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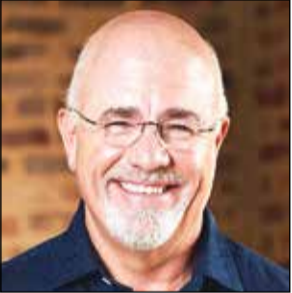
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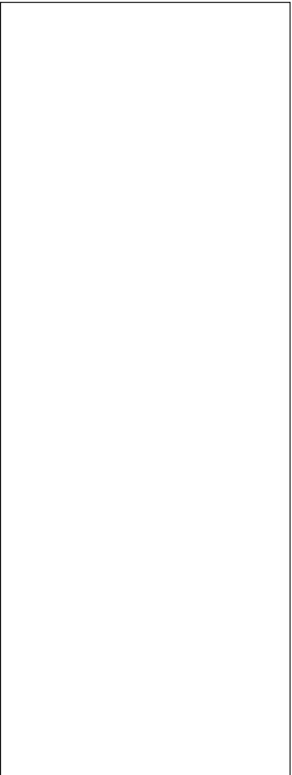


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## Live, Learn, Bulldogs! *Gridley High Class of 2024 Graduates*



Natly Banuelos, left, and Nico Donati welcome the crowd to the Gridley High School Class of 2024 graduation ceremonies.



Valedictorian AnnaGloria Luevano speaks to the crowd.

*Story and photos by Seti Long*

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley High School Class of 2024 embarked on a new journey under a setting sun as 155 students gathered one last time for commencement.

On Friday, June 7, Gridley High School students and staff spoke of the challenges and triumphs of the Class of 2024. Graduates shared their experiences balancing academic and personal priorities, while others highlighted their academic and athletic achievements. Overall, there was an emphasize on the importance of resilience, determination and enjoying the journey.

Seniors Nico Donati and Nataly Banuelos welcomed the crowd, with Donati saying, “We truly appreciate your time and commitment in supporting us through every day, week, semester and year of our time here for the high school.” He continued, “We all look forward to the many adventures ahead of us, and as our future



Excited graduates take the stage.

unfolds, we will always look back at our time here with pride and joy.”

Banuelos provided a welcome in Spanish, before turning it over to high honors students Addalyn McClellan and Hope Gallager for the Pledge of Allegiance. Graduating senior Zoey Williams then stunned attendees with her rendition of the National Anthem.

Gridley High School Principal Rikki-Lee Burresch took the podium to speak about the Class of 2024: “It’s

an honor to stand before you as your proud principal and reflect on the incredible journey we have shared. To the graduates: your achievements over the past four years have been nothing short of exceptional. You’ve set new records with your test scores. You’ve demonstrated a commitment to academic excellence that has made all of us proud. Your accomplishments and athletics have been exceptional.

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## Youth Seminary Graduates Study Teachings of Jesus Christ



Latter-day Saint youth seminary graduates study the teachings of Jesus Christ for four years. From left are Marc Emmick III, Serenity Rossiter, Conner Johns, Taylor Rickertsen, Nicholas Lammi, Regan Stewart, Carson Eccles, Isabella Bowling, Chase McLean, Earline Adams, Gracie Dewsnup, Leticia and Darrell Stewart (teachers). Not pictured is Macie Nicolson.

*Story and photo by  
Cindy Scott*

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Latter-day Saint youth have the opportunity to complete a four-year course of study focused on the life and teachings of Jesus

Christ. They attend seminary during their high school years in the morning before their regular classes.

The curriculum focuses on developing their witness of Jesus Christ, His sacrifice and His love for

them. Seminary encourages youth to strengthen their faith before attending their regular high school classes.

This year’s graduates from Biggs, Gridley and Live Oak are Earline Adams, Isabella Bowling,

Gracie Dewsnup, Carson Eccles, Marc Emmick III, Nicholas Lammi, Chase McLean, Taylor Rickertsen, Serenity Rossiter and Regan Stewart. Conner Johns and Macie Nicolson received two-year certificates. ★

## Council Terminates Emergency Declaration After Sinkhole Repaired on Archer Ave

*By Shaunna Boyd*

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - At the June 5 Live Oak City Council meeting, Mayor Ashley Hernandez and Vice-Mayor Nancy Santana were absent, so Councilmember Jeramy Chapdelaine was selected to chair the meeting.

City Council considered a resolution to terminate an emergency declaration enacted in February when a water line underneath Archer Avenue collapsed, causing a sinkhole in the roadway.

“We determined it was in the public interest to spend public funds to repair that as quickly as possible,” City engineer Scott Rolls said.

Under normal circumstances, city projects undergo a competitive public bidding process, but with a declared emergency situation, City Council waived that requirement and authorized a general contractor already working on another project in the city to perform the necessary repairs.

City engineer Rolls reported that the work is now complete and the total cost was \$45,639, “which is pretty reasonable for the amount of work that was done there.” The Butte Water District has been running water through the replaced line for a month now with no issues.

However, this was just “a temporary fix,” explained Rolls, as the crews discovered the water line was sitting right on top of a PG&E gas line, which means they had to install a much smaller pipe than planned.

Rolls said the smaller pipe should hold as long as necessary while the city finds funding to undertake the permanent replacement project, which will require shifting the locations of both the water line and the gas line for appropriate access to each.

“The full replacement is now going to be a little more complicated than I had hoped,” said Rolls. “So it’s nice that we’re not having to do that on a very tight timeline.”

City Council voted unanimously to terminate the emergency declaration and the waiver of the competitive bidding process.

Next, a resolution approving the purchase agreement for a new Pierce Enforcer

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# The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The annual Giant Edition of the Gridley Herald was last week. It is the one that has photos of all of the graduating High School youth from Biggs/Gridley/Live Oak. Grandparents love to get a copy of that edition. One of the benefits of going to school here locally is you can be a big fish in a small pond, and there is room for the local newspaper to spread the word of your fame and glory. If you were going to a big school in a bigger area, you might not make the front page like the kids of Biggs High School did last week. It is rather heartening and hope-filling to see so many young people headed into the future having accomplished completing High School. Congratulations again. The next special edition of the

major local newspaper will be the famous Letters to Santa edition in December. The always festive Publisher of the Gridley Herald, Paul Scholl, has been working on his beard the last few months; he may be able to read the letters for Santa this year as a cost-cutting and efficiency measure.

For those of you who are worried about aging gracefully, if you still see the children of your friends from high school when you look at the pullout sections of graduation, you're not old. If you look through the list of graduate names - and shiny, happy faces - and peruse for the grandchildren and great-grandchildren of your friends from high school, you are old and officially authorized to ride the Ferris Wheel (Official Ride of Old People) at the Butte County Fair in August.

Regarding the large pull-out sections for each high school graduation, take note of the kind of advertisers who threw in a couple of extra bucks to pay for the sections with the individual photos of the senior classes.

Shop there; they're good people.

It is Government budget season. California's personal income tax (PIT) and corporation tax collections in May exceeded projections by \$1.4 billion (23.9 percent) and \$752 million (124.3 percent), respectively. This news broke as the Legislature and Governor are going into weekend negotiations on what funding and cuts will be included in the final 2024-25 State budget, which is constitutionally required to be passed by June 15. The CA State budget is roughly \$291 billion. The State of Utah budget is \$29 billion, the Idaho State budget is \$5 billion, the Riverside County CA budget is \$8 billion, and the Butte County CA budget is less than a billion. Those data points give you perspective when you hear about the current state budget shortfall of \$27 billion dollars. The CA budget deficit is higher than the state budgets of Idaho and Utah combined.

Josh F.W. Cook writes to honor the late Publisher Bill Burselon. Views expressed here are solely his own. ★

# Seinfeld Cast Member to Perform in Yuba City on Sunday

By Shamaya Sutton

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Seinfeld fans are sure to be excited for the next Sunday Night Speakeasy at the Sutter Buttes Brewing in Yuba City. This special monthly event has been growing in popularity since its launch last fall. Comic headliners have included Paul Conyers, Jeff Applebaum, Ellis Rodriguez, Myles Weber, Mike Bentancourt and even Kabir "Kabezzy" Singh who was a top 15 finisher on season 16 of America's Got Talent. But one of the biggest names slated to come through town as of late is Steve Hytner, the man who turned Kenny Bania into comedic gold.

"When I went into those Seinfeld auditions, all they had for Bania's character was 'the most annoying person in the world,' but nobody really perceives themselves as annoying right? So, I decided to go in the complete opposite direction and make him nice," said Hytner.

While only appearing in a total of six Seinfeld episodes, Hytner's work left a lasting impression on audiences and casting directors alike. Although this certainly heightened his visibility in the industry, Hytner found that fame was not without its pros and cons.

"The show was so successful, and the character became so known that when I was doing dramatic auditions you could feel the room be like 'can we really cast Bania in this part?'" said Hytner. "As soon as my face hit the screen people would start laughing, but that's necessarily a good thing for a drama. But I'm not the type that's going to complain about being recognized."

Growing up just 20 minutes outside Manhattan, Hytner started training and performing fresh out of high school. He reportedly caught the acting bug while watching another



A snapshot of Steve Hytner playing Kenny Bania in an episode of Seinfeld. Hytner is slated to perform two shows at Sutter Buttes Brewing in Yuba City on Father's Day. Courtesy photo

classmate perform and decided he could "do it better."

"I was very into sports when I was a kid and it was very much a competitive sports mentality that got me into this," explained Hytner. "My best friend, who was a year older than me, did a play and everybody thought that he was hilarious. In my mind I was like 'I'm funnier than he is, I'm going to do a play and show everybody I'm funnier,' and I did. And really as I pursued my career, I really did pursue it in that light of wanting to prove I could monetize what I was doing, that's the success level I always put on myself."

And succeeded he did, after flourishing in the 1980's New York comedy scene, Hytner was off to Los Angeles where he would work consistently as an actor for 20 years. Some of his most notable film projects include The Prophecy, EuroTrip, and Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle, although Hytner admits to favoring television.

"It's not always the success of a project, sometimes you just like playing a particular character," said Hytner in reference to an NBC sitcom series called Working. "The acting biz has decided they want me to do more of the comedic roles so whenever I can land a dramatic role,

I get a kick out of playing it. But to me the comedic stuff is so much harder. With editing you can make anybody into a decent dramatic actor, but you can't edit your way into funny. It's either there on the film or it's not."

Currently, Hytner and his wife reside in the Reno-Tahoe area, but this prominent performer once called Grass Valley home. It was there that Hytner re-fired his stand-up career while staying close to family. His upcoming performance at Sutter Buttes Brewing will mark his first appearance in Yuba City and he looks forward to meeting the locals, especially "Chicago" Steve Barkley, another established comedian who serves as the brewery's resident talent booker.

"Who doesn't want to see Bania?" said Barkley excitedly. "I've heard nothing but good things about him and people always say he's great with the crowd and very engaged with his fans."

Barkley will open for Hytner on Sunday, June 16, during the two scheduled performances. The first show will start at 5 p.m. and the second at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available online at sutterbuttesbrewing.com or by calling 530-790-7999. Sutter Buttes Brewing is located at 421 Center St. in Yuba City. ★

# Fatal Airplane Crash Occurs in Richvale

Butte County Sheriff's Office Media Release

RICHVALE, CA (MPG) - On May 28, at approximately 1:48 p.m., the Butte County Sheriff's Office dispatch center began receiving calls about an airplane crash at the Richvale Airport. Dispatchers determined a crop duster aircraft crashed at the end of the

runway and the pilot was trapped inside the aircraft.

Butte County Sheriff's Office deputies, CAL FIRE and medical personnel immediately responded. The pilot was removed from the aircraft and personnel immediately began providing lifesaving efforts. Despite the lifesaving efforts provided, the pilot did not survive.

The pilot was identified as Hugh Mattingly, 63, of Chico.

Deputies contacted the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). National Transportation Safety Board staff arrived at the Richvale Airport on May 29 and will oversee the investigation. ★



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# Live, Learn, Bulldogs! GHS Class of 2024 Graduates



Graduating high honors students look to their futures with smiles.

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Showcasing not only your talent but also your teamwork, determination and sportsmanship, your dedication to your cunning and wily senior pranks are sure to be remembered.”  
She introduced teacher Don McCabe, fan favorite and requested speaker by the Class of 2024. McCabe provided an entertaining and comical talk, encouraging the graduates to enjoy life and the newfound experiences waiting for them.  
The crowd then had the privilege of hearing from Salutatorian Nicole Velasco, who carried a 4.32 GPA. She recalled the trials that her class faced, including the Oroville Dam crisis, Camp Fire and COVID-19.  
“I am proud to be part of this graduating class because we were able to triumph, despite all of the obstacles that presented

themselves through our years in elementary, middle and high school.” said Velasco.  
She thanked the crowd and Gridley High School staff, saying “we owe you a debt of gratitude for all that you have helped us achieve.”  
Gridley High School Class of 2024 Valedictorian Anna-Gloria Luevano spoke to the crowd next. Luevano carried a 4.36 GPA as well as having the distinction of being a champion athlete.  
Luevano spoke of the importance of balancing hard work while remembering to be mindful and have fun.  
“What I took away from just this year is that it's important to slow down and be present, instead of always worrying about the future,” Luevano said.  
She encouraged her classmates to take chances

and follow their dreams.  
“I'm standing here to tell you to go for it. Go do that thing, instead of wishing you did,” said Luevano.  
Staff members then recognized high achievers, outstanding athletes, CTE pathway students and more.  
As Buresch mentioned earlier, it would not be graduation for the Class of 2024 without one last prank. Buresch was to shake the hands of each student before they received their diploma.  
As the first student to cross the graduation stage, Luevano handed Buresch a large glass mason jar. As each student made their way to shake their principal's hand, they handed her a key.  
“I hope you cherish the memories you made here at Gridley High School. Cherish the friendships you've made and continue to strive for excellence

in all that you do,” said Buresch to the Class of 2024.  
Buresch continued, “You have proven to be all-around wonderful people. You are kind, compassionate and resilient as you step into the next chapter of your lives. I encourage you to carry with you your class quote, ‘live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.’”  
The mystery of the keys was solved later after each graduate had received their diplomas and most had left with their families. That's when Principal Buresch and her husband found a boot on their car, with one of the keys in the jar the one to unlock it. Buresch quickly enlisted the help of the school resource officer, who was in on the prank and held the correct key in her possession. It all ended in good fun and lasting memories. ★



Senior Zoey Williams performs the National Anthem for her graduating class.



Gridley High School Salutatorian Nicole Velasco speaks to the crowd.



Graduating seniors showed their spunk as they took to the commencement stage with special handshakes, dance moves and more.



Gridley High School High Honors and Honors students were asked to stand and be recognized for their academic excellence.

## Homebuyer Assistance Program Available to Help Households Impacted by Wildfires

### Golden State Finance Authority News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On June 10, Golden State Finance Authority (GSFA) launched the ReCoverCA Homebuyer Assistance (DR-HBA) Program to support individuals and families in California impacted by the devastating wildfires and other declared disasters in 2018 and 2020.  
The Program, managed by GSFA and funded by a \$28 million grant from the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is designed to help low- and

moderate-income residents (homeowners or renters) of the Most Impacted and Distressed (MID) California counties to relocate outside of high fire hazard severity zones. The homeownership assistance given to qualifying households is provided in the form of a forgivable loan, up to \$350,000, to cover the funding gap between the First Mortgage Loan amount and the purchase price of a home.  
“This financial assistance could really make a difference in people's lives,” said Lake County Supervisor EJ Crandell. “When one family gains some stability,

they are better able to show up in their employment, in their education, in their relationships with friends and family and in their community. When one family succeeds in taking a step forward in recovery, we all benefit.”  
Low-to-moderate income homeowners and renters whose primary residence, at the time of the qualifying disasters in 2018 or 2020, was located in high or very high fire severity zones in an MID county will be eligible to apply for the DR-HBA Program. Eligible MID counties are: 2018 - Butte, Lake, Los Angeles and Shasta Counties; 2020 - Butte, Fresno,

Los Angeles, Napa, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Siskiyou, Solano and Sonoma Counties.  
“It is difficult for many families that lost their homes to wildfire to simply rebuild in the same location due to construction costs, fire insurance requirements and other factors. In fact, many families had to relocate temporarily, even obtaining new jobs in a different location,” said Craig Ferguson, Deputy Director of GSFA. “ReCoverCA homebuyer assistance will be a big boost to help them start again with long-term housing and less fire risk going forward. We are excited to

be a part of such a positive recovery effort.”  
The grant provided by HCD is part of the State's Disaster Recovery Action Plan for the 2018 and 2020 disasters and made possible through a Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).  
Complete program policies, eligibility requirements, interest rates, APRs, and loan applications are available through a network of ReCoverCA approved lenders, published on the GSFA website [www.gsfahome.org](http://www.gsfahome.org). ★

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# Solis Sentencing Continued

By Seti Long

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Former Gridley Unified School District teacher Michelle Solis appeared in a packed courtroom at 1:30 p.m. June 6 for sentencing.

The middle school teacher was found guilty of unlawful sex with a minor 261.5 (d) PC after pleading “no contest” to the charge on April 23.

Attorney Matthew Clinton Smith, who represents Solis, requested a continuance to complete a psychiatric evaluation on the defendant before she is sentenced.

The prosecution's J. Bennett with the Butte County District Attorney's Office requested that Solis be remanded to jail and that the conditions surrounding the restraining order in place between her and the victim be amended.

Judge Michael Deems amended the original stay-away orders requiring Solis to stay 150 feet from the victim to include all children except her own and ordered her to keep away from locations where minors congregate, including public parks and sporting games.

The victim's family was present during the hearing and his mother penned a powerful letter, which was read aloud to the courtroom.

Deems agreed to a continuance and denied the prosecution's request to remand Solis to jail.

Sentencing has been continued to 1:30 p.m. June 27 at the Butte County Superior Court in Oroville. ★

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# Chico Man Arraigned on Murder Charge in Golf Club Killing

**Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release**

**CHICO, CA (MPG)** - A Chico man was in Butte County Superior Court on May 30 to face a murder charge for the killing of another man with a golf club.

Hunter Edward Hamlin Harris, 28, of Chico, appeared before a judge and was read the charge of murder with the use of a weapon, a golf putter.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said his office filed the charge on Harris for the killing of Austin Robert Olson-Wanick, 29, of Chico, on the morning of May 26.

Ramsey said an

investigation by Chico Police detectives revealed Harris and Olson-Wanick were staying in an apartment in the 2500 block of the Esplanade in Chico with other people and got into a physical fight outside the apartment that morning. The fight was broken up by persons in the apartment and the two men returned back inside the apartment, according to the District's Attorney Office.

However, according to the District's Attorney Office, a second physical altercation erupted inside the apartment where Harris allegedly struck Olson-Wanick multiple times in the head and neck area with a golf putter. Ramsey

said it is unclear, at this time, the exact cause of death as Olson-Wanick also suffered severe blood loss from a puncture wound to his neck by the broken shaft of the putter. A forensic autopsy is currently pending.

Ramsey said that Harris fled the scene of the crime and was found by Chico Police and arrested two hours later for Olsen-Wanick's murder.

On May 30, the judge continued Harris' arraignment to June 5, after press time, for entry of plea and setting of a preliminary hearing. The judge remanded Harris back to the Butte County Jail to be held in lieu of \$1,125,000 bail.

# Legislative Republican Leaders Announce Opposition to Poison Pills in Retail Theft Bills

**Office of Assemblyman James Gallagher News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On June 7, Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher (R-Yuba City) and Senate Minority Leader Brian Jones (R-San Diego) sent a letter to Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas and Senate pro Tempore Mike McGuire announcing their opposition to a Democrat-led attempt to interfere in California's initiative process by adding language automatically repealing several bills addressing retail theft if voters

enact the Homelessness, Drug Addiction & Theft Reduction Act.

"Democrats need to stop playing politics with public safety and let voters decide on fixing Prop. 47," said Leader Gallagher. "These poison pills show that Democrats aren't serious about ending the crime wave—they just want to look like they're doing something because their years-long support for criminals has become a political liability."

In the letter, they urge legislative leaders to not support any legislation that contains language undermining Californians' right

to vote on the initiative to repeal parts of Prop. 47.

"To combat the California crime wave, we need to strengthen our laws, both in the Legislature and at the ballot box," said Leader Jones. "It's irresponsible to force voters into a false choice between the two. Unfortunately, some Democrat politicians are too prideful to admit their mistake with Prop 47 and they continue to deny the desperate need for reform. The Democrats' poison pill amendments are a cynical attempt to mislead voters and prevent the necessary overhaul of our broken laws."

# Save the Date - Music Camp

**Gridley Christian Church News Release**

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley Christian Church will hold Music Camp July 15 to 21 for kids four years old through eighth grade. Monday through Friday, the kids will meet from 3 to 5 p.m. to learn five great songs from the "Who, What, When, Where, Why" mini-musical. Four Bible lessons will be taught, highlighting the importance of having a relationship with Jesus. Kids will also learn simple choreography to go with the songs and learn sign language to memorize a Bible verse. The older group of kids will learn to play two songs using song bells. The younger group will learn basic rhythm

patterns using rhythm instruments. Crafts, snacks, and recreation will round out our time together.

On Saturday July 20, the dress rehearsal will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. On Sunday, two performances of the mini musical will be at 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

This should be a fun week for kids. There is no charge for participation in Music Camp. Call Bonnie at 530-933-9845 to register your child.

Gridley Christian Church is located on the corner of Hazel and Washington streets. It is a place where everyone is family. Call 530-846-4002 for more information or to talk with Pastor Ed about any concerns you might have.

# Oroville Vehicle Pursuit Results in Arrest

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

**OROVILLE, CA (MPG)** - On June 9, at approximately 12:36 a.m., a Butte County Sheriff's Office (BCSO) deputy conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a Chevy truck in the area of Highway 70 and Ophir Road, Oroville. The deputy reportedly had information that George Wright, 25, of Oroville, who had several felony arrest warrants for evading law enforcement and being a prohibited person in possession of firearms and ammunition, was possibly associated with the truck.

When the truck was coming to a stop, according to the Sheriff's Office, Wright opened the

passenger door of the truck and fled on foot. Deputies pursued Wright on foot but lost sight of Wright after he entered an area with dense vegetation, according to the Sheriff's Office. Deputies conducted an extensive search for Wright with the assistance of Butte County Sheriff's Office K9 Enzo and a Chico Police Department drone. Deputies were not able to locate Wright.

The driver of the truck was identified as Justin Beall, 49, of Oroville. Deputies said they located evidence that Beall knew Wright was wanted for multiple felony charges and Beall was helping transport Wright from Chico to Oroville. Beall was placed under arrest for harboring a fugitive.


At approximately 7:17 a.m. June 9, Butte County Sheriff's Office reportedly received a call from a business owner in the area of Stuart Court, Oroville. The business owner reported his Dodge truck had been stolen.

At approximately 11:49 a.m. June 9, Butte County Sheriff's Office received information from the business owner that he had located his stolen truck and an individual later identified as Wright, near Oregon Gulch Road and Potters Ravine Road, Oroville. Deputies responded, located Wright, and placed him under arrest. Wright was booked into the Butte County Sheriff's Office Jail. The stolen truck was returned to the business owner.



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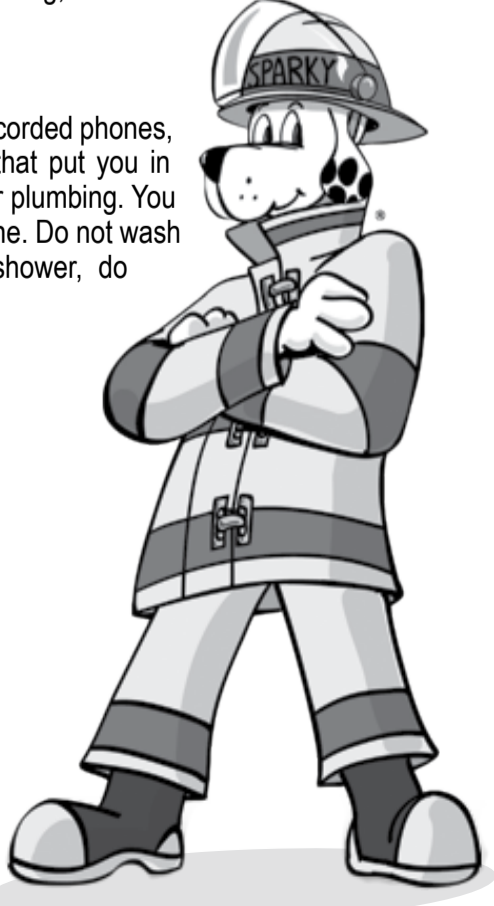
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**Outdoor Safety**

- If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Look for shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away.
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- Stay away from windows and doors. Stay off porches.
- There is no safe place outside. Places with only a roof on sports fields, golf courses, and picnic areas are not safe during a lightning storm. Small sheds should not be used.
- If a person is struck by lightning, call 9-1-1. Get medical help right away.

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Turn off computers. Stay off corded phones, computers, and other things that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. You can use a cell or cordless phone. Do not wash your hands, bathe, take a shower, do laundry, or wash dishes.



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**Date:** Tuesday, June 18, 2024 | **Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am

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

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**Date:** Thursday, June 20, 2024 | **Time:** 9:00am – 11:00am

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# Final Defendant in 2020 Double Homicide Pleads to the Murders

## Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - On May 30, an Oroville man became the last of three defendants to plead no contest to an October 2020 double homicide involving the sale of marijuana.

Kyle Mathew Smith, 27, entered his plea in Butte County Superior Court on May 30 to two counts of second-degree murder for the October 20, 2020, slayings of brothers Jerry and Randy Bonds, 39 and 33. The Bonds brothers, who had traveled from Florida to California to purchase marijuana from Smith and his two codefendants, were killed in a remote area near Forbestown in Butte County.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the investigation into the murder of the Bonds brothers began a day after the killing when family members from Florida called the Butte County Sheriff's Office to report them missing. An

investigation showed the brothers had flown into a Los Angeles airport on October 19, 2020, rented an Audi, and then drove to Oroville and checked into a local motel, then went missing.

On October 21, 2020, the Reno, Nevada police department received a 911 call from a man who said he had just talked with three visitors who told him they killed two black men in the Oroville area. Reno police reported this to the Butte County Sheriff's Office, who found two of the named visitors lived in Oroville.

On October 22, 2020, during a stakeout of the Oroville residence of Michael Griff, 25, one of the suspects, a traffic stop was conducted on a vehicle leaving the residence. Austin Hogan, 25, of Oroville, and Smith, who had recently returned from Texas, were located in the vehicle and arrested. When the sheriff's detectives searched the vehicle, property belonging to the Bonds brothers was found in the trunk. Griff was found in

his residence with more property of the Bonds brothers, thousands of dollars in cash, and a significant amount of marijuana bud.

When interviewed, Smith provided the location of the Bonds

by Griff and Hogan but claimed he was unaware of their murderous intent. However, Griff's girlfriend later informed detectives that just one day before the murder, she had overheard the men discussing the possi-

and Hogan then traveled in another vehicle they brought and visited a male friend in an attempt to set up an alibi. But instead of providing the three with an alibi, their friend reported them to the Reno police. The man later testified at a preliminary hearing for Griff.

Ramsey said the evidence did establish both Griff and Hogan to be the shooters. They had led the Bonds brothers to the remote Forbestown location to sell the brothers marijuana out of the trunk of the car that Griff and Hogan drove to that location. Smith had also driven to the location in a separate vehicle and was waiting for everyone. As the Bonds brothers approached the Griff/Hogan vehicle, Hogan pulled a shotgun from its trunk and opened fire. Griff then pulled a pistol from his belt and also fired upon the Bonds brothers. Although Smith did not fire upon the brothers, the evidence established his role to be an aider and abettor and a conspirator in the murders. All three of the

defendants then covered the Bonds brothers' bodies under logs and debris.

On June 13, 2023, Griff pled guilty to two counts of first-degree murder and was sentenced to 50 years to life in state prison.

On that same day, Hogan pled guilty to two counts of second-degree murder. His sentencing date has been postponed in anticipation of testifying against Kyle Smith. With the resolution of Kyle Smith's case, a date for his sentencing will be set on June 12, 2024.

Ramsey said, "Today's plea ensures all those responsible for the murders of Jerry and Randy Bonds will receive justice. This case has been a sobering reminder of the violence that can arise from our local illegal marijuana industry. We hope the resolution of this case provides some measure of peace and closure to the Bonds family."

Kyle Smith's sentencing is set for June 26, when he will be sentenced to 30 years to life in state prison. ★



brothers' bodies to detectives. When detectives arrived at the described location, they found the bodies riddled with multiple gunshot wounds. Smith initially told detectives the shootings were carried out

bility of having to kill the Bonds.

The investigation also revealed that on the day after the murders, Smith drove the Bonds brothers' Audi to a Reno casino and left it in the casino parking lot. Smith, Griff,



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# Former Correctional Deputy Sentenced to Misdemeanor Probation

## Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release

**CHICO, CA (MPG)** - A 43-year-old former correctional deputy with the Butte County Sheriff's Office was sentenced May 17 after pleading on March 27 to felony driving under the influence causing injury for an incident occurring on April 24, 2023.

Andrew Karl Gertz had also admitted an enhancement for injuring more than one victim, as well as an enhancement for inflicting great bodily injury upon one of the people he collided with.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said that although Gertz

pled to a felony in March, his attorney requested the sentencing judge to reduce the charge from a felony to a misdemeanor and strike the injury enhancements, thereby sentencing Gertz to a lesser grant of misdemeanor probation. Gertz's attorney made the request citing Gertz's lack of criminal history, Gertz's remorse for the pain he caused, and Gertz's service to the community during his 18 years as a correctional deputy.

Ramsey said his office opposed this request for a reduction, pointing out the crippling consequences of Gertz's actions. Victim impact statements were provided to the judge, the most significant of which highlighted the great bodily



**Butte County Superior Court Judge Corie Caraway ultimately granted Gertz's request, reducing the case to a misdemeanor and sentencing Gertz to misdemeanor probation for his crimes.** Photo courtesy Katrin Bolovtsova via Pexels

injuries suffered by one of the drivers struck by Gertz. The victim had to have extensive back surgery as a result of Gertz's actions and now requires a

cane to move. The 72-year-old victim told the judge about his inability to throw darts anymore, help around the house, or go riding his Harley with his wife.

Butte County Superior Court Judge Corie Caraway ultimately granted Gertz's request, reducing the case to a misdemeanor and sentencing Gertz to misdemeanor probation for his crimes. The judge mentioned the unusual circumstances of this case, particularly the facts that Gertz had recently been prescribed Ambien as a result of a work-related injury and that the Ambien caused Gertz to be in an "unconscious state" due to the adverse reaction to the drug. When contacted by the Chico Police Department, Gertz was found to be holding a pet snake in his lap while driving, and it was later discovered Gertz had left

his home garage door and front door wide open. The judge acknowledged Gertz's remorse before sentencing him to three years formal probation with conditions of 30 days home incarceration, search and testing for alcohol and drugs, loss of his driving privilege for one year, a requirement to take a DUI school, and a requirement to have an ignition interlock device on his car to prevent it from starting without a clean breath test. The judge also fined Gertz over \$1980 in fines and ordered another hearing to determine the amount of restitution Gertz will have to pay the victims for their medical expenses and car damage. ★

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The following person(s) are doing business as: The Spa at Studio J, 1030 Spruce Street, Gridley, CA 95948  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000435  
The following person(s) has (have) abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name: Pippin Grove, 2190 North Avenue, Chico, CA 95926  
Kirstin L Bolton, 14081 Heiderose Lane, Chico, CA 95973 and Megan Y Arnold, 2190 North Avenue, Chico, CA 95926  
Original filing date: 6/9/2023; Statement expires: 6/9/2028. The Registrant began transacting business on: 5/28/2024. Business conducted by: A General Partnership. Date Filed in Butte County: May 28, 2024.  
This statement was filed in the office of Keaton Denlay, County Clerk of Butte County  
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PIPPIN 6-28-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV01378  
Petitioner Idell Ariayne

McCallum filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Adam Mikel Brettrunner to Adam Mikel McCallum.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing June 26, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on May 10, 2024  
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: May 24, 31, June 7, 14, 2024  
MCCALLUM 6-14-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV01411  
Petitioner Ashley Rosales Calderon filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Mateo Cruz Pettigrew to Mateo Cruz Calderon.  
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Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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CALDERON 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #24CV01645  
Petitioner Thomas Marcus Reed filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Thomas Marcus Reed to Thomas Marcus Reed Crabtree.  
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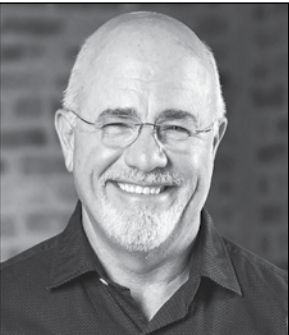
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Petitioner Heather Carlene Guardo filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Heather Carlene Guardo to Heather Carlene Jacobson.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hear-

ing July 17, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on May 16, 2024  
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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TRUSTEE SALE

TS No.: S.477-1196 APN: 003-503-006-000; 003-503-007-000; 003-503-008-000; 003-503-009-000 Title Order No.: 220625372-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/4/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: KATHLEEN G MACIAS Duly Appointed Trustee: PROBER AND RAPHAEL, ALC Recorded 6/25/2007 as Instrument No. 2007-0005157 in book N/A, page N/A of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, Date of Sale: 6/26/2024 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: Plumas County Courthouse, 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971, East Entrance Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$301,271.27 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 310 TAMARACK WAY LA PORTE, California 95981 A.P.N.: 003-503-006-000; 003-503-007-000; 003-503-008-000; 003-503-009-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for

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Think, Pray and Find Your Calling

Dear Dave,

My husband and I have been very blessed financially over the course of our lives. We make a little over \$200,000 a year combined, and we currently have a net worth of around \$4 million. But what do you do when you're not motivated by that kind of thing anymore? How do you find and live out God's purpose for your life, when you've already had a better life than you ever expected?

— Amanda

Dear Amanda

I can't tell you what your calling is, but I can say this. There's a lot of fulfillment and joy to be found when you're doing something that serves the people and things in your life that matter most.

If you've studied psychology a bit, you may remember something called Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs. Basically, it says once your physiological and safety needs have been

Dave Ramsey Says

met, you begin to feel the need to find other things to motivate you. It sounds like you're both hard-working, performance-driven people. I am, too. And people like us get our relaxation, and even fulfillment, away from work in different ways than most people.

If I were in your shoes, I'd start trying to think about ways you can serve other people or causes you care about. Maybe there were dreams you had a long time ago, and you put them aside for your career. What really speaks to you right now, at this stage of your life? For you, if you have kids in the house, it might mean becoming a stay-at-home mom and really pouring yourself into them. It might mean starting an animal shelter, or providing meals for people who are homebound. Everyone has dreams, and everyone's dreams are different.

It sounds like you've been thinking about this for a while, so here's my advice to you. Take a day, or even a weekend, all to yourself. Get away from everything and everyone—any and all outside distractions—and think about your future self. Bring along things to eat and drink, a bunch of notepads, pencils and a

Bible. Then, before you do anything else, take a deep breath, relax and pray.

From that point on, be completely honest with God and with yourself. Open up your heart and mind to things you care about and all the possibilities. You have to have a goal that's worthy in mind, and that's the one thing that's missing. But a time of thoughtful prayer—and yes, even daydreaming—may just put you closer to an answer than you've ever been before.

Congratulations on your success, Amanda. You and your husband truly have been blessed. But now, it may be the time to become a blessing to others!

— 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. ★

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

HOT, HOT, HOT, probably cooler by now. The heat a week ago might have slowed down the tomatoes. Yes, they like the heat but not in the 100s. The zucchinis are not phased. I hope you gave the fruit trees a bit more water if they have fruit on them. One small agave I have it getting too much water. Between that and

the higher than usual heat it is looking like it is trying to rot. I have to move it out of the path of the sprinkler. It's always surprising what gets ruined by early heat. The patio umbrella that covers the turtle pond and helps with the alga problem is old and gave up the ghost by ripping to shreds. Unfortunate to happen in extra heat because it also helps keep the water a bit cooler. Hopefully the aerator and the filter are supplying enough air to help the fish.

The beautiful double tiger lilies will be opening soon. They like it hot. Always seems odd that they hold up so well in the summer. They are a bit early this year. The other types of tiger lilies in the

front were knocked down by the wind and are giving up the ghost due to the heat. I propped them but the wind switched directions and blew them down again. The abutilons in the front have gone nuts. I haven't trimmed them back as I usually do and they are huge. Full of flowers and quite wonderful but soon they will be leaning over the neighbor fence and being a nuisance. Some folks don't like visiting plants.

The blueberries are done and I will be adding acid fertilizer to their soil. It doesn't make them grow more now but it helps them for next year. May your gardens have abundance as we go through the Summer Solstice. ★



Harvest Time Arrives for Shrinking California Apricot Sector

After years of removing trees, California's remaining apricot growers say they have found a balance between supply and demand, allowing the crop to be profitable. But the downward trend in production has reduced the sector to a fraction of what it once was, even though the Golden State remains the nation's top producer of apricots. So many apricot orchards have vanished that even a slight increase in acreage could "bump you back up into an oversupply situation," said Stanislaus County grower Daniel Bays, who serves as president of Apricot Producers of California.

Grasshopper Season is Anxiety Season For Farmers In North State

Grasshoppers and Mormon crickets, which travel great distances and destroy crops, are expected to make another unwelcome appearance in North State farm fields this year. University of California Cooperative Extension farm advisors say the grasshoppers, which lay eggs in the fall and begin hatching by summer, are usually more isolated to rangeland and irrigated pasture than irrigated row crops. Amid dry conditions in recent years, farmers in Siskiyou and Modoc counties have reported tens of millions of dollars in crop losses due to feeding grasshoppers and crickets.

Concerns by Wildlife Agencies Delay Farmers' Plans to Conserve Colorado River Water

Imperial Valley farmers preparing to participate this summer in programs to conserve Colorado River water have had to put their plans on hold due to concerns from wildlife agencies that reduced farm water use could result in habitat loss for three endangered species that live in the region. The short-term conservation effort would be the largest ever on the Colorado River. But earlier this year, during the environmental review process, wildlife agencies requested a biological consultation to ensure the programs would not violate laws that prohibit killing or harming endangered species.

Study: Reduced flows for farming stir up dust from Salton Sea

The Salton Sea, formed in 1905 after the Colorado River overflowed its banks, has been fed since primarily by water runoff from agricultural operations for almost a century. Now a new research paper in the American Journal of Agricultural Economics finds that, as farmers have reduced water consumption to help increase water deliveries to San Diego County communities, flows to the lake have decreased and dust pollution has increased. The report's co-author said disadvantaged neighborhoods located near the Salton Sea have been most affected by dust. ★

Thoughts to Ponder

by Kathy Neal

Gridley United Methodist Church

In a few days we celebrate a national day for fathers. But everyday should be a day we honor our earthly fathers but most of all our Heavenly Father.

In the Ten Commandments the only one that carries a promise is the one that deals with our parents. "Honor your mother and father so that your days may be long on this earth."

Do you ever wonder why God put such importance on how we treat our parents? As the only parent Adam and Eve knew, God wanted an honest and caring relationship with His children. He even chose a man and a tribe to be His people to show to the world His love and mercy.

To this day God's chosen are here to spread His glory. But He extended His love to the gentiles, the others of the earth, to be their saving grace.

To honor our parents is to be respectful, honest, and loving to our earthly family. Now don't get me wrong, some parents are awful, live in hate, and abuse their children. For children to be

kind and respectful to hurtful parents is hard. That is where help and forgiveness come to being. Love covers a multitude of sins, but forgiveness lets go of feelings for peace.

The one thing we can count on is that our heavenly Father and Creator always keeps His promises to His children. "I will rescue you; I will lift you up; I will change your heart and fill it with love; I will bring you home!"

As you celebrate with your earthly father or visit his final resting place remember the joy of times spent with family and praise God for you have shared your life with Him. Just remember without your heavenly Father and your earthly father you would not be here.

Jesus glorified His Father and so should we. Show love and joy for your life because of your Father(s).

The Gridley United Methodist Church is located at 285 Magnolia Street. We meet for worship at 10 am. All are welcome! ★



Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

When the Rafter E branded recently, a bunch of us went out to help. There's a definite pecking order here, and it's a badge of pride to have worked your way up the branding ladder.

As a kid, you flank the calves; you grab them, throw them and hold them down. This is conducive to abrasions, muscle strain, and involuntarily changing the color of your shirt.

I Haven't Had Black Leg Since

As you get older, you get to handle the branding iron, then move up to giving shots. After that comes earmarking. When you reach the pinnacle of branding, that is, when you own the calves, then you get to rope the calves and drag them up to the fire.

It is a swirling cauldron of heat and hooves, excited cowdogs and bawling cows. There is the smell of manure and singed hair and sweat and corral dust.

At the Rafter E, I wielded a syringe as the youngsters got their teeth rattled by the heavy stuff.

Wasn't the first time I'd given the shots, though. Once during a branding at the Triangle Cross, I was about to immunize a calf when the calf jumped and I stuck the needle into my thumb.

Hurt like the dickens, of course, but at least it was effective. I haven't had black leg since.

Brought to you by "Whimsy Castle," the new novel by Slim Randles <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/whimsy-castle-slim-randles/1145573423?ean=9798893151763> ★

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I'M ON A "CRASH" DIET.

by Jeff Pickering

I'M GONNA ASK MY PARENTS IF I CAN GET SOME MONEY TO GO WITH YOU TO THE MOVIE.

YEAH, I WOULD ASK YOUR MOTHER. THAT'S REALLY MORE HER DEPARTMENT.

SORRY, HONEY, ASK YOUR DAD. THAT'S NOT MY DEPARTMENT.

OH, FORGET IT. THE CUSTOMER SERVICE HERE IS TERRIBLE.

SO THERE WE WERE, ME, FITZY AND DALE FISHING ON MY BOAT. WE'D BEEN DRINKING ALL DAY. WE WERE DRUNK AS SKUN...

STOP RIGHT THERE, CARL... DON'T SAY IT!!!

KERVAS

I'M LEARNING A PIECE TO PLAY FOR DAD

AND I THINK I GOT IT!

LET HIM THINK I GOT IT!

HOW'D IT GO?

HE WANTED TO SEE HOW IT WOULD SOUND FROM OUT HERE

BUT BLAME

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# POPEYE

BY RANDY M. HOLLAND

I SHALL NOW REACH BEYOND THE VEIL AND CONTACT THE MOST DISGUSTING, UGLY CREATURE TO BLIGHT ALL OF EXISTENCE.

LANCELOT, WHEN YOU'RE DONE WITH YOUR CHORES, GO PICK UP SOME BASILISK SCALES FOR MY SISTER.

UGH, FINE...

I DUNNO. WHAT'S HER NAME?

NO IDEA.

HOW DO YOU NOT KNOW YOUR OWN SISTER'S NAME?

NO IDEA.

SHE AND I PRACTICE AN OLD MAGIC, ONCE WE RECEIVED OUR POWERS, WE CHOSE OUR TRUE NAMES.

YOU DONT SHARE YOUR TRUE NAME WITH ANYONE 'CUZ IT'S THE SOURCE OF YOUR POWER. YOU'D BE GIVING SOMEONE POWER OVER YOU.

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A black and white cartoon illustration. A dog, resembling a Weimaraner, is wearing dark sunglasses and is driving a riding lawnmower. The dog has a confident, slightly smug expression. A cat, also resembling a Weimaraner, stands to the right of the mower, looking at the dog with a disapproving or grumpy expression. A speech bubble originates from the cat, containing the text: "DEAR, I KNOW YOU LOVE YOUR NEW TOY, BUT I HATE TO BREAK IT TO YOU. NOT EVEN BRAD PITT LOOKS COOL RIDING A MOWER." The background is minimal, with some tufts of grass indicated by simple lines.

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# Area Flooded with All-League Selections in Baseball/Softball



Live Oak 2024 infielder Olivia Nanez (6) was the only softball player for the Lady Lions to be named to the All-Sacramento Valley League team.



Biggs 2024 infielder Emiliano Bermudez (3) was named to the All-Mid Valley League team.



2025 pitcher Reese Stevens (2) was named to the All-Butte View League team.



2024 pitcher/infielder Zach Smith (2) was named to the All-Mid Valley League team.



2025 pitcher/outfielder Davis Long (8) was named to the All-Mid Valley League team.

## Story and photos by Steven Bryla

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - The area was represented well as the All-League teams were revealed within the last couple of weeks as 19 local high-school athletes were named to their All-League teams in baseball and softball.

### Live Oak - Sacramento Valley League

2024 infielder Olivia Nanez was named to the All-SVL team for the Lady Lions. Nanez led Live Oak with a .474 batting average and most extra-base hits on the team this season with 14. Her range at shortstop and strong arm made a lot of hard plays routine if the ball was hit to her.

2025 infielder/pitcher T.J. Ehrke got the lone spot for the Live Oak baseball team this past season. On the mound, Ehrke tossed a no-hitter against Esparto on March 5. He hit .324 from the plate and led the Lions in hits (22) and runs-batted-in (RBIs) with 23. The seven wins this season for Live Oak was the most in school history since MaxPreps began in 2004.

### Biggs - Mid-Valley League

Biggs head coach Michelle Felkins was named coach of the year in the MVL as the Lady Wolverines had another successful season with 35 victories and a share of the MVL title. This was Felkins' seventh consecutive season above .500.

2024 infielders Addie Scott, Allie Little, 2024 catcher Kloe Seipert, 2025 infielder Mailey Seipert and 2026 pitcher Gracie Sheppard were named to the All-MVL team.

Scott and Little led the Lady Wolverines in hits (Scott, 51, Little, 41). Little also led the team with 41 RBIs as Scott led the team with a ridiculous .593 batting average for the entire season.

Kloe was tied for the most extra-base hits on the team with 14 on the season, and led the club with three home runs. Mailey was second on the team with 25 stolen bases, and when Biggs went for a steal, they were efficient as they were successful on 121/125 attempts (97%) this year.

Sheppard was the leader of the young pitching staff as she is the oldest pitcher on the roster. Sheppard was able to pitch efficiently and trust her defense behind her during the season as this Lady Wolverines' team comes back with a lot of returning players next season.

The Biggs baseball team had four representatives on the All-MVL team as 2024 infielder/pitcher

Zach Smith, 2024 infielder Emiliano Bermudez, 2024 outfielder Tim Felkins and 2025 pitcher/outfielder Davis Long were named.

The four representatives were the top four in batting average for the team as Smith narrowly edged out Long by .3 points with a .476 average.

18 of Long's 35 hits this season were extra-base hits, Bermudez was second on the team with 27 stolen bases as the Wolverines had the most wins in program history since the 2010 season.

### Gridley - Butte View League

The Gridley softball team had three names on the All-BVL team this season.

Lady Bulldogs senior shortstop Alyssa Thompson led the team in hits (26), RBIs (24) and was the true leader on the field for Gridley. The hard work the three-sport star displayed will move on to Butte College this fall.

2025 pitcher Reese Stevens improved her pitching statistics this year as she gave up 11 less hits in almost five more innings of work this season. Stevens had 23 hits this season, which more than doubled her hits total last season as the comfortability factor at the plate also bumped her batting average by .38 points from last year.

2027 utility Kay Pruitt is going to have a bright future at Gridley in the softball program as she led the team with a .407 batting average and led the Lady Bulldogs with 14 extra-base hits. From the circle, Pruitt led Gridley in innings pitched (47) and ERA (3.58).

The Gridley baseball team had five players named to the All-BVL team as the back-to-back CIF Northern Section Division III Champions had a lot to celebrate this season.

2024 catcher Bryar McWilliams had the third best batting average on the team with a .321 average and a tie for the team lead with 26 hits. McWilliams was the leader of this team on/off the field and was a major reason the program has been successful for the last three seasons.

2024 infielder/pitcher Emmet Smallwood was the leader of the pitching staff as he tossed 49 innings this year and had 73 strikeouts. Smallwood's toughness and reliability made that efficient Gridley pitching staff run through their opponents. He led the team with a 1.29 ERA.

2026 utility Eli Punzo made the list on his first season at the varsity level as he was a great asset on the diamond wherever he was placed. Punzo led the Bulldogs with 12 stolen bases and hit great by



2024 catcher Bryar McWilliams (9) was named to the All-Butte View League team.



Gridley's 2024 shortstop Alyssa Thompson (5) was named to the All-Butte View League team.

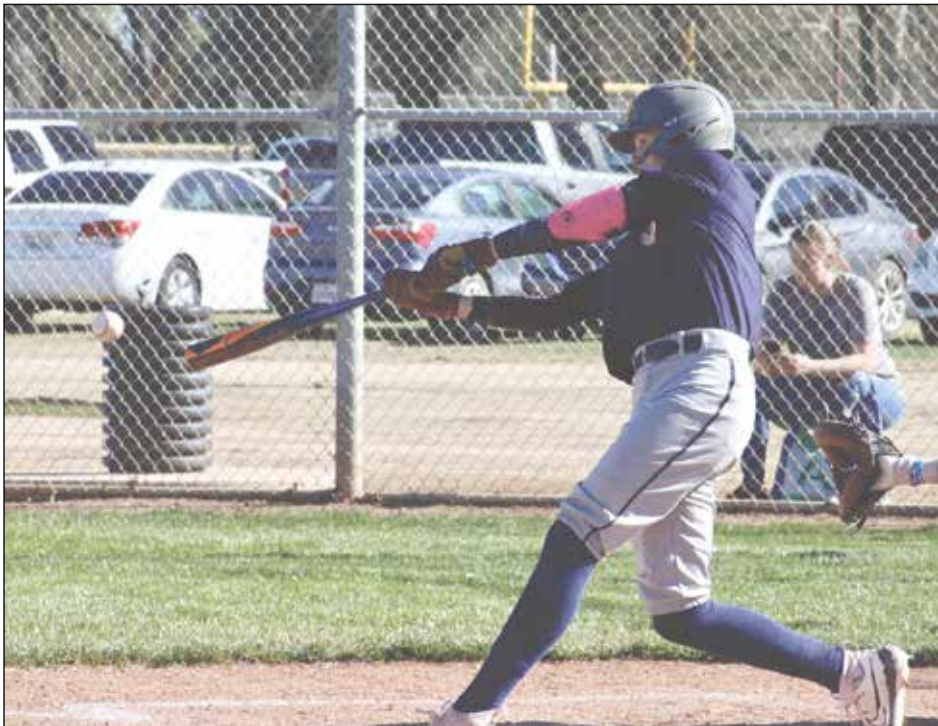


2026 pitcher/first baseman Tanner Abbott (5) was named to the All-Butte View League team.

having 24 hits this season. His range in the outfield gives Gridley the ability to have stability for a couple more seasons.

2026 pitcher/first baseman Tanner Abbott continued his varsity experience for a second consecutive season with another section championship. Abbott had another great year at the plate as he hit .325 from 25 hits. Although his pitching numbers weren't as strong as his freshman season, the Herald was aware of injuries and knows Abbott is continuously working his way back to 100%.

2025 pitcher/infielder Garrett Francis was named the Most Valuable Player of the BVL after a breakout junior season. Francis led the Bulldogs in batting average (.338), hits (26), extra-base hits (7) and was second with 11 stolen bases. Francis was the only area player named to the All-Northern Section team that was announced by the Chico-ER on Saturday, June 8. From the mound, Francis was solid as he tossed three complete games this year and his versatility can only excite the Bulldogs for his senior season next year. ★



Gridley's 2025 pitcher/infielder Garrett Francis (7) was named to the All-Butte View League team. He was also named the BVL Most Valuable Player.