30 a.m., where he will appear with his public defender for his further arraignment and entry of plea. ★

Chico Man Convicted of First-Degree Murder

Butte County District Attorney News Release

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A Butte County jury on May 10 handed down a first-degree murder verdict regarding the April 15, 2020, killing of Joshua Elysee, then 21 years old.

Johnny Jamar Osby, 30, of Chico, was also found guilty of assault with a firearm and being a felon in possession of a firearm. The jury also found special allegations to be true that Osby was lying in wait and fired from a vehicle at the time of the murder.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said on April 14, 2020, around 9 p.m., the Chico Police Department responded to a report of multiple gunshots heard in the 1500 block of Nord Avenue. Responding officers discovered a male victim, identified as Elysee, with a fatal gunshot wound to the head. Elysee was later pronounced dead at Enloe Hospital.

During four days of testimony over three weeks, the jury heard Elysee was not the only victim of the shooting. A 16-year-old friend of Elysee’s was seated in the passenger seat of Elysee’s car but miraculously sustained only a minor shrapnel injury to his arm.

Officers investigating the crime scene testified that 24 bullet casings were located at the entrance to the Nord Gardens Townhomes. A ballistics expert from the California Department of Justice testified the casings were

fired from a pistol that Osby video-recorded himself test-firing two days before the murder. Chico Police detectives located the video after serving a warrant on the Osby’s Snapchat account.

Witnesses testified Osby was angry over an incident on March 26, 2020, when Osby was beaten and robbed at a party attended by Elysee. The jury was shown two videos of Osby, posted to Snapchat the morning after the robbery, where a clearly injured Osby threatened to murder the people responsible.

Osby was arrested seven days after the murder. The jury watched a video-recorded interview where Osby admitted the shooting and admitted it was revenge for the beating he suffered a month before.

Osby testified on his own behalf during the trial, stating he was afraid of Elysee and traveled to Stockton the weekend before the murder where he purchased a black-market Glock-style “ghost gun” from a cousin. He admitted to installing a device that converted the pistol into a machine gun. Osby claimed in his testimony that he shot at Elysee and the 16-year-old in self-defense, after he saw both of them reaching for what Osby believed was a firearm.

Deputy District Attorney Jeff Greeson successfully argued to the jury that the physical evidence did not support Osby’s claim of self-defense, pointing to evidence that showed Osby was

hunting for Elysee on the streets of Chico leading up to the night of the murder and that the orientation of the multiple bullet holes in Elysee’s car, along with the gunshot wound to his head, show that Elysee was ambushed and likely never knew what happened.

Greeson thanked the jury for their diligence and care, noting Elysee’s young life was cut short over a petty disagreement and ended in a hail of automatic weapons fire. “The people of Butte County can rest a little easier tonight knowing this dangerous person is facing spending the rest of his life behind bars without parole,” said Greeson.

Ramsey said he was grateful for the professionalism of the Chico Police officers who investigated the case and his prosecutor Greeson who brought this dangerous criminal to justice. “Our community cannot tolerate this kind of senseless violence on our streets, and will hold those accountable that commit these terrible crimes.”

Ramsey noted that the murder occurred just after the COVID pandemic began and the trial was delayed for years as a result.

After the guilty verdicts, the trial judge, Butte County Superior Court Judge Virginia Gingery, found true allegations that Osby suffered a prior “strike” conviction for robbery. Sentencing is set for July 18, 2024, when Osby will be facing life without the possibility of parole. ★

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Portable medical oxygen in the home has grown over the past decade. Medical oxygen adds a higher percentage of oxygen to the air a patient uses to breathe. If a fire should start in an oxygen-enriched area, the material burning will burn more quickly. Homes where medical oxygen is used need specific fire safety rules to keep people safe from fire and burns.

SAFETY TIPS

• There is no safe way to smoke in the home when oxygen is in use. A patient on oxygen should not smoke.

• Candles, matches, wood stoves and even sparking toys, can be ignition sources and should not be used in the home.

• Keep oxygen cylinders at least five feet from a heat source, open flames or electrical devices.

• Body oil, hand lotion and items containing oil and grease can easily ignite. Keep oil and grease away where oxygen is in use.

• Never use aerosol sprays containing combustible materials near the oxygen.

Thank You, and Be Safe!!

Sparky the Dog

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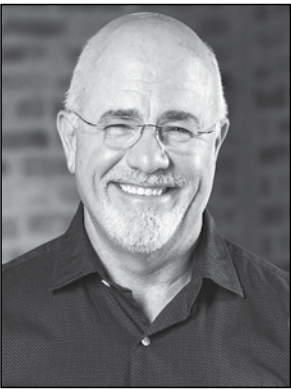
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The Walking Debt

Dear Dave,

A few years ago, I had a real problem with credit card debt. Since then, I’ve gotten much better at handling my money, and I’m making about \$80,000 a year. Two weeks ago, I received a letter about a credit card I had in 2020. The amount owed is \$7,688. The letter doesn’t say I’m being sued, but it says I have to appear before a judge in two months for a pretrial conference. I live in Florida, and I’ve never heard of anything like this. I only have \$1,000 in savings.

– Damari

Dear Damari,

I’m glad to hear you’re handling your finances better now than you did in the past. But at this point, you’re learning that old debts don’t necessarily die, aren’t you? Ignoring debts isn’t a good plan, because many times they

Dave Ramsey Says

come back to life like a zombie and come looking for you.

I’m not an expert on Florida law, but a pretrial conference in a case like this—over a \$7,688 credit card bill—is highly unusual. I’ve been helping people with money problems for 30 years, and I’ve never heard of anything like this. It could be some kind of new tactic the collections attorney is using to try to intimidate you.

If I were in your shoes, I’d call the attorney who’s suing you and try to negotiate a payment plan or settlement. Do you have anything you can sell? Because I’ve got a feeling if you can come up with \$3,000 or so and offer it as payment in full, they’ll take it. I don’t mean to be unkind, but these guys figure you’re a deadbeat because you’ve got a 5-year-old debt hanging over your head and haven’t tried to pay it. They’ll take almost anything they can get at this point.

In general, when you go to court over a situation like this, you’re going to lose. You have a legal debt, and you haven’t paid it. It’s that simple. So, if you don’t have anything to sell to

make some money that way, you need to get busy working an extra job or two. I’m talking about doing Door Dash or something—in the morning before work or in the evening after work. Kiss those weekends goodbye too. Just go nuts for a few weeks, and make a bunch of extra money fast.

It won’t be easy, and you’re going to be dog-tired for a while. But you can scrape together \$3,000–4,000 before June easily if you’ll just put your head down and make it happen. Then, offer it up to the attorney. Demand a written release, with the debt declared settled and paid in full, and chances are, this thing will be off your back!

– Dave

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

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal

Gridley United Methodist Church

There is no retirement program from working for the Lord. We are His workers from the first day we accept Him and His Son until the last breath. Then we move from one atmosphere called earth to the presence of the Lord for eternity.

We are asked to be His hands and feet for the length of time we spend here. He has given us all we have, and He has asked us to use it to glorify His name and spread His word wherever we can. But what happens when we get old, worn out, and broken down? When our physical bodies give up on us, how do we continue to serve Him?

We’ve all read stories how people have given all they can for the Lord. Children damaged by cancer have written books of hope and love to share with other children. People broken and bruised by war paint pictures of peace and life as they battle each day.

Elderly people unable to drive or move very much use their phones to call and offer uplifting words to others who are suffering. But most of all prayer becomes the item most used.

As we stagger through life we find ourselves wondering what good we can do

or of what importance we are. We have very little energy, very little money, and very little time left crosses our minds as we try to find pathways to service. What can we do with so little left? God knows and He can use any and all of us for what He has planned for this time.

A poster I used to have said, “God made me, and He don’t make junk!!” We are all needed and important to God. We may only be able to offer prayer from our hospital beds, but He begins work when we pray.

We may have little to give to others, but that extra sweater or coat will meet the need of someone who has none. That extra stuff you have stored and packed away for some time now could come in handy for someone who has lost it all.

We are needed in the world no matter what and there is no retirement from the Lord’s work as long as we are here. Look around, think, plan, and pray God will offer you a job.

The Gridley United Methodist Church can help you find ways to serve others through the Lord. We meet every Sunday at 10 am to worship. Please join us at 285 Magnolia Street. ★



Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

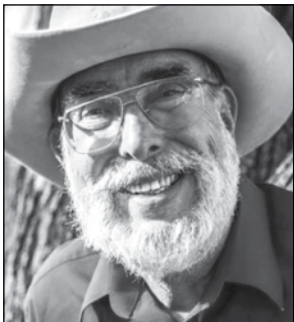
I’ve had a family of blue jays living in my yard. They build their nests, make noise, plant acorns and take their fledglings to the bird feeders. Lately they and their new babies have been flying back and forth under the patio cover squawking. I kept wondering why on earth they were behaving this way. Then it dawned on me. They had taken the

new babies to the bird feeders and there was no birdseed. I haven’t been feeding the birds because I want a few of my blueberries. Little did I know that these town jays were determined to do what they’ve been doing for a while. Take their babies to the feeders. I’m thinking I will be buying some birdseed.

I’ve done my first warm weather fruit tree pruning. I started irrigating them in May, that might have contributed to that growth. I’ve learned if I want the fruit I need to add more water. I was fooled by our rainy weather last year. The rain was not enough. The same has happened this year. So, watering the trees started as soon as I saw they set fruit.

Even if you have traditional sized fruit trees watch to see if they need additional water.

Found a little brown snake the other day. They always startle me. I lift up a rock or a flower pot that there they are looking like worms then their little heads come up and their tongues taste the air. No sign of toads yet. I’ve been on the watch. I did see the first Sphinx Moth sipping nectar from my Clematis. They also fool me at first. I think I’m seeing the smallest hummingbird ever, then I remember that it is this delightful moth. The flowers seem extra wonderful this spring. Maybe it is the balance I need against so many other things. ★



Slim Randles

Doc hadn’t even finished loading his coffee with fake sugar before Steve piped up.

“I think it’s disgusting and weird and unnatural and it should be outlawed!” the tall cowboy said, coming to rest at the philosophy counter of the Mule Barn truck stop.

“Aw Steve,” said Doc, “the coffee isn’t that bad.”

“Coffee? Nay, I say unto you, Doc. It ain’t the coffee ... it’s them Academy Awards on the television. You see them? All them good-looking women Scotch-taping themselves into those dresses so they almost stay on? Those weird guys they’re with who only shave on Tuesdays?”

“And this makes you angry?”

“Sure does, Doc. Those folks make a lot more

“Noblesse oblige, I believe”

money than I do and all they have to do is dress up and talk to those red carpet cameras.”

“Those were two months ago, Steve,” said Doc.

“I know,” Steve said, “I recorded them.”

“Well, Steve,” said Dud, “we can do just as good as they can. Stand up.”

Steve looked around and then stood slowly. Dud picked up a bottle of Tabasco sauce and, using it as a microphone, turned to the breakfast crowd in the Mule Barn.

“Good morning, folks, and we’re so happy you could join us here on KRUD this morning to welcome our list of celebrities. Oh, look, it’s Steve, the pride of farrier life and heavy anvils. Steve, wherever did you get that outfit?”

“Well,” said Steve, grinning, “it’s a creation of Levi Strauss, and please note the genuine brass rivets.”

“Give us a twirl there, cowboy.” And he did, to

great applause.

“And your headwear today, Steve, that would be what ... Stetson?”

“Yessir. A genuine John B. Stetson original. Five ex beaver fur felt.”

“The sweat stains?”

“Those were added later, actually, Dudley. A genuine cow pen fillip to offset the otherwise stunning look of my entire ensemble.”

“So as not to overwhelm the onlookers, I suppose?”

“Precisely. We don’t want ordinary people to think they’ll never achieve this look, you see.”

“An admirable pursuit,” Dud said.

“Noblesse oblige, I believe,” said Steve.

“Not until lunch,” said Loretta, topping off the coffee mugs. “Breakfast special is bacon and a short stack.”

Don’t attend the Academy Awards ceremony without bringing an extra roll of Scotch tape. You could be a hero! ★



New Farm Organizing Rules Lead to Union Wins, Controversy

California’s new farm labor organizing law has delivered union wins and a string of competing allegations from employers, farmworkers and labor organizers. In March, Wonderful Nurseries, the nation’s largest grapevine nursery, claimed United Farm Workers organizers tricked more than a hundred of its workers into unwittingly signing union authorization cards. UFW denied wrongdoing and responded with counter charges against the company. At issue is a new organizing system—called “card check”—that allows collection of signed cards instead if secret-ballot elections

California Cattle Stockyards Gauge Impacts of Bird Flu Testing

Efforts to understand and curb the spread of H5N1 avian influenza in dairy cows have livestock auction yards in a scramble as new federal testing requirements took effect last week. All lactating dairy cows must test negative for the virus before they’re allowed to cross state borders. Businesses that market livestock say they’re trying to adapt to the mandate, which has impacted sellers and buyers of milking cows. Tyson Howze of Overland Stockyard in Hanford estimates that more than 25% of the dairy cows from a typical California dispersal sale goes to out-of-state buyers.

Protections for Southern California Steelhead Trout Could Bring Water Restrictions

A state determination that Southern California steelhead trout merit additional protections could mean tighter water restrictions. The California Fish and Game Commission on April 18 unanimously agreed with a staff recommendation that listing the Southern California steelhead as endangered under the state Endangered Species Act is warranted. Increased protections for the species would affect water users and districts in several Southern California counties. Agricultural groups and water districts argue that there is not enough scientific evidence to warrant the endangered listing.

Beetle, Prevalent in Australia, Targeted as New Pest in California Nut Crops

Researchers are seeking to unravel mysteries surrounding a new beetle pest for tree nuts, but they still have more questions than answers. California researchers are collaborating with counterparts in Australia, who have dealt with the carpophilus beetle for more than a decade in almonds. Damage caused by the beetle, new to California, came to light in 2023 when it was found infesting almond and pistachio orchards in Stanislaus, Merced, Madera and Kings counties. Broader surveys have since confirmed the presence of carpophilus beetles throughout Central Valley nut orchards. ★



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CLUES

ACROSS

- Clothing joint
- *Opposite of good
- *Pre-
- Guestimate (2 words)
- Sudden impulse
- Group dice game
- Stead
- Naive person
- Fancy necktie
- *Compass point opposites (2 words)
- A pinch between the cheeks
- Earth tremor
- Before skip and a jump
- Constantly worry about something
- More infinitesimal
- Catch a wink
- One weber per square meter, pl.
- *Pre-recorded
- Deed hearings
- Cribbage piece
- Bread spreads
- Plural of focus
- Making the way, in a way
- "I Like ____" 1952 campaign slogan
- Of somber color
- *Like bride's accessories (2 words)
- 60 mins., pl.
- Indiana ball player
- One of Three Bears
- *Day periods (2 words)
- Vernacular
- Part of church
- Soap bubbles
- Type of small salmon
- Bound
- Domingo, Pavarotti and Carreras, e.g.
- Nicholas II of Russia, e.g.
- Key next to spacebar
- Where users review

DOWN

- Fa follower
- Between Ohio and Ontario
- *Opposite of on land
- Fluffy dessert
- Hillside in Scotland
- Anti-seniors sentiment
- *Opposite of awkward and clumsy
- *Door instruction (2 words)
- Fairy tale opener
- Flat-bottomed boat
- Bambino
- Not like #26 Down
- Popular breakfast item
- MCAT and LSAT, e.g.
- *Hers
- *Switch positions (2 words)
- Louisiana swamp
- Glasses, for short
- Three biblical sages
- A logical connection (2 words)
- Extract a memory, e.g.
- Stitch again
- R&R spots
- Tolstoy's given name, in Russian
- *Irwin Shaw's title opposites (2 words)
- Checked out
- Pimple fluid

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Biggs and Gridley Advance to Semifinals, Live Oak Eliminated



Gridley sophomore infielder Jason Davis Jr. (27) bunts in the first run of the game in the Bulldogs' 2-1 victory over Orland on Friday, May 10.

Story and photos by Steven Bryla

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Bulldogs baseball team won their quarterfinal game of the CIF Northern Section Division III tournament as they defeated the Orland Trojans 2-1 on Friday, May 10.

This was the third meeting between Gridley and Orland this season as the Bulldogs swept the Trojans during Butte View League play this season.

Gridley sophomore pitcher Tanner Abbott pitched his longest outing of the year as he tossed six scoreless innings, gave up two hits and struck out 10 hitters.

"Goal was to attack the zone and let the defense work," Abbott said.

Abbott dealt with arm issues in the beginning of the season that limited his time on the mound. Abbott told the Herald his arm was feeling fine after he threw 106

pitches in the game.

Abbott's pitch count was at 70 after three innings pitched and he worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the third. Bulldogs Head Coach Quinn Spring expressed to the Herald that Abbott had a great outing and added that the depth of the pitching staff is going to be key moving forward in the playoffs.

"We have five solid arms that we could throw out there at any time," Spring said.

Small ball came up huge in the game and Spring expressed to the Herald that they are consistently working on small ball and defending against it. In the bottom of the fifth, Gridley sophomore third baseman Jason Davis Jr. laid down a bunt to the third base side and senior second baseman Emet Smallwood scored from second on a bad throw by the Orland pitcher to give the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead.



Gridley senior infielder Emmet Smallwood (12) fields a ground ball in the Bulldogs' 2-1 victory over Orland on Friday, May 10.



Gridley sophomore pitcher Tanner Abbott (5) throws a pitch in the Bulldogs' 2-1 win against Orland on Friday, May 10.

"I have full trust in my guys one through nine to do a job," Spring said.

The Trojans tied the game in the top of the seventh after a sacrifice fly, and Gridley had the opportunity to get another walk-off victory.

The Bulldogs loaded the bases with no outs to start the inning and senior outfielder Adrian Santillan did his job of hitting the ball on the ground. Santillan hit a solid grounder to the Orland third baseman where he was able to get the first out of the inning by a force out at third and his throw to home was late and junior infielder Garrett Francis slid into home for the second consecutive home walk-off win for Gridley in a two-week span.

"I was looking for a fastball to get on the ground," Santillan told the Herald. Francis said to the Herald that he picked Orland's signs and was able to read the ball off the bat and get a good jump on his secondary lead to get home in a timely manner.

In the win, Gridley moved onto the winner's bracket in the NS Division III bracket where they played Lassen this past Tuesday. If the Bulldogs beat Lassen in that first game, they earned a trip to their third straight title game. If the Bulldogs beat Lassen in that first game, they earned a trip to their third straight title game. If Gridley was beaten in their first game on Tuesday, they had another shot to get into the title game as they would play an elimination game against the Tuesday winner of Orland/West Valley.

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The Biggs Wolverines baseball team won their first-round play-off matchup of the CIF Northern Section Division VI playoffs as they beat Maxwell 7-6 on Friday, May 10.

Biggs was down 5-0 early and a couple of big-run innings helped lead to the 7-6 comeback. Wolverines senior infielder Emilio Bermudez and freshman pitcher/infielder Dennis Dewhurst each had two hits and a run-batted-in (RBI).

Biggs senior infielder/pitcher Zach Smith pitched 5.2 innings of relief and picked up the win after he struck out eight Maxwell hitters.

The Wolverines traveled to Chester this past Tuesday for a chance to advance to the Division VI championship that is scheduled for tomorrow, May 18.

REDDING, CA (MPG) - The Live Oak Lions baseball team had its season end in the first round of the CIF Northern Section Division IV playoffs as they were beaten 14-0 by University Prep on Friday, May 10.

The seven wins for Live Oak this season were the most in the program since the 2009 spring season.

Lions junior infielder Tanner Tillotson led the way for Live Oak with two hits in the defeat. The young roster for the Lions returns a lot next season as they leave the Sacramento Valley League and move into the Butte View League beginning this fall.



Gridley senior outfielder Adrian Santillan (1) hits in the winning run in the Bulldogs' 2-1 win against Orland on Friday, May 10.

All Three Softball Programs End Regular Season with W's

Story by Steven Bryla

SUTTER/BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - All three local softball teams from Live Oak, Gridley and Biggs high schools ended their regular season on the winning end as their focus shifts to the postseason this week.

The Live Oak Lady Lions shutout Hamilton on their season finale on Tuesday, May 7, in an 11-0 victory.

Lady Lions freshman pitcher Brooklyn Murphey tossed a complete game one-hitter.

Live Oak was given the No. 8 seed in the CIF Northern Section Division IV playoffs as they traveled to Redding this past Tuesday, May 14, and were scheduled to have a play-in game against Orland for the right to play University Prep.

University Prep was the overall No. 1 seed in the Division IV bracket and was the D-IV runner up to West Valley last season.

Gridley traveled to Cottonwood this past Tuesday and was scheduled to play the defending D-IV champion at West

Valley. The Lady Bulldogs were given the No. 6 seed.

Gridley secured a tie for second place at the end of the Butte View League season which concluded as they defeated Orland 7-3 on Thursday, May 9.

The Lady Bulldogs went 3-1 in the second half of BVL play, and this is the first matchup of the season between Gridley and West Valley.

Biggs secured the No. 1 overall seed in the Division VI playoffs as they defeated Maxwell 12-0 on Wednesday, May 8.

The win over Maxwell secured a tie for the Mid-Valley League title, and the 23 regular-season wins this year are the most in the program since 2019.

Lady Wolverines sophomore pitcher Gracie Sheppard pitched a no-hitter and pounded the strike zone with 15 strikeouts.

Biggs hosted Plumas Charter this past Tuesday in the opening round of the playoffs. The Lady Wolverines won the first matchup in a tournament game on March 14 with a 16-3 victory.



The Biggs girls' softball team celebrates a tie for the MVL title after defeating Maxwell 12-0 on Wednesday, May 8. Photo by Michelle Felkins



Live Oak senior shortstop Olivia Nanez fields a ground ball in the Lady Lions' 11-0 victory against Hamilton on May 6. Photo by Steven Bryla



The Live Oak 2024 seniors pose for the coaching staff during their 11-0 victory over Orland. Photo by Steven Bryla

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