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Cosumnes Fire Department Academy 2024-01 graduate John Barkley, center, poses for a photo with his daughter, right, and Fire Chief Felipe Rodriguez. Barkley and 19 others completed the training to become firefighters. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

By Matthew Malone
Staff Writer

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Cosumnes Fire Department recognized 20 newly minted firefighters on June 27 in an academy graduation ceremony.

Held at District 56, the

event celebrated the graduates' hard work so far, and speakers described the rewards and challenges of life as a firefighter.

"The 20 graduates you see before you, they've persevered for the last five-and-a-half months of intense training: mentally,

physically, emotionally," Cosumnes Fire Chief Felipe Rodriguez said in a speech. "Today is the end of the beginning, as it's said, of their career. However, tomorrow is the beginning of what will be the noblest thing that they ever do in their entire life

and that will be (serving as) a firefighter."

Rodriguez said that the graduates will fight fires, give emergency medical treatment and perform a wide range of other services for community members. They will

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Chris Erias, interim Galt city manager. Photo by Paige Lampson

Quality of Life is Top Goal, Manager Says

By Matthew Malone
News Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - Galt's interim City Manager Chris Erias is looking forward to completing his career in the same city where he spent 15 years overseeing planning.

Erias spoke with the Herald about four months into his yearlong contract to discuss his approach to the role and what brought him back to Galt after three-and-a-half years in Manteca.

Erias first began working in the city of Galt Community Development Department as a planner in 2005, eventually becoming the department head. In 2020, he left to become Development Services director for the city of Manteca. Following the resignation of former Galt City Manager Lorenzo Hines this past February, Galt City Council hired Erias on an interim basis. He will fill the position for a minimum of one year and the city can allow the appointment to be renewed for additional one-year terms.

When Erias sat down with the Herald, he had recently finished his first time overseeing the city budget process. City Council passed the two-year budget on June 18.

Erias said some of the work had been completed under Hines, so much of his work involved choosing how to present the budget to City Council and how to explain funding requests. He said that City Council was "a joy to work with through that process."

Asked about his goals as interim city manager, Erias said his main focus is implementing the policies of City Council. He praised City Council's Strategic Plan, which explains the councilmembers' main priorities.

Three priorities that stand out to him are maintaining and improving quality of life, cultivating staff and developing the economy.

"The top goal ... is to

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Capital Airshow Presents Aerial Awe



A U.S. Air Force "Thunderbird" pilot signs autographs for young aviation enthusiasts. The Thunderbirds will perform in the 2024 California Capital Airshow on July 13 and July 14. Photo courtesy of California Capital Airshow

California Capital Airshow
News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The 18th annual California Capital Airshow, presented by Sacramento County in partnership with the City of Rancho Cordova, returns 3:30 to 9:30 p.m. July 13 and July 14 to Mather Airport in Sacramento.

The two-day event will feature an extraordinary lineup of performers, including the Italian jet team Frece Tricolori, and the United States Air Force Thunderbirds, plus miles of ground attractions and the return of nighttime aerial performances. Both days conclude with a massive pyro-musical fireworks show.

"This year's show offers a truly

once-in-a-lifetime experience," said Darcy Brewer, California Capital Airshow executive director. "Our attendees will enjoy performances by two world-renowned jet teams, Frece Tricolori and the Thunderbirds, along with some of the most skilled pilots from around the globe, right here in Sacramento."

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Legendary 'Big Boy' Locomotive Visits Roseville July 12-13

MPG Staff

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION (MPG) - Union Pacific's legendary Big Boy No. 4014, the world's largest operating steam locomotive built to conquer mountains, will make 19 whistle-stops in five states during its Westward Bound Tour from Wyoming to California.

In addition, this mighty steam locomotive will be on public display in Roseville from July 12 to July 13.

The display days offer an up-close look at the 1.2-million-pound marvel along with the "Experience the Union Pacific" rail car, a captivating walk-through exhibition that provides a unique glimpse into the rich history of railroading.

Northern California residents will also be able to see the steam locomotive in Oroville during a whistle stop on July 11, tentatively scheduled from 2:15 to 2:45 p.m. at Old Depot, 2181 High St., Oroville. (Check <https://www.up.com/heritage/>



Big Boy No. 4014 will stop in Roseville for two days. The public is invited to check out this historical icon. Photo courtesy of Union Pacific

steam/schedule/index.htm to make sure the train is on time.)

Big Boy History

Twenty-five Big Boy locomotives were built for Union Pacific to haul freight over the steep grade of the Wasatch Mountain Range in Utah during World War II. Eight were preserved after the locomotives were retired six decades ago, but only Big Boy No. 4014 is still in

operation.

During World War II, Union Pacific operated some of the most modern and powerful steam locomotives ever built. Among them were the famous "Big Boys," the largest steam locomotives in the world. Working with them were the "800-class" high-speed passenger locomotives, as well as hundreds of older class steam engines. Union Pacific's steam legacy continues today with the

preservation and operation of its historic fleet: No. 844 and No. 4014.

Today, Union Pacific delivers goods in 23 western states. More information at www.up.com.

See the Locomotive for Free in Roseville

City of Roseville officials are excited to provide a historical opportunity to see Big Boy No. 4014 on July 12 and July 13 in downtown Roseville.

Roseville will offer additional festivities at Vernon Street Town Square, 311 Vernon St., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. July 13. Festivities for all ages will include live music, food trucks, Old West performances from the Black Flag Gang, Vernon Street Town Square Spray Ground and a Farmers' Market with a kids' zone.

On July 13, the Carnegie Museum, 557 Lincoln St., Roseville, will feature the history of Big Boy and a kids' railroad activity.

"With the Roseville railyard being the largest rail facility on the West Coast, handling 98% of all rail traffic coming into Northern California, we are all excited to view and experience this rolling museum of rail history in Downtown Roseville," said Roseville City Councilmember Scott Alvord.

Alvord and his wife, Karen, previously owned a restaurant on Vernon Street, parallel to the Roseville train tracks, for 12 years. "The railroad

has always given Roseville character," he said, which is why they chose that restaurant location.

"I am excited for the many new families who moved to Roseville in recent years because they get to experience some of fun railroad history that Roseville was built on," added Karen Alvord, who is now a Roseville City Council candidate.

About the Tour

Union Pacific reminds all rail fans to keep safety top of mind and stay 25 feet back from the tracks when taking a picture or viewing this mammoth machine. That means never take a picture or video standing on the track or the ballast and never climb on the locomotive or equipment.

A steam tracking map showing No. 4014's location and route will be available at UPsteam.com.

Big Boy left its home base in Cheyenne, Wyo., on June 30, traveling across Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California. ★

Capital Airshow Presents Aerial Awe

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This unique show features four hours of nonstop aerial performances beginning at 5:30 p.m. both days. The United States Air Force Thunderbirds will kick off the event followed by Frece Tricolori, U.S. Navy F-18 Super Hornet, U.S. Air Force F-35 Lightning and C-17 Globemaster demo teams and an impressive roster of

highly skilled civilian performers including priceless vintage warbirds.

As the sun sets, the show will continue with maximum afterburner followed by aircraft lighting up the night sky with pyrotechnics, walls of fire, spectacular fireworks and a 500-drone show.

Discounted Airshow tickets are on sale now at CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com.

com.

Adult General Admission tickets start at \$42.50 and each ticket includes free admission for up to six youth (age 15 and under) and free parking. A variety of upgraded tickets and experiences are also available for purchase.

Tickets are available online only and will not be sold at the gate. Purchase tickets before they sell out.

The California Capital Airshow "gives special thanks to our generous partners Sacramento County, the City of Rancho Cordova, Modern Aviation, Keurig Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, Visit Rancho Cordova, Folsom Lake Dodge, Donaghy Sales, SMUD, Thunder Valley Casino Resort, Kaiser Permanente, Atlas Disposal, Sunbelt, Teichert, Elite Power, FOX 40, iHeart Media and UPS."

In addition, the Airshow team "is grateful to its

1,000 passionate volunteers, a long list of committed community supporters, as well as the teams of law enforcement and emergency services that give their time and energy to keep everyone safe."

Tickets and information can be found at CaliforniaCapitalAirshow.com.

About the Airshow

Established in 2004, the nonprofit California Capital Airshow plans and operates the family

friendly annual event that honors the Sacramento region's rich aviation heritage and veterans while using the power and magic of flight to inspire young people.

California Capital Airshow gives back to the community through scholarships, charitable group donations and educational youth programming throughout the year.

For more about the airshow, performers and discount tickets, visit www.californiacapitalairshow.com. ★

Academy Graduates 20 New Firefighters

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begin a probationary period of on-the-job training.

Of the academy class, two are U.S. Marine Corps veterans. The vast majority are from Elk Grove or the Sacramento area. Rodriguez said that 15 of the firefighters' positions are funded with money from the city of Elk Grove's Measure E sales tax.

Rodriguez expressed confidence that the new firefighters would "honor tradition and protect lives."

Elk Grove Fire Department, one of the predecessors of Cosumnes Fire, hosted its first academy 25 years ago, Deputy Chief Dan Quiggle said. Retired Capt. Mark Pascual graduated in that first class, and his daughter, Ashley Pascual, was one of the graduates on June 27.

Quiggle spoke about the commitment that it took for the graduates to undergo the months of training.

"They're going to continue to demonstrate that commitment to themselves, to the community that we are here to serve, and to their fellow firefighters," Quiggle said.

Family support is essential for a firefighter, Quiggle continued. Regardless of the graduates' family situations before joining, he said, "you now have the Cosumnes Fire family in your life and your commitment to that family and that family's commitment to you are critically important for you to be successful as a firefighter, as a paramedic and as a person."

Jim Luttrell, board president of the Cosumnes Community Services District and a former firefighter, encouraged the graduates to always take promotion exams, take notes on their experiences and remember that they represent the fire department.

Graduate Michael Bates received an award for physical fitness, having recorded the best time on an obstacle course testing a variety of firefighter skills.

Nicholas Zagyi was named as the academy valedictorian; Academy Director Capt. Joel Burke said Zagyi hadn't failed any written test or skills assessment.

"We began this journey with a common goal: become firefighters, firefighters that had to serve our communities and protect lives and property with courage and dedication," Zagyi said. As we embark



Ashley Pascual, right, shakes hands with Cosumnes Fire Chief Felipe Rodriguez as she graduates from firefighting academy. Pascual's father is a retired Cosumnes Fire captain. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

on this path, we quickly realize that this profession demands much more than just bravery; it requires commitment, relentless training and a profound sense of duty."

Zagyi thanked the academy instructors for pushing the new firefighters and for providing "the bedrock to our success." He also expressed his classmates' gratitude for the support of their families.

"As we step into our roles as probationary firefighters, let us carry the values and principles we have learned here at the fire academy," Zagyi said. "Let us continue to strive for excellence, to always place the need of others above our own, and to never waver in our commitment to serving and protecting our communities. Let us remember that we are not just individuals but part of a much larger team, a brotherhood and sisterhood bonded by a common purpose."

The ceremony concluded with each graduate having their badge pinned by a loved one. Then, the firefighters took turns ringing a bell to mark the start of their career at Cosumnes Fire.

The Academy 2024-01 graduates are John Barkley, Bates, Breyton Borja, Andrew Bowers, Cristian Camacho, Kyler DeLapp, Dylan Hocoever, Steven Inderbitzin, Willie Lafradez, Maren Nelson, Nhily Nguyen, Eric Olsen, Ashley Pascual, Mark Prozorov, Carlitos Salamanca, Andrew Samano, Seth Schachter, Matthew Schuman, Darren Vogt and Zagyi. ★



Cosumnes Fire Department Academy participants enter their graduation ceremony. Photo by Matthew Malone



Academy graduate Mark Prozorov, left, has his badge pinned by his son and wife. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

Police Arrest Driver After Chase in Stolen Truck

By Matthew Malone
News Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - Galt Police arrested a man June 25 on charges of possessing a stolen truck after he led police on a vehicle chase near downtown.

On that morning, according to Capt. Richard Small, Galt Police Department dispatch received an alert, through the city's Flock license plate reader system, flagging a stolen work truck that entered the city from the south.

An officer reportedly found the truck near the intersection of H Street and Olive Court.

"They tried to conduct a vehicle stop and the vehicle took off," Small said.

The chase went north on Fourth Street and then west on West C Street, according to Small.

Police said the driver, identified as Jose Arriaga, 29, of Sacramento, struck an uninvolved driver and then a tree near the end of West C. He then fled on foot before being arrested, according to police.

Small said the uninvolved motorist reported pain but declined to be transported to a hospital.

Arriaga was charged with receiving a stolen vehicle, hit-and-run with injury, driving under the influence, felony reckless evading, driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest, according to jail records. As of June 26, he was being held at Sacramento County Main Jail with



Here is the stolen truck. Photo courtesy of Galt Police Department

bail set at \$500,000.

Small said the truck was stolen from the Arden Arcade area.

"Every vehicle pursuit is inherently dangerous," Small said, "and our officers are required by law and by training to always

drive with due regard for public safety. That's standard."

Small said this pursuit, like others, is subject to a review to determine whether personnel followed policy or need additional training. ★

Wilton Lavender Farm to Hold Picking Event

By Matthew Malone
News Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - Love the scent of fresh-picked lavender? Time is running out to gather your own bundle at Wilton Family Lavender Farm.

The farm at 9050 Tavernor Road in Wilton offers "U-pick" days on weekends from May to June, while its lavender crop is in bloom. But, due to high forecast temperatures, July 6 and 7 are likely to be the last U-pick days of the season.

The farm and its Lavender Market, stocked with a range of lavender products, will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visitors are provided with shears and advice on how to harvest lavender, and the farm charges \$10 per bundle gathered.

Co-owner John Case said the farm cultivates 13 varieties of lavender, each with different properties.

For example, some produce more essential oils while others are better for culinary applications. Lavender hydrosol, which the farm distills from the plants alongside the essential oil, has cleaning applications.

Case said lavender and its products have five main uses: aromatherapy, as an antibacterial, promoting healing, as a cooking ingredient and as a bug repellent.

"It's a wonderful plant and there's probably a lot more diverse uses for it than you'd find with other types of herbs and flowers," Case said.

The lavender field slopes down a gentle hill, with the lavender planted in rows labeled by variety. Guests told the Citizen that they enjoyed the aroma of lavender in the air.

Sara Studley, who was visiting with her daughter, said she was interested in visiting a lavender farm for



Lavender plants grow in rows on Wilton Family Lavender Farm.

about a year. The Wilton farm made for a convenient day trip compared to farms in places such as Apple Hill.

"We use lavender," Studley said. "We use the oils, so it's kind of nice to see where it come from and where it starts."

Studley shared a tip that Case gave her for picking lavender, which is attractive for bees.

"He said, 'Shake the bush first and the bees will just find another place.' So for those people who are bee-timid, there are strategies.

In addition, when cutting the lavender stalks, Case advised putting the shears down where the leaves start. He suggested rubbing a little between the fingers to smell the oil, which has a different aroma between varieties.

He recommended keeping lavender bundles in a dry vase. Once the bundle dries out, the buds can be gathered by agitating the bundle and used for potpourri.

The farm has been in operation for about five-and-a-half years. Case said his wife and fellow owner,



Wilton Family Lavender Farm co-owner John Case shows how to collect dried lavender buds for potpourri. The farm is holding its last lavender-picking event of the season. Photos by Matthew Malone



Wilton Family Lavender Farm offers a variety of lavender products made from its own crops.

Sharon Breault, had the idea.

After the hours on July 6 and 7, the farm will open to the public on the first weekend of the month, and

a fall craft fair is planned for Sept. 28 and 29.

For more about Wilton Family Lavender Farm, visit wiltonfamilylavender-farm.com. ★

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POLICE LOGS

During the time period from June 21 to 27, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in 15 arrests.

Friday, June 21

10:57 a.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested at Emerald Vista Drive/Willowgreen Circle.
4:27 p.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at North Lincoln Way/A Street.
4:31 p.m., theft reported at Nor Cal Fit on C Street; employee's cell phone stolen.
9:01 p.m., hit-and-run/non-injury on Oak Avenue.

10:24 p.m., theft reported at Dutch Bros. Coffee on Pine Street; man took money from tip jar.

Saturday, June 22

8:20 a.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at Auto Zone on C Street.
8:51 a.m., fraud reported on Di Maggio Way.
12:54 p.m., trespassing/adult arrested at McDonald's on East Stockton Boulevard.
2:47 p.m., domestic violence reported on Fifth Street.
3:16 p.m., theft reported on Church Street; tools stolen.
6:43 p.m., vandalism

reported on South Lincoln Way.

7:13 p.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested on Labrador Court.

10:17 p.m., DUI/adult arrested at Highway 99/Twin Cities Road.

Sunday, June 23

10:54 a.m., family offense reported on Snow Lily Avenue.

Monday, June 24

2:22 a.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at Pine Street/Caroline Avenue.
07:16 a.m., vandalism reported on Camellia Way; warehouse door bent.

11:13 p.m., DUI/adult arrested at Chevron on Simmerhorn Road.

11:10 p.m., theft reported on J Street.

Tuesday, June 25

1:40 a.m., arson/adult arrested on F Street.
2:38 a.m., arson reported on A Street/South Lincoln Way; minivan on fire behind thrift store.
8:22 a.m., stolen vehicle recovered/adult arrested at Kost Road/South Lincoln Way.
11:48 a.m., theft reported at Us Storage Centers on A Street; items stolen from trailer.

4:24 p.m., DUI/adult arrested at Twin Cities Road/West Stockton Boulevard.

9:38 p.m., trespassing reported on J Street.

Wednesday, June 26

4:43 a.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at Dutch Bros. Coffee on Pine Street.
5:18 a.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at Walmart on Twin Cities Road.
5:19 p.m., theft reported on Crow Creek Circle; vehicle broken into.
12:50 p.m., trespassing/adult arrested at The

Hangout on C Street.
3:21 p.m., theft reported at Valley Oaks Elementary School on C Street; scooter stolen.
10:15 p.m., trespassing reported at Horizon Community Church on Fairway Drive.

Thursday, June 27

8:40 a.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested at McDonald's on Pine Street.
11:09 a.m., theft reported at Us Storage Centers on A Street.
10:15 p.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested at Walmart on Twin Cities Road. ★

GLANCE BACK

80 Years Ago July 14, 1944

According to Mrs. Gladys Wood, local chairman of the Fifth War Loan Drive, Galt and community has nearly reached its quota. The total sales up to Wednesday of this week was \$41,046 and the quota set was \$43,480.

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Mrs. Walter Weiss, former Miss Marie Medeck of Galt, received a telegram from the Navy that her husband, Walter Weiss, was among the reported crew of 60 on a lost submarine.

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Sunday afternoon, July 2, Rev. Floyd O. Barnett, pastor of the Galt Methodist Church, united in marriage Miss Marylin Carver and Clarence Angele, S/IC of the U.S. Navy.

70 Years Ago July 15, 1954

Donald and Frank

Harbert, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harbert of Galt, are serving in the Armed Forces with Donald in the U.S. Army and Frank in the U.S. Navy.

Donald was recently transferred from Amarillo, Texas to Bangor, Maine. Frank is a storekeeper and is stationed aboard the USS Mattaponi in San Francisco.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Segale, Lodi, are the proud parents of a daughter, Ramona Ann, born July 5 at Mason Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and arrived at 2:37 a.m. Mr. Segale is a member of the Galt Elementary School faculty ... Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams, Galt, are the proud parents of a son, William Earl, born July 12 at Lodi Memorial Hospital. He weighed 8 pounds 12½ ounces and arrived at 12:26 a.m.

60 Years Ago July 9, 1964

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weller announced the arrival of their new daughter, Cynthia Diane, born June 27 at 8:04 a.m. at Lodi Memorial Hospital ... Mr. and Mrs. Michael McConnell of Galt are getting acquainted with their new daughter, Dawn Jeanine, who was born July 3 at 1:59 p.m. at Lodi Memorial Hospital. She weighed in at 7 pounds 3 ounces.

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The Rev. George Lumsden, newly-elected pastor of the Galt Christian Church with his wife Ruth, began full time ministry July 1 after having taken a four-week motor trip upon resigning his pastorate at Tracy. The local church is located at 7th and B streets.

50 Years Ago July 11, 1974

Christopher N. Adams

of Galt was named to the Academic Honors List at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

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Unseasonable weather has dumped a total of .73 inches of rain in the Galt area to break all records for rainfall in July.

40 Years Ago July 5, 1984

Larry Billing has been

named principal/superintendent of Oak View School effective July 1, taking over the reins of Bruce Hahn, who will become superintendent of a school in Placerville.

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Sixteen volunteers last Wednesday helped to score 87 dairies on their appearance from the road, in the dairy award of merit

program spearheaded by Crystal Creamery. Elvin Miller, a Crystal field representative; Taft Meyer of Production Credit Association; Roger McCormick of Farmers and Merchants Bank; and John Williams of The Galt Herald judged the northern end of the area, traveling in excess of 200 miles to judge 11 dairies.

—Herald archives ★

MEETING MINDERS

Sunday, July 7

Galt 4-H Club meeting, 4 p.m., at either Barbara Payne Community Garden or Grange Hall (depending on weather); see Facebook page GALT 4-H or email galt4h@gmail.com.

Wednesday, July 10

Galt Parks and Recreation Commission,

6 p.m., every other month, Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

Thursday, July 11

Galt Planning Commission, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

GHS/LRHS Ag Boosters, 6 :30 p.m., at Estrellita High School, 12935

Marengo Road, galtagboosters@gmail.com.

Lions Club, 6:30 p.m. social and 7 p.m. meeting, Galt Place, 400 D St., 209-745-5921.

Friday, July 12

Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Velvet Grill & Creamery, 400 Fourth St., 209-745-6617. ★



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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center

The Commission on Aging is looking for volunteers to operate a computer and are willing to answer questions from seniors in person, over the phone, on social media and by email at the Galt Senior Resource Center.

Volunteer slots are available in two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays. Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members if questions arise.

The resource center is at the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. If interested in helping, call 209-294-3308 and leave a message or inquire in person.

Cosumnes DAR Chapter Accepting New Members

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) recently started its Rio Cosumnes Chapter in the Elk Grove/Galt community and is accepting new members.

The nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women's service organization is dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education for children. Members are all lineal descendants of those who supported the cause of independence in the Revolutionary War.

For more information on the Rio Cosumnes Chapter's monthly meetings or membership, contact Registrar Paula Schroeder at egdarregistrar@gmail.com.

GALEP Horse Program Seeks Volunteers

The Galt Horse Assisted Learning and Enrichment Program (GALEP) is offered

in the Galt Joint Union Elementary District and needs volunteers.

This equine-assisted program provides free riding and enrichment experiences for students during the summer, fall and spring at the arena behind Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School. The program is a member of the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International.

For more information and application, please visit the school district website (galt.k12.ca.us) Programs tab, or contact Lori Jones by calling 209-744-4545, ext. 332 or emailing ljones@galt.k12.ca.us.

City After-Hours Assistance

After-hours assistance is available at the Galt Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments. For Public Works concerns, call the Galt Police Department nonemergency line at 209-366-7000.

The Parks Maintenance Division is available for scheduled field or facility use assistance only from 10 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Call 209-810-0293.

Office Hours With Mayor Sandhu

Galt Mayor Paul Sandhu meets one-on-one with Galt residents on the first and second Thursday of each month to discuss issues important to them at Galt City Hall, 380 Civic Drive. Schedule the 30-minute meetings by contacting the City Clerk's office at 209-366-7130, ext. 7, or clerk@cityofgalt.org.

Library Offers Older Adults Computer Time

In cooperation with the Galt

Commission on Aging, the Galt-Marian O. Lawrence Library will schedule a set time for older adults to use its computers, upon request.

Those 65 and older who want computer time can call the library at 916-264-2920. Staff will help set up the computer or tablet. The library is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at 1000 Caroline Ave.

Recycle Household Batteries

City of Galt residents can recycle their household batteries in one of two green household-battery recycling bins: on the west side at the front entrance to the Galt Police Department or on the east side at Galt Community Park, just west of the fire station. The green bin is only for dry-cell household batteries.

For additional information, contact the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

Square Dance Classes on Mondays

The Diamond Dancers Square Dance Club hosts social square-dancing classes in Galt. The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall. The classes are formatted for flexibility and students can learn numerous square dance calls in about three months. The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St. For more information, call Sue Regadanz at 916-835-8916.

Nominate Your Neighbor

The Galt Beautification Committee wants you to "nominate your neighbor." Has your neighbor recently completed a yard project? Does your neighbor have the

best flowers in town or the best-looking yard? The Galt Beautification Committee wants to know. Send an email with pictures and why you are nominating your neighbor to planningdivision@cityofgalt.org. The best submissions will be included in future newsletters and City Manage Updates.

Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous (Nar-Anon) family group meetings for friends and family members who are dealing with drug addiction are held locally from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt.

Sunshine Food Pantry Donation Sites

Sunshine Food Pantry is a food closet that helps provide for residents. Collections of canned food and dry good nonperishable items are received at United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt; call to make an appointment for donations at 209-745-4133.

The food closet is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the United Methodist Church.

Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

Meals on Wheels is accepting new participants in its Galt All Seasons Café located in the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older. Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533. ★

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It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Garrett Dean Parsons on June 12, 2024. Born September 20, 1982, Garrett lived a life marked by dedication, compassion and an unwavering commitment to his family and community.

Garrett's educational journey began at Galt High School, where he graduated with the class of 2000. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Economics from California State University, Sacramento, and an Associate of Arts in Liberal Studies and Business from San Joaquin Delta College. His academic achievements laid the foundation for a distinguished career in financial consulting.

With over 18 years of experience in both private and public equity markets, Garrett was a highly respected expert in asset valuation,



funding structures, and public release document generation. His expertise and integrity earned him the admiration and trust of his colleagues and clients alike.

Garrett is survived by his beloved son, Ian Parsons; his cherished grandparents, Larry and Joanne Parsons; his brother, Brent Parsons; and his mother, Nancy Dover. He is also predeceased by his father, Randall Parsons.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Garrett was a decorated team roper, winning multiple championships. His passion for the sport was matched only by his love for the outdoors, where he found solace in hunting and the company of his friends. His infectious laughter and adventurous spirit created lasting memories for those fortunate enough to know him.

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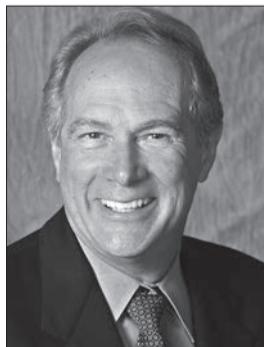
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Please contact Fabiola Davis @ 209-460-5071 if you have any questions.

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Historical Tours Offered Monthly

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American Legion Post 233 Invites Veterans

The Elk Grove American Legion Post 233, established in 1994, invites veterans to our monthly meetings every 4th Thursday of the month at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Our July meeting is scheduled for July 25th. Post 233 invites veterans and their

spouses to a dinner/social hour from 6-7 pm. The veterans' general meeting starts at 7 pm. Veterans' spouses are welcome to join the Elk Grove American Legion Auxiliary Unit 233 that meets in another room from 7-8 pm in the same location. For questions, please contact Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128. We also invite veterans and spouses to

join us each month on the first Saturday for our Elk Grove American Legion Post 233 Family Social Breakfast. Our next Saturday breakfast will be held July 6th at 9:00 am at Bert's Diner at 8972 Grant Line Road, Elk Grove 95624. NOTE the new location will be for the summer months of July & August. We hope to see you there. ★

Commission on Aging to Host Red Hawk Trip

By Matthew Malone
News Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Galt Commission on Aging is planning a free bus trip for older adults to Red Hawk Casino. The commission discussed the plans at its June 27 regular meeting, at which it also heard a proposal for a storytelling program at the Galt Senior Resource Center.

The trip is scheduled for Aug. 1, with bus pickup at 9 a.m. at Chabolla Community Center. The bus will return to Galt at 3:30 p.m. Participants should be at least 55 years old. Guests will receive \$5 in free play at the door. Those who earn 100 points playing slot machines can get an additional \$5 in free play and a \$5

dining coupon for any of the casino restaurants. Space is limited. To register, call the Galt Senior Resource Center at 209-294-3308. Commissioner Brendan Moore raised a proposal for a storytelling program at the Galt Senior Resource Center, which is looking for activities to boost attendance on Thursdays. "I think it (storytelling)

would be a great thing to do on Thursdays," Moore said, citing a Sacramento nonprofit organization that could provide the service. Commissioner Joan Werblun suggested considering how the library could collaborate on an event, as well as contacting the Galt Area Historical Society. Moore said he would reach out to the nonprofit organization and other suggested

contacts, and report back at the next meeting. Monica Lopez, the city's liaison to the commission, gave an update on efforts to upgrade the Galt Senior Resource Center's telephone, as well as to improve Wi-fi access in Chabolla. She said it would be most cost-efficient for the city to purchase a cell phone with a built-in Wi-Fi

hotspot. She planned to ask the city's phone service provider, Verizon, about its best cell phone deals. Commissioner Oz McCall, who volunteers at the Galt Senior Resource Center, said he would speak with other volunteers to find out whether they are more comfortable with an iPhone or an Android phone. ★

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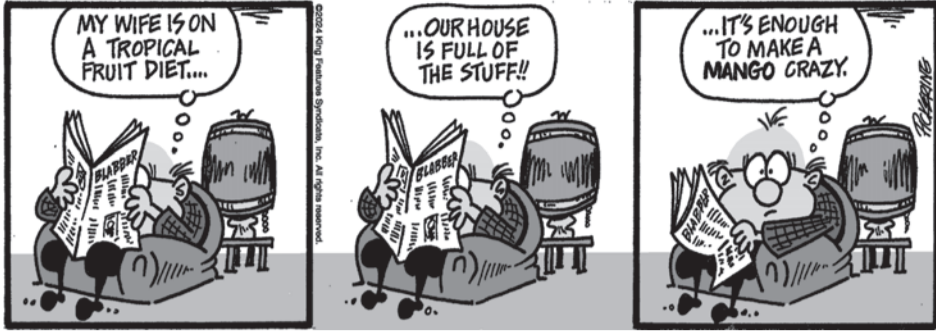
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It's the World's Smallest Swimsuit

According to the History Channel website, on July 5, 1946, French designer Louis Réard unveiled a daring two-piece swimsuit at the Piscine Molitor, a popular swimming pool in Paris. Parisian show girl Micheline Bernardini modeled the new fashion, which Réard dubbed "bikini," inspired by a news-making United States atomic-bomb test that took place off the Bikini Atoll in the Pacific Ocean earlier that week.

Years before, in the 1930s, European women first began wearing two-piece bathing suits that consisted of a halter top and shorts, but only a sliver of the midriff was revealed, and the navel was vigilantly covered.

In the United States, the modest two-piece made its appearance during World War II, when wartime rationing of fabric saw the removal of the skirt panel and other superfluous material. Meanwhile, in Europe, fortified coastlines and Allied invasions curtailed beach life during the war, and swimsuit development, like everything else nonmilitary, came to a standstill.



In 1946, Western Europeans joyously greeted the first war-free summer in years, and French designers came up with fashions to match the liberated mood of the people. Two French designers, Jacques Heim and Louis Réard, developed competing prototypes of the bikini.

Heim called his the "atom" and advertised it as "the world's smallest bathing suit."

Réard's swimsuit, which was basically a bra top and two inverted triangles of cloth connected by string, was in fact significantly smaller. It was made out of a scant 30 inches of fabric, and Réard promoted his creation as "smaller than the world's smallest bathing suit." Réard called his creation the "bikini."

In planning the debut of his new swimsuit, Réard had trouble finding a professional model who would deign to wear the scandalously skimpy two-piece. So he turned to Micheline Bernardini, an exotic dancer at the Casino de Paris, who had no qualms about appearing nearly nude in public. As an allusion to the headlines that he knew his swimsuit would generate, he printed newspaper type across the suit that Bernardini modeled on July 5. The bikini was a hit, especially among men, and Bernardini received some 50,000 letters.

Before long, bold young women in bikinis were causing a sensation along the Mediterranean coast. Spain and Italy passed measures prohibiting bikinis on public beaches but later capitulated to the changing times when the swimsuit grew into a mainstay of European beaches in the 1950s. Réard's business soared, and in advertisements he kept the bikini mystique alive by declaring that a two-piece suit wasn't a genuine bikini "unless it could be pulled through a wedding ring."

In prudish America, the bikini was successfully resisted until the early 1960s,

when a new emphasis on youthful liberation brought the swimsuit en masse to United States beaches. It was immortalized by the pop singer Brian Hyland, who sang "Itsy Bitsy Teenie Weenie Yellow Polka Dot Bikini" in 1960, in the teenage "beach blanket" movies of Annette Funicello and Frankie Avalon, and by the California surfing culture celebrated by rock groups like The Beach Boys. Since then, the popularity of the bikini has only continued to grow.

I can remember how scandalous we thought those girls and women were when they wore bikinis to the beach in the early 1960s. And then it was our turn. My friends and I were 17 years old, and we thought we were something special wearing a few strips of cloth, strutting our stuff. Of course, we wouldn't dare cover up, so we got sunburned in the most uncomfortable places. And the days of fashion before common sense prevail today. The generation of today wears a thong bikini. And of course, sunscreen.

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Quality of Life is Top Goal, Interim City Manager Says

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maintain and improve the quality of life of the people who live, work and do business in the community. And so that is the No. 1 goal of government, regardless of level," Elias said.

Professional development for staff comes in the form of promotional and training opportunities, as well as addressing the city's level of compensation, according to Elias.

"We all understand that Galt will never pay what the bigger cities do; we just can't afford that. But we always try to close the gap," Elias said, commending the pay decisions that City Council has made in union negotiations.

On economic development, Elias wanted to bring more businesses to Galt "that provide the amenities that people want so they don't have to leave

town to go out to eat, to go out to shop."

Drawing in businesses also provides the city with more revenue, Elias said.

Elias said he envisions concluding his career in Galt. He had been planning to retire after working in Manteca but delayed his plans for the Galt role.

Elias described his decade and a half in Galt Community Development as "something of a happy accident."

He started out working for the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency and then, searching for a growing community to spend just a couple of years in, settled on Galt.

"When I was hitting my two years (in 2007), the market tanked, so there was really nowhere to go. So I always say I got stuck in Galt but it was the best thing that ever happened.

And Galt offered things that I didn't think about until I got here."

Erias said the city's small size allowed him to follow projects from start to finish, rather than needing to specialize in a narrow part of the process.

"Here in Galt, you get a little bit of everything, so I've just come to really love the town," Elias said.

Erias remarked on the ways in which Galt is the same as it was when he left. The population was estimated at about 25,800 in 2023, just a little larger than in the 2020 Census. He had expected it to be approaching 30,000.

"Even though we're building homes and getting units, I think it underscores that demographic of how many people are in a household has really changed," Elias said. He was pleased to see some housing projects that he

had worked on coming to fruition.

One "fun" aspect of coming back was reconnecting with many of the people Elias knew during his first time with the city.

"I know and worked with a lot of the staff that are currently here. A lot of the community members that have been around for a while, they're still here. So it's really good to see there hasn't been much change there," Elias said.

The time in Manteca helped prepare Elias to become city manager. As development services director, Elias said, he managed a limited number of professionals who then oversaw their own divisions, which he compared to a city manager directing department heads.

"I think the transition from community development director in Galt to development services

director in Manteca, then interim city manager in Galt is kind of a good transition and helped prepare me for this position," Elias said.

With a background in development, Elias said, he looks at Galt through a "planner's lens," thinking about where the city will be in the next few years and decades.

"To me, though, that's a good thing so we don't make decisions on a short-term basis. We're always looking for the long-term interest for the city of Galt," Elias said.

Erias added that he aims to maintain a broader view of the city, balancing his interest in development and other areas.

Asked about city government's role in residents' everyday lives, Elias pointed first to everyday quality-of-life duties, such as ensuring clean drinking

water and reliable sewage, "things probably most people, including myself, take for granted because you don't think about because it is a big operation and it takes a lot to keep it functioning."

Besides public safety and recreation opportunities, Elias also cited efforts to keep the city clean, an area he said the city is working on improving.

"Those are things we intend to improve on and are currently working on," Elias said.

Erias said the city's residents are the biggest reason for his returning as interim city manager.

"The best part of the town, and I've told this to people many times, is the people," Elias said. "I've always gotten along great with the staff. The community here has always been warm and great to work with." ★

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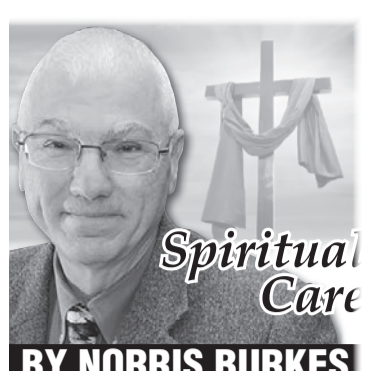
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He'd likely call "foul," as the LSU Tigers, the eighth-best team nationally, dishonor the Sabbath with Saturday games.

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The principle has taken some hits in recent years.

Opponents make two points. First, the separation idea is not in the Constitution. Second, they say our founding fathers would have never favored such a split because they sought to make the USA into a Christian nation.

The first argument is true.

Separation of church and state is only an interpretation of the First Amendment, which clearly forbids our government from establishing a religion. Additionally, it's interpreted to mean the government can't favor any single religion.

The second point is decidedly untrue.

Thomas Jefferson, the primary author of the Declaration of Independence, was "not a God-fearing humanitarian but rather a slaveholding epicurean deist," says Tim Alberta in his latest book, "The Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory: American Evangelicals in an Age of Extremism."

"Jefferson was not an earnest follower of Christ but was known to mock revivalists and rarely attend church," Alberta writes.

I gained some understanding of Jefferson's view during my visit to Roger Williams National Memorial last summer. It's possible that Jefferson's understanding of the church and state issue was

forged from Williams'.

Living 100 years prior to Jefferson, Williams was excommunicated from the Anglican Church for blasphemy.

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According to a National Park Service article, Roger Williams believed government-established religions were "... responsible for the death of millions of innocent souls whose only crime was having their own, unique conscience."

Williams added with succinct clarity, "Forced worship stinks in God's nostrils."

Alberta notes that Jesus himself "physically ran and hid from the people who desired to make Him king. Jesus dismissed his critics by telling them, 'Give back to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things

that are God's.'"

Alberta concludes this thought with an interpretation from a modern-day preacher who gained fame in 1965.

"In other words, pay your taxes, forget politics, and serve God with all your heart."

That man was the late Jerry Falwell - before he successfully revived his failing college through a political arm called "The Moral Majority."

As you approach the voting booth this fall, let's keep church and state separate. But most of all, beyond Nov., I encourage people of faith to "Serve God with all your heart."

Currently, the Louisiana law is being legally challenged. In the end, I suspect Louisianans will find, as did a dozen other states, that their law won't pass "the sniff test."

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

Wow, Kings fans, a busy week for the NBA, and to a lesser extent for our own Sacramento Kings.

The much-anticipated No. 13 pick consummated in the Kings choosing a 6'2" guard from Providence. Devin Carter by all accounts is a bona fide first-round pick, and many pundits had him going in the top 10. This may have been the primary reason the Kings chose to select Carter at No. 13, as

opposed to taking a lesser talent at one of the big-man positions.

Make no mistake about it, the Sacramento Kings are not big up front, and Domantas Sabonis may be the quintessential rebounder in the NBA, but that doesn't mean he can't use some help alongside. Our forwards are on the small side, and since we didn't address this issue with the first-round pick, free agency or a trade will be the only avenue left for Sacramento to shore up its front line.

For me, the player that I believed would fit the puzzle best was

Jonas Valanciunas, as he would play nicely alongside Domantas, allowing Sabonis to slide into the #4 spot.

That unfortunately will not happen, since the Washington Wizards just signed Valanciunas to a three-year, \$30-million deal.

I am at a loss to explain why the Kings weren't in the mix and giving it an all-out effort to sign this talented big man, but I remain hopeful that Monte McNair has a plan in place to fix the Kings' ever-present needs at power forward.

In a somewhat surprising

move, the Kings traded heralded and ever-popular Davion Mitchell along with benchman Sasha Vezenkov to the Toronto Raptors for Jalen McDaniels. Sadly, the Kings' second-round pick, Jamal Shead, was included in the deal, so from the 2024 draft Sacramento rests its hopes on Devin Carter.

I am convinced there is more to come, and I withhold any grade with regards to Monte McNair's offseason moves at this point.

Former GMs have done far worse, and free agency can be a panacea for a team that may not have solved all its needs in the draft.

To be sure, there were players on the board at No. 13 that fit the mode for the type of front-line player the

Kings need, but the question is whether they had the skill set to make a difference and step into the starting lineup.

In all likelihood Devin Carter will come off the bench in much the same way that Davion Mitchell did, and I for one am going to miss Davion's fiery spirit and tenacious defense, but at the same time I don't want to diminish the potential that Devin Carter brings to the team.

Carter's 6'9" wingspan helped him garnish 8.7 rebounds last season for Providence, while claiming Big East player of the year honors.

Sacramento, barring injury, is replete with talented and multi-dimensional guards, so what remains is Monte McNair's

ability to fix the Kings' undersized front line.

Reportedly, Sacramento is interested in Brandon Ingram, and the real question is whether they are willing to pay the high price he demands. Ingram is considered one of the premier forwards in the NBA coming off a season in which he scored 20 points per game with five rebounds and nearly six assists.

Also, a contender for the Kings starting lineup could be Laker forward Kyle Kuzma, who if signed would come at a much more affordable price for Sacramento.

Stay tuned, all you Kings fans, because Monte McNair is not by any means finished with the 2025 roster. ★

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Aidan Hall throws to first.



Akayla Joy Gunter hits the ball over the net.

Gunter and Hall: Galt High Scholar Athletes of the Year

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - At Galt High's graduation Assistant Principal Alan Posey announced Akayla Joy Gunter and Aidan Hall as Scholar Athletes of the Year.

"Athletics has been a huge part of many of your lives up until this point," said Posey. "I have been lucky enough to guide some of that at Galt High School for the past eight years. As a Galt High graduate and 'athlete' myself, it is an honor to be able to recognize two of the top athletes of the class of 2024. It is shown year after year that athletic involvement and academics go hand in hand. Students that participate in athletics consistently have higher GPAs than those that do not. To be able to excel in the classroom and athletics takes a special individual."

"It is my honor to be able to present the female and male scholar athlete of the year awards today," explained Posey. "These awards are earned by athletes that make a profound difference on the court, field, etc. and also earn GPAs in the top 10% or higher."

Akayla Joy Gunter was a Warrior Volleyball player for four years, played basketball for the past two seasons and led the team in points overall and per game this year.



Athletic Director John van den Raadt, left, and Assistant Principal Alan Posey present Aidan Hall and Akayla Joy Gunter with Scholar Athlete of the Year awards. Photos by Paige Lampson

In addition, she helped Warrior Baseball each spring as a manager. As a student Gunter is ranked number 10 in her class overall with well above a 4.0 GPA.

Aidan Hall, the male scholar athlete of the year, played varsity baseball as a starter for four years. He was a large part

of Galt's recent success in baseball and has played in more playoff baseball games than anyone in recent memory. In addition, he has thrown more innings and hit more home runs in the past four years than any Warrior.

In the classroom he is the definition

of a scholar and finished with close to a 4.0. He will be playing baseball for Long Beach State next year and will undoubtedly make a huge difference there. A true Dirt Bag.

A humble Hall expressed his gratitude. "I am very thankful for the recognition and glad that all my years of hard work paid off," said Hall. "It has been a pleasure to play for the Galt Warriors. I want to thank all my coaches and Mr. Posey for all their support helping me get to the next level."

Akayla Joy Gunter was not expecting the award. "I was surprised to get the Scholar Athlete of the Year award," said Gunter. "I really thought it would have gone to someone ranked higher or who played more sports than me."

Along with being ranked 10th in the class, Gunter has a 4.25 cumulative GPA, was a four-year varsity starter in volleyball and a two-year varsity starter for basketball, where she led in every stat. She also was in the top three in the volleyball stats. Gunter also volunteered and managed the boys' varsity baseball team for three years.

"Next year I am going to San Diego State University to double major in political science and history," said Gunter. "I was extremely grateful to receive the award, especially from Mr. Posey and Mr. V." ★



Akayla Joy Gunter grabs a rebound and heads to the Galt basket.



The runner is out at first as Aidan Hall catches the ball.



Aidan Hall bats the ball.



Akayla Joy Gunter goes for a layup.

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New CIF No Contact Dead Period Begins

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - Summer is usually a time for high school athletes to prepare for the upcoming fall season. Athletes work with their coaches to condition, learn plays, lift weights and perfect their skills.

While this is still true, the CIF Sac-Joaquin League members have voted in a new mandatory No Contact Dead Period July 1-July 14.



Most high school sports do some kind of conditioning all year round, and this Dead Period applies to all sports: Fall, Winter and Spring. Winter and Spring sports will have no other Dead Period but this one.

What does this mean? No practice, no team building, no weightlifting, no conditioning, no meetings of any kind and no fundraisers. Additionally, outside organizations, clubs and/or businesses cannot be used to circumvent the rules of this no-contact dead period. The CIF stresses that no member of the school's athletic department can have any contact with athletes. No contact means No contact. Dead periods will adhere to Bylaw 504.8. During the dead period no member of the coaching staff (paid or voluntary) may have any contact with his/her athletes.

According to Jason Feuerbach with the CIF Sac-Joaquin section office, the No-Contact Dead Period was passed unanimously by the playoff committee and the executive committee. Section staff attended all 26 league meetings with principals and athletic directors last August to touch on issues including the dead period.

"The Board of Managers saw the proposal as a first read item in October and



Pre-season practice takes place at Warrior Stadium last year. Photos by Paige Lampson



Liberty Ranch Volleyball must break for No Contact Dead Period.



The Hawks take a break from pre-season practice this week.



Volleyball practice at Warrior gym stops during dead period.

voted on it in January 2024 where it passed unanimously," said Feuerbach. "The new No-Contact Dead Period has the following benefits: It allows families a designated time each summer to go on vacation, and rest and recover for the student athletes. There is now a set time where schools can clean and update facilities, and it is equal for all sports."

Families will now know in advance when to plan family activities so their athlete potentially won't miss practice, and they can plan very far in advance.

A great majority of high school athletes also participate in club sports. How does this No-Contact Dead Period affect club

play? Athletes can still participate in club sports as long as no person associated with the high school athletic department is in attendance.

What if an athlete plays for a regional club sport team that has multiple athletes from multiple schools on it, but their high school coach happens to be the club coach? The CIF says either the athlete or the coach must not attend practice, games or any other events/gatherings during the dead period.

Even if the club has a tournament during the dead period, the athlete and coach are not permitted to attend together and only one can attend the event.

Now, a few coaches are parents or relatives of athletes, and while no athletic activity is allowed, they can attend family events during the dead period.

If a high school coach provides sports training for athletes year-round as a business for athletes all over the region, they can continue to do business but no kids from the school they coach may attend.

The Sac-Joaquin Section executive board approved a one-time waiver for teams that had previously qualified for a nationally recognized organization's culminating event during the dead period.

There has been some local scrambling to either change fundraising dates or athletes having to pull out of fundraisers like pancake breakfasts. Teams have also pulled out of participating in our local Fourth of July parade or helping with the Kevin Tonn Memorial Run.

What are the consequences of breaking the rules? According to the CIF, violation of the no-contact dead period could result in loss of playoff eligibility, coach suspension, athlete suspension, school fines, reduction in allowable contacts, loss of practices and more. ★

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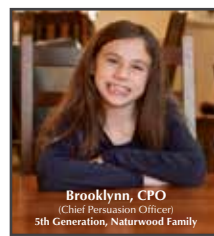


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