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Rock the Block Builds Community



(Above) Two West Sacramento volunteers work hard together to make a difference in the community and their neighborhood. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento. (Right) The upcoming West Sacramento Rock the Block is a community event for all to enjoy, with fire trucks and fun for children. Photos courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Need new paint, fencing, landscaping, roofing or dry root repair? West Sacramento and Habitat for Humanity have your back, or backyard for that matter, at the 2024 Rock the Block on Oct. 11 and 12. But don't let the far-off date fool you; applications for upgrades must be in by June 3 and is the third year of the five-year commitment made at Bryte Broderick. While West Sacramento vowed \$250,000 over five years at \$50,000 a year, Habitat's investment this round is \$200,000.

Since 2022, Bryte Broderick alone has seen more than 800 volunteers, who have provided 5,600 hours of labor for 24 home repairs and 15 community projects, totaling more than \$365,000 in investment. The city and nonprofit organization have partnered again for the third year, bringing in more than 400 volunteers who are ready to give 2,800 hours of service, according to West Sacramento Economic Development manager Meaghan Stiles. "The City Council and the city manager wanted to make sure residents in that area and the community

know money was specifically allocated to them," Stiles said. "So the money in this contract for Habitat for Humanity is not going to be used anywhere else in the city besides Bryte Broderick." Some community projects completed in the last few years include refreshing paint, bark and planter boxes at the YCCA, weed abatement at Elkhorn Park, limestone paths and

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Big Day of Giving Big Deal

*Story by
Susan Maxwell Skinner*

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Local nonprofit organizations were big winners in the May 7 Big Day of Giving. Many achieved support that surpassed their hopes. Choreographed by the Sacramento Region Community Foundation, the 24-hour give-a-thon this year helped 826 organizations and raised record donations. Gifts totaled more than \$13.25 million. Since the 2013 inception of this annual appeal, public philanthropy has helped Sacramento, Yolo, El Dorado and Placer County charities to the tune of \$100 million. Administered by the American River Natural History Association, Effie Yeav Nature Center is funded solely by public support. Big Day of Giving boosted donations by \$65,000. "We had matching funds from two of our strongest supporters," said staffer Kalee Christensen. "It was an exciting day for us watching our computers and seeing funds



Yolo Food Bank received almost \$146,000 from the Big Day of Giving. Photo courtesy of Yolo Food Bank

come in. They'll help us enormously." Carmichael Library Friends gained a share of almost \$98,000 donated to Sacramento Public Library's Friends organization. Summer reading programs and a scheme that gives free books to hundreds of Carmichael children will be funded. "We're so grateful for community generosity," said local Friends President Barbara Safford. "The lifetimes of many wonderful children will be enriched by reading." Carmichael Kiwanis raised \$12,500.

Its bottom line also benefited from a \$500 booster prize for most donations between 5 and 6 a.m. A random prize from Big Day of Giving organizers brought in another \$100. "I'm always impressed by the generosity of our club members and our community," said Kiwanian Mike Koerner. "We're all about helping kids. These donations go a long way toward that aim." Carmichael Parks Foundation gained almost \$20,000 to boost park beautification

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2024-25 School Calendar Year Proposed

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - If you don't like something, change it. Washington Unified School District (WUSD) proposes to do just that with the 2025-26 calendar year. However, some say it should stay the same. At the last school board meeting on May 7, Interim Superintendent of Human Resources Farah Ubaidullah presented the school board trustees and Superintendent Edith Hildreth with two choices. Option A has a two-week winter and spring break with 180 school days beginning Aug. 6 and ending June 4, equating to 88 days in the first semester and 92 in the second semester. Option B entails a three-week winter break and one-week spring break, including the same amount of school days, start and end dates, and semester length. Staying the same, which includes a two-week winter break and one-week spring break, is not an option.

Ubaidullah pointed out that both A and B options meet the California-mandated Physical Educational (PE) minute requirement for both semesters. Additionally, priorities that the committee considered were part of creating both options. Priorities included meet state instructional minute requirements, align to state and federal holidays, meet Civil Service Employee Association and West Sacramento Teachers Association contractual requirements, ensure River City High and Yolo High School's finals are before winter break, align transitional kindergarten to fifth-grade parent conferences to the first-trimester grading window and develop October break with an extended four-day weekend. According to Ubaidullah, start and end dates were important but not a priority. The "diverse committee" shared concerns about not having enough working days in June. "All those concerns are valid and important, so we wanted to ensure that we

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Alice Astafan Shares Her Story

Retired Major General Highlights Achievements (and Challenges) in New Memoir

By Annie Kerr

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Being the first female two-star general in the Air Force Reserves is only one of 85-year-old trailblazer Alice Astafan’s many accomplishments. She was also a CEO, worked at the Pentagon, was personally appointed by former Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and is now a published author.

But that’s merely scratching the surface. Astafan’s memoir,

working various jobs on campus. There she studied biology and chemistry. “Roll Tide!” she said at one point of the newspaper interview, alluding to the Alabama slang.

Astafan was first inspired to serve her country when she attended a movie theater at age 19. She saw a cutout of a woman dressed in an Air Force uniform, advertising women’s enrollment in Officer Training School. This piqued her interest, so she joined

the world. Her duties included developing and finalizing logistics plans, inventorying war readiness material, coordinating and planning support for aircraft and hundreds of personnel, and much more.

From Thailand to Austria to England to Africa, she traveled near and far, eventually landing at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City in 1965, where she met her future husband, Peter Astafan, a civilian employee. The pair married in a small ceremony in 1968.

“He was perfect,” Astafan said. “He didn’t have a jealous bone in his body.”

When Peter was assigned to Fort McClellan in 1973, he and Astafan moved to Carmichael. Shortly after their move, the Astafans welcomed a baby boy named Patrick. He would be their only child. To juggle motherhood and her booming career, Astafan stepped down from her 13-year stint of active duty and joined the Air Force Reserves. This gave her more ability to care for Patrick and still do the job she loved. Impressing all her supervisors, it was only a few years later in 1988 when she was named a general and received her first star.

What made Astafan so successful? She said it was all about following the Air Force mission, being a team player and working to the best of her ability. Her grit and determination were recognized and she proved herself capable every single time she was promoted.

While continuing her successful career, the unimaginable happened when Patrick was diagnosed with leukemia in 1992. While Patrick was fighting leukemia, Astafan somehow kept rising up the military ladder, traveling and working in logistics at the Pentagon, officially receiving her second star in 1993, while also supporting her son.

Unfortunately, Patrick lost his hard-fought battle in 1994 at age



Lady Leader Leaves Lasting Legacy, By Alice Astafan

20, which turned Astafan’s world upside down.

“He was a jewel, he really was,” Astafan said. Patrick’s legacy has since been honored with a scholarship fund in his name at both Oklahoma Christian University and California State University, Sacramento (CSUS), which has helped fund nearly 200 students’ education.

Then in 2021, Peter died from retrograde amnesia, which was another unimaginable loss.

“We had been married for 53 years, four months, and nine days. My life will never be the same,” Astafan wrote in her memoir.

When asked how she kept going after losing both her husband and son, Astafan points to sky, referring to God. She honors both Patrick and Peter in her memoir’s Chapter 15, “My Soulmate and My Angel – Love is the Greatest Blessing of All”.

After retiring from the Air Force in 1998, Astafan immediately dove into a new role as the CEO of the Federal Technology Center, which works with state, federal, and local government contracts. She stayed in that role for 10 years. In addition, she was appointed by former Gov. Schwarzenegger to serve as the chairperson on the California Veterans Board. She served on 20 boards of directors with no

compensation, wrote and gave 100 speeches across the country, was the grand marshal of the Sacramento and Elk Grove Veteran’s Day parades, and even got her master’s in both early childhood education and international affairs from California State University at Sacramento.

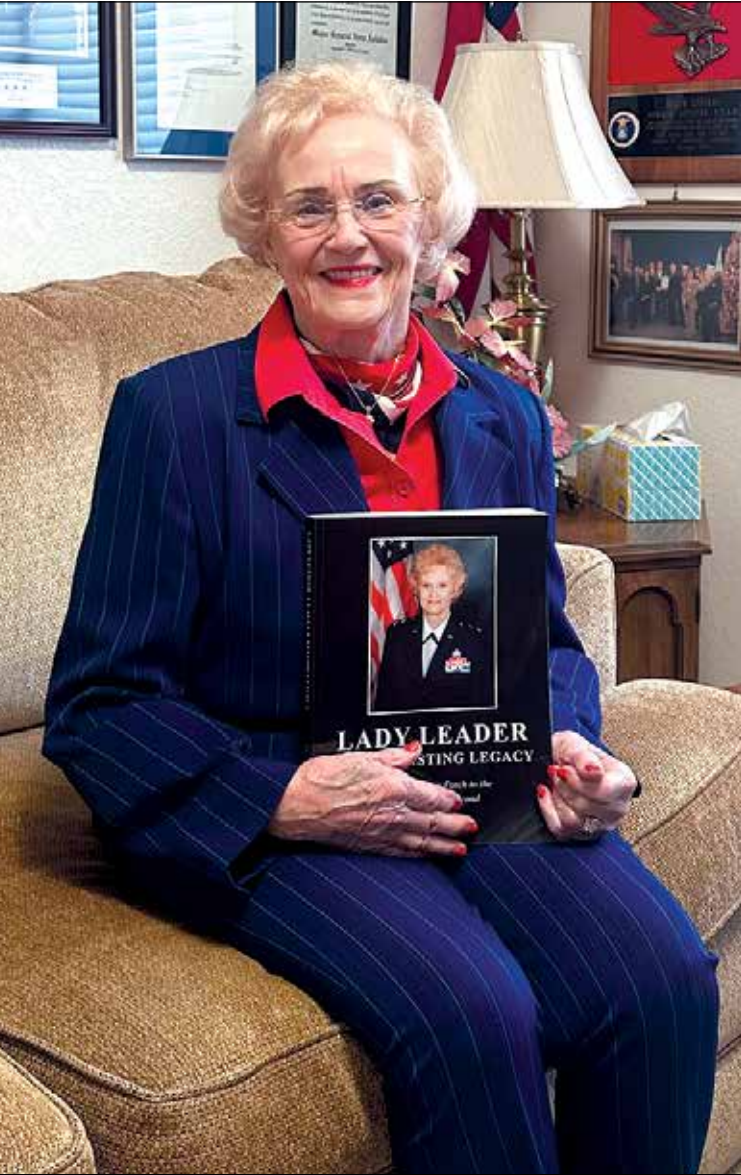
Astafan hopes her passion for this country will inspire American youth to serve their country, chase their dreams and believe in themselves.

“Quite frankly, the country needs women to serve,” Astafan said. “We need good honest people to serve our nation so our way of life can forever be safe and in place. Why do so many people want to come to America? Think about it.”

She provides words of wisdom to young people: “You do not have to be born with a silver spoon in your mouth. You can dream big, set goals, work honestly and diligently, and become most anything in America. Also, it is not what happens to you along the way, it is how you handle those things. Life is short; it is like a drop of dew on a blade of grass; in the morning it is there but it is soon over. Make your time on this Earth count for something!”

There is so much more to her story. Astafan has lived what can only be described as a remarkable life and has changed the lives of others, as well. Devoted to every role she has had, whether cotton on her childhood farm, being a wife and mother, a mentor, a CEO or a two-star general, Astafan has lived a life full of hard work, selflessness, patriotism and integrity.

Leaving no stone unturned, Astafan’s book is filled to the brim with her past speeches, every article written about her and a vast array of photos. It is now available to purchase on her website (aliceastafan.com) or on Amazon. ★



Donned in her red, white, and blue, Alice Astafan poses proudly with her book in her office. Photo by Annie Kerr

“Lady Leader Leaves Lasting Legacy,” takes the reader through a detailed journey of her extraordinary life, leaving inspiration and courage along the way.

Messenger Publishing Group had a recent conversation with Astafan at her Carmichael home. Tucked away in a peaceful neighborhood, the Astafan house is warm and inviting. Astafan is quick-witted, energetic and wildly interesting. “Why do newspaper people care so much about my age?” she laughed when asked.

A longtime Carmichael resident, Astafan hails from a farm in rural Alabama, which is obvious when her honey-sweet Southern accent comes out. Born Nora Alice Davidson, she spent her childhood among eight other siblings (seven also served in the military), helping with farmwork and living off the land.

Dreaming of a bigger life, she later put herself through the University of Alabama by

the Air Force in 1960, where she would become very successful. Little did she know that she would go on to make history as the first female two-star general in the Air Force Reserves. To clarify, a two-star general is nominated by the president and confirmed by the Senate.

Being one of the only women among thousands of men in the Air Force, it would be safe to assume there was some disadvantage due to the time period. However, Astafan was sure to point out, she didn’t face much sexism or prejudice in the military, and if anything, the men she worked with were protective and supportive of her. Astafan reminisced that they recognized her work ethic and loyalty and gave her the promotions she deserved.

“Throughout my career, I had 42 male supervisors and they all treated me with great respect,” she said.

Astafan’s military career lasted 38 years, taking her throughout



Alice Astafan is accompanied by her son, Patrick, and husband, Peter, as she is pinned with her first star. Photo courtesy of Alice Astafan

MEMORIAL


HOWARD ELLSWORTH “CRAZY LEGS” LOWE • 11/11/1940 - 4/4/2024

Howard Ellsworth “Crazy Legs” Lowe, 83, of Sacramento, California, passed away on April 4, 2024. He was born on November 11, 1940, and was raised in Syracuse, New York.

Howard was a charismatic and energetic man known for his hardworking nature. He had a passion for singing karaoke and dancing wherever he stood. A dedicated sports fan, he cheered for his favorite Bay Area teams, as well as the Sacramento Kings and Rivercats.

In his career, Howard worked for Tower Records before becoming one of the oldest and most well-known stadium vendors on the West Coast. He playfully and dutifully served at various stadiums and arenas from Sacramento to the Bay Area.

He is survived by his best lady friend, Phyllis, members of her family and his brother Bud, who resides in New York. Howard is preceded in death by a sister and a brother.



Memorial services in honor of Howard will be held at 3240 Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691, from 11 am to 3 pm on June 1st.

Rest in peace, Howard. Your lively spirit and love for sports and music will be forever remembered by all who knew you and got to dance with you.

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Rock the Block Builds Community

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landscaping at Shores of Hope, and new fencing and gutters at Holy Cross Paris.

“We like to say, ‘it takes a community to build a community,’ and that could not be truer for the Rock the Block Bryte Broderick,” said Habitat for Humanity of Greater Sacramento chief advancement and marketing officer Kimberly Cole.

“This life-changing work wouldn’t be possible without the advocacy of people like Mayor Guerro and Mayor Pro Tem Orozco, and the many volunteers, community partners and generous supporters who come alongside us to provide such critical services to friends and neighbors in need,” Coley said.

Some of those friends and neighbors include the senior population.

“A lot of the people we end up doing more for are older since they may be on a fixed income and

they just don’t have the resources financially or physically to rehab,” Stiles said. “Whether it’s a fence or painting their house, it’s just a way to beautify their neighborhood so everybody there can be proud of it.”

And it’s not just about the materials.

“Especially for older individuals,” Stiles said, “it lets them know we see them and that there are people there who still care about them.”

With care comes safety, according to Stiles, who said that, along with rehabilitation, volunteers thoroughly inspect homes for safety to identify any further work that might be needed. West Sacramento departments take time from their daily city schedule to contribute labor, including “parks employees that kind of divert the work that they normally do on that day to focus on the projects we’ve identified,” Stiles said.

“Folks will kind of go

through the house in general and just let the resident know if there are things that are unsafe also,” Stiles said. “So really making sure someone has eyes on the whole house.”

With all the labor involved in the two-day event, Community Fun Day complements the hard work with free food and activities for all residents, regardless of whether they volunteer.

“It’s just a feel-good event,” Stiles said. “It’s a really good way for people to know that the city and others are looking out for them and are there to lend a helping hand.”

To submit a repair for your home, download an application at www.habitatgreatersac.org/rockbrytebroderick.

For sponsorship, email KSeverson@HabitatGreaterSac.org. For volunteer opportunities, email SWatkins@HabitatGreaterSac.org ★

California Highway Patrol Swears in 106 New CHP Officers



The mission of CHP is to provide Safety, Service, and Security. Photo courtesy of CHP

California Highway Patrol News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The newest members of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) were sworn in May 10 during a graduation ceremony at the CHP Academy in West Sacramento. The 106 officers are part of the CHP’s multiyear recruiting campaign to fill 1,000 vacant officer positions by hiring qualified individuals from California’s diverse communities.

“These men and women have chosen to dedicate themselves to a career in public service. They have completed several months of rigorous training at the CHP Academy to prepare them to serve the people of California,” said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. “While this job is one of the most difficult things they will do in their entire life, it is also the most rewarding thing that they will do, and we are proud to have them as part of the CHP family.”

The swearing-in ceremony for the new officers marks the completion of a challenging 26-week journey at the CHP Academy. They will report to one of the 103 CHP Area offices throughout the state to begin serving the people of California.

At the CHP Academy, cadet training starts with nobility in policing, leadership, professionalism and ethics, and cultural diversity. Additionally, cadets receive

instruction on mental illness response and crisis intervention techniques. Training also covers vehicle patrol, crash investigation, first aid, and the apprehension of suspected violators, including those who drive under the influence. Cadets also receive training in traffic control, report writing, recovery of stolen vehicles, assisting the motoring public, issuing citations, emergency scene management, and various codes, including the California Vehicle Code, Penal Code, and Health and Safety Code.

The CHP has seen an outpouring of interest in joining the ranks since the onset of a multiyear recruitment campaign in June 2022. In the first four months of 2024, the CHP received more than 7,600 cadet applications - a more than 100% increase from the same period in 2022. To accommodate the surge of interest, the CHP has been holding three Academy classes simultaneously for the first time in the Department’s history. The next cadet graduation from the CHP Academy is scheduled for July 12, 2024.

For more information about a lifechanging career with the CHP, visit our website and register for our online hiring seminar at 6:30 p.m. on May 22.

The mission of the California Highway Patrol is to provide Safety, Service, and Security. ★

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were meeting everyone’s concerns,” Ubaidullah said. “We were trying to put together a calendar that meets all those requirements and accommodates all the students, staff and families.”

Calendars and changes are “hot-button issues,” according to Board Trustee Sarah Kirby Gonzalez. Both Kirby-Gonzalez and Trustee and Vice-President Coby Pizzotti said many shared concerns with the proposed schedule’s lack of the option to stay the same.

Kirby-Gonzalez said it would be option A if she had to choose but “had there been an option to stay the same,” her decision might be different.

“If between now and the next time you come to us,

there is an option to end a week earlier and take out that spring break being two weeks, then I would be interested to see that otherwise option A makes sense,” Kirby Gonzalez said.

Ubaidullah said the committee recommends that Option A be approved at a future board meeting.

“It is one of the best options we have thus far recommended or asked for approval because it meets the requirement of the 88 PE instructional days as well as all of the requirements we have for staff and it also addresses some of the areas we needed to have breaks,” Ubaidullah said, adding the June 4 end date is so staff and students can have a “robust week.”

Pizzotti disagreed.

“You made a comment

about a robust work week into June; I will say there is not a lot of teaching going on in the last week of June; there is very little, in fact,” Pizzotti said, adding the last couple of weeks of school is about transition, not education. “You’re not doing long division and practicing that.”

Pizzotti also expressed concern about how PE semester hours could be slotted for just one semester rather than throughout the year based on grade.

“I remember going to PE every single day during my high school career from freshmen to senior year; it just wasn’t an option to do it all truncated into one area,” Pizzotti said.

The Washington Unified Calander Committee must return to the school board officials for approval. ★

Big Day of Giving Big Deal

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and youth programs. This total includes gifts from the Borman family, community benefactor Susan Marszal and former Supervisor Susan Peters.

Current Supervisor Rich Desmond included the Parks Foundation among 24 Big Day of Giving donations. His choices included Carmichael Kiwanis, Sacramento Fine Arts Center, Fair Oaks Rotary, Carmichael HART and the San Juan Education Foundation. “I dedicate District 3 discretionary funds, as well as my personal funds,” he said. “I chose organizations that help our most vulnerable residents, care for animals, promote arts and culture, and generally improve quality of life.”

Boosted by Desmond’s donation and a further \$20,000 in gifts, Sacramento Fine Arts Center exceeded Big Day of Giving hopes.

“These donations are vital to keeping the center and our programs going,” said Sacramento Fine Arts Center executive Angelia Gordon. “We’re grateful for so much generosity.”

Nature protecters opened wallets wide across the region. Placer Land Trust’s appeal yielded nearly \$194,000. The American River Conservancy was enriched by more than \$34,000. The American River Parkway Foundation and Save the American River Association gained \$21,048 and \$18,395

respectively. Soil Born Farms, a Rancho Cordova enterprise that promotes sustainable food production, harvested almost \$21,000.

May 7 also restocked food closets. Donors fed Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services more than \$255,000; Sacramento Loaves and Fishes more than \$165,000; Yolo Food Bank almost \$146,000. Locally, Fair Oaks/Orangevale Food Bank gained more than \$33,000. Carmichael’s Homeless Assistance Resources Team was boosted by almost \$5,000.

Top regional beneficiaries included Sacramento Philharmonic and Opera with more than \$327,000 to sing about. The Salvation Army drummed up more than \$322,000; Sacramento SPCA scooped \$221,705; ACC Senior Services got \$204,957.

Culture was handsomely applauded. B Street Theatre (The Sophia) raised nearly \$104,000. The Crocker Art Museum collected more than \$92,570. CapRadio beamed in around \$94,000. Stage patrons backed Fair Oaks Theater Festival to the tune of \$10,000.

In North Highlands, California Aerospace Museum was refueled with more than \$26,000.

“Sending kids to programs for hands-on STEM learning would not be possible for some families without this

generosity,” said museum director Karen Jones. “Almost 86 per cent of our summer campers are on scholarships. These are largely enabled by BDOG.”

Youth charities compelled grown-up generosity. Sacramento Children’s Home collected more than \$176,500. Shriners Hospitals brought in \$82,677. Kiwanis Family House banked \$73,500-plus. Children’s Receiving Home of Sacramento supporters gave more than \$59,000.

“Big Day of Giving allows the community to learn about nonprofits,” explained Sacramento Region Community Foundation officer Kelly Siefkin. “Participating organizations also love to build relationships with new donors. This year, we lowered the gift minimum to \$10. This made philanthropy more accessible.”

Perhaps \$10 doesn’t seem much. But small donations make a huge difference. With average gifts still under \$50, they added up to \$13.2 million.”

The next Big Day of Giving is scheduled for May 1, 2025. For more details, visit www.bigdayofgiving.org.

Footnote: This report reflects BDOG leaderboards. Some May 7 donations are not recorded by this source. ★

MEMORIAL

JEAN ELLEN (DRIVER) SAWITZKY • 10/24/1947 – 4/3/2024

United States Postmaster. Beloved mother and grandmother. Caring community leader, colleague and friend.

Jean, or Jeannie as her friends and family called her, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2024. Born at March Air Force Base in Riverside, CA to LT Colonel James Driver and Alice (McFarland) Driver, Jean moved many times in her childhood as part of an active duty military family.

Along with her younger siblings James and Deborah, Jean attended many schools in the family’s assignments to Florida, Alabama, Washington DC, Hawaii and finally West Sacramento, CA where the family settled in 1960. Her parents, originally from Wisconsin, chose the Sacramento area because of its beautiful trees and close resemblance to Madison, but without all the snow!

Jean’s first job in high school was flipping burgers at West Sac’s own Whitey’s Jolly Kone. After graduating from James Marshall High School in 1966, she began working for the U.S. Postal Service. 38 years later, after climbing up the administrative ranks, she retired as Postmaster in the river delta gateway community of Clarksburg. In addition to running an efficient office, Jean was known for her warm smile and superior customer service.

For 64 years, Jean was a very proud resident and community builder of West Sac. She helped it become incorporated as a city in 1987, raised a family and made lifelong friends here who brought her so much joy. While rooted in this community, she enjoyed spending time in Lake Tahoe, European adventures with friends, and chasing her kids around the world.

Never one to be idle, Jean was an active member of the West Sacramento and Delta communities, serving as a member and leader of civic, church and community organizations,

including the West Sacramento Art Guild, Delta Lions Club, Clarksburg Garden Club, La Perita Garden Club, P.E.O., and a founding member of the Delta Piecemakers Quilt Guild.

While Jean loved spending her time on projects and events, like the annual Pear Fair in Courtland and curating art and quilt shows at the West Sacramento Library, she was most proud of initiating the annual Delta Lions Celtic Irish Tea which benefits the Delta High School scholarship fund and honors women in the community. This treasured annual event just celebrated its 23rd year.

Jean led a life of service to the country and community whose place in her big heart was only surpassed by her love for family. She was the proudest grandma there ever was. Always welcoming with open arms and infinite hugs, she leaves a legacy of unconditional love.

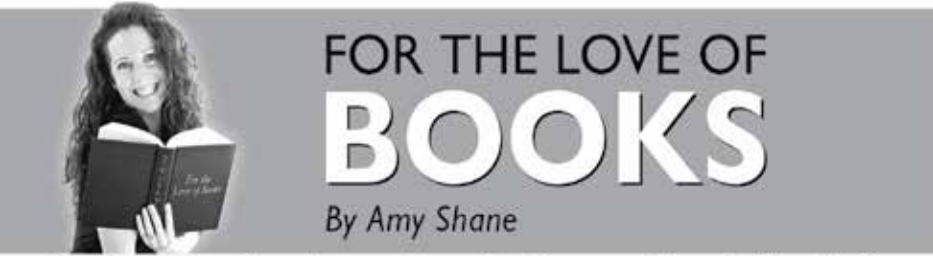
Jean is survived by her two children, Jennifer (Kevin) Lunney and Mark Sawitzky; her grandchildren Naya, Eliza, Marin, and Charlotte Lunney; Natalie, Kyle, Evan, and Ari Sawitzky; her sister Deborah (Driver) Tokevich; her life partner Dave Pierson and granddaughters Aiyana and Amelia Tice; former husband Ken Sawitzky, along with many nieces and nephews. A loyal friend, devoted grandma and amazing mom, Jean will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts.

A funeral mass will be held Friday, May 31st at 11 a.m. at St Joseph Catholic Church in Clarksburg, CA. Everyone is encouraged to bring their quilt made with love by Jean.

Those wishing to honor Jean may do so by giving to these organizations near and dear to her heart:

Delta Lions Club elkgrovelionsfoundation.org/donate/

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Spring into Summer With These New Gripping Releases

Hearts Still Beating
by Brooke Archer;
Putnam- Penguin Teen

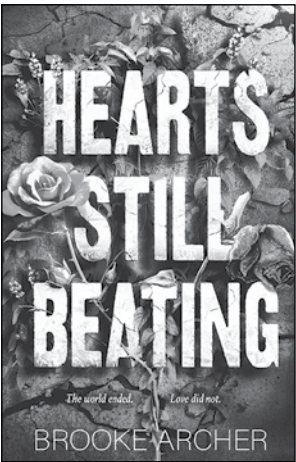
The night before the world fell apart, Rory and Mara had their first kiss. Now, Mara is infected and on a new medical trial. Rory, spared by the infection, has now made it her life's goal to kill anyone who is infected. But they are both about to realize that fate has a different plan.

Even though Mara and Rory were separated through the infection, they are about to be brought together, but not in the way they left things. Nothing prepared them for all the horrors they saw, or continue to see, or the way the world would change. Mara claims she doesn't remember anything, and Rory can't forget the "ticks" and the horrors that they caused.

Now, Mara and a group of "Altered" humans are being sent to the very island Rory has sought refuge on—the same island where Rory as vowed to kill any "tick" or infected person. But does she have it in her to spare the life of her ex-best friend?

Now forced together, Myra and Rory must find a way to come together as they face a deadly mission and maybe just be reminded of the feelings they once had.

Hearts Still Beating is a Sapphic post-apocalyptic thrill ride that is dark,

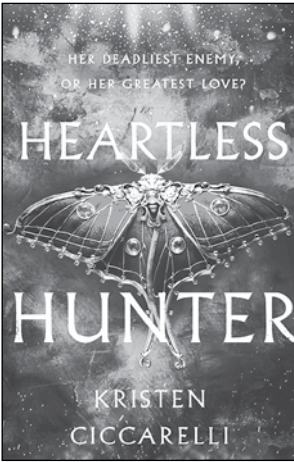


gritty, and even gory. This story is a unique spin on the zombie virus, society's response to the outbreak, and those affected. Fast, intense, and full of emotions, Brooke Archer takes her time to explore relationships, reactions, and the intensity behind the need for survival at any cost. It is the perfect gripping summer read, perfect for fans of The Last of Us and the Walking Dead.

Heartless Hunter by Kristen Ciccarelli;
Wednesday Books

A witch and a witch hunter, there is no way they can fall in love, or can they?

After the night of the revolution, witches shifted from powerful rulers to outcasts, leaving Rune to hide who she truly is. Now shielded behind being a young socialite, Rune spends her nights as the Crimson Moth, rescuing witches from an ill-fated

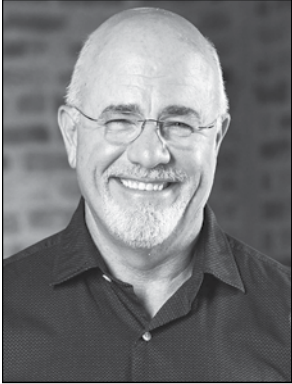


fate. But when things don't go as planned, Rune knows the only way to hide in plain sight is to court the witch hunter.

Gideon Sharpe can't stand wealthy socialites and the lifestyle they represent. Then Gideon finds out Rune's merchant ships have been tied to smuggling witches out of the city. Now, the only way to get information is to pretend to court Rune back for more information.

As Gideon and Rune grow closer, they cannot help but also see that the other might not be who they thought them to be. They might just be each other's perfect match,

Readers are taken on a high fantasy thrill ride of magic, tension, and enemies to lovers. Kristen Ciccarelli delivers the perfect summer read in this unputdownable cat-and-mouse chase filled with romantic tension. ★



The Lesser of Two Evils

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are following your plan, and we're on Baby Step 2. We just learned that the person who has done our taxes for the last three years made mistakes on all our returns. They were really nice and did our taxes for free, but now we owe back taxes in the amount of \$18,000. Since we're still paying off debt, the only savings we have is the \$1,000 in our beginner emergency fund. Should we take out a personal loan to take care of this, or set up payments with the IRS?

– Laura

Dear Laura,
Take out a personal loan. Period.
Let this sink in for a min-

Dave Ramsey Says

ute. How often does Dave Ramsey tell people to borrow money? Almost never. Why am I doing it now, in this situation? Because the IRS is the worst creditor on the planet. They have almost unlimited power, which they use and abuse, and they have ridiculously high penalties and interest rates. With a personal loan from a local bank or credit union, you'll at least have more input and flexibility in deciding the terms of the agreement.

Now, I don't know about you, but if the person doing my taxes screwed things up to the tune of \$18,000, I'd find someone else in a heartbeat. I understand you want to work with someone nice, and free is usually a great price. But in this case, free was not so free after all.

Just go to your local bank or credit union, explain the situation and see what you can work out. I always recommend small banks or credit unions over any of the mega banks. Places like Bank of America and Fifth Third

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I hate debt, Laura, and I'm sorry you guys are in this situation. But 100% of the time, I'd rather have personal loan debt than IRS debt. In my mind, it's the lesser of two evils.


– 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 ★

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Social Security Matters

Older Husband and Working Wife Seek Guidance



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social
Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am 74 years old, retired and receiving Social Security. My wife will be 65 in January of 2025. Our hope was to start paying off some credit card expense by her receiving SS when she turns 65, however it appears there would be a substantial reduction to her benefits. Her work income is \$37,500 a year, and she wasn't planning on retiring from work at age 65. Because I am 11 years older, we felt it makes sense to use her Social Security as a means to lower our debt. We have \$27,000 in credit card debt, and I don't really want to use my 401(k) funds due to taxes. We pretty much live on my Social Security and pension. **Signed: Seeking Suggestions**

Dear Seeking: Your wife's full retirement age (FRA) for Social Security purposes is age 67. Because she will not yet have reached her FRA in January 2025 (when she is 65), if she claims SS to start at that time, not only will her monthly amount be reduced, but she will be subject to Social Security's annual earnings test. The earnings test sets a limit for how much can be earned by beneficiaries who claim SS before FRA.

The earnings limit for 2024

is \$22,320. The limit for next year is not yet published (it's based on changes to the national wage index) but will be a bit higher – likely about \$23,500. Thus, I can't provide the exact impact, but if your wife's 2025 earnings exceed next year's limit, Social Security will take back \$1 in benefits for every \$2 over the limit (half of the amount over the limit). So, if your wife earns \$37,500 per year, that will likely be about \$14,000 over the limit and Social Security will take back half of that (\$7,000). They "take back" by withholding future benefits, or you can repay them in a lump sum. So, you will have a choice – repay Social Security from your other assets, or they will withhold your wife's SS benefits for the number of months needed to offset her penalty for exceeding the earnings limit. The number of months they will withhold depends on how much is owed and what your wife's monthly SS benefit is. For example, if your wife's age-65 SS benefit is about average (\$1,900) and her penalty for exceeding the limit is \$7,000, Social Security would withhold your wife's benefit for 4 months to recover the penalty, but she would receive her full benefit for the remaining 8 months of the year.

Unless your wife tells them in advance that she will exceed the limit, Social Security will find out the following year (after you file your income taxes). But, in any case, your wife cannot avoid the annual earnings test for working before reaching her full retirement age. The earnings test goes away when

your wife reaches her FRA of 67. Until that time, if she continues working she will have a choice to have her benefits withheld for a portion of the year, or simply repay Social Security in a lump sum (in which case her benefits would continue uninterrupted).

FYI, there is a silver lining in this, because if your wife has benefits withheld because she exceeds the earnings limit before her FRA, after she reaches her full retirement age Social Security will give her time credit for the months when benefits were withheld, which will result in her monthly Social Security payment amount increasing somewhat at her full retirement age. Thus, over time, your wife may recover the benefits which were withheld for exceeding the annual earnings limit. But to get 100% of the benefit she's earned from a lifetime of working, and be exempt from Social Security's earnings limit, she would need to wait until she reaches her FRA to claim.

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Mailing Address: 17000 Red Hill Ave., Attn: Legal Dept., Irvine, CA 92614

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This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

Macchiarella and Gill Dental Corporation S/ Sergio Vicuna, Secretary, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 04/16/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder KQUAM, Deputy

Publish: 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24/24
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NEWS-LEDGER 5-24-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240369

The following person(s) is doing business as: Paperplanes, 601 Main Street Suite 210, Woodland, CA 95695.

Elevation Enterprise LLC., 601 Main Street Suite 210, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 29, 2017.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on April 23, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024
PAPERPLANES 5-31-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
FILE NO. F20240372

The following person(s) is doing business as: EVERGREEN PROPERTY SERVICES, 17292 COUNTY ROAD 117 WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691, County of YOLO. MANUEL HERNANDEZ, 17292 COUNTY ROAD 117 WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 This business is conducted by INDIVIDUAL.

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

/s/ MANUEL HERNANDEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 04/25/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder

By: KQUAM, Deputy
5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31/24
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240107

The following person(s) is doing business as: HTI Glass & Construction, 2919 Promenade Street Suite 100, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Home Tech Remodeling, Inc., 9580 Oak Avenue Pkwy #7, Folsom, CA 95630. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 30, 2024.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on February 6, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
HTI 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240398

The following person(s) is doing business as: Forever Rides, 1540 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Adam Avila Seeley, 1540 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 6, 2024.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on May 6, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
FOREVER 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240418

The following person(s) is doing business as: Sac Valley Mobile Diesel Testing, 955 Cranbrook Court #303, Davis, CA 95616.

Nathaniel Luis Ament, 955 Cranbrook Court #303, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 13, 2024.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on May 14, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
SAC 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240356

The following person(s) is doing business as: Rescom, Residential Commercial Energy and Res Com, 3166 Suisun Bay Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Melinda Wollny-Froess, 3166 Suisun Bay Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 26, 1999.

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

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
RESCOM 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240395

The following person(s) is doing business as: Delish Pizza, 92 West Court Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on May 3, 2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
DELISH 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240355

The following person(s) is doing business as: E Trucking Permits LLC, 1859 Blowers Drive, Woodland, CA 95776.

UST Transport LLC, 4451 Gateway Park Boulevard Apt 346, Sacramento, CA 95834. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

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

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
ETRUCKING 6-14-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-0852

Naima Gonzalez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Naima Gonzalez to Naima Cardona-Bregante.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 6, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 19, 2024
David W. Rosenberg, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024
GONZALEZ 5-24-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1001

Erik Rodriguez-Huerta has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Erik Rodriguez-Huerta aka Erik Rodriguez Huerta, aka Erik Rodriguezhuerta) to Erik Rodriguez. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 4, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 22, 2024
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 3, 10, 17, 24, 2024
RODRIGUEZ 5-24-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1066

Jyll Michelle Pingree-Miller has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jyll Michelle Pingree-Miller to Jill Michelle Pingree. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: April 30, 2024
David Rosenberg, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 10, 17, 24, 31, 2024
MILLER 5-31-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1027

Arturo De Haro Salazar has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Arturo De Haro Salazar aka Arturo Deharo Salazar aka Arturo S. Deharo aka Arturo De Haro to Arturo Deharo Salazar. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

Dated: May 1, 2024
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SALAZAR 6-7-24

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
SERGEY GOVORUN
CASE NO. PR2024-0114

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

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: June 11, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 14. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Ulises Pizano-Diaz, 1555 River Park Drive, Suite 108, Sacramento, CA 95815; 916-920-5983
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SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITATION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER: CV2023-0269

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: The heirs and devisees of Wilhelmine Kiesel, deceased, and all persons claiming, by and through, or under said decedent; The heirs and devisees of Mary Ober Donley Kelsey, deceased, and all persons claiming, by and through, or under said decedent; Michael R. Oliver, an individual; Marcy T. Oliver McCormick, an individual; Thomas Leavitt, an individual; Michael Leavitt, an individual;

Edward B. Kiesel, an individual; Ogden Mark Kiesel, an individual; Richard Clark Kellett, an individual; Robin Leavitt Home, an individual; Jane Oliver Adams, an individual; Margaret Leavitt Kite, an individual; Timothy J. Oliver, an individual; Boyd E. Oliver, an individual; Lori J. Kiesel, an individual; Daniel K. Oliver, an individual; Richard Clark Kellett, an individual; all persons known and unknown claiming in interest in the property; and DOES 1-100, inclusive. YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: West Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, a joint exercise of powers authority.

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.

Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucoorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remision a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucoorte.ca.gov) o poniendose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperacion de \$10,000 o mas de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesion de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.

The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Superior Court of Californiam County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiffs attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Ralph R. Nevis, Day Carter & Murphy LLP, 3620 American River Drive, Suite 205, Sacramento, CA 95864. 916-246-7309.

Date: (Fecha) 2/8/2023
CASE NUMBER (Numero del caso): CV2023-0269

Shawn C. Landry; Clerk (Secretario) A Akanno, Deputy (Adjunto)
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY SOUGHT TO BE TAKEN BY EMINENT DOMAIN

The property (easement) identified in the Complaint filed Feb-

ruary 8, 2023, in the Yolo County Superior Court in Case Number CV2023-0269, and generally described as: All that property situate in the State of California, County of Yolo, City of West Sacramento, being a portion of the Grant Deed to FRANK S. FAT, INC., recorded June 16, 1959 in VOL 576, at PAGE 233, Official Records of Yolo County, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a found 2-1/2" Brass Disk at the intersection of 3rd and F Street as described in the CORRECTED: FINAL ORDER OF CONDEMNATION to WEST SACRAMENTO AREA FLOOD CONTROL AGENCY recorded June 2, 2017 in DOC-2017-0013904-00, Official Records of Yolo County; thence South 06°22'48" East, 1110.73 feet to a found 6"x 6" concrete monument with nail as described in said CORRECTED: FINAL ORDER OF CONDEMNATION, thence North 20°09'53" East 1688.67 feet to the southwest corner of said Grant Deed, also being the Point of Beginning; thence along the westerly line of said Grant Deed North 08°28'06" East, 259.94 feet to the North line of said Grant Deed; thence along said North line South 81°31'54" East, 99.03 feet to the easterly line of that certain PERMANENT LEVEE RIGHT-OF-WAY as described in said CORRECTED: FINAL ORDER OF CONDEMNATION; thence along said PERMANENT LEVEE RIGHT-OF-WAY the following four (4) courses: 1) South 02°26'29" West, 77.83 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the west having a radius of 425.00 feet and a chord bearing South 07°51'43" West, 80.29 feet, 2) southerly through a central angle of 10°50'27", 80.41 feet along said curve, 3) South 13°16'56" West 62.50 feet to the beginning of a curve concave to the west having a radius of 1550.00 feet, and a chord bearing and distance South 14°01'28" West, 40.16 feet which bears, North 23°11'42" East 1751.10 feet from said found 6"x6" concrete monument, 4) southerly through a central angle of 01°29'04", 40.16 feet along said curve to a point on the North line of that certain Indenture between Margaret Taylor and Charles A. Waring, recorded July 03, 1882 in Book of Deeds, Book 32, at Page 341, Official Records of Yolo County, thence along the North line of said Indenture North 81°31'54" West 98.92 feet to the Point of Beginning. Together with any part occupied by the Sacramento River Levee as it existed concurrently with the transfer of real property as described in said Grant Deed, recorded June 5, 1959. Containing 27,325 square feet or 0.63 acres, more or less.

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TRUSTEE SALE

TS No: CA08001601-23-1 APN: 014-345-015-000 FKA 014-345-15-1 TO No: 230578574-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED March 13, 2006. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On June 7, 2024 at 12:45 PM, at the North entrance to the City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on March 27, 2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0011705-00, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, executed by HENRY APODACA, AN UNMARRIED MAN AND RICARDO M. VEGA, A SINGLE MAN, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of LONG BEACH MORTGAGE COMPANY as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1025 MILTON STREET, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605 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 without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust,

estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$233,746.49 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on 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 California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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. 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 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 requires 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 Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08001601-23-1. 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 NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 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 CA08001601-23-1 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

Controller Cohen Issues April Cash Report

Fiscal year-to-date revenues still trend below expectations

California State Controller's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On May 10, State Controller Malia M. Cohen released her monthly cash report covering the state's General Fund revenues, disbursements and actual cash balance for the fiscal year through April 30, 2024. The state ended April with \$95.8 billion in unused borrowable resources, while fiscal year-to-date receipts continue below estimates contained in the

2024-25 Governor's proposed budget. The Governor's Budget estimated that the state would collect nearly \$16.3 billion in personal income taxes in April. As shown on the State Controller's Office April 2024 Personal Income Tax Tracker webpage, the state exceeded the revenue target by approximately \$150 million. "With April personal income tax revenues just tracking with the most recent budget estimates, fiscal year-to-date revenues

continue at lower-than-expected levels," said Controller Cohen. "The high level of borrowable resources is due in large part to the \$26 billion the state has prudently built up and reserved for rainy days and economic uncertainties. Maintaining enough cash to cushion against economic downturns has been one of California's strengths in its credit ratings and ensures the state will continue to meet its payment obligations." Fiscal year-to-date receipts

through April were \$169.8 billion, nearly \$4.8 billion below the Governor's Budget estimates, or 2.7 percent. The state's cash position is \$7.6 billion better than expected with disbursements of \$184.9 billion for the fiscal year nearly \$12.4 billion, or 6.3 percent, less than proposed budget projections. As the chief fiscal officer of California, Controller Cohen is responsible for accountability and disbursement of the state's financial resources. The

Controller has independent auditing authority over government agencies that spend state funds. She is a member of numerous financing authorities, and fiscal and financial oversight entities including the Franchise Tax Board. She also serves on the boards for the nation's two largest public pension funds. Follow the Controller on Twitter at @CAController and on Facebook at California State Controller's Office. ★

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TRUSTEE SALE

contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: April 23, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08001601-23-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bobbie La Flower, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0459862 To: NEWS LEDGER Publish: 05/10/2024, 05/17/2024, 05/24/2024 NEWS LEDGER 5-24-24

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 171172 Title No. DEF-599159 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/03/2015. 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. On 05/31/2024 at 1:00 PM, Prime Recon LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 12/01/2015, as Instrument No. 2015-0033437-00, in book xx, page xx, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of California, executed by Malai-ka Katrina Singleton, unmarried, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC

AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), North Entrance to the West Sacramento City Hall, 1110W. Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. 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, described as: FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE DEED OF TRUST AND ATTACHED EXHIBIT A.EXHIBIT A THE LAND HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO IS SITUATED IN THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO, COUNTY OF YOLO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:LOT 165, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ENTITLED "IRONWORKS AT THE TRIANGLE" FILED FOR RECORD NOVEMBER 16, 2006 IN MAP BOOK 2006, AT PAGES 200-210, YOLO COUNTY RECORDS. APN 058-380-027 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 835 Graphite Ln, W Sacramento, CA 95691 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, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed

of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$102,142.64 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. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. Dated: 04/30/2024 PRIME RECON LLC Prime Recon LLC. may be attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Adriana Durham/Au- thorized Signature 27368 Via Industria, Suite 201 Temecula, CA 92590 (888) 725-4142 FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (800) 280-2832 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 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 requires 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 (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site - www.auction.com - for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case: 171172. 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 Web site. 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 (800) 280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale, or visit this internet website www.auction.com or <https://auction.com/sb/1079> for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case Ts# 171172 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. A-4816210 Publish: 05/10/2024, 05/17/2024, 05/24/2024 News Ledger 5-24-24

T.S. No.:	2024-08603-GSE
APN:	058-200-003-000
Property Address:	1161 Fallbrook Street,, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/6/2021. 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.A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **William E Fredrickson, an unmarried Man** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Nestor Solutions, LLC** Deed of Trust Recorded **4/12/2021 as Instrument No. 2021-0014457 in Book -- Page --** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **Yolo County, California** Date of Sale: **6/24/2024 at 1:00 PM** Place of Sale: **North entrance West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 W. Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691**Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$310,941.31** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **1161 Fallbrook Street, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691**A.P.N.: **058-200-003-000**The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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

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NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR THE PROPOSED MINOR MODIFICATION OF A TITLE V OPERATING PERMIT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District solicits public comment on the proposed minor modification of a Title V permit issued to Conduit Infrastructure Holding IA, LLC at 1601 South River Road in West Sacramento, California.

The District's analysis of the legal and factual basis for this proposed action, the proposed permit, and the complete application are available for public inspection at the District office at the address below. This will be the public's only opportunity to comment on the specific conditions of the proposed renewed Title V permit. If requested by the public, the District shall hold a public hearing regarding issuance of this renewed permit. For additional information please contact Grant Setzler at (530) 757-3677. Written comments on this project must be submitted within 30 days of the publication date of this notice to Benjamin Beattie, Engineering Manager, Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District, 1947 Galileo Court, Suite 103, Davis, California, 95618.

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PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 24-8 PERTAINING TO AN AMENDMENT TO THE TERM OF THE RIVER PARK DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

River Park is an approved project consisting of a residential village with up to 2,284 residences of varying types and densities, a village core with commercial and mixed uses on 452 acres in the Southport area's Southeast Village. As part of the approvals given on June 18, 2008, the City and the landowner entered into a Development Agreement (DA) for a 15-year term via Ordinance 08-06, which was subsequently extended by one year via Ordinance 23-7 until July 18, 2024. The proposed amendment would extend the term of the DA for up to two additional years until July 18, 2026. No other changes to the DA are proposed. The landowner is proposing revisions to the project, which would be considered by the Planning Commission and City Council at a later date. The proposed DA time extension is within the scope of the previously certified EIR (SCH #2005062027). The City Council will consider approval of an ordinance to effectuate the term extension. The action does not require further environmental review pursuant to Sections 15162 and 15168 of the CEQA Guidelines. APPLICANT/OWNER: Sun M Capital, LLC, 4010 Palos Verdes Drive North, Rolling Hills Estates, CA 90274.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Yolo County Transportation District Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Monday, June 10, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Yolo County Transportation District, also known as the Yolo Transportation District ("YoloTD"), will hold a Public Hearing at the District's Board Room located at 350 Industrial Way, Woodland, California, 95776.

YoloTD's Board of Directors will hold the Public Hearing to review and adopt the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25, including a \$21.1 million operating budget, \$7.6 million multiyear capital/planning project budget, and cost-of-living adjustments to staff salaries. Copies of the proposed YoloTD Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-25, will be posted and available for public inspection at least 15 days prior to the noticed hearing at the above address and online at <https://yolotd.org/resources/finance>.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Hearing and provide public comment concerning the proposed budget. The public may attend YoloTD's Board meetings in person at the address specified above or via Zoom. The public is advised to check the YoloTD meeting agenda for details about the meeting location and how to provide public comments or participate via Zoom. The meeting agenda will be posted at least 72 hours before the Public Hearing at the above address and at <https://yolotd.org/resources/agendas>. Please note, however, that YoloTD offers teleconference participation in the meeting via Zoom as a courtesy to the public. If no voting members of the YoloTD Board are attending the meeting via Zoom, and a technical error or outage occurs with the Zoom feed or Zoom is otherwise disrupted for any reason, the YoloTD Board reserves the right to continue the meeting without remote access.

May 20, 2024

Autumn Bernstein
Executive Director

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ORDINANCE SUMMARY

At their regular meeting on May 15, 2024, the West Sacramento City Council adopted by the vote noted below Ordinances 24-7 imposing a transaction and use tax to be administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

AYES:	Alcala, Early, Orozco, Sulpizio Hull, Guerrero.
NOES:	None.
ABSENT:	None.
ABSTAIN:	None.

The full text of this ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Self-storage Cube contents of the following customers containing household and other goods will be sold for cash by CubeSmart Asset Management, LLC as Agent for Owner 541 Harbor Blvd. West Sacramento Ca, 95691 to satisfy a lien on May 9, 2024 at approx. 12:00PM at www.storagetreasures.com: Pamela Sawyers, Patrick Aguirre, Dennis A Stenholm, Tammy Doty, Andres Aviles, Christy Studey, john taylor, Jaime Toral, David Morones, David L Hailey.

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Volunteers Honored with DOVIA Awards

By Omella Rossi,
photos by Bill Taylor

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The nonprofit Directors of Volunteers in Agencies (DOVIA) honored 23 volunteers from communities throughout Sacramento County and Yolo County at its annual awards ceremony on May 16.

Since its inception in 1978, DOVIA Sacramento has played a crucial role in connecting professional volunteer managers and leaders. It serves as a hub for exchanging ideas and resources among those who oversee volunteers in different organizations. Additionally, it collaborates with various groups to raise awareness about the importance of volunteering in the community. By fostering communications between member agencies, institutions, and the public, it aims to create a more supportive environment for volunteerism to thrive.

“We are committed to honoring exceptional people in our community and training volunteer program managers from a variety of local service-organizations,” said DOVIA board member Twyla Teitzel.

DOVIA has a variety of agency members ranging from hospices to food banks and local government organizations. It covers Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba, El Dorado and Placer counties.

The May 16 reception held at the Girls Scout Heart of California office honored the 23 nominees and winners of the Youth Volunteer of the Year, the Individual Volunteer of the Year and Volunteer Manager of the Year awards.

“The DOVIA executive board focuses on executing events such as this awards ceremony,” said communication chair Jacqueline Ramirez. “Volunteer events broaden the awareness of volunteerism and the critical role volunteers play in helping meet local needs required for the community to function at its best.”



Patty Estopinal, center, winner of the Individual Volunteer of the Year accepts her award alongside Miss Sacramento County, Helen Dang, left, and Miss Capitol City, Nicole Vicks.

Among the nominees, seven volunteers were nominated for Youth Volunteer of the Year, 13 were nominated for Individual Volunteer of the Year and three volunteer coordinators were nominated for Volunteer Manager of the Year. The evaluation was conducted by a panel of three judges: Barbara Fitzwater, retired volunteer manager at Kaiser Permanente; Tiffany Maese, volunteer coordinator at the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office; and Janice Wagaman, formerly associated with the Front Street Animal Shelter.

The Margaret Einspahr Youth Volunteer of the Year award acknowledges a youth volunteer under age 21 who has shown exceptional dedication to community service, having contributed a minimum of 25 hours of service between January and December 2023. Recipients of this award receive a \$500 scholarship funded by the Margaret Einspahr Memorial Fund to honor Margaret Einspahr’s legacy as a dedicated leader in the field of volunteerism.

The 2024 winner of the Youth Volunteer award was Riya Janardhan, a high school junior, nominated by WEAVE, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting safe and healthy relationships and support survivors of sexual assault, domestic violence, and sex trafficking in Sacramento. Janardhan was

nominated for her dedication to advocating for women’s rights and gender equality.

“Being a girl myself and having to experience different stereotypes, I don’t want to have to experience this at such a young age,” Janardhan said. “It’s something I strive to want to fix.”

Other nominees for this position included Kevin Leach, nominated by Meristem in Fair Oaks; Kai Nakaoka, nominated by Scouting America in Sacramento; Maximum Truong, nominated by the Sacramento Tree Foundation; and Kristy Yu, Flynn Ng, and Cara Taylor, nominated by the Sacramento Public Library

The Individual Volunteer of the Year award is presented to a volunteer over age 21, who has dedicated a minimum of 25 hours of service. The award recipient receives a \$100 award for their organization.

The winner for this year’s award was Patricia Estopinal, nominated by Court Appointed Special Advocates Sacramento (CASA), an organization focused on ensuring support for children in the foster care system through volunteer advocates.

“This award means so much because for the past 14 years being able to have a relationship with foster youth, to have a relationship where you know that you’re the one constant, no



Riya Janardhan, center, Youth volunteer of the Year, accepts her awards alongside Miss Sacramento County, Helen Dang, left, and Miss Capitol City, Nicole Vicks.

matter what is going on in their lives, it’s just such a meaningful relationship,” Estopinal said.

The nominees for the positions included Beatriz Bueno and Jane Shapiro, nominated by the Sacramento Medical Serve Corps in McClellan; Anne Marie Christian, Daisey Maldonado and Karina Villanueva, nominated by Dignity Health Methodist Hospital in Sacramento; Mary Kay Edson, nominated by the Sacramento Public Library; Ron Hills, nominated by Vitalant in Mather; Marissa Honey-Plate, nominated by the Miss Sacramento County Scholarship Organization in Antelope; Rodney Horton, nominated by the American River Parkway Foundation in Carmichael; Nicky Smolter, nominated by the Lavender Library in Sacramento; Matthew Tran, nominated by the Sacramento Tree Foundation in Folsom; and Kristy Venrick Mardon, nominated by Only Sunshine Sanctuary in Fair Oaks.

Volunteer Manager of the Year honors a volunteer manager who demonstrated outstanding leadership and dedication to supporting volunteers. The winner received a \$100 award for their organization, along with a one-year complimentary DOVIA Sacramento organization membership.

The 2024 winner was Marlene

von Friederichs-Fitzwater nominated for her work with Joshua’s House and Health Communication Research Institute located in Yolo County. She has spent the past decade building Joshuas House, a hospice facility for terminally-ill homeless individuals. Von Friederichs-Fitzwater has raised \$2.5 million and created a volunteer organization to provide high-quality care.

Other nominations included Marissa Honey-Plata nominated by Miss Sacramento County Scholarship Organization and Justin Rubio with Sacramento Tree Foundation.

During the ceremony, several guest speakers talked about the importance of volunteering and the work they have done throughout the years. Lynn Pesely, winner of the 2023 DOVIA Volunteer Manager award, talked about her work with the Sacramento Medical Reserve Corps. Helen Dang, Miss Sacramento County, and Nicole Vicks, Miss Capitol City, winners of the Miss Sacramento County Scholarship program, mentioned their work with advocacy and action for the houseless and Stomp Out Bullying respectively.

“One second, one minute, one action can change someone’s life,” Dang said. “All it takes is one good deed to build the foundation of lasting change.” ★

IRS Warns Taxpayers They May Be Scam Victims in Certain Scenarios

IRS News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - On May 14, the Internal Revenue Service issued a consumer alert following ongoing concerns about a series of tax scams and inaccurate social media advice that led thousands of taxpayers to file inflated refund claims during the past tax season.

The IRS warned taxpayers not to fall for these scams centered around the Fuel Tax Credit, the Sick and Family Leave Credit and Household Employment taxes. The IRS has seen thousands of dubious claims come in where it appears taxpayers are claiming credits for which they are not eligible, leading to refunds being delayed and the need for taxpayers to show they have legitimate documentation to support these claims.

The IRS continues to urge taxpayers to avoid these scams as myths continue to persist that these are ways to obtain a huge refund. Many of these scams were highlighted during this spring’s annual Dirty Dozen series, including the Fuel Tax Credit scam, bad social media advice and “ghost preparers.”

For taxpayers who did fall for these traps, they need to follow steps to verify their eligibility for the claim. Some taxpayers could also face steep financial penalties, potential follow-up audits or criminal action for improper claims. The IRS encourages people to review the guidelines, talk to a trusted tax preparer and, in some cases, file an amended return to remove claims for which they’re ineligible to avoid potential penalties.

“Scam artists and social media posts have perpetuated a number of false and misleading claims

that have tricked well-meaning taxpayers into believing they’re entitled to big, windfall tax refunds,” said IRS Commissioner Danny Werfel. “These bad claims have been caught during our fraud review process. Taxpayers who filed these claims should realize they’ve been tricked, and they face an extensive review process and a long potential wait if they’re owed a refund for other things.”

Problem claims involve Fuel Tax Credit, Sick and Family Leave Credit, Household Employment taxes.

The IRS has identified three common themes that continue to pop up among these bad refund claims. They involve legitimate tax provisions, but they are limited to very specialized situations. The vast majority of the related claims coming in do not qualify:

Fuel Tax Credit: This specialized credit is designed for off-highway business and farming use. Taxpayers need a business purpose and a qualifying business activity such as running a farm or purchasing aviation gasoline to be eligible for the credit. Most taxpayers don’t qualify for this credit.

Credits for Sick Leave and Family Leave: This specialized credit is available for self-employed individuals for 2020 and 2021 during the pandemic; the credit is not available for 2023 tax returns. The IRS is seeing repeated instances where taxpayers are incorrectly using Form 7202, Credits for Sick Leave and Family Leave for Certain Self-Employed Individuals, to incorrectly claim a credit based on income earned as an employee and not as a self-employed individual.

Household Employment taxes: Taxpayers “invent” fictional household employees and then file Schedule H (Form 1040), Household Employment Taxes, to claim a refund based on false sick and family medical leave wages they never paid.

“These improper claims have been fueled by social media

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—IRS Commissioner
Danny Werfel

and people sharing bad advice,” Werfel said. “Scam artists constantly prey on people’s hopes and try to use the complexity of the tax system to convince people there are secret ways to get a big refund. These three credits illustrate that it’s important to carefully review the tax return for accuracy before filing and rely on the advice of a trusted tax professional, not some fly-by-night preparer or a questionable source they hear on social media.”

Potentially fraudulent refunds frozen; improper claims could face follow-up compliance action.

Given the questionable nature of many of these claims, the IRS has frozen the refunds for these taxpayers. Taxpayers have to follow several specific steps to resolve these issues.

Taxpayers whose refunds have been frozen will generally receive one of several letters from the IRS asking for additional information.

Initially, taxpayers may have received a letter asking them to verify their identity. In these situations, if they filed the return in question, they should review whether their tax return is accurate. For example, did they actually qualify for one of the three credits listed above? Or if they used a tax preparer, check to see if the preparer actually signed the tax return. When tax preparers don’t sign a tax return, it is a red flag that the taxpayer is being misled.

Taxpayers who improperly claimed these credits do not need to visit a Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) to verify their identity. However, they may need to amend their tax return to remove the improperly claimed credit.

Taxpayers should use the IRS.gov tool Should I File an Amended Return? to determine if they should amend their return. If they submit an amended return, they do not need to visit a TAC.

A number of taxpayers who initially received correspondence asking about their identity may be receiving an additional letter seeking additional documentation to show they actually qualify for the credits they

claimed. Taxpayers who verified their identity in-person may receive these letters. Taxpayers who haven’t verified their identity yet and receive one of these letters asking for additional documentation should follow the advice on the most recent letter.

These letters – IRS Notice 3176c – apply to potentially frivolous tax returns, which includes incorrect claims for Fuel Tax Credits, Sick and Family Leave Credits and Household Employment taxes.

Legitimate taxpayers qualifying for these credits can submit documentation showing they actually qualify for the credit. But people who don’t qualify for these credits risk facing a penalty of up to \$5,000 per return for filing a frivolous claim. Taxpayers submitting inaccurate claims also face the risk of an audit. Those who knowingly filed a false tax return also face potential criminal prosecution.

To avoid penalties and potential follow-up action by the IRS, taxpayers who incorrectly filed for these claims need to promptly submit an accurate tax return without the claims. Taxpayers can visit the IRS.gov tool Should I File an Amended Return? to determine if they should amend their return. If they submit an amended return, they do not need to visit an IRS Taxpayer Assistance Center. Taxpayers in this situation can also visit a trusted tax professional for advice.

The IRS noted that the entire refund amount is frozen on returns with these bad claims. Taxpayers will not receive any portion of their refund, even if they also claimed legitimate credits. ★