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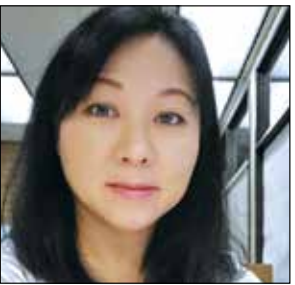
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## Volunteer Now for California Capital Airshow



A group of California Capital Airshow volunteers pose in front of the Capital Club VIP area. Photo courtesy California Capital Airshow

Story by **MPG Staff**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - California Capital Airshow, presented by Sacramento County in partnership with the City of Rancho Cordova, invites community members to sign up as airshow volunteers for the 2024 Airshow.

This year's Airshow at Mather Airport on July 13 and 14 features aerial performances by Italian Jet Team Frecece Tricolori and the United States Air Force Thunderbirds Jet Demonstration Team.

More than 1,000 community members make up the corps of volunteers that help bring the California Capital Airshow to life each year. The Airshow is looking for adults, age 18 and older, to volunteer their time on July 13 and July 14.

"Airshow volunteers play a vital role in supporting California Capital Airshow's mission to inspire the next generation through the wonder of flight," said Darcy Brewer, executive director of the California Capital Airshow. "Their efforts make a huge impact for our nonprofit and they

get to build a sense of community while enjoying the behind-the-scenes excitement of producing a truly spectacular event."

Volunteers will be fed and provided with water throughout the day, in addition to receiving a commemorative "Airshow Crew" T-shirt, the opportunity to make new friends, and the Airshow team's deepest gratitude for supporting this nonprofit event.

Those interested are encouraged to complete volunteer registration at [californiacapitalairshow.com/become-a-volunteer](http://californiacapitalairshow.com/become-a-volunteer). ★

## Amazon Fresh to Open in Sunrise Village

Story and photos by **Thomas J. Sullivan**

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - It's official. Amazon Fresh, a new grocery store concept of Amazon.com is coming to Sunrise Village, at Madison Avenue and Sunrise Boulevard.

The name of the grocer had been a closely-guarded secret since early 2021, when leasing materials for Sunrise Village first listed a "grocer coming soon" for a 38,011-square-foot anchor space at 5425 Sunrise Blvd.

Interior construction is well underway by the general contractor, W.L. Butler, headquartered in Redwood City, which has fenced off a substantial portion of the parking lot and set up temporary mobile offices and equipment at the job site, located to the left of Jo-Ann Fabric and Crafts.

Amazon Retail LLC, doing business as Amazon Fresh, filed a public notice of application with the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to sell alcoholic beverages at its new Citrus Heights location on May 28. Official notice of its state filing is posted outside the grocery store's main front door.



The exterior of the soon-to-be Amazon Fresh grocery store is pictured here.

"Amazon Fresh stores are designed from the ground up to offer a seamless grocery experience, either in-store or online," according to the company website. An Amazon representative was unavailable for comment about the specific retail operations features of its new Citrus Heights grocery store.

In select stores where Amazon's "Just Walk Out" shopping is available, customers who opt for Just Walk Out Shopping can enter the store in three ways: they can scan the QR code in their Amazon app, use Amazon One to scan their palm to enter, or insert a credit or debit card

linked to their Amazon account.

For a more traditional shopping experience, customers can enter the store through designated gates and use one of the checkout lanes staffed by Amazon store employees. When they're ready to check out, customers then have the option to pay with cash, credit or debit card, Amazon One or the Amazon app.

W.L. Butler is sharing a large portion of the parking lot space in the Sunrise Village Shopping Center with Moorefield Construction, a family-owned general contractor, with offices in Sacramento and Santa

Ana, which is building out Club Studio, a new 36,152-square-foot fitness club scheduled to open this summer.

Redevelopment of the 150,000-square-foot Sunrise Village shopping center has been ongoing since the first quarter of 2021.

Sunrise Village Plaza at the corner of Madison Avenue and Sunrise Boulevard in Citrus Heights is owned by the San Francisco-based Merlone-Geier investment company. The center is undergoing a \$15- to \$20-million remodeling and expansion project, which also includes new landscaping and upgraded signage. ★

## Dealer Arrested for Homicide in Fentanyl Sales Case



**Citrus Heights Police Department News Release**

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Citrus Heights Detectives announced the arrest of 34-year-old Collin Reed Holcomb for homicide in a fatal fentanyl sales case following the poisoning and death of 33-year-old Bradley Mitchell last February.

Detectives conducted a several-month-long investigation collecting digital evidence and interviewing multiple parties. On the night of May 29, Holcomb was taken into custody by Citrus Heights Police General Investigation detectives and Impact detectives following surveillance of the suspect's apartment in Davis.

A residential search warrant was served and detectives located additional illegal narcotics inside the apartment along with a child, according to the Citrus Heights Police Department. Holcomb was booked for his PC 187 (Murder) Sacramento County arrest warrant into the Yolo County jail.

On Feb. 15, around 4:45 p.m., Citrus Heights Police were contacted regarding a medical emergency and not breathing. Officers responded to the 7900 block of Madison Avenue and located a male subject who was deceased. That male victim was later identified as Mitchell. Individuals at the residence said that Mitchell had likely overdosed and that the Narcan they administered had not revived him.

Detectives began an investigation into the prior several days' worth of activity that occurred before his death. Detectives uncovered evidence showing Holcomb had sold fentanyl to Mitchell, according to the Police Department.

Detectives authored a homicide arrest warrant and worked closely with the Sacramento County District

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# Sylvan Cemetery Memorial Day Service Honors Fallen Heroes

Story and photos by Elise Spleiss

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - A warm morning greeted more than 100 veterans, families and guests as they arrived at the Sylvan Cemetery gazebo on May 27 for the traditional Memorial Day Service.

Inside and outside seating were offered this year.

As is tradition, the Harmony Express choral group performed throughout the morning, including the Armed Service Medley, with Coast Guard, Marines, Navy, Army and Air Force members standing as their branch of service were announced.

American Legion Post 637 Commander and Master of Ceremony Paul Reyes welcomed all veterans and guests. Special guests were Sacramento County Supervisor Sue Frost, Vice-Mayor Jayne Karpinski Costa, City Councilmember Porsche Middleton, City Manager Ash Feeney and Police Chief Alex Turcotte.

Supervisor Frost, a Citrus Heights native, returned to this venue to honor those veterans who gave their lives for their country.

Frost thanked Post 637 for bringing the community together regularly to “remember events in history that shaped our great nation, to remember the men and women who held the line during wartime and to provide a national defense in times of peace.”

Frost said that the real events in history that paved the road to freedom “must be taught to our children, immigrants and refugee who come to live here. Freedom is not free.”

Citrus Heights Police Chief Turcotte shared the commonalities between those who serve in the armed forces and law enforcement. Many police officers are veterans, he said.

For first responders, law enforcement and veterans’ families who look at an American



Veterans are honored at the ceremony.

flag, Turcotte said, “We see a price, a cost. We know that freedom is not free, somebody had to stand up and say, ‘evil goes no further, we will protect those who cannot protect themselves.’”

“It is an honor to remember the sacrifices of those who stood up and answered that call. No matter where their job was. Whether drafted or volunteered,” Turcotte said.

Speaking on behalf of City Council, City Manager Feeney thanked each veteran present. He spoke of a recent day with his local Boy Scout troop when he taught them about working to earn their Citizenship in the Community merit badge, focusing on the Declaration of Independence.

For the last 10 years, his Scouts have gone to Calvary Cemetery to lay flags at each veteran’s grave site. They were told to stop at each marker, read the name out loud, thank them for their service, and look at the age they died in defense of their country. Many were 18 to 20 years old.

Jim Monteton, Sylvan



Citrus Heights Police Department Honor Guard presents arms.

Cemetery board member and Post 637 member, said that more than 1,400 veterans are buried at Sylvan. He told of how and why national cemeteries were created beginning with Arlington National Cemetery, (400,000 burials), former land owned by Robert E. Lee and Gettysburg.

There are now 164 national

cemeteries throughout the United States, including Hawaii, with nine being in California. Sacramento Valley National in Dixon has 52,000 burials since 2006. Monteton noted how he realized all the perfectly lined up rows of white markers are alike. None of the fallen buried there are known by race, nationality,

religion, male or female. It is estimated that more than 40 million men and women have served in the military since 1775, many in multiple wars. Four million have died in combat defending their country.

“A small group who has supported a big group to keep the enemy at bay and maintain our freedom,” Monteton said.

Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Regent Deborah Bartlett spoke of their visit to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial at the Sacramento capitol. The descendant of a Vietnam immigrant brought her 9-year-old special needs daughter to the cemetery. Bartlett told the poignant story of how, if it were not for the service of our servicemen helping her family, they would not be here today.

Reyes thanked the Sylvan Cemetery Manager, Citrus Heights Police Department Honor Guard and Harmony Express for their help with the service.

Harmony Express closed with a rendition of “God Bless America.” ★

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# Many Ways to Celebrate Family Health and Fitness Day

## Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Gather your family and friends and celebrate Family Health and Fitness Day on Saturday, June 8. Sacramento County Regional Parks is excited to partner with several local organizations, businesses and nonprofits to promote this special day.

"The Regional Parks system and our wonderful partners play a key role in providing facilities and programs that positively influence the health of the Sacramento region and contribute to our goal of advancing health equity within Regional Parks," said Liz Bellas, Director of Regional Parks. "This year, we are hosting several events of our own, including a 5k run at the Cosumnes River Preserve, and partnering with several incredible organizations, like Sac Republic FC!"

For Family Health and Fitness Day 2024, Regional Parks is pleased to share these programs and "partnership events" for the community to enjoy.



June 8 is Family Health and Fitness Day. Photo by Andrzej Rembowski Pixabay

### American River Parkway American River Raft Rentals Special

All participants will receive a 25% off coupon for their next raft rental, and one lucky group wearing their lifejackets will win one free 12-person raft rental. During normal business hours. Raft rental rates apply. \$7 per vehicle entry at American River Parkway entrances.

### Turtles at Bushy Lake

Join Dr. Michelle Stevens at Bushy Lake to learn about the native Western Pond Turtle and the Bushy Lake Restoration Project Park near Cal Expo Lot P (Corner of Ethan/Hurley) with a short hike to the lake. Free event, free parking.

### Soil Born Farms - Farm Stand Open

Buy farm fresh organic produce and learn about American River Ranch classes and volunteer opportunities.

2140 Chase Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Free parking.

### Sacramento Valley Conservancy

Volunteer Workday at Camp Pollock! 1501 Northgate Blvd, Sacramento, CA. 8 a.m. to noon. Free event, free parking.

### American River Bike Patrol

Join members of the volunteer Bike Patrol at an Information, Hydration and Bike Mechanical Station at William B. Pond Park and take a ride along the trail! \$7 per vehicle entry fee at American River Parkway entrances.

### Tree Treasure Hunt and Educational Odyssey

75 Trees and 17 species have been selected along the American River Parkway to help you learn and recognize the trees along the multi-use trail as you enjoy riding your bicycle. Free event. \$7 per vehicle entry fee at American River Parkway entrances.

### Dry Creek Parkway Sac Republic FC Soccer Clinics

Join Sac Republic FC for soccer clinics at Cherry Island Sports Complex! Free event, free parking.

### Sports Games and Relays at Cherry Island Sports Complex

The Rio Linda Elverta Rec and Park District and the National Academy of Athletics are hosting sports games and relays to promote positive physical and mental development through sports fundamentals at Cherry Island Sports Complex. Free event, Free parking.

### Disc Golf Demonstration

Join Parks staff and the El Dorado Disc Golf Sports Foundation to learn about disc golf with a demonstration area to practice your skills at Cherry Island Sports Complex. Free event, free parking.

### Pumpkin Planting Event

Bring the family to Gibson Ranch Regional Park and plant a pumpkin to bring home and watch grow. Free event, free parking.

### Birds and Bees, Flowers and Trees

Enjoy the beautiful display of



Exercise is extremely important for people of all ages. Photo by RDNE, Pexels

blooming flowers while learning about the proposed Community Garden and Food Forest concept at Gibson Ranch. Free event, free parking.

### Family Fun at Cherry Island Golf Course

Join the crew at Cherry Island Golf Course for a morning of family fun, including bounce houses, face painting, kids' introduction to golf stations and more. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free event, free parking.

### Night of the Revving Dead Car Show

Join Alley Cats Car Club for "Night of the Revving Dead" car show, music and family fun. Noon to 8 p.m. Free event for spectators - \$5 parking

per vehicle.

### Southern Sacramento County and Virtual

### Trek the Trails 5K Fun Run/Walk

Bring the Family out for a 5K Fun Run and Walk along the Cosumnes River Preserve Trails. The timed race begins at 9 a.m. but anyone is welcome to join between 9 and 10 a.m. 13501 Franklin Blvd., Galt, CA. Free event, free parking.

### Stroll Around Mather Regional Park

Head to Mather Regional Park to enjoy an easy 1.5 mile walk around Mather Lake, picnic, visit the playground or fish at the lake! Parking Fees are waived on June 8. Free entry.

### Re-Introducing: Agents of Discovery

Agents of Discovery is an interactive, augmented reality game and we're bringing it back to Sacramento County Regional Parks. While in participating parks, users will be encouraged to explore missions to find "challenges" that will... well, challenge their knowledge of the parks. Free app download is available in the Apple App and Google Play stores.

To learn more about Family Health and Fitness Day and how parks help keep our communities and families healthy and active, visit the Regional Parks website. ★

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## Newsom Announces New Appointments to Sacramento Superior Court

**Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Gov. Gavin Newsom recently announced the appointment of three judges to the Sacramento Superior Court bench.

"The court looks forward to these additions to the bench," Presiding Judge Bunmi O. Awoniyi. "The collective experience that comes with Commissioner Badiga, Ms. Holliday and Ms. Zuvella will serve continued access to justice in Sacramento County."

Jaya Badiga, of Sacramento County, has served as a Commissioner at the Sacramento Superior Court since 2022. She was a Sole Practitioner from 2018 to 2022. She served as an Attorney at the California Department of Health Care Services in 2020 and at California Governor's Office of Emergency Services in 2018.

Badiga was Managing Attorney at WEAVE Inc. from 2013 to 2018 and Attorney Advisor at Galaxy Architects & Infrastructure from 2010 to 2013. She served as Staff Counsel at the California Employment Development Department from 2009 to 2010.

Badiga earned a Juris Doctor degree from the Santa Clara University School of Law and a Master of Arts degree in International Relations and International Communications from Boston University. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Robert S. Lapham.

Amy Holliday, of Sacramento County, was elected in March 2024 to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Allen H. Sumner. The Governor's interim appointment allows her to immediately assume the position she would otherwise begin in January 2025.

Since January 2020, Holliday has served as Assistant Chief Deputy managing prosecutors in the Central Operations Bureau and use of Forensic Investigative Genetic Genealogy to solve and prosecute cases. She has prosecuted several cold cases including People of the State of California v. Joseph James DeAngelo (the East Area Rapist/Golden State Killer).

Holliday earned a Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law.

Allison Zuvella, of Sacramento County, has served as a Retired Annuitant Deputy Public Defender at the Yolo County Public Defender's Office since 2023 and served in several positions there from 2003 to 2021, including Chief Deputy Public Defender and Assistant Chief Deputy Public Defender. She served as a Deputy Public Defender in the Tulare County Public Defender's Office from 1995 to 2003.

Zuvella earned a Juris Doctor degree from California Western School of Law. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Sharon A. Lueras. ★

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# Council Approves School Liaison Officers for High Schools

By Shaunna Boyd

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - At the May 23 Citrus Heights City Council meeting, resident David Warren spoke during general Public Comment to inform the council about the disturbing and repeated harassment he has received after speaking at prior meetings.

Warren said hateful phone calls full of antisemitic rhetoric have been directed at him as a member of the Jewish community. Some of the phone calls threaten violence against him and his wife.

"The antisemitism that is running through the world has reached Citrus Heights," said Warren.

"I am addressing the City Council tonight because for some reason, it appears that after I speak to the City Council, whoever these people are seem to respond because they see me here and then start picking up the phone and calling me."

"I can't stop hatred. I can't stop stupidity in our community. But I can speak up and say, 'This is not what we stand for,'" said Warren.

A Citrus Heights resident for 25 years, Warren said that he lately cannot wear his yarmulke (a religious head covering) out in public because others have knocked it off his head. He didn't want to involve the police in these incidents because "it's only a hat," he said, but "it's symbolic to me and it's symbolic to the stupid young people that do it."

Warren said he was making this statement to tell the community, "I'm not going anywhere. ... And the hatred in this community has to stop."

Mayor Bret Daniels thanked Warren for his comments and said he hopes anyone else in the community receiving similar harassment reports it: "It's not to be tolerated. It's not who we are."

Councilmember Tim Schaefer expressed his "deepest sympathies for Mr. Warren" and he condemned the harassment and the underlying ideologies that drive it.

City Council then heard a presentation by Citrus Heights Police Department Police Chief Alex Turcotte about various options for increasing safety in local schools, as requested by some councilmembers back in April.

Turcotte said that currently the San Juan Unified School District uses the Safe Schools program to handle administrative investigations and threat assessments at the schools. One option the city could pursue would be to hire and fund two additional officers to serve as School Resource Officers (SROs), with one assigned to each of the high schools to take over all safety and security issues. The fiscal impact would be \$182,211 per officer for salary and benefits, totaling approximately \$370,422 annually.

Another option would be to use existing positions and reassign two officers as SROs. Turcotte said, "This would have a negligible fiscal impact but would cause an operational impact," as they would

likely have to reassign officers from specialty units.

The third option was to use the Police Department's existing Traffic Team unit to create a School Liaison program to provide enhanced traffic enforcement and life safety, including perimeter security at the high schools. Turcotte said the Traffic Team regularly partners with the schools on issues of traffic safety as well as drug and alcohol awareness campaigns, so they have an active working relationship and collaborate well.

To fulfill the liaison roles, the Citrus Heights Police Department would fill two of the current vacancies on the Traffic Team, which

would have the added benefit of enhancing the overall ability of the team to conduct traffic enforcement and major collision investigations citywide. This option would enhance and formalize the existing collaboration, with the Safe Schools program still handling administrative issues. And there would be no fiscal impact because filling those vacancies is already in the Police Department's approved budget.

The final option was to make no changes to the current model of collaboration between the Police Department and local high schools. Turcotte said that the Safe Schools program staff already works closely with the Police Department to mitigate threats and enhance safety measures, which can continue without any changes if that is the preference of the Council.

City Manager Ashley Feeney discussed the options with the school district's Superintendent Melissa Bassanelli, who said it would be helpful to have additional traffic enforcement and perimeter security during the peak hours of school drop-off and pick-up. And Feeney said the schools would appreciate having liaison officers who could build relationships with staff and students on the high school campuses.

Mayor Daniels commended City Manager Feeney for his work with the Police Department and the school district to find a solution that would balance the needs of the community with the need to protect local students.

"For me, it's not the ideal solution," said Daniels, but it's "definitely a move in the right direction." Daniels said he hoped his fellow councilmembers would support the option of School Liaison Officers.

Councilmember Porsche Middleton said, "I'll support that. I think that is a very balanced approach. ... I do see where there is a benefit not only to the students but also to the community as well."

City Council voted unanimously to approve the use of the Traffic Team to include School Liaison Officers, and Daniels said, "I want to thank my fellow councilmembers; honestly. I think it's a big deal."

The next meeting of the Citrus Heights City Council is scheduled for 6 p.m. June 13 at 6360 Fountain Square Drive. ★

# St. Francis Social Studies Department Chair Promoted to Assistant Principal

**St. Francis Catholic High School News Release**

**EAST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - St. Francis Catholic High School is proud to announce Julie Van Houten as its new assistant principal. Van Houten, who holds a Master of Arts in education, is a member of the executive staff and has been serving as the social studies department chair for the past two years. She will assume her new role effective July 1.

"St. Francis is an amazing school that needs to be celebrated," said Van Houten. "As a current teacher and parent of a St. Francis student, I have a strong understanding of the academic, social and emotional needs of the key stakeholders: students, families and teachers."

"I am excited about the opportunity to continue working and collaborating in an environment where I can contribute to the quality of an all-girls faith-based education," she said.



Julie Van Houten is the new St. Francis Catholic High School assistant principal. Photo by Bill Smith Photography

Van Houten started teaching in the Elk Grove Unified School District in 2001 and joined the staff at St. Francis Catholic High School in 2016 as a social studies teacher, including AP U.S. history and AP government and politics. Van Houten is also an Adjunct Professor at Sacramento State University where she teaches aspiring multiple subject and social

science teachers.

"We are excited to have Julie take on this position of leadership at St. Francis," said Principal Elias Mendoza. "Her time as a faculty representative on our executive staff, her innovative approach to curriculum and instructional delivery, and her passion for the mission of St. Francis make her the perfect choice." ★

# New Measure Eligible for California's November 2024 Ballot

**California Secretary of State News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D. announced that an initiative became eligible for the November 5 General Election ballot on May 21.

In order to become eligible for the ballot, the initiative needed 546,651 valid petition signatures, which is equal to five percent of the total votes cast for governor in the November 2022 General Election.

A measure can become eligible via random sampling of petition signatures if the sampling projects that the number of valid signatures is greater than 110 percent of the required number. The initiative needed at least 601,317 projected valid signatures to become eligible by random sampling, and it has exceeded that threshold today.

On June 27, the Secretary of State will certify the initiative as qualified for the November 5 General Election ballot, unless it is withdrawn by the proponent prior to certification pursuant to Elections Code section 9604(b).

The Attorney General's official title and summary of the measure is as follows:

Restricts spending by health care providers meeting specified criteria. Initiative statute. Requires certain health care providers to spend 98% of revenues from the federal discount prescription drug program on direct patient care. Applies only to health care providers that: spent over \$100,000,000

in any ten-year period on anything other than direct patient care; and operated multifamily housing with over 500 high-severity health and safety violations. Penalizes noncompliance by revoking health care licenses and tax-exempt status. Permanently authorizes state to negotiate Medi-Cal drug prices on statewide basis. Summary of estimate by Legislative Analyst and Director of Finance of fiscal impact on state and local governments: Increased costs to state government, potentially up to the millions of dollars annually, to review entities' compliance with the measure and enforce the measure's provisions. These costs would be paid for by fees created under the measure. Uncertain fiscal impacts to state and local government health programs, depending on how the affected entities respond to the measure's requirements. (23-0021A1.)

The Secretary of State's tracking number for this measure is 1963 and the Attorney General's tracking number is 23-0021A1.

The proponent of the measure is Thomas Bannon. They can be reached c/o Kurt R. Oneto, Nielsen Merksamer LLP, at (916) 446-6752 and koneto@nmgovlaw.com. The address for Nielsen Merksamer LLP is 1415 L Street, Suite 1200, Sacramento, CA 95814.

For more information about how an initiative qualifies for the ballot in California, visit <https://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures/how-qualify-initiative>. ★

# Inmate Death At Main Jail

**Sacramento County Sheriff's Office News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - On Sunday, May 5, at approximately 10:30 p.m., a 45-year-old male inmate died while in custody at the Sacramento County Main Jail. The man had been in custody since May 2, 2024, when he was brought into custody by Sheriff's Patrol Deputies for a felony burglary warrant.

Main Jail Deputies were conducting a cell check in the 6-East 100 Pod, which housed inmates detoxing from drugs and other substances. Deputies looked inside a cell and noticed an unresponsive inmate who was

housed by himself. Deputies immediately entered the cell and administered first-aid as Main Jail medical staff and the Sacramento Fire Department responded. Fire personnel arrived and continued life-saving efforts, but the inmate was ultimately pronounced deceased at the jail.

The Sheriff's Department will complete a thorough inmate death investigation in accordance with department procedures and state laws. The Sacramento County Coroner's Office will determine the cause of death and forward its findings as prescribed by law. The Coroner's Office will release the name of the deceased after notification has been made to his next of kin. ★

# Controller Cohen Issues April Cash Report

**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 projec New Measure Eligible for California's November 2024 Ballot tions.

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 @CACController and on Facebook at California State Controller's Office. ★

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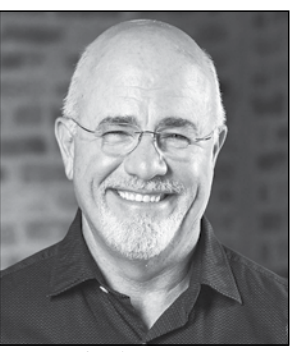
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## Dave Ramsey Says

an eye toward the future. First off, out of the three considerations you mentioned — school, work, and cost of living — I think you need to decide which is your number one priority. If I were in your shoes, school would come first.

Now, to go to school without borrowing money, you're going to have to keep working. But finishing school on time, while attending some of the extracurricular events that will move you toward your career, might pre-empt work. You'll have to work enough to pay for things, but if you can finish school and hit your academic and graduation goals while staying at home just a little bit longer? That sounds like a winner to me. It's a pretty nice deal your parents are offering, but I can understand your desire to be out on your own, too.

I want you to be out on your own as soon as you can, as well. But if you do that right now, you're going to have extra bills and be forced to work even more. That's going to throw your entire school process out of whack. Guess what your number one priority was in that

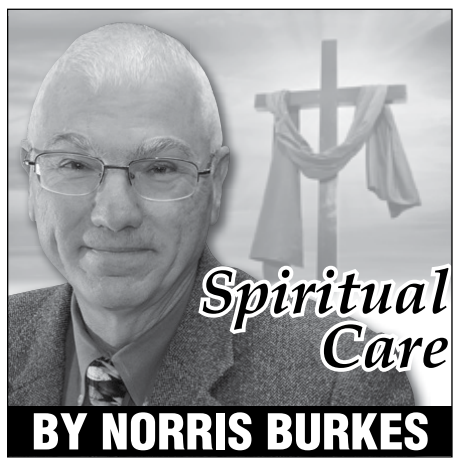
scenario? Right, moving out. If it's the tail that's wagging the dog, it has become the number one priority. If it's disrupting work, and thereby disrupting your academics, then in my mind you've put your focus on the wrong thing.

Your number one goal should be finishing school on time, while attending as many connected events as possible. Meanwhile, keep working enough so that you're able to continue doing all this debt-free. If that means you're staying at home a little bit longer to pull it off, I'd do it!

— Dave

*Dave Ramsey is an eight-time No. 1 national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions. ★*

## "Chaplain Faints Again, Misses Deadline"



**BY NORRIS BURKES**

I'm still on a Baltic Sea cruise this week with Holland America. It's been good sailing, but I carry motion sickness medication just in case.

I wonder if that medication would have helped me some years ago when I went to my doctor hoping for a simple steroid shot for the bursitis in my shoulder.

(Stop me if I've told you this story before because I think I may have.)

As the nurse smeared the injection site with disinfectant and placed a surgical drape over my shoulder, it was clear that this wasn't going to be a plain old shot.

To mask my anxiety, I started cracking jokes.

"Will this steroid buff me up and help me play amazing baseball?" I asked.

The doctor seemed unamused as she began reciting the list of things that could possibly go wrong. It was simple things such as nerve damage, infections and twitching.

"Don't worry," she said as I eyed the door, "we've never had a problem."

Easy for her to say. She was on the giving end of the 3-inch needle.

"Do you mind if I sing a hymn?" I asked.

"No, go right ahead," she said.

I began to hum, "Shall We Gather at the River?" but her glare suggested that I change that tune.

A few moments later, as she began the deep injection, I had a news flash. To be more precise, a hot flash.

"Simple" quickly became complicated. "I think I'm going to faint," I said. It felt like severe motion sickness.

"Lie down," the doctor advised, "and don't forget to breathe."

Breathing wasn't my problem at that moment; it was my hearing that felt impaired. I've always heard that hearing

was the last thing to go before you die.

Then came a muffled question from the nursing assistant. "Do you feel your heart beating faster?"

"I don't think so," I whined as I felt her offering her hand. I'd always heard that in a near-death experience, someone will take your hand and walk you through a tunnel toward the light.

"Your pulse is slowing a bit, but don't worry," the doctor reported, "I think you're having a vagal response."

"What's a vagal response?" I asked. I didn't hear an immediate answer, so I persisted.

"Is that some kind of anaphylactic shock?"

I wanted her to know I knew some medical lingo. Anaphylactic shock is a life-threatening condition where blood pressure becomes too low to sustain life.

I wondered if it might be the kind of thing that often precipitates near-death experiences.

"Lord," I silently prayed, "if this is going to be a near-death deal, please send me back before my column deadline."

I was imagining the headline: "Chaplain Reports Existence of God After Near-death Experience."

It was definitely Pulitzer-Prize stuff; but as I thought about it, I wasn't sure I was ready for an exclusive with the Holy. So, I nodded to the doctor and pronounced, "We're done here."

Nevertheless, I did learn a few things.

First, I learned that sometimes the best evidence we have of God's existence is the warm hand of another. Thankfully, this means that God will always have a pulse, even when I don't.

Second, I think maybe sometimes we need to allow God to find us through the kindness of others. I was looking for God down that tunnel and, while I didn't see God, I did see someone who showed compassion.

In other words, God showed up and she was wearing scrubs.

The third thing I learned is the definition of a "vagal response."

"A vagal response," my doctor explained as she called me back from the proverbial tunnel of white light, "is pretty much like fainting."

"We'll have to try this next week. I'll get you a prescription for Xanax for your anxiety."

Wow. I guess searching for faith isn't for the faint of heart. ★



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# Dealer Arrested for Homicide in Fentanyl Sales Case

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Attorney's Office for the filing. If convicted, Holcomb could be one of the first homicide fentanyl poisoning case convictions in Sacramento County, a significant step in solidifying the seriousness of fentanyl sales and the District Attorney's resolve to hold those who poison our communities accountable, according to the Police Department.



The Citrus Heights Police Department appreciates the efforts of those involved in apprehending this suspect and thanks its partners at the Davis Police Department and Yolo County Child Protective Services for their assistance and support.


The Citrus Heights Police Department and Sacramento County District Attorney's

Office "are committed to taking a hard stance against those who poison our communities with fentanyl and will ensure that those responsible for such lethal

actions are brought to justice swiftly and decisively," said Citrus Heights Police Investigations Lt. Wesley Herman.

Anyone with information about this crime or any Citrus Heights crime is encouraged to contact the Citrus Heights Police Department Crime Tip Line at 916-727-5524.

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# Inflation Hits California Families Hardest. It's Shaping Their Views on The Economy



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

On paper, the U.S. economy seems to be doing well with historically low unemployment. Yet most Americans have a sour view in recent polls, with stubborn inflation in living costs cited as the reason for that pessimism.

“As the 2024 general election begins in earnest, voters’ assessment of the economy and of the candidates’ ability to manage it will, as usual, have a strong impact on the outcome of the race,” Brookings Institute stated in a recent analysis of economic attitudes. “With little more than seven months until Election Day, the economy remains a key advantage for former President Donald Trump, and a drag on President Biden’s reelection prospects.”

Biden needn’t worry about losing California to Trump, but it has one of the nation’s highest rates of inflation, according to Moody’s Analytics, worsening its already outlandishly high costs of housing and other living expenses. It’s the biggest factor in California having the highest level of functional poverty of any state, 13.2% according to the U.S. Census Bureau, about 50% higher than the national rate.

The Public Policy Institute of California, using similar statistical methodology, has found that a quarter of Californians are either living in poverty or financially close. More recently, the PPIC has explored the impact of inflation, especially on California families which struggle to pay for housing, food and other necessities.

In 2018–19, PPIC reported, “these necessities cost California’s low-income households about \$26,000, on average; by 2024, these households would need to spend over \$32,000 on the same goods and services. By comparison, the top income group spent on average \$82,000 on these basics in 2018–19, which would now cost nearly \$100,000 in 2024.”

The PPIC has found that “prices have increased unevenly across goods and services – with varying effects across households at different income levels. Food prices are up 27% compared to April 2019, and gasoline is up 29%. While expenditures on these goods and services make up large portions of most household budgets, lower-income households spend almost all of their resources (83%) on food, housing, transportation (including gasoline), and health care.”

Obviously those on the lower rungs of the economic ladder have more difficulty adjusting to increases in living costs. It’s not hyperbole to say that inflation is a major reason why so many Californians cannot move up that ladder. Meanwhile, efforts to

curb inflation have a compounding effect. The Federal Reserve System maintains high interest rates to cool off the economy and bring down inflation, but those interest rates make home ownership more difficult and affect businesses, which often raise the prices of goods and services to maintain profits.

Inflation also hits the public sector, increasing the costs of providing services and wreaking havoc on state and local government budgets. It’s one of the reasons the state budget suffers from a massive deficit and why many cities, counties and school districts are struggling to balance their budgets.

By happenstance, the PPIC issued its report on inflation on the same day that BravoDeal, a website devoted to helping consumers find bargains, released its study of fast food prices, comparing four popular chains state-by-state.

Overall, fast food outlets in Mississippi had the lowest prices while those in Hawaii were the highest, followed by New York, New Jersey and California.

For example, a McDonald’s Big Mac costs an average of \$5.11 in California but just \$3.91 in Mississippi.

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With Mary Jane Popp

## Resilience

Are you stressed to the MAX? I’m not at all surprised. From jobs, relationships, health, and kids, I would be amazed if you weren’t stressed out. But **Dr. Stephen Sideroff** says you don’t have to stay mired in that stress. You can move forward, and he tells us how in “**The 9 Pillars of Resilience:**” the proven path to mastering stress, slow aging and increase vitality. The good doctor is an Associate Professor of psychiatry at UCLA’s Geffen School of Medicine and he shared this synopsis of the 9 pillars with me on my “POPPTALK” radio show in search of truth.

**1. RELATIONSHIP WITH SELF.** This is the pillar that all others rest on, this is about how you feel about yourself and how you treat yourself. It’s important to treat yourself with respect, love, compassion, support, acceptance and care. Despite childhood lessons, it’s never constructive to put yourself down, or be hard on yourself. It only creates more tension and undermines confidence. This pillar is about developing a healthy internal voice.

**2. RELATIONSHIP WITH OTHERS.** This is the ability to communicate and establish close and intimate relationships, and to receive support. Friends and other relationships in which positive affect is expressed, enhance the sense of a safe world.

**3. RELATIONSHIP WITH SOMETHING GREATER.** This can have a spiritual emphasis or it can be involvement with community, charity or other forms of service. Involvement, meaning and belief in something greater than yourself, can include purpose and makes daily hassles less significant. It enhances a sense of security and hope.

**4. PHYSICAL BALANCE AND**

**MASTERY.** This is the ability to deeply relax and to quickly recover from stress. It is being able to keep your stress response in proportion to the demands of the specific situation and not over-react. And to fully utilize sleep for optimal recuperation.

**5. COGNITIVE BALANCE AND MASTERY.** This pillar is about having a positive attitude and positive expectations. It’s also the ability to control your thoughts; to let go of thoughts and worry and move on, as well as to be focused and avoid distractions.

**6. EMOTIONAL BALANCE AND MASTERY.** Unexpressed emotions or emotions that you are unaware of make you more sensitive to hurts and inappropriate over reactions. They are accompanied by physical holding patterns, anxiety and stress.

**7. PRESENCE.** This component is about being fully in the moment, aware and in contact with your environment, and not distracted by thoughts, worry of other preoccupation.

**8. FLEXIBILITY.** This is the ability to adapt to changing circumstances and minimizes frustration, anger and tension.

**9. POWER.** He defines power as your ability to get things done. This includes courage to take action, persistence the face of obstacles and frustration, focus in keeping the goal in view, and assertiveness in making your desires known. It also involves the ability to make decisions as well as planning and being strategic. It enhances your sense of control, self-trust and confidence.

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## Defendant Convicted of Murdering Wife

**Sacramento County District Attorney’s Office News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On April 26, Asghar Ehsan was convicted by a jury of first-degree murder. The jury also found true the allegation that Ehsan personally used a knife in the commission of the murder.

On January 14, 2020, Asghar Ehsan stabbed and strangled his wife, Assmaa Ehsan Ashooquallah, to death while she was sleeping next to their 7-month-old son. Ehsan then left the home with his son and met with a friend. Ehsan told his friend he killed his wife because Allah instructed him to do so. His friend tried to convince Ehsan to turn himself in, but Ehsan refused. He left his son with his friend and was later located by law enforcement in Placer County.

After a standoff with the Roseville Police Department, their SWAT team and the Sacramento Police Department, he engaged in a high-speed pursuit. Ehsan was

eventually taken into custody.

During the investigation, it was discovered Ehsan had attempted to kill his roommate in Santa Rosa in 2000. In that case, Ehsan reported he had been commanded by Allah to start a holy war and needed to kill someone close to him. Ehsan was found legally insane by the Sonoma Superior Court. In 2002, he was released from the state hospital with a diagnosis of bipolar disorder. Ehsan went on to get an associate degree in psychology and worked for Sonoma County as a mental health worker for over a decade. He was also a member of the Sonoma County Mental Health Panel and presented at critical incident training for law enforcement on how to handle mentally ill suspects.

In this case, Ehsan entered a plea of not guilty by reason of insanity. On May 2, the jury found Ehsan was legally sane when he committed the murder.

Ehsan faces a maximum sentence of 27 years to life in prison. Sentencing is set for July 12 at 9:00 a.m. in Department 41. ★

## Two People Shot Near El Camino Avenue and Howe Avenue

**Sacramento County Sheriff's Office News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - At approximately 3:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 19, the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office received a call from a local hospital reporting two gunshot victims had been brought into the emergency room. Deputies learned the shooting occurred near the intersection of El Camino Avenue and Howe Avenue in Sacramento. Both victims were identified as adult females and are expected to survive their injuries.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03611
KrisMar Enterprises LLC, PO Box 7013, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Trusted Ink Notary Co" 5938 Desiree Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
TRUSTED 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03634
James D Ewald, 3629 Sunrise Pines Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Crossing Clouds Consulting" 3629 Sunrise Pines Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
CROSSING 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03467
Aleksai Bakumets and Irina Bakumets, 3331 Hunter Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Optimus Tinting & Wrap" 3331 Hunter Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
OPTIMUS 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03349
MoseyOnHome Realty Real Estate, Inc., 2740 Fulton Avenue Suite 212, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MoseyOnHome Realty Real Estate, Inc" 2740 Fulton Avenue Suite 212, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 29, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
MOSEY 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-02646
Shoheil Samiee and Shiva Ghaseini, 9709 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Print N Signs" 9709 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 8, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
PRINT 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03089
Joseph Farley, 3561 Maddiewood Circle, Sacramento, CA 95993 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Joe Farley Construction" 3561 Maddiewood Circle, Sacramento, CA 95993. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 22, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
JOE 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-02920
Wake N Lake LLC, 6632 Mirwood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Wake N Lake" 6632 Mirwood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 17, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
WAKE 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03665
Roper Food Services, Inc., PO Box 2515, Granite Bay, CA 95746 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jimboy's Tacos 45" 3900 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 9, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
JIMBOYS45 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03666
Roper Food Services, Inc. PO Box 2515, Granite Bay, CA 95746 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GP Transportation" 5717 Callie Lane Apt D, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 3, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
GP 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03389
EVO Home Loans, LLC, 7975 N Hayden Road Suite A101, Scottsdale, AZ 85258 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Epiq Lending" 7975 N Hayden Road Suite A101, Scottsdale, AZ 85258. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
EPIQ 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03442
Najib Jami, 2740 Fulton Avenue Suite 27, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fast Service Towing" 2740 Fulton Avenue Suite 27, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
FAST 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03901
Eric Lee Van Skike, 5541 Montia Court, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Morgan-Nels Industrial Supply" 5541 Montia Court, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 16, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
MORGAN 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03881
Benjamin Tivadar, 7317 Poseidon Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tiva Electric" 7317 Poseidon Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
TIVA 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-02848
Jason Francis Morgan, 7705 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DJ's Auto and Tire" 7705 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 15, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
DJS 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03625
Volodymyr Buchynskiy, 1151 Bell Street Apt 8, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "917 Fridge" 1151 Bell Street Apt 8, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
FRIDGE 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03896
Phelecia Anne Curtis, 6633 24th Street, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Courage Career Coaching" 6633 24th Street, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 16, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
COURAGE 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03663
The Bee Box LLC, 4765 J Street Suite C, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PollenBoost" 4765 J Street Suite C, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 9, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
POLLENBOOST 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03808
Advanced Equipment Repair, Inc, 2795 E. Bidwell Suite 100-334, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Camp 61 Apparel/Jack Frost Co" 3298 Monier Circle, Suite 130, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 13, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
CAMP 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03672
Anusha Mangadu, 12155 Tributary Point Drive Apt-188 Cobble Oaks, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Anuu's Arts & Drapes" 12155 Tributary Point Drive Apt-188 Cobble Oaks, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 9, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
ANUUS 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03179
Mortuary Support Services of Northern CA, LLC, 35 Quinta Court Suite C, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Postal Source" 7330 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite 7, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 24, 2024
PUBLISH: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024
POSTAL 6-14-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03518
Pavlo Herasymovych, 5717 Callie Lane Apt D, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jimboy's Tacos 7" 3033 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 9, 2024
PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024
JIMBOYS7 6-7-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03942
BMKT Inc, 10319 Frank Greg Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Auto Splash" 7320 Winding Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 17, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
AUTO 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03120
Christian Baird, 3511 Del Paso Road Suite 160, PMB419, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "On The Fly Notary" 5433 Duck Walk Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 23, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
NOTARY 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04015
Martin Smith, 6860 Woodlock Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Comfort Finacial" 6860 Woodlock Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 21, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
COMFORT 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-02537
Deborah Alexander, P.O. Box #4, Citrus Heights, CA 95610

is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rental Turnover Specialist" 8134 Dart Way, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 3, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
RENTAL 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03250
Raymond Dacanay and Mathew Flower, 5208 Heritage Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gotcha Safe" 5208 Heritage Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 26, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
GOTCHA 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03554
Dr. Kellen Grayson, 4070 Bridge Street Suite 3, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SacTown Therapy" 4070 Bridge Street Suite 3, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 6, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
SACTOWN 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03445
Keyes Entertainment LLC, 9353 Greenback Lane, Suite 9, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Scotty's Hideaway" 9353 Greenback Lane, Suite 9, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 2, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
SCOTTYS 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03879
Katherine Kruser, 10419 Old Placerville Road #252, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Center for Neuropsychology" 10419 Old Placerville Road #252, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
SACRAMENTO 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04046
Zimei Chinese Culture Academy, LLC, 2848 Arden Way Suite 210A, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Zimei Chinese Culture Academy" 2848 Arden Way Suite 210A, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 22, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
ZIMEI 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03619
Guest Innovations, Inc., 1740 Creekside Oaks 175, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rezku/Rezku POS" 1740 Creekside Oaks 175, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 7, 2024
PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024
REZKU 6-21-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04083
William Hedges, 8405 Dalmeny Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hedgehog Fab Works" 8405 Dalmeny Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 24, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
HEDGEHOG 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04075
Danielle Oullet, 5430 Kohler Road #57, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "T Shirts, Hat & Mugs" 5430 Kohler Road #57, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 23, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
TSHIRTS 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03888
Cheng Corp, 2378 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Encore Dental Services" , 2378 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
ENCORE 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03996
Robert John Harris, 7552 Fusion Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mr Wonderful's Trucking" 7552 Fusion Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 21, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
WONDERFULS 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03883
Golden State Price Inc, 5825 Auburn Boulevard #4B, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Murphy Beds Sacramento" 5825 Auburn Boulevard #4B, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
MURPHY 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03758
Admin Savings LLC, 8488 Elder Creek Road Suite 1,

Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Admin Savings" 8488 Elder Creek Road Suite 1, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 10, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
ADMIN 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04067
MOAI, 2633 Cardinal Court, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MOAI Living" 4350 Virgusell Circle, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 23, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
MOAI 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03867
Hillside Handyman LLC, 12653 Thornberg Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hillside Handyman" 12653 Thornberg Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 14, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
HILLSIDE 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04094
Nicholas J. Russo, 7128 Lincoln Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "London and Lauder Property Management/London and Lauder" 6035 Lincoln Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 24, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
LONDON 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04000
David Bach, 63 Fallwind Circle, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bach Financial Literacy Consulting" 63 Fallwind Circle, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 21, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
BACH 6-28-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04157
Rolya Transport LLC, 3836 Ivy Street, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rolya Transport" 3836 Ivy Street, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 28, 2024
PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
ROLOYA 6-28-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009038

Davieon Roshun Hammond has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Davieon Roshun Hammond to Davieon Roshun Jackson. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 8, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 HAMMOND 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV008376

Akweley Karene Beecham has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Akweley Karene Beecham to Akweley Karene Bortey. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 26, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 BEECHAM 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009917

Alaa Abdulfatah Shatat has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Alaa Abdulfatah Shatat to Ayla Shatat. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 20, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024 HASNAWI 6-21-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009220

Cong Danh Pham has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Cong Danh Pham to James Cong Danh Pham. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 13, 2024, at 9:00

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV008541

Madison Stephens Griffin has

filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Madison Stephens Griffin to Madison Stephens Griffin-Namkung.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 1, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 3, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 GRIFFIN 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003391

Muhammad Faisal Momand has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Muhammad Faisal Momand to Faisal Momand.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 8, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 9, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 FAISAL 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003402

Muhammad Salahuddin Momand & Freeba Momand has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Muhammad Aimal Momand to Aimal Momand.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: February 26, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 MOMAND 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV003397

Muhammad Salahuddin Momand has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Muhammad Salahuddin Momand to Salahuddin Momand.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: February 26, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 SALAHUDDIN 6-7-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009845

Taqwaallah Hasnawi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Taqwaallah Hasnawi to Nancy Aram.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 20, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024 HASNAWI 6-21-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009907

Alaa Abdulfatah Shatat has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Alaa Abdulfatah Shatat to Ayla Shatat. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 20, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: May 31, June 7, 14, 21, 2024 SHATAT 6-21-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV010203

Neville Ricardo Ferron has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Neville Ricardo Ferron to Neville Ricardo Ferron.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 18, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 22, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 FERRON 6-28-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EUGENE RAY MCCANN, AKA EUGENE R. MCCANN, AKA EUGENE MCCANN CASE NO. 24PR001383

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Eugene Ray McCann, aka Eugene R. McCann, aka Eugene McCann. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Gillianne McCann, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Gillianne McCann be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: April 25, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 CHAND 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #34-2022-00326934

Melanie Ann Anderson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Melanie Ann Anderson to Melanie Ann Bazile.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 27, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 29, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 ANDERSON 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009232

Anh Dung Tran and Thi Kim Huong Le have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anh Dung Tran to Dung Anh Tran and Thi Kim Huong Le to Huong Thi Kim Le.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 11, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: May 10, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court PUBLISH: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024 TRAN 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV009902

Gurmukh Singh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Gurmukh Singh to Gurmukh Singh Nagra.



# Council Approves Construction Contract for Complete Streets Phase 2

By Shaunna Boyd

## CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)

- At the May 9 meeting, the Citrus Heights City Council considered approval of a construction contract to begin work on Phase 2 of the Auburn Blvd. Complete Streets Project.

In the works since 2005, the Complete Streets Project focuses on improvements to the Auburn Boulevard corridor, from Sylvan Corners to the northern city limit. Phase 1, from Sylvan Corners to Rusch Park, was completed in 2014. This is the city's largest public works project, with work including undergrounding of utility lines, upgrades to traffic signals and storm drains, and installation of bike lanes and widening of sidewalks.

The project aims to increase safety and visibility throughout the corridor with decorative street lighting and to beautify the area with new trees and landscaping. Driving conditions will also be improved with the installation of a new asphalt layer on the roadway.

The engineering design process for Phase 2 was completed last spring, and through the bid process, staff identified George

Reed, Inc. as the best option for a construction contractor to complete the work.

The total cost for Phase 2 is \$35.5 million, which includes the construction contract amount, as well as costs for contingencies, construction management and design support services. Of that total, \$4 million has been budgeted from the city's General Fund, nearly \$26 million is coming from a variety of grants and the rest will be supplied by partnering agencies.

"Anyone who has concerns about how we're funding this, it's been built into our budget for quite a long time," said Councilmember Tim Schaefer.

Mayor Bret Daniels said, "It's been 19 years in the process...and we finally made it. It's going to happen."

The Complete Streets Phase 2 contracts were unanimously approved by City Council.

City Council then discussed whether to fill a vacancy on the Planning Commission or to potentially dissolve the Commission, a possibility requested by Vice Mayor Jayna Karpinsky-Costa at a prior meeting.

The Planning Commission was

established shortly after the city's incorporation to hold hearings and communicate with stakeholders, residents, staff and councilmembers regarding land use decisions. The commission reviews use permits, design review permits and subdivision maps, and makes recommendations to City Council regarding general plans, specific plans and the zoning code. There is currently one vacancy on the seven-member commission.

During Public Comment on this item, many residents spoke in support of retaining the Planning Commission, such as Kathy Morris, who said she loves Citrus Heights' "sense of community, the sense of participation, the fact that people really care about this community and they're willing to say so."

Morris said the Planning Commission provides a forum for residents to share their opinions: "You want the input from the citizens of Citrus Heights. The last thing you want to do is get rid of the Planning Commission."

Michael Lagomarsino said he previously served on the Planning Commission, as have some past and current councilmembers.

"We have heard about

how hard you work," Lagomarsino said. "Now you want to add more work to your duties?"

And Lagomarsino pointed out that if a decision made by the Planning Commission is appealed, the appeal is heard by the City Council: "If you decide to get rid of the Planning Commission, how are you going to handle the appeal process?"

Bill Van Duker previously served on the Planning Commission and said that in addition to reviewing and either approving or denying certain categories of projects, the commission also serves as a first review for projects that must come to City Council for approval.

"The projects are heard and often refined at the Planning Commission level and very often allow for the clearing up of misunderstandings on the part of neighbors before the project comes to the council," Van Duker said. "...I don't recall hearing of any you councilmembers complain because you don't have enough work to do, and if you abolish the Planning Commission, your work will certainly increase."

Albert Fox submitted a written comment, calling the idea of dissolving the Planning Commission an

"ill-planned assault upon the freedom of the community to have input on important development within the city or changes in the various city codes and regulations. ... These commissions serve as a check and balance to public planning and land use."

Mayor Daniels said he wanted to clarify that City Council "has not taken on an effort to eliminate the Planning Commission." He explained that one member requested the issue be added to the agenda and another member offered a second to allow for the conversation. Daniels said that didn't indicate support or opposition to the idea, simply a willingness to allow for discussion.

Councilmember Porsche Middleton said that as a prior member of the Planning Commission, she knows firsthand about the vital role of the commission. Middleton said she seconded the request so Vice-Mayor Karpinsky-Costa "could have her voice heard and be able to see why this is so important to our community." She said to those in attendance, "Thank you for giving us grace to have this conversation in public in the way that it's meant to be done."

Karpinsky-Costa said that she also served on the

Planning Commission in the past but she brought this item up for discussion because Citrus Heights is now mostly built out, so she doesn't think the commission is currently necessary: "There's hardly any projects left for the Planning Commission to have a final decision on."

After reviewing the last two and a half years of Commission meeting agendas, she said they had only 14 meetings during that time, because there was often nothing on the agenda for them to review or discuss.

Councilmember Schaefer, who also served on the commission, said it provides another opportunity for individuals to share their input: "That's a responsibility that we have as a council to keep that engagement, to heighten that engagement, to the greatest degree that we can. ... There's no way I can support this."

Karpinsky-Costa said, "I'll withdraw my motion to abolish."

Daniels asked if there were any motions to fill the Planning Commission vacancy. Schaefer nominated Kelsey Nelson and the motion was approved 3-2, with Karpinsky-Costa and Middleton dissenting. ★

# Field Day a Celebration for Ham Radio Enthusiasts

## Friends & Amateur Radio Communications Enthusiasts News Release

### SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Ham radio operators from the Friends & Amateur Radio Communications Enthusiasts in the Sacramento County area will participate in a national amateur radio exercise from 11 a.m. Saturday, June 22 to 12:59 p.m. on Sunday, June 23.

If you are new to Field Day, it is like Ham Radio's Open House.

Hams set up temporary transmitting stations in public places to showcase the science, skill and service of amateur radio. It is an exciting opportunity to learn, connect and demonstrate

the capabilities of this hobby. Use the Field Day Locator at [www.arrl.org/field-day-locator](http://www.arrl.org/field-day-locator) to find a site near you and join the celebration. The Friends & Amateur Radio Communications Enthusiasts group will set up operations in Diamond Springs.

The event is the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Field Day ([www.arrl.org/field-day](http://www.arrl.org/field-day)), an annual amateur radio activity organized since 1933 by the league. Hams from throughout North America ordinarily participate in Field Day by establishing temporary ham radio stations in public locations to demonstrate their skill and service. Their use of radio signals, which reach beyond borders,

bring people together while providing essential communication in the service of communities. Field Day highlights ham radio's ability to work reliably under any conditions from almost any location and create an independent, wireless communications network.

from the Sacramento, El Dorado and Placer County area will also use radio stations set up in their homes or take to their backyards and other locations to operate individually or with their families. Many hams have portable radio communication capability that includes alternative energy sources such as generators, solar panels and batteries to power their equipment.

Hams have a long history of serving our communities when storms or other disasters damage critical communication infrastructure, including cell towers. Ham radio functions are completely independent of the internet and phone systems and a station can be set up almost anywhere in minutes. Hams can quickly raise a wire antenna in a tree or on a mast, connect it to a radio and power source, and communicate effectively with others.

During Field Day 2023, more than 40,000 hams participated from thousands of locations throughout North America. Hams range in age from as young as 9 to older than 100.

For more information about American Radio Relay League Field Day and ham radio, contact the California Department of Technology Radio Association (N6CDT) at [soudabeh.najarzadeh@stateofca.gov](mailto:soudabeh.najarzadeh@stateofca.gov) or visit the Amateur Radio Club (KF6NNM) Friends & Amateur Radio Communications Enthusiasts page at [www.kf6nnm.net](http://www.kf6nnm.net).

Introductory information can be found at [www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio](http://www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio).

A self-study license guide is available from American Radio Relay League: The American Radio Relay League Ham Radio License Manual is online at [www.arrl.org/shop/Ham-Radio-License-Manual](http://www.arrl.org/shop/Ham-Radio-License-Manual). ★

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## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER 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 20, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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: Shaun D. Culbreath, Esq., 1810 Grand Canal Blvd., Suite 6, Stockton, CA 95207; 209-952-4545. Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 2024. MCCANN 6-7-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOSE HERNANDEZ CASE NO. 24PR000505

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

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

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Huck Ingram, 110 Bank Street, Grass Valley, CA 95945; 530-432-1996. Publish: May 31, June 7, 14, 2024. HERNANDEZ 6-14-24

## SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: 23CV007544

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Ravo Logistics Inc., Ravinderjit Singh and Does 1-10 inclusive.

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Transportation Alliance Bank, Inc. dba TAB Bank.

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](http://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 Website ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://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.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.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.

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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento – Gordon D. Schaber Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Melissa Robbins Coultts, Esq., McCarthy & Holthus, LLP, 2763 Camino del Rio S, Suite 100, San Diego, CA 92108, 619-685-4800. Date: (Fecha) August 29, 2023 Clerk (Secretario) S. Fry, Deputy (Adjunto) Publish: May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 2024 TAB 6-7-24





# COMICS & PUZZLES

**The Spats**

WHAT DOES JEFF BEZOS DO EVERY NIGHT BEFORE BED?

HE PUTS HIS PAJAMAZON.

by Jeff Pickering

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS **POPEYE** BY EMMY PRICOLI/BOB

ANDY THERE, WIMPY. IS YA READY TO GO?

I CERTAINLY AM, POPEYE.

YA KINT EATS TH' ANIMALS AT TH' ZOO?

YOU CAN DO ANYTHING IF YOU TRULY BELIEVE IN YOURSELF.

**Amber Waves**

GRANDPA, YOU KNOW, THIS GAME IS KIND OF BORING.

I USUALLY PLAY FIRST-PERSON VIRTUAL GAMES ON MY PLAYSTATION.

WHEN I WAS A KID WE PLAYED HOPSCOTCH, JACKS AND KICK THE CAN.

WOW, NO WONDER NO ONE EVER SMILED IN THOSE OLD-TIMEY PICTURES.

by Dave T. Phipps

WOULD YA STOP IT WIMPY? YER BEN' AWFUL!

HOW'D YA LIKES IT IF A JERK TOLD YA HOW THE'YD COOK YA UP??

SLOW-ROASTED, SERVED WITH A GREEN CHILI STUFFING.

DISGUSTPATN. I'D PAIR WELL WITH A FINE RIEGLINS.

DISGUSTPATN AN' ARROGANT!

**HOCUS-FOCUS**

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Arm is not showing. 2. Dog's tongue is moved. 3. Leg is moved. 4. Far is moved. 5. Tree limb is higher. 6. Sweater is shorter.

**Out on a Limb**

ANOTHER DAY ON THE HONEY FARM...

DANG! I REALLY HATE THAT IT'S ALWAYS ME WHO HAS TO MILK THE BEES.

by Gary Kopervas

**TIGER**

HOLD IT, TIGER!

THERE'S A LOTTA JUNK IN OUR WAY. HOW 'BOUT CLEARING IT?

ALL CLEAR, HUGO!

by BUD BLAKE

**GRIN & BEAR IT**

HOME OF THE JAYBIRDS!

"No, Figby ... a steroid-free zone doesn't mean you get them for nothing!"

**Just Like Cats & Dogs**

by Dave T. Phipps

I HAD TO ASK THE CHECKOUT GIRL FOR A NAPKIN. NEXT TIME COULD YOU PLEASE AT LEAST MAKE IT TO THE CAR TO EAT?

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  - Ukrainian person, e.g.
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  - Darn a sock, e.g.
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  - Ancient Celtic priest
  - Sun kiss
  - "Mea \_\_\_," or "my fault"
  - \*"From the Earth to the Moon" author
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  - "I'm \_\_\_ you!"
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  - \*\_\_\_ Jamison, the first African-American woman in space
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  - Prickle on a wire
  - Sylvester Stallone's nickname
  - Johnny Cash's "Get \_\_\_"
  - Churchill/Roosevelt/ Stalin meeting site
  - Model-builder's purchase
  - Gorge oneself
  - \*Planet's path
  - Type of consonant
  - Skeleton, archaic
  - Attention-getting interjection
  - Like pink steak
  - Of the Orient
  - Jousting pole
  - \*\_\_\_-year
  - Opposite of flows
  - \*Solar \_\_\_\_, sun's emission
  - Authoritative proclamation
  - Walked with long steps
  - \*Solar System center
  - Parcels
  - Birth-related
  - One-eighty
  - Manitoba native
  - Couple's pronoun
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# Caitlin Clark and the Gender Gap

By Dr. Gary Scott Smith

Social media has been abuzz since it became known that Iowa superstar Caitlin Clark, the number one draft pick in the WNBA, will make only \$76,535 this year playing with the Indiana Fever. By contrast, the NBA's most recent No. 1 pick, San Antonio Spurs center Victor Wembanyama, will make almost \$12.2 million, 161 times as much. Moreover, Wembanyama will earn \$55 million during the next four years, while Clark's salary for this period will be \$338,056. This disparity is leading many commentators to criticize the gender inequities that continue to plague most professional and collegiate sports.

Even President Joe Biden joined the fray. On X, he argued that the pay gap between the NBA and the WNBA reflects the differing opportunities of men and women. Even the best women athletes, he asserted, "are not paid their fair share." He added that "women in sports continue to push new boundaries and inspire us all."

Although Clark helped attract record-breaking TV audiences to Iowa's regular season and March Madness games and sell-out crowds to arenas throughout the nation, she will earn a meager salary compared with her NBA counterparts. Moreover, in 2023, the highest-paid WNBA player earned \$242,000, while Steph Curry earned \$55.7 million, and the NBA minimum salary was more than one million dollars. Defenders of these differential salaries stress that the NBA has existed 50 years longer than the WNBA, that it has more than twice as many teams, and that its revenue is \$10 billion a year, while that of the WNBA is only \$200 million. However, NBA players receive 50 percent of their league's revenue, while WNBA players get only 10 percent of



Iowa Hawkeyes guard Caitlin Clark (22) smiles following a game between the Iowa Hawkeyes and the Michigan Wolverines in Iowa City, Iowa on Thursday, February 15, 2024. The Hawkeyes defeated the Wolverines 106-89. (Nick Rohlman/The Gazette)

their league's proceeds. "We are not asking to get paid what the men get paid. We're asking to get paid the same percentage of revenue shared," Las Vegas Aces star Kelsey Plum declared in 2022.

Clark, of course, will make millions from endorsing various products. Her sponsorship deals with companies including State Farm and Gatorade are valued at \$3 million. Nike will reportedly sign a deal with her worth more than \$20 million that will feature a signature sneaker. Clark, who also earned several million dollars through NIL (name, image, and likeness) while at Iowa, however, is the exception. Far fewer female collegiate athletes than their male counterparts earn large amounts through endorsements.

The low salaries WNBA players, even the league's greatest stars, earn prompt many of them to play almost year-round by suiting up for teams in Russia, Turkey, and other international venues. Many of them have played in the EuroLeague, where they earned salaries 10 times higher than those they receive in the United States. The pay of the WNBA's all-time league scorer Diana Taurasi ranged from \$500,000 to \$1.5 million

while playing overseas, while the WNBA's current maximum salary is \$242,000.

While playing abroad, WNBA athletes enjoy additional perks including living in fancy villas equipped with indoor pools and saunas, cooks, chauffeurs, cash bonuses, diamond jewelry, catered lunches, shopping sprees in Paris and Venice, stays at seven-star hotels, and travel by private jets. Compared with playing in Russia, Taurasi ironically noted, playing in the WNBA was like living in nations under communist governments before the fall of the Soviet Union. Playing overseas, though, can involve risks. Remember that Brittany Griner went to play in Russia during the WNBA's off-season in 2022 where she was arrested and wrongly detained for ten months.

This wage inequality also exists in golf, soccer, and tennis where male professional athletes make anywhere from 15 percent to almost 100 percent more than female athletes. In 2023, the total prize purse for men's golf was about \$450 million compared to the \$100 million total for women's golf. The current minimum salary in Major League Soccer (MLS) is \$85,444, while

in the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) it is \$46,500. In 2022, soccer star Lionel Messi, the male athlete with the highest earnings (\$130 million), made 87 percent more than tennis star Naomi Osaka, the highest-grossing female athlete (\$51.1 million). Tennis is somewhat of an outlier as the prize money at its four major tournaments is the same for men and women, but the purse at many other events is less for women. Moreover, the total compensation female collegiate athletes are receiving through NIL pales compared with their male counterparts.

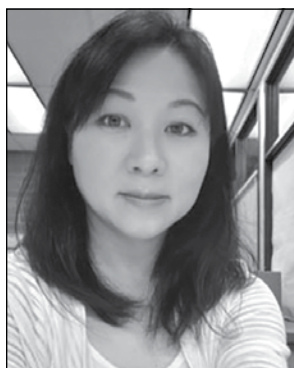
Although the large disparities in men's and women's salaries in numerous professional sports is deplorable, the bigger issue is the gender gap across all work platforms. American women still earn less than men for doing the same work and are underrepresented in management positions. They also hold far fewer political positions than men, and they often face numerous sexist barriers when they run for office and engage in political decision-making. Meanwhile, laws still discriminate against women in the areas of divorce, inheritance, and domestic violence.

In the past two decades, the gender pay gap has hardly narrowed in the United States. In 1982, women earned only 65 cents for each dollar men earned. By 2002, the situation had improved, as women made 80 cents for each dollar men received. In the next 20 years, however, little progress was made. In 2022, American women brought home 82 cents for every dollar men grossed. This gender pay gap persists even though since 1981 more women have graduated annually from college than men and today about 57 percent of college graduates are women.

Certainly, the types of jobs women hold and their giving birth to and rearing children contribute to women earning less than men, but sexual stereotyping and discrimination also play a major role. Perhaps the heated conversation about the disparity in the salaries of professional male and female athletes can inspire us to increase our efforts to end all differences in hiring and earnings based on gender.

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## Beyond the Call in Adult Protective Services



Irene Chu has been working for the County for 27 years. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

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**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - This month, Sacramento County Department of Child, Family and Adult Services (DCFAS) is celebrating employee, Irene Chu, as part of the video and story series "Beyond the Call: Chronicles of Compassion in Child, Family and Adult Services."

Having started her career with the County in Child Protective Services, Irene eventually transitioned to working with older adults through Adult Protective Services (APS). Irene has over 27 years of experience working for the County. Her background in counseling helps give her a unique perspective, allowing her to engage with clients and guide them through decision-making processes.

"The mission of Adult Protective Services is to protect the health and safety of older adults and dependent adults in our community in the least restrictive environment," Irene explains. That mission involves a delicate

balance of advocating for their well-being while also respecting their autonomy and choices.

Irene wants people to know that APS operates under regulations that encourage employees to respect the rights of older adults while addressing issues such as self-neglect, which is a unique challenge.

"Self-neglect cases require a nuanced approach," Irene said. This is because self-neglect cases highlight the complex nature of ensuring the safety of someone while still honoring their boundaries and individual agency. Self-neglect is when someone doesn't take care of their basic needs like personal hygiene or eating. Self-neglect can have many underlying causes including depression, isolation, or an underlying condition like undiagnosed Alzheimer's disease. Irene said APS workers encourage clients to weigh the pros and cons to decide whether they want help for self-neglect.

"Ultimately, we let them [the client] make the decision. Because ultimately, they have to feel that they own it, they have the ownership of that choice," Irene explains.

As a Program Planner, Irene's job goes far beyond advocating for older and disabled adults. She helps newer staff members as they learn the ropes, provides presentations, runs statistical reports, and writes and monitors contracts. Currently, Irene

is also handling a housing project that helps shelter older adults through rehousing and homeless prevention services. The project, called HomeSafe, showcases Irene's commitment to providing innovative solutions to address issues in her community.

Reflecting on her 27 years with the County, Irene says she is grateful for her career. These experiences helped her professionally and allowed her to make a meaningful impact on the lives of those she serves. As Irene continues her work, she hopes sharing her story will encourage others to seek out a long-lasting career with Sacramento County.

"I really like it so much because I really enjoy all the opportunities that I was given through the years," Irene said.

DCFAS is proud of the dedication and passion that Irene and many other employees demonstrate. Irene is a shining example of going beyond the call, and that is why the County is happy to feature her in the ongoing video series "Beyond the Call: Chronicles of Compassion in Child, Family and Adult Services."

Throughout the year, the County will continue to explore different roles within DCFAS, share how workers use their personal experience to better serve those in need, and teach people about the ongoing efforts DCFAS makes to serve Sacramento County. ★

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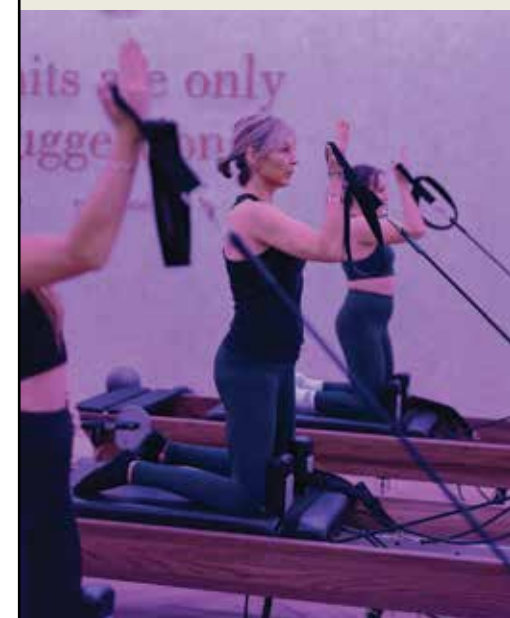
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