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Celebrate July 4 at Area Events



Whether you're craving carnival rides, live music, delicious food from local vendors or simply a stunning fireworks display, these events promise something special for everyone. Photo courtesy of bertellifotografia - Pexels

By Omella Rossi

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Get ready to celebrate Independence Day with a lineup of exciting events across the region. Whether you're craving carnival rides, live music, delicious food from local vendors or simply a stunning fireworks display, these events promise something special for everyone.

In Citrus Heights, the Stars and Stripes celebration begins at 6 p.m. on July 1 at Van Maren Park, 6601 Thalia Way. Enjoy live music by local bands from 7 to 9:30 p.m., explore numerous food trucks and bring the children to the fun Kids' Zone. Cap off the night with the fireworks show starting at 9:45 p.m.

The second annual Citrus Heights celebration includes family-friendly activities and live music by Pop Fiction. The Kids' Zone is hosted

by the Sunrise Recreation and Parks District and the Citrus Heights Police Activities League. From 6 to 8:30 p.m., the Kids' Zone will offer activities including face painting, a martial arts demonstration and games.

Over in Rancho Cordova, join the two-day festival on July 3 and 4. The festivities kick off with the All-American Mile Road race at 9:30 a.m. on July 4 along Coloma Road, followed by a vibrant parade at 10 a.m. featuring floats and the energetic All American Youth Marching Band. Throughout both days, from 4 to 11 p.m., enjoy carnival rides and indulge in treats from more than 30 food and beverage vendors at Hagan Park, 2197 Chase Drive.

Make sure to stick around in Rancho Cordova for live music starting at 8 p.m. showcasing different bands on each day leading up to the big fireworks display at 9:45 p.m.

Carmichael, on June 29, will host the Red, White & Blue celebration at La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engle Road from 6 to 9 p.m. Enjoy live music by Hipper than Hip while indulging in various options of food trucks hosted by Food in the Hoods. Don't miss out on the firework display at 9:30 p.m.

Celebrate with Elk Grove Salute to the Red, White, and Blue on July 4 from 5 to 10 p.m. at 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road. Enjoy the festivities with a bike parade at 6 p.m., opening ceremonies at 7 p.m., and rock out to Agents of Rock in concert at 7:30 p.m. The night ends with a firework show at 9:40 p.m. Free shuttle rides by the Sacramento Regional Transit will be available starting at 4:30 p.m., running every 15 minutes, with return services from 10 to 11 p.m. Admission is free, with parking available for \$10. ★

Fireworks and July 4: Keep it Safe, Keep it Legal



Sacramento County
News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - With Independence Day coming up, it's always a good idea to know the risks of fireworks, only use legal fireworks and stay safe when using them.

If you see or suspect illegal firework usage, report it! When it comes to fireworks, we want to keep it safe and keep it legal!

The Use or Sale of Illegal Fireworks will Result in Fines

In 2022, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors adopted a social host ordinance that levies fines, starting at \$1,000, against property owners that either use or allow the use of illegal fireworks on their property, in addition to fines for use in places such as the American River Parkway.

"Host," as it relates to this ordinance, means a person who knowingly permits or allows fireworks to be lit, exploded or sold on private property owned or controlled by the person.

If the illegal fireworks are being set off from your property, you are responsible for the fines.

Penalties for violations are as follows:

\$1,000 for the first violation, \$2,500 for the second violation within one year of the first violation, \$5,000 for each additional violation within one year of the first violation, and \$10,000 for each violation that occurs at schools, parks and within the American River Parkway.

When to Call 9-1-1

Calls for service throughout the county increase dramatically on July 4 and emergency response resources are stretched extremely thin.

During the holiday weekend, use 9-1-1 for emergencies only, such as an active fire or injury or immediate threat to persons or property. Each jurisdiction has provided an alternative method to report illegal fireworks sales and usage.

Know the Risks

The unsafe use of fireworks can cause severe burns, amputations, blinding and even death. Damaging fires might occur when children use fireworks unsupervised by adults. Parents are

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Residents Recognize Independence Day



A house proudly boasts Fourth of July decorations on Rio Linda Boulevard.

Story and photos by Annie Kerr

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - As June comes to an end and July begins, area residents are ready to put on their red, white and blue, watch a firework show, plan holiday meals to celebrate the Fourth of July, and attend celebrations throughout the Sacramento area.

This upcoming Fourth of July will mark 248 years of America's independence as a country.

Messenger Publishing Group spoke to several Rio Linda residents to gauge how the community plans to spend their holiday and what the holiday means to them.

Joyce Buckland, treasurer of the Rio Linda/Elverta Historical Society, said the Rio Linda community

previously held a community-wide celebration.

"During the '50s and '60s, we used to have an annual Fourth of July celebration. It started out as the 'Chick & Egg Festival' and then the name was changed to the 'Chick N Que,'" Buckland said.

Today, residents celebrate the holiday independently.

"Most of us just go off and do our own thing," Buckland said. "I will be going to a barbecue at my nephew's home."

At the Rio Linda U.S. Post Office, employee and former Marine Berto Collado shared that he plans to spend his holiday leisurely.

"I'll probably try to catch some fireworks," he said.

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Berto Collado, a former Marine, hopes to catch a firework show on Independence Day.

Governor Newsom Announces the Following Appointments

Office of Governor Newsom News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On June 5, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the following appointments:

Anastasia Carney, of Sacramento, has been appointed Deputy Secretary of External Affairs at the California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, where she has served as Senior Advisor since 2022. Carney served as Deputy Director for Civic Engagement and Strategic Partnerships in the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom from 2019 to 2022. She was Marketing and Outreach Director at the Health Professions Education Foundation from 2018 to 2019 and a Program Associate at The California Endowment from 2013 to 2018. Carney served in several roles in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., including as External Affairs Coordinator from 2012 to 2013, Special Assistant to the First Lady and Special Counsel Anne Gust Brown from 2011 to 2013, and Assistant Scheduler to the Governor from 2011 to 2012. She was Director of Scheduling and

Program Director in the Office of First Lady Maria Shriver from 2009 to 2011 and served as Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff in the Office of First Lady Maria Shriver from 2007 to 2008. Carney earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo and a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of San Francisco. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$147,108. Carney is a Democrat.

Sarah Keber, of Sacramento, has been appointed Assistant Secretary for Business Transformation and Strategic Development at the California Government Operations Agency. Kerber has been Senior Manager of Strategic Projects and Performance at the Sacramento Regional Transit District since 2020. She was a Budget Manager at the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency from 2019 to 2020. Kerber was a Financial Budget Analyst at the California Department of Finance from 2018 to 2019. She was a Government Relations Assistant at the California

School Employees Association from 2013 to 2018. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Economics of Industrial Societies from the University of California, Berkeley and a Master of Science in Law degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$130,008. Kerber is a Democrat.

Sarah Brady, of Sacramento, has been appointed Assistant Executive Director of the Office of Governmental and International Affairs at the California Energy Resources and Conservation Development Commission (California Energy Commission). Brady has been Interim Chief Executive Officer at the California Council on Science and Technology since 2023 and has held several roles there since 2016, including Deputy Director and Director of Policy Engagement. Brady served in several roles in the Office of State Assemblymember Susan Bonilla from 2013 to 2016, including Science Fellow and Legislative Director. She earned Bachelor of Science degrees in

Chemistry and French from North Central College and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Chemistry from the University of Oregon. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$168,432. Brady is a Democrat.

Khaesha Brooks, of Sacramento, has been appointed to the Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists. Brooks has been an Engineering Project Manager at Siemens Mobility since 2023 and was an HVAC System Engineer there from 2016 to 2023 as well as a Manufacturing Engineer there from 2016 to 2018. She was a Battery Mechanical Engineer for Apple from 2013 to 2014 and a Mechanical Engineer for Speck Products from 2012 to 2013. Brooks earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Brooks is a Democrat.

Nathan Voegeli, of Sacramento, has been appointed to the Sierra Nevada Conservancy. Voegeli served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary in the Office

of Governor Gavin Newsom from 2023 to 2024 and as Senior Advisor for Tribal Negotiations there from 2022 to 2024. He was Interim Tribal Negotiations Advisor in the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom from 2021 to 2022. Voegeli held multiple roles at the California Department of Fish and Wildlife from 2018 to 2022, including Assistant Chief Counsel and Tribal Liaison, Attorney and Tribal Liaison, and Acting Chief Deputy Director. He held multiple roles in the Office of the Tribal Attorney of the Yurok Tribe from 2011 to 2018, including General Counsel and Staff Attorney. Voegeli earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy and a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and Physics from the University of Alaska Fairbanks, a Master of Arts degree in International Policy Studies from the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey, and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of California College of the Law, San Francisco. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Voegeli is registered without party preference. ★

Women’s Empowerment Receives \$15,000 to Help Unhoused Women

Kristin Thébaud Communications News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Women’s Empowerment has received a grant of \$15,000 from Union Pacific’s Community Ties Giving Program to help women experiencing homelessness in Sacramento find jobs and safe homes during the housing crisis. “We are proud to once again partner with Union Pacific’s Community Ties Giving Program

to ensure unhoused women can find and retain employment so they can afford a safe home for themselves and their children,” said Lisa Culp, executive director, Women’s Empowerment.

Women’s Empowerment provides a two-month employment-readiness and empowerment program, paid job training, childcare and support services so women and their children can break the generational cycle of homelessness. Women’s Empowerment

offers the most comprehensive job-readiness program in the Sacramento area designed specifically for women experiencing homelessness and their children. In 2023, 165 jobs were secured by graduates, and 189 women either secured or maintained housing. Since 2001, 1,870 women have graduated from the program with their 4,002 children. Women’s Empowerment is funded through private donations from the community and grants. To make a donation:

Womens-Empowerment.org. “Union Pacific proudly supports organizations that improve the quality of life where our employees live and work,” said Liisa Stark, vice president of public affairs, Union Pacific. “Investing in high-quality, nonprofit programs puts our communities in a position for future growth and prosperity.” For more than 160 years, Union Pacific has been committed to Building America — serving as an economic

engine and improving the standard of life for millions across the country. Building upon this heritage, the Union Pacific Community Ties Giving Program’s mission is to build safe, prosperous, vibrant and inclusive communities by investing in high-quality nonprofits and programs in the cities and towns in which Union Pacific operates and its employees live and work. For more information: www.up.com/aboutup/community/foundation/index.htm. ★

Residents Recognize Independence Day AAA Celebrates Roadside Assistance Workers

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Having served in the Marine Corps for four years, Collado said the meaning of the Fourth cannot be forgotten. “It’s not all about barbecues and having the day off,” Collado said. “It’s about our freedom and the people who worked for that freedom.” Buckland added to Collado’s sentiment. “Speaking for myself, I think on the Fourth of July, it’s important to reflect on the freedoms our Founding Fathers made possible for us to have. And we need to stop and look at the world as it is today and realize that we could easily lose those freedoms,” Buckland said. “We need to be involved in our communities and exercise our rights of free speech and



A collage of murals welcomes visitors to Rio Linda.

the right to vote. It’s more important now than ever before. It’s nice to see the fireworks and have barbecues with friends and family but we need to pay attention and do whatever we can to ensure we keep our freedoms.” Jason Green, president of the Rio Linda/Elverta Historical Society, plans to visit Rio Linda’s historic Dry Creek Ranch House on the Fourth of July and then go to a family barbecue. He

also recognizes the deeper meaning of the holiday. “Freedom isn’t free,” Green said. “The Fourth of July means a lot. Same with Veterans Day and Memorial Day; it is all about remembering the people who made sacrifices to get our freedom and to maintain it.” For information on how the larger Sacramento community is celebrating Independence Day, see page one top story. ★

AAA Northern California News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Each day, California roadside assistance workers come to the rescue of motorists in need. AAA Northern California extends its gratitude to these dedicated drivers who respond to over 2 million calls across California each year. In recognition of their hard work, California has proclaimed June 23-29 as Roadside Assistance Worker Appreciation Week.

Summer is the busiest time for AAA Northern California’s roadside assistance team. AAA estimates that it will respond to nearly 800,000 calls for roadside assistance nationwide over the upcoming Fourth of July travel period alone, which is 5 percent more than last year.

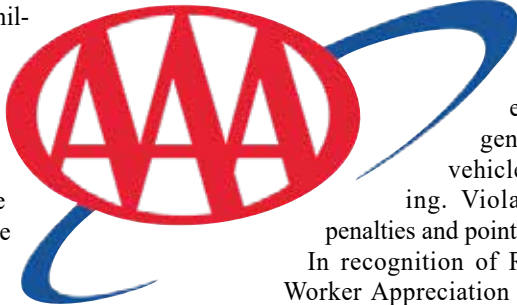
“Drivers can show their appreciation for tow truck drivers by adhering to California’s Move Over Law,” said Dan Hutchinson,

Chief Roadside Officer for AAA Northern California. “With the busy summer driving season underway, it’s important that we remember to give our roadside heroes the safe space they need to help stranded motorists on the side of the road.”

California’s Move Over law requires drivers to reduce their speed and, when safe, move over to the next lane upon encountering emergency and maintenance vehicles with lights flashing. Violators face financial penalties and points on their license.

In recognition of Roadside Assistance Worker Appreciation Week (June 23-29), AAA Northern California encourages drivers to:

Stay alert, avoid distractions and concentrate on the task of driving. Watch for situations where emergency vehicles, tow trucks, public service vehicles, or disabled vehicles on the side of the road. Slow down and, if possible, keep one lane away from workers, motorists and their vehicles stranded on the side of the road. ★



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'We Hire Really Good People' at Metro Fire

By Margaret Snider

MATHER, CA (MPG) - On March 1, the California State Emergency Medical Services Authority awarded the Distinguished Service Medal to Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District’s Battalion Chief Scott Perryman. Fire Chief Adam House announced the award, saying, “Chief Perryman is at the forefront of the MIH (Mobile Integrated Health) movement and has used his success to become a leader at the local, state, and national levels.”

The Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) stated, in part, “As the pandemic waned, Chief Perryman refocused MIH (Mobile Integrated Health) on providing high-quality in-field care, reducing ED (emergency department) and EMS (emergency medical service) overutilization. Integrated into the 9-1-1 dispatch system, Mobile Integrated Health treated low acuity calls at home, leading to over 60% of patients being discharged on scene, decreasing ED and EMS utilization. Chief Perryman’s leadership resulted in substantial cost savings, exceeding \$2.4 million in 2023, improved EMS efficiency, and enhanced patient satisfaction.”

The Mobile Integrated Health program frees up ambulances and ambulance staff to take other calls and helps to shorten the ambulance patient offload times (APOT) at the emergency department, and to relieve Ed congestion.

Three health systems, University of California,



Seven of the nine Metro Fire Board of Directors stand in front of the Cancer Awareness Engine and Metro Fire’s Headquarters building. From left are directors Brian Rice, Robert Webber, Gay Jones, D’Elman Clark, John Costa, Cinthia Saylor and Ted Wood. Not pictured are Jennifer Sheetz and Grant B. Goold. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

Davis; Sutter Health; and Dignity Health funded the Mobile Integrated Health pilot program. The County Board of Supervisors, especially Frost and Hume, Perryman said, also have moved things around to help with funds for Mobile Integrated Health.

“The goal,” Perryman said, “is to have the insurance companies pay for this service.” At this point funding is in place for two more years.

Metro Fire has led the region in many ways. They implemented an ambulance service staffed with paramedics and EMTs.

“We call it the Metro Medic Program but it was formerly called the Single Role Paramedic Program,” said Assistant Chief Kiley Keeley. “Metro Fire also has a bulldozer and a full-time firefighting, hoist-capable and night vision-capable helicopter.” The district just acquired their third helicopter.

Metro Fire has nearly



Fire Chief Adam A. House was sworn in as Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District’s seventh fire chief on Aug. 10, 2023. He holds the distinction of being the first fire chief to serve continuously as a member of Metro Fire since its inception in 2000. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

700 employees, including many support staff. One of these is Kyle Macdonald, government affairs director and legislative analyst, who works with three others in the planning and development division. Macdonald’s father spent 30 years in the fire service.

“I remember the



Battalion Chief Scott Perryman and his wife, Liz, are shown at the EMSA Awards where he received the Distinguished Service Medal. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District

summers where summer vacations would be thrown aside for the fire season, and him being deployed out for fires across California,” Macdonald said.

“Effective government affairs is essentially making sure that we have a seat at the table where decisions are being made . . . It’s about forging relationships

with our elected officials and our policy staff . . . We’re working on positive legislation that benefits the fire service as a whole, not just here in the Sacramento region, but across the state and with our federal work, across the country,” Macdonald continued.

One of many big challenges always present is funding for new

technologies and new items, for new fire stations in areas of population growth, for programs.

“MIH delved into the importance of that,” Macdonald said, “and being able to make investments into new and trailblazing endeavors.”

In this position at Metro Fire for about a year, Macdonald said, “From my understanding, and the historical context I’ve gotten, this is a new role and the first opportunity to kind of create from scratch an effective government affairs program that doesn’t just take a month-to-month look at it, but a year-to-year and five-to-15-year view of legislative and policy advocacy and analysis.”

Though the news might seem full of doom and gloom to some, Perryman said, “When I sit down and talk with people, by and large, there’s just a lot of good happening in the world. Whenever I see or hear about bad things happening, I always see people rushing in to help, to be of assistance, to show love, show compassion. There are some really good people out there, and really good leaders who make it possible, like my fire chief, Chief House.”

House considers himself fortunate. “I love public service, I love the fire department, and I love helping people . . .” House said. “We hire really good people. The citizens of Rancho Cordova and Sacramento should know that they’re protected by really good human beings that care about people. So, it makes my job easy.” ★

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By V.G. Harris



The Kings are so close it's tantalizing.

Let's all collectively cross our fingers and watch with anticipation as the Sacramento Kings add a new member to their already stellar family of players!

All the best!

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Always have a non-combustible bucket of water to dispose of fireworks and leave in the water overnight before disposing. Always have an available hose connected to water in case of fire. Do not use fireworks near dry grass or other flammable materials. Do not use fireworks while under a canopy, covered balcony, covered

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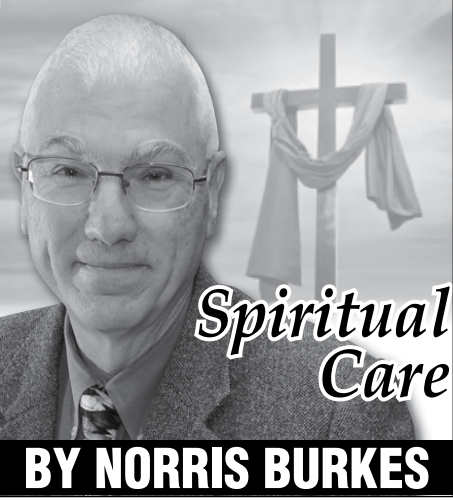
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Sharing Your Faith by Listening to Others



In the years I served as a hospital chaplain, I was often asked, “Why don’t you use your position to tell people about Jesus?”

The question is much like the one I’m still asked as a syndicated columnist: “Why don’t you use your writing to tell people about Jesus?”

The first question assumes that chaplains represent Christianity and should use their position to surreptitiously evangelize patients.

The second question assumes that a Christian who writes a spiritual column for secular newspapers should use his writings to espouse Christian teachings.

But neither assumption is true.

That’s because hospital chaplains, like spiritual columnists, don’t “represent” a single belief.

Chaplains don’t wear the hat of a pastor, rabbi or even a guru. That’s because once you’re inside a hospital, it doesn’t matter what you are.

What matters to the chaplain is who you are.

In the hospital, like in this column, I try to help people get in touch with the spiritual component in their lives. I affirm the personal beliefs of the patient because when people are sick or dying, they tend to look toward their own healing rituals for comfort.

And while I believe that Jesus is my friend — and even theirs — I don’t believe patients should hear that proclamation from a stranger.

While serving as a hospital chaplain, who happens to be a Christian, I did some unorthodox things at the request of patients that might make some

Christians uncomfortable.

For instance, I’ve taped crystals to their wrists, turned their bed eastward, read the Bible, read the Koran, spread a healing blanket on their bed and placed garlic under their bed. I’ve collected bones to be burned and placentas to be buried.

I did these things because those patients deserved my respect, not because I personally share their beliefs.

When I’ve shown proper respect for people’s beliefs, I was sometimes honored with questions about my beliefs.

On one such occasion, I met a cancer patient who told me that he wasn’t even sure he believed in God.

“That’s fine,” I joked. “I’m in customer service, not sales.”

He liked that retort, and we established a common ground for our visits over the next several weeks.

One day, in the grips of his illness, he fired multiple spiritual questions, which I answered in rapid succession.

Yes, there is a God; yes, God is loving; yes, God wants an up-close relationship with you.

He then asked how he could talk to God.

“Talking to God is just like talking to me,” I said. “Just say what you feel.”

He wondered aloud if God would consider him a hypocrite for waiting until his dying days to pray.

It was then he asked me to do something I’ve never done before or since. “Say the words for me.”

Like I said, I’ve done some fairly unorthodox things, but nobody had ever asked me to lip-sync their prayers — very unorthodox.

“OK,” I agreed, “but if I pray something you don’t agree with, squeeze my hand to indicate you want a do-over.”

As he reached for my hand, I told God that my friend wanted to know him. I told God that the man sought forgiveness and wholeness and was asking for God to be present in his life.

It was a prayer I will never forget. It was a prayer that never would have happened if it hadn’t started with respect.

Is there someone you want to share your faith with? If so, ask yourself how that sharing might look if it starts with respect. Dare to hear their story before blurting into yours.

The result will. I hope. surprise you. ★

Sacramento Superior Court Launches Second Phase

Sacramento Superior Court News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Superior Court on June 17 launched the second phase of its new electronic case management system.

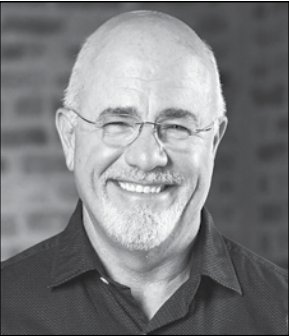
In 2023, the court introduced phase one for Civil and Probate case records. Effective June 17, 2024, the court’s expanded online services include Small Claims and Unlawful Detainer (landlord/tenant) cases as well as Limited and Unlimited Civil Appeals matters.

Previously, Small Claims and Unlawful Detainer litigants could e-file their documents

but the aging case management system posed challenges. The new system offers robust e-filing capabilities for these case types and Limited and Unlimited Civil Appeals. The system also allows litigants and the public to access non-confidential case records and documents online at no cost.

Over time, the new system will enhance record accessibility and streamline processing for parties who choose to e-file their cases.

“These expanded online services improve access to justice,” said Presiding Judge Bunmi Awoniyi. “This is a positive development for litigants, the public and court staff alike.” ★



This is Way Out of Line

Dear Dave,

I’m trying hard to get control of my money and get out of debt, but I had a situation come up the other day, and I really don’t know what to do. I’m one of four brothers, and our parents’ fiftieth wedding anniversary is early next month. My two oldest brothers got together and made plans for a party without consulting the rest of us. They want everyone to chip in \$1,000 to help pay for things. I love my mom and dad, but the only savings I have is \$1,000 in my beginner emergency fund. Will you tell me how to address this situation?

– Ronald

Dear Ronald

Dave Ramsey Says

I’m going to be blunt here, okay? Since you weren’t asked about any of this ahead of time, and had no say in anything, fair would be for you and your brother who weren’t consulted to pay zero. Zilch.

Planning something that expensive without consulting everyone involved well ahead of time—and expecting them to lay out \$1,000 without warning—is way out of line. And don’t let your older brothers lay a guilt trip on you, either. This has nothing to do with how much you love your parents, being greedy or anything like that. It has everything to do with consideration and communication, or in this case, a lack of these on their part.

If I were you, I’d let your oldest brothers know exactly what your financial situation is like right now. Explain what you’re doing and why you’re doing it, then let them know in a nice, but firm, tone you’ll give them whatever you can scrape up, but you won’t be chipping in anything close to \$1,000. Oh, and I’d tell them next time they hatch up a big, expensive plan like this, to check with all their brothers way ahead of time.

Best of luck, Ronald. I’m sorry you have to deal with this.

– 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. ★

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Social Security Matters

Why is there a Social Security Earnings Limit?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I try to read your article in the Carmichael Times each week and appreciate the information you provide. I am 62 and considering my retirement options and when I should do that to get the most benefit. I understand my full retirement age is 67, but what I don't understand, and I hope you can answer, is why there is such a thing as the Social Security earnings limit? I know that if I was to retire before 67, my benefits would be reduced. But since I have been paying into SS for 45+ years, and that money is technically money I have earned, why does SS care if I make more than the earnings limit? It doesn't affect them or my benefits. Can you tell me about the reasoning behind the earnings limit? I will, for many years after "retiring," continue working in my field.

Signed: Working American

Dear Working American: This is a great question and, as a point of interest, our parent company, the Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC), advocates doing away with Social Security's earnings test which affects those collecting benefits before reaching their SS full retirement age (FRA). In AMAC's view, it discourages

people from working and, thus, paying Social Security taxes on their earnings. It is, after all, SS taxes from the earnings of working Americans which largely pays for the benefits provided to Social Security beneficiaries. Eliminating the restriction would tend to improve Social Security revenue and help ease Social Security's current financial stress.

The reasoning behind the earnings test? Well, when Social Security was first enacted in the 1930s, the intent was that Social Security was for retired workers, meant to keep them from poverty in old age. The logic back then was that if a person worked they didn't need Social Security to sustain them, so those who worked could not collect Social Security at all. The current rule, after many adjustments over the years, says that annual earnings for those who collect early SS benefits are limited. If each year's earnings limit (\$22,320 for 2024) is exceeded, Social Security will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 over the limit (FYI, the penalty is less severe in the year FRA is attained).

Historical accounts suggest that the reasoning behind the wording in the original Social Security Act - that "No person shall receive such old-age annuity unless . . . he is not employed by another in a gainful occupation" - was quite controversial, except for the fundamental thought that if someone worked they didn't need Social Security. Over the ensuing decades the rule has been softened to provide that only those who collect benefits before their full retirement age (FRA) would have a portion of

their SS benefits offset by their work earnings. In any case, the earnings test, in its mitigated form, still persists today. FYI, H.R. 5193 - The Senior Citizens Freedom to Work Act was recently introduced in Congress proposing to repeal the SS earnings test but has not advanced in the legislative process since introduced in August 2023.

In any case, under current rules, if you continue working after your FRA, the earnings test will not apply to you. And, if you lose any benefits before your FRA due to the earnings test, when you reach your FRA you'll get time credit for any months that benefits were withheld, resulting in a somewhat higher monthly payment after your full retirement age.

One final point: if you continue to work after starting your Social Security benefits and your recent earnings are higher than any of those in the inflation-adjusted 35 years used to originally calculate your benefit, your entitlement will be recalculated to give you credit for those higher recent earnings.

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In Rain, Snow and Drought, California's Fights Over Water Rights, Supplies Persist



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Legal rights to use water — particularly those obtained prior to 1914 — lie at the heart of California's perpetual wrangling over the allocation of increasingly limited water supplies.

For years state officials have been trying, with limited success, to reduce farmers' diversions, increase river flows and restore declining numbers of fish, particularly salmon, and other wildlife.

The conflict occurs even during periods when the state receives abundant rain and snow and its reservoirs are full. But it becomes more intense during the state's periodic droughts, as illustrated by what happened in 2014 when then-Gov. Jerry Brown, citing "one of the driest years in recorded state history," proclaimed a state of emergency.

The state Water Resources Control Board began notifying agricultural water agencies that they must curtail diversions from the Sacramento and San Joaquin river watersheds — essentially the entire Central Valley — having "determined that the existing water supply . . . is insufficient to meet the needs of all water rights holders."

The state clearly had the authority to curtail diversions by agencies, with rights granted after the state assumed managerial control of California water in 1914 — ironically exactly one century

earlier. However, those with pre-1914 rights balked, contending that under state law the board could not order them to decrease diversions.

Political and legal squabbling ensued and the issue wound up in the courts, and in 2022 an appellate court ruled that the water board did not have legal authority to order pre-1914 rights holders to reduce diversions.

Although the case centered on the board's drought-induced curtailment orders, everyone involved knew that the outcome could affect the larger issue of water rights and the overall allocation of water supplies.

Environmental groups that had been pressing the board to become more assertive on water rights were disappointed.

"A recent decision by California's Sixth District Court of Appeal highlights everything that's wrong with California water law," two officials of CalTrout, one of the environmental groups, wrote in a guest commentary for CalMatters two years ago, adding, "the decision shields a class of property owners whose rights were enshrined in law at a time when the rights of citizenship, land ownership and common decency were only afforded to a privileged few."

Farm interests were, of course, pleased with the decision as they sparred with the water board over the larger issue of how much water must remain in rivers to support wildlife.

Environmental groups have urged the board to issue new water quality standards for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta that would indirectly reduce agricultural diversions. Jerry Brown and his successor, Gavin Newsom, have urged

the adoption of "voluntary agreements" on diversions without a legal showdown over water rights, but that effort has not yet succeeded.

Last year, legislation was introduced to bolster the water board's curtailment authority, implementing a report by UC Berkeley's Center for Law, Energy and the Environment, underwritten by the water board, recommending that "the state needs to implement curtailments on a regular basis, not only in times of extreme crisis."

The most important, Assembly Bill 1337, would have given the water board direct authority to order curtailments of pre-1914 rights holders. However, it sat in limbo for more than a year until its author, Assemblywoman Buffy Wicks, an Oakland Democrat, finally dropped it this month.

The only survivor is AB 460, by Assemblywoman Rebecca Bauer-Kahan, a San Ramon Democrat, which would increase fines for illegal water diversions and is blessed by a multi-party agreement.

The drought orders, the appellate court decision and the non-action by the Legislature this year indicate that California's water rights remain a major bone of legal and political contention as the larger struggle over water allocation continues.

Dan Walters is one of most widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. He began covering California politics in 1975, just as Jerry Brown began his first stint as governor, and began writing his column in 1981. He has been at CalMatters since 2017. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04340 Elizabeth Higgins, 6717 Kate Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Spring Line Press" 6717 Kate Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 4, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
SPRING 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04444 Javier Mendoza Pichardo, 2309 Moraine Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) Sierra Green Maintenance & Landscaping" 2309 Moraine Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 6, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
SIERRA 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04387 Mark Tingley, 3236 Fitzgerald #G, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Typelike Bods & Rods" 3236 Fitzgerald #G, Rancho Cordova,

CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 5, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
TYPELIKE 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04316 Ang Jin, 6045 Hazel Avenue Unit 4, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lishuitang TCM Clinic" 6045 Hazel Avenue Unit 4, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 3, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
LISHUITANG 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04074 Hailey Elizabeth Ballew, 5912 Ashworth Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Beyond Business Co" 5912 Ashworth Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 23, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
BEYOND 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04535 Phelicia Anne Curtis, 6633 24th Street, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Courage Careers" 6633 24th Street, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 11, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
COURAGE 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04040 Joga Singh, 7547 Watt Avenue Suite 1, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SR Food Store" 7547 Watt Avenue Suite 1, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 22, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
SR 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04642 Jason Billington, 2507 Queenwood Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CTE Trades Consultant/CTE Support Advisor" 2507 Queenwood Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 13, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
CTE 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04425 California Good Xchange, 2526 Amelia Earhart Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "CGX" 2526 Amelia Earhart Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 5, 2024
Publish: June 21, 28, July 5, 12, 2024
CGX 7-12-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04705 Apotheca Holdings LLC, 3005 Marlynn Street, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Delta 9 Elements Manufacturing/Delta 9 Elements Distribution" 108 Otto Circle, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 17, 2024
Publish: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024
DELTA 7-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04697 Elias Mazahreh, 4932 Donovan Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Acquire Staffing" 4932 Donovan Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 14, 2024
Publish: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024
ACQUIRE 7-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04689 Yully Kyrlyyuk, 3843 Thornwood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yulia Kirk" 3843 Thornwood Drive, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 14, 2024
Publish: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024
YULIA 7-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04741 Rott10.com LLC, 2453 Werbe Lane 166, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rott10.com LLC" 2453 Werbe Lane 166, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 20, 2024
Publish: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024
ROTT 7-19-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04754 Angie Caler LLC, 174 Westbury Circle, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "It's Your Faith" 174 Westbury Circle, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 20, 2024
Publish: June 28, July 5, 12, 19, 2024
ITS 7-19-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

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 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 10, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
PHAM 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV008290 Kavita Devi and Daniel Chand have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Hridhaan Chand to Ethan Chand.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court 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 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.
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 17, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: June 7, 14, 21, 28, 2024
SINGH 6-28-24

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 Fearon.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 19, 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
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FERRON 6-28-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV010744 Victoria Dianne Facino has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Victoria Dianne Facino to

Victoria Dianne Glass.
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: June 3, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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FACINO 7-5-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV010691 Tamika Nashae Bledsoe has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Tamika Nashae Bledsoe to Mika Nashae Bledsoe.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 26, 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 31, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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BLEDSOE 7-5-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV010014 Mohammad Haroon Obaidi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ahmed Belal Obaidi to Tayeeb Obaidi.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 19, 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
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OBAIDI 7-5-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV010785 Thi Bao Nguyen Ha has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Thi Bao Nguyen Ha to Anna Nguyen Ha.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 28, 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: June 3, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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HA 7-12-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV011759 Micayla Nicole Scannell has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Micayla Nicole Scannell to Kayla Nicole Cervantes.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 15, 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: June 14, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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SCANNELL 7-12-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV012079 Duraid Fahed Marar Batayeh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Duraid Fahed Marar Batayeh to David Duraid Batayeh.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 12, 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: June 20, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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BATAYEH 7-19-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV011088 Bibi Anisa Rahmani has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Bibi Anisa Rahmani to Anisa Sadat.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 2, 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: June 3, 2024
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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RAHMANI 7-19-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RAYMOND KENT SHEBELUT, AKA RAYMOND K. SHEBELUT AKA RAYMOND SHEBELUT CASE NO. 24PR001631 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Raymond Kent Shebelut, aka Raymond K. Shebelut aka Raymond Shebelut. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Kent Shebelut, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting Kent Shebelut 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. 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 July 16, 2024, 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. Zoom Telepresence: https://saccount-ca-gov.zoomgov.com/join/95826129 Meeting: 161 3352 9231 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: Daniel K. Marvin, Law offices of Sherwood & Marvin, 1025 North Demaree Street / P.O. Box 7208, Visalia, CA 93290; 559-733-3900
Publish: June 14, 21, 28, 2024
SHEBELUT 6-28-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CHRISTOPHER JAMES COLLINS CASE NO. 24PR001642 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Christopher James Collins. A Petition for Probate has been filed by James C. Collins, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting James C. Collins 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. 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

Continuing 124-Year Tradition of Service Under the Sea

**By Ashley Craig,
Navy Office
of Community Outreach**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Petty Officer 2nd Class Austin Eckard, a Sacramento native, is one of the sailors serving aboard USS Henry M. Jackson, continuing the U.S. Navy's 124-year tradition of service under the sea to help ensure Americans' safety.

Eckard graduated from Highlands High School in 2020.

The skills and values needed to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Sacramento, according to Eckard.

"The lessons I carry with me came from when I was becoming an Eagle Scout, are the importance of perseverance and hard work," Eckard said. "I put in hundreds of hours of work on my own for my Eagle project. The wooden cross at Citrus Heights United Methodist Church, my Scout troop's charter organization, was vandalized, so I replaced it with a steel one that couldn't be vandalized. I'm a nuke and nukes have one of the hardest, if not the hardest, schools to go through and the longest. Being a mechanic has the shortest variant of nuke school and it was still a year and a half. That's long hours and lots of studying. Pressing through all that and all of the hard work was definitely attributed to

the perseverance I gained while working toward Eagle Scout."

Eckard joined the Navy four years ago. Today, Eckard serves as a machinist's mate (nuclear).

"I joined the Navy because I was figuring out something to do out of high school," said Eckard. "In 2016, I had the chance to go to Pearl Harbor for the 75th anniversary of the attack. We toured all the Navy stuff out there and heard a lot of inspiring speeches. One of the speakers was Lou Conter, a USS Arizona survivor who was on the ship when it got hit. He retired from the Navy as a lieutenant commander. He was kind of an inspiration for me to do this. A lot of my family had been in the Air Force as well but I always liked the Navy more."

Known as America's "Apex Predators," the Navy's submarine force operates a large fleet of technically advanced vessels. These submarines are capable of conducting rapid defensive and offensive operations around the world, in furtherance of U.S. national security. A major component of that maritime security is homeported at Naval Base Kitsap, in Washington.

There are three basic types of submarines: fast-attack submarines (SSN), ballistic-missile submarines (SSBN) and



Austin Eckard of Sacramento is currently serving in the Navy.
Photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Josiah Trombley

guided-missile submarines (SSGN).

Fast-attack submarines are designed to hunt down and destroy enemy submarines and surface ships; strike targets ashore with cruise missiles; carry and deliver Navy SEALs; conduct intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance missions; and engage in mine warfare. The Virginia-class SSN is the most advanced submarine in the world today. It combines stealth and payload capability to meet combatant commanders' demands in this era of strategic competition.

The Navy's ballistic-missile submarines, often referred to as "boomers," serve as a strategic deterrent by providing an undetectable platform for

submarine-launched ballistic missiles. SSBNs are designed specifically for stealth, extended patrols and the precise delivery of missiles. The Columbia-class SSBN will be the largest, most capable and most advanced submarine produced by the U.S. - replacing the current Ohio-class ballistic-missile submarines to ensure continuous sea-based strategic deterrence into the 2080s.

Guided-missile submarines provide the Navy with unprecedented strike and special operation mission capabilities from a stealthy, clandestine platform. Each SSGN is capable of carrying 154 Tomahawk cruise missiles, plus a complement of heavyweight torpedoes to be fired through four torpedo tubes.

Strategic deterrence is the nation's ultimate insurance program, according to Navy officials. As a member of the submarine force, Eckard is part of a 124-year history of the U.S. Navy's most versatile weapons platform, capable of taking the fight to the enemy in the defense of America and its allies.

The Pacific Submarine Force maximizes the Navy's strengths of knowledge, stealth, agility, firepower and endurance.

"The men and women of the Pacific Submarine Force are among our best and brightest Americans," said Rear Adm. Richard Seif, Commander, Submarine Force U.S. Pacific Fleet. "The pace of activity across the force is eye-watering and our ability to remain on-scene unseen is only possible due to their hard work and critical thinking. We are lethal, far-reaching and incredibly capable, and we deter aggression through our demonstrated advantage in the undersea domain."

With 90% of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of undersea fiber optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity of the United States is directly linked to recruiting and retaining talented individuals.

Eckard has many opportunities to achieve

accomplishments during military service.

"I'm most proud of finishing nuke school," said Eckard. "Nuke school has the highest attrition rate in the Navy and I experienced that because my roommates didn't make it. So I take a lot of pride in finishing. I'm also proud of earning my 'dolphins' or submarine warfare device. The submarine force is an all-volunteer force, a small and tight-knit community. The dolphins are what signifies that you're part of that community and that I earned my place in the community. I take a lot of pride in that. There's only one other submariner in my family that I know of, my great uncle who served aboard USS Sam Rayburn and recently passed away."

Eckard takes pride in serving the country through military service.

"For me, serving in the Navy is just a job," said Eckard. "However, being on a ballistic-missile submarine also means I am directly part of protecting the country. Strategic deterrence is the No. 1 Department of Defense mission and we are the most survivable leg of the nuclear triad."

Eckard is planning for the future after his service with the Navy.

"I want to be an engineer when I get out of the Navy," Eckard said. "My dream job is working at NASA." ★

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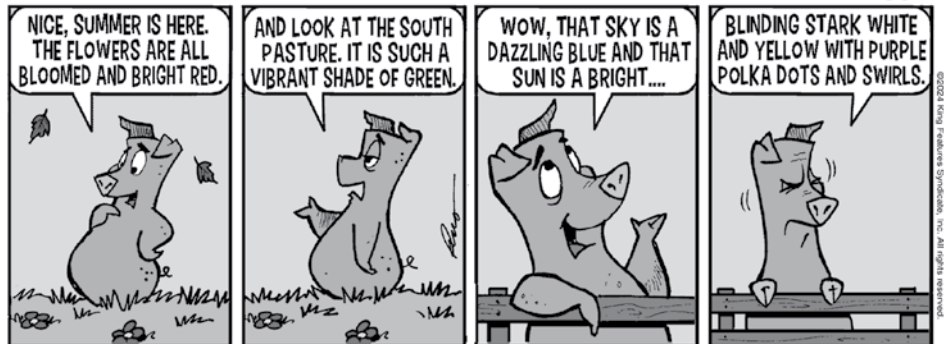
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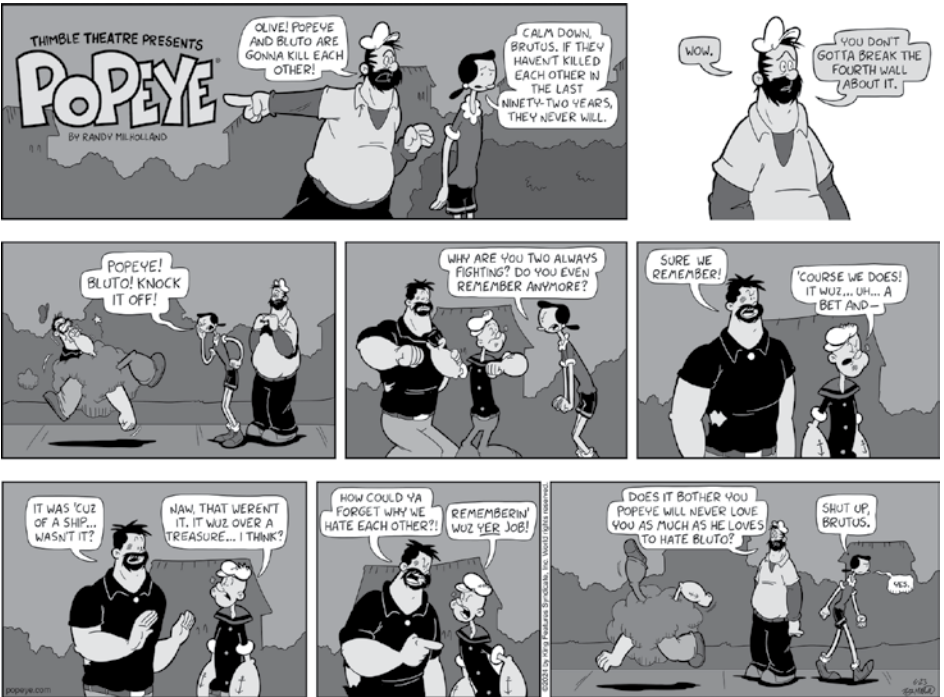
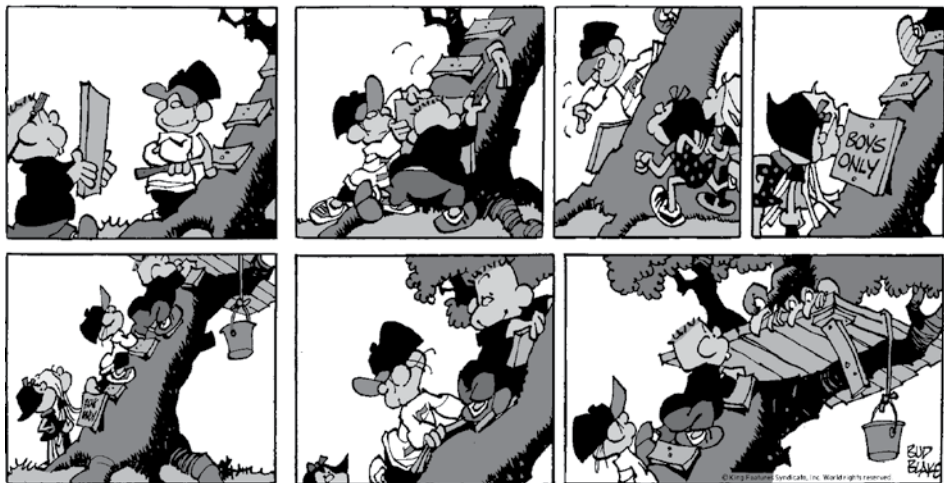
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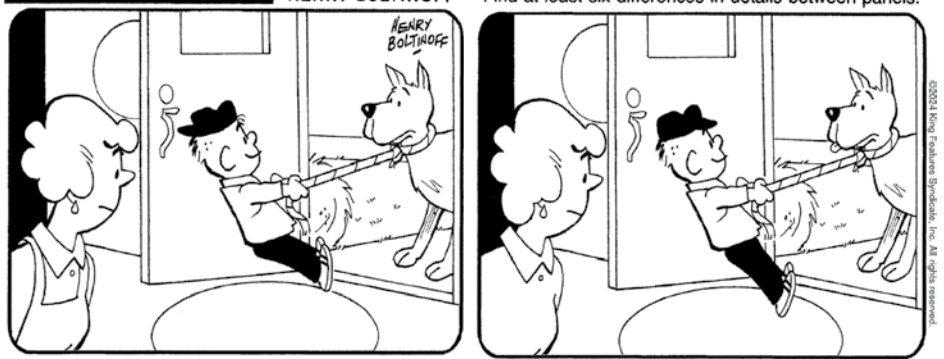
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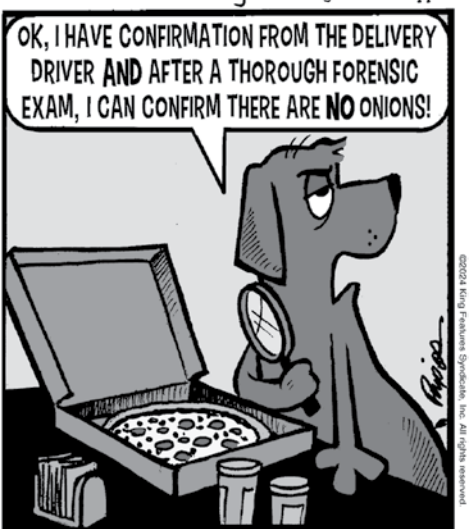


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by Dave T. Phipps



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11. Sasquatch's cousin

12. Prefix in levorotary

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64. Gaelic

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1. *London ____, tourist attraction

2. Hankerings

3. At the summit of

4. Glass ingredient

5. TV and radio

6. Not odds

7. Chinatown gang

8. Low-ranking worker

9. Pinnacle

10. Pig's digs

12. *Royal procession carriage

13. E in baseball box score

14. "Wheel in the Sky" band

19. Star bursts

22. "____ Elise"

23. Suez or Panama

24. Carl Jung's inner self

25. *Type of locomotive

26. Surfer's stop

27. Like anchor aweigh

28. Easternmost state

29. Serengeti grazer

32. *Perambulator, for short

33. Black and white sea bird

36. *Ancient Greek ride

38. Top of a steeple

40. Kitchen meas.

41. Reunion attendees

44. Poets' feet

46. Smaller size than small

48. *a.k.a. water wheel

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1. Unfledged hawk

5. The ____ Gala, haute couture fundraiser

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49. Hole-borer

50. Baby's first word?

51. Speedy steed

52. Boorish

53. Russian autocrat

54. 90-degree pipes, e.g.

55. "Peace Train" singer-songwriter

58. Increase

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