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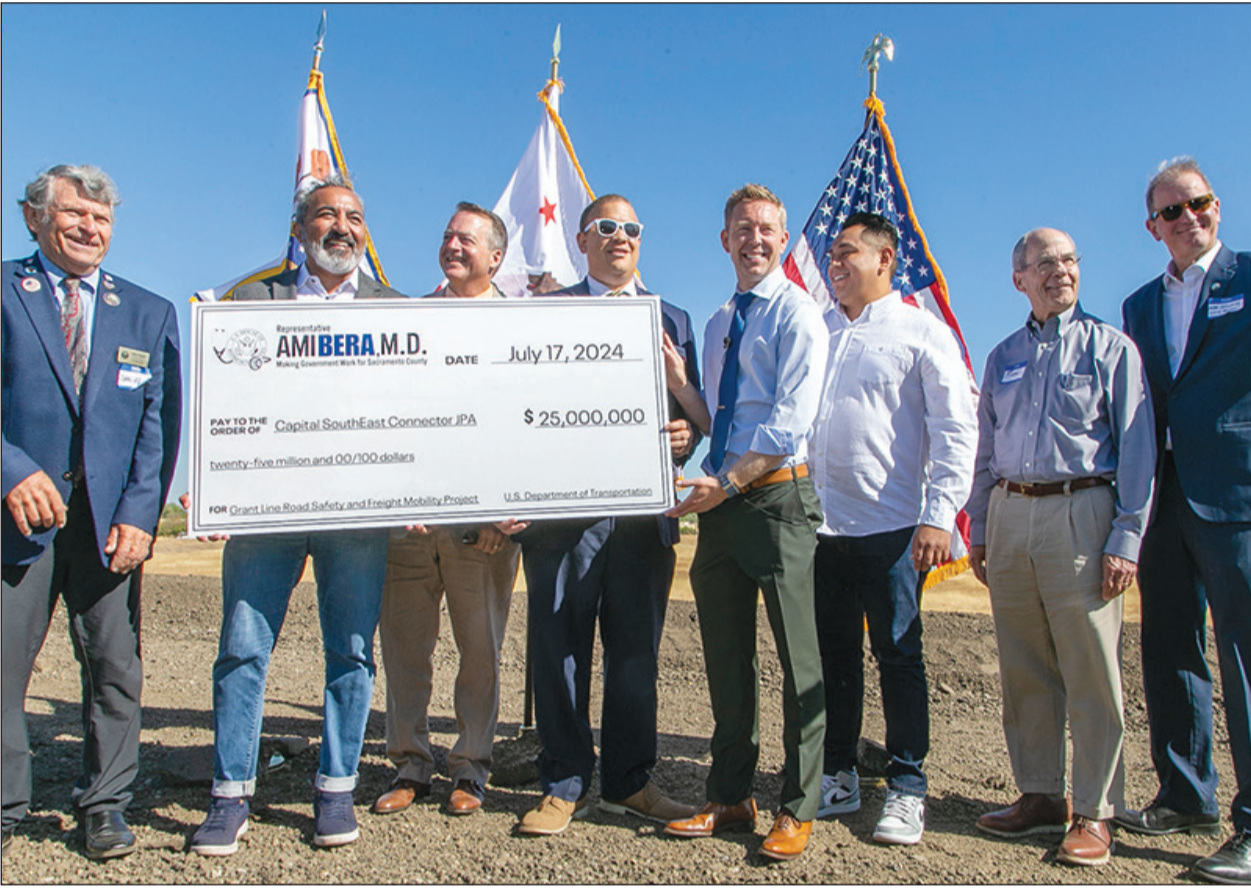
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## \$25 Million for Upgrades to Grant Line Road Safety



Congressman Ami Bera, second from left, presents a \$25 million check to Capital SouthEast Connector representatives at the July 17 news conference held at a Teichert Aggregates plant on Grant Line Road in Rancho Cordova. Photo by Gail Bullen

**By Gail Bullen**  
Messenger Publishing Group

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Regional leaders celebrated the United States Department of Transportation's (DOT)

allocation of \$25 million to the Capital SouthEast Connector project at a July 17 news conference held at the Teichert Aggregate Plant on Grant Line Road.

The federal grant will address long-standing safety issues on a

three-and-a-half-mile segment of Grant Line Road between White Rock and Douglas Road in Rancho Cordova by transforming it into a four-lane roadway with a separate lane for bikes and pedestrians.

After all segments in the

34-mile-long connector are constructed, it will link Interstate 5 at the town of Franklin to Highway 50 in El Dorado Hills by transforming Kammerer, Grant Line and White Rock roads into an expressway.

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## Planners Postpone Lighting Decision

**By Matthew Malone**  
Staff Writer

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - The Elk Grove Planning Commission delayed a decision on amended residential lighting standards, so members have time to articulate questions about the proposed changes.

Senior Planner Kyra Killingsworth said the proposed amendments include creating new standards for one- and two-unit residences, regulating exterior light fixtures.

Under the proposal, an attached exterior light could not be higher than the eaves of the building it is attached to. Additionally, the light could not exceed 1,600 lumens in brightness, similar to a 100-watt light bulb. A "full cutoff" fixture, which emits no light upward, would be excepted from the brightness rule.

Freestanding fixtures could not be taller than 12 feet; they must be full cutoff and not exceed 1,600 lumens. Fixtures between 12 and 20 feet could get approval, based on how much light would reach other properties.

Killingsworth said the new section applies to single-family residential and agricultural residential zones. Exemptions include temporary seasonal lighting, low-voltage landscape lighting, string lighting below a certain brightness and existing fixtures that were legally installed. Staff noted that some residents use taller fixtures to light sports areas.

The commission requested a staff presentation on the city's lighting standards in December last year. At meetings in early 2024, staff presented the current text and examples of other jurisdictions' standards, as well as suggesting amendments to the lighting standards. The commission took no action on the topic at those meetings.

Commissioner Sandra Poole raised concerns about the regulations on freestanding light fixtures. She noted the lack of distinction between agricultural residential and single-family residential, and that the latter zone has less space between houses.

"How could we guarantee that there's not some bleed-over into other residential areas?" Poole

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## State of County: Hume Announces Cosumnes Telehealth Funds



Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume speaks at the State of the County Luncheon on July 19. Photo by Matthew Malone

**By Matthew Malone**  
Staff Writer

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume delivered the annual State of the County address on July 19, covering the county's actions in areas such as timely hospitalizations, water management and road maintenance. He announced \$100,000 in funding for

Cosumnes Fire District's telehealth initiative.

Speaking during a luncheon at District 56, Hume discussed "wall time," the amount of time first responders wait with a medical patient until a hospital can admit the patient. The first-responder crew is unavailable for other calls until the hospital accepts the patient, and Hume said long wall times tie up

emergency-response resources.

Hume pointed to state Assembly Bill (AB) 40, signed into law last year, which requires local emergency medical services agencies to come up with plans to reduce wall time to 30 minutes or less, in 90% of cases. Hospitals with emergency departments are required to develop wall time reduction protocols.

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# Preventing Fires in High Temps

By **Matthew Malone**  
Staff Writer

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - On the night of July 4, Cosumnes Fire Department responded to a small grass fire on Whitelock Parkway in south Elk Grove. It had been started by people watching the fireworks display at Elk Grove Regional Park, Assistant Fire Chief Lantz Rey told Messenger Publishing Group; on a night when the department is bombarded with calls, the responding fire crew decided to handle other pressing issues first.

Rey volunteered to monitor the fire, waiting about 10 minutes until a crew was able to come and extinguish the blaze. Rey said in an interview that, if the fire had become a major threat, the department could have addressed it immediately. But the anecdote is an example of the "strain" the agency feels in midsummer. Grass fires become more common, and people light barbecues or set off fireworks near their homes.

If Cosumnes Fire's units are already fighting fires when a new fire report comes in, neighboring agencies can pick up the slack.

But Rey explained that

those agencies are also busy at this time of year.

Increased fire activity "puts a lot of strain on the system," Rey said, later adding, "You start getting into a situation where you have smaller fires that are contained that don't get a fire engine right away."

The Sacramento area experienced triple-digit high temperatures on eight of the first 10 days of July, and the National Weather Service's Sacramento office predicted "elevated fire weather conditions."

"This year, we had abnormally high heat throughout the period of Fourth of July and beforehand," Rey said. "And so when that happens, basically, everything is drier. So any fire that starts is going to expand faster. ... We saw fire above what we had last year. We had more of them. And we saw that those fires were growing at a rate faster than even in a normal Fourth of July."

Rey shared tips for preventing common causes of summer fires in homes and in grassy areas.

### House Fires

Give barbecues some space: Rey said that residents like to set up their grills under a patio cover or in the shade of the

house, but that can allow smoke and embers into the house "and you have a fire a couple hours after you are cooking." He advised keeping barbecues at least 10 feet from buildings.

Fix the air conditioner: If your AC repeatedly trips the breaker, that could mean that the electrical system is overheating. Rey said it needs to be repaired, not just reset. "Don't ignore it; take an action, figure out what's going on there," Rey added. "Get that system fixed; get it looked at by a licensed professional."

### Grass Fires

Mow grass early in the season: "When the weather's a little bit cooler, you want to cut that (grass) down pretty low, so below four inches, because even if you have a fire that starts, it's not going to expand rapidly. There's just not going to be a fuel source for it to move quickly," Rey said.

Be careful when mowing during extreme heat days: If cutting grass in high temperatures, keep a fire extinguisher on hand. Cut the grass with a plastic blade, such as a string trimmer, instead of a metal-bladed lawnmower. And do it early in the morning.

Create defensible space:



A "fast-moving" grass fire burns in northeast Elk Grove on July 3. Before Cosumnes Fire Department and neighboring agencies put out the fire, it destroyed two structures, including one house, and burned six to eight acres. "Abnormally high temperatures" have boosted the number and intensity of blazes Cosumnes Fire is facing. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Fire Department

"You want to cut around your property line away from roadways and any of your buildings; create fire-breaks on larger parcels," Rey said. "And then for

the folks that live in your typical single-family residential subdivisions, it's best to keep your grass alive and cut it down so it's not large."

Rey also cautioned against storing a large amount of items in the yard, since it could ignite and allow a fire to spread into a house. ★



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# \$25 Million for Upgrades to Grant Line Road Safety

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Rancho Cordova Councilman Garrett Gatewood, who chairs the Capital SouthEast Connector Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Board of Directors, was the emcee at the press conference. He described Congressman Ami Bera, D-Elk Grove, as the driving force behind the grant.

“This is a huge milestone for our region,” Gatewood said. “I want to say thank you to Ami Bera because he really led the effort in so many ways. He is such a blessing to the city.”

Bera told the crowd he has been seeking grants for the Connector from the federal Department of Transportation (DOT) since his election in 2012, but he didn’t get any good news until about a month ago. “To get this \$25 million is really a catalyst for us to finish the entire project,” he said. “We’ve got a real opportunity to do this right, to grow and really do this right.”

Bera is also seeking another \$10 million for Rancho Cordova as part of the congressional appropriations process, he said.

In addition to Bera and Gatewood, six other regional leaders spoke at the celebratory event. They included Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume, who represents Rancho Cordova; Construction & General Laborers Local 185 Business Manager Doyle Radford; Rancho Cordova Vice-Mayor Siri Pulipati; Sacramento County Sheriff Jim Cooper, who lives in Rancho Cordova;



Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume describes the section of Grant Line Road receiving the grant money as one of the most dangerous stretches of a non-highway road within Sacramento County.

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Assistant Chief Jon Rudnicki; and Congressman Kevin Kiley, R-Rocklin.

During their remarks, the glaring safety issues on Grant Line Road and politicians working across the aisle were reoccurring themes.

### Safety

Gatewood said using the grant money to make Grant Line Road improvements will make Rancho Cordova safer.

“If you look behind me, this is literally the most dangerous road in the region,” Gatewood said. “This road is what we call death alley. There are more accidents than anywhere else in the region.”

Kiley provided the grim statistics. He said 125 accidents and three fatalities had occurred within a four-year time span.

Rancho Cordova

Vice-Mayor Pulipati shared her personal experience with the dangerous conditions on Grant Line Road. One day, while driving along the road, she saw a wide-bodied truck approaching from the opposite direction and moved a little to the right.

“The next thing I know, my tire hits the edge of the road. (My vehicle) blew through the fence and rolled over a couple of times in the middle of a field,” she said. “I walked away without any major injuries but not everybody got that lucky.”

The grant “is a big step” in making Grant Line Road safer, more connective, and more sustainable, Pulipati said.

Cooper described Grant Line Road as a critical route to the South County. “This is kind of late in coming but we need it,” the sheriff said. “It’s a safety issue for our motoring

public and for your first responders.”



Congressman Ami Bera says the grant could serve as a catalyst for completing construction of the Capital SouthEast Connector. Photos by Gail Bullen

Rudnicki, who heads the fire district’s emergency medical services, said that flooding and frequent wild-land fires compound the problems along Grant Line Road.

“What we are celebrating today is an engineered solution to solving many problems,” Rudnicki said.

### Political Teamwork

Hume thanked Bera for his extensive work securing the grant.

“He and I may not have the same letter in the parentheses behind our names and we may disagree on policies from an ideological standpoint,” the county supervisor said.

“But I know in my heart of hearts that he represents

his constituency from his heart of hearts.”

Kiley also referred to the political divisions in the country. He said one way to overcome them is through regional projects that tangibly affect people’s lives.

“That is why I think that ‘Connector’ is the perfect name,” Kiley said. “This is all about connecting people, connecting regions and connecting communities.”

Bera was asked his thoughts following the ceremony.

“With all the dysfunction in Washington, D.C., that is now going on around the election, it feels good to be home,” he said.

“It reminds me that my most important job is actually representing folks in Sacramento.”

### Background

The funding request was submitted by the Connector JPA, the Sacramento County Department of Transportation and the City of Rancho Cordova.

The Grant Line Road Safety Improvement Project was one of 148 separate road construction projects that received funds as part of the \$1.8 billion Federal Administration Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainable and Equity (RAISE) grant program.

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# American Watercolor Society Brings Exhibit to Sacramento



## Sacramento Fine Arts Center News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - American Watercolor Society Traveling Exhibition from New York will be in town Aug. 6 through Aug. 31 at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center in Carmichael.

International watercolorists are represented in the 157th American Watercolor Society Traveling Exhibition.

The American Watercolor Society is one of the oldest and most prestigious art societies in the world, according to the Sacramento Fine Arts Center, and its exhibit is one of the most revered. The society's Traveling Exhibition includes 40 paintings selected from 1,100 entries and appears at three museums or galleries throughout the year. Sac Arts is honored to be one of the few venues selected for

this exhibit.

In addition to the American Watercolor Society Traveling Exhibit, Sacramento Fine Arts Center will feature the watercolors of highly regarded Sacramento watercolor artists in Gallery 3.

The Foyer Gallery will feature a silent auction for small original artworks by local artists. Live watercolor artist demos will be held on Saturdays in August.

The American Watercolor Society Traveling Exhibition is on display Aug. 6 through Aug. 31 in the main galleries of the Sacramento Fine Arts Center. The gallery is open to the public from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday. There is free parking and \$10 entry donations accepted at the door.

The Sacramento Fine Arts Center, founded in 1986, is composed of artists



Visitors can expect to see an array of watercolors by talented artists at the 157th American Watercolor Society Traveling Exhibition. Photos courtesy of Sacramento Fine Arts Center

and art organizations.

Its mission is to encourage the creation and presentation of original visual arts, to support the cultural life of the community and to encourage all artists to fulfill their

potential.

The Sacramento Fine Arts Center is at 5330-B Gibbons Drive, Carmichael. For more information, call 916-971-3713 or email [angelia@sacfinearts.org](mailto:angelia@sacfinearts.org). ★

# State of County: Hume Announces Cosumnes Telehealth Funds

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A bill still being considered by the state Legislature, AB 1180, would allow emergency response agencies to be reimbursed for transportation to medical facilities other than hospitals.

Hume pointed to county funding in support of Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District's Mobile Integrated Healthcare program, which assesses patients in the field to avoid an emergency room visit.

Hume announced that the county would commit \$100,000 in COVID-19 relief funds to Cosumnes Fire Department, to bolster its telehealth program, in which a patient can consult with a doctor remotely before deciding whether to request transport to an emergency room.

Hume, who won the

District 5 board seat in the 2022 election, said he responded to the Cosumnes River flooding that struck the area in winter 2023.

"I have convened of stakeholders, land owners, land conservation groups, reclamation districts and water districts to resurrect efforts that had been undertaken the last time the river overflowed its banks in 1997," Hume said, explaining that his goal is to develop projects focused on flood attenuation, improved water management and groundwater recharge.

He said the county is studying the matter and gathering information on the area's hydrology.

In one setback, Rep. Doris Matsui, D-Sacramento, secured \$2 million to allow the Army Corps of Engineers to participate in the studies but the Army Corps didn't

accept the appropriation. Hume said "they did not have the ability to accept the funding because they didn't have the capability or the capacity to do that work in this area at this time."

"We were very displeased by that news," Hume said, "and we are all committed on circling back and figuring out what we can do better position ourselves, and better position the Corps, so that they would be able to accept that funding."

Managing water in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta is another major concern for Hume. He represents the county on a coalition of counties that touch the Delta, which he said exists "to hold the state accountable in their pursuit of the Delta Conveyance Project."

He said the coalition had representatives of

the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, a major backer of the project, take a tour of the Delta to learn about the impacts the coalition foresees. Hume and other coalition members visited Southern California to understand the water needs there.

"And so our ask of them is that we allow the water to flow through the Delta before they take it out, so that they are not condemning the Delta into permanent drought status, and really causing the tipping point for what is a precarious situation already for our fisheries as well as our flyways and of course, certainly, our farmers," Hume said.

The Harvest Water Project, under construction along Bruceville Road, will install pipelines that will take treated wastewater to the south county, where it

can be used for irrigation.

Hume said the county will have the roads affected by the construction fully repaved.

"So that will at least be one section of unincorporated Sacramento County that will have fresh roads," Hume said.

Hume said maintenance backlogs and increasing costs mean the county now has more than \$1 billion in deferred roadwork. With the county receiving just half of the money it needs to maintain the current state of the roads, Hume said he saw "no realistic way" of addressing the issue other than continuing to bring it up.

A \$25-million grant will improve a dangerous section of Grant Line Road as part of the planned SouthEast Connector Expressway.

On homelessness, Hume noted that the Sacramento Steps Forward Point in Time Count suggests that the county population of unsheltered homeless people had decreased.

He also spoke about a recent Supreme Court decision that allows local governments to impose penalties for camping on public land.

Hume noted recent changes in leadership, including David Villanueva's appointment in December last year as county executive. The board of supervisors on July 9 approved Joshua Green as the director of general services.

Green is currently vice president of government and community affairs at Sky River Casino and he previously served as the general manager of Cosumnes Community

# Planners Postpone Lighting Decision

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asked. Killingsworth pointed to the rules for lights higher than 12 feet and the checks for brightness at the property line.

Planning Manager Antonio Ablog noted that there are no regulations right now on lighting in one- and two-unit residential. He said planning staff have final discretion to approve a fixture.

In public comment, Elk Grove resident Suzanne

Pecci asked the commission to reject the amendments, saying that they would not do enough to prevent light pollution in rural areas. She promoted "dark sky" regulations, which minimize artificial lighting in rural areas.

Development Services Director Christopher Jordan later told Poole that it would be impractical for Elk Grove to achieve true dark skies in rural areas because of ambient light from urban development.

Resident John Murphy opposed the potential to approve fixtures between 12 and 20 feet tall, saying they could have "unintended consequences," even with the various requirements.

Commissioner Oscar O'con said the cutoff should be at just 12 feet in agricultural residential zones, continuing that rural areas should be dark at night.

"That's one of the beauties of Elk Grove, is that you get in your car or

motorcycle (or) bicycle, and in 10 minutes, you're out in the country. At nighttime, I think it should be rural," O'con said.

Commissioner Juan Fernandez said height would restrict those who wish to light sports areas, such as a volleyball court. Commissioner Varinder Singh felt similarly.

Fernandez also pointed out that an existing part of the lighting standards would now extend to decorative band lighting placed under the eaves of

some homes. He wanted to continue to allow this lighting on single-family residences, but other commissioners did not support the idea.

Poole said she did not have enough information to make a decision on the proposal and said she could not support the amendments.

Commission Chairman Suman Singha said the rules would provide new recourse for addressing nuisance lighting.

For approving taller fixtures, he emphasized the importance of checking how much light reaches

the property line.

While the commission appeared to favor creating a rule distinction between single-family residential and agricultural residential, they varied on which zone should have stricter height rules.

Poole was concerned about tall fixtures on small lots, and O'con opposed tall fixtures in rural areas; both commissioners supported continuing the item.

The commission voted 5-0 to continue the lighting standards deliberations to Aug. 1 to give commissioners time to decide what information they need

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# POLICE LOGS

## Friday, July 12

7:31 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Angel Rodriguez Cardona, 23, on charges of corporal injury to an intimate partner and assault with a deadly weapon.

8:10 p.m., 9000 block of Richborough Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Maricel Moreno, 46, on DUI charges.

10:03 p.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested James Anderson, 55, on meth possession charges.

11:30 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Williamson Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Monique Castro, 38, on DUI charges.

## Saturday, July 13

12:17 a.m., 9800 block of Elk Grove Boulevard: Elk Grove

Police arrested James Brock, 29, and Shalonta Jones, 30, on charges of parole violation, resisting arrest and controlled substance possession.

2:04 a.m., Promenade Parkway/Kammerer Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Anthony Flores, 36, on DUI charges.

5:51 a.m., 4900 block of Chamberlin Circle: Elk Grove Police arrested Kenisha Green, 38, on resisting arrest charges.

10:58 a.m., 9200 block of Bond Road: Elk Grove Police arrested Devon Thurman, 33, on charges of receiving a stolen vehicle.

9:37 p.m., 9600 block of Melrose Avenue: Elk Grove Police arrested Rex Gwartney, 50, on meth and drug paraphernalia possession charges.

## Sunday, July 14

6:20 a.m., Sky River Parkway/Promenade Parkway: Elk Grove Police arrested Nicholas Christie, 31, on DUI charges.

7:13 a.m., 9600 block of East Stockton Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested James Anderson, 55, on meth possession charges.

## Monday, July 15

1:03 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Steven Singleton, 36, on parole violation, restraining order violation and warrant charges. Singleton was wanted on charges of resisting arrest, false ID and felony possession of ammunition, according to jail records.

5:35 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Kristina Marshall, 58, on domestic battery charges.

10:24 p.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard: Elk Grove Police arrested Gary Carpenter, 28, on resisting arrest and warrant charges. Carpenter was wanted on parole violation charges, according to jail records.

## Tuesday, July 16

8:52 p.m., Elk Grove-Florin Road/Lamprey Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Artise Hairston, 34, on meth possession charges.

## Wednesday, July 17

12:18 a.m., 9500 block of Big Timber Drive: Elk Grove Police arrested Derek Ware, 55, on DUI charges.

## Thursday, July 18

3:07 a.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Charles Barksdale, 42, on

domestic battery and child endangerment charges.

3:57 a.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Giovanni Esparza, 21, on domestic battery charges.

8:53 a.m., undisclosed location: Elk Grove Police arrested Kevin Whitfield, 39, on warrant charges.

3:32 p.m., confidential location: Elk Grove Police arrested Timothy Chavez, 40, on corporal injury to an intimate partner and child endangerment charges.

7:22 p.m., 9500 block of Bryan Hall Way: Elk Grove Police arrested Judith Anderson, 61, and Ruth Kosuda, 60, on battery charges.

10:17 p.m., 8600 block of Sumerlin Court: Elk Grove Police arrested Melvin Lal, 23, on public intoxication charges. ★

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## MEMORIAL

### BENJAMIN A. PETERSEN • 1/18/1941-5/31/2024

A memorial service is scheduled for July 27, 2024, for Benjamin A. Petersen a long time resident of the area who died on May 31, 2024.

Mr. Petersen was born January 18, 1941 in Los Angeles to Ben G. And Gladys Petersen, who preceded him in death.

He lived for a short time in Los Angeles before moving to Elk Grove and the Sacramento area when he was

young. In Elk Grove he was related to the Carskaddon and Soares families of the Sheldon area.

Mr. Petersen is survived by his children Benjamin S. Petersen, Amy McAninch and Aaron Petersen.

He was a longtime member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and Saturday's service will be at the LDS Church, 8580 Florin Road. It begins at 1:00 PM.

## MEMORIAL

### GORDON HONDORP • 12/27/1935 — 7/6/2024

Dr. Gordon R. Hondorp, M.D. passed peacefully from this earth on July 6, 2024 in Elk Grove, California. He was 88 years old.

Born on December 27, 1935, Gordon was raised in a loving household in Grand Rapids, Michigan. He attended Hope College (Holland, MI) where he met the love of his life, Mary Lou Van Es.

After attending the University of Michigan for medical school and serving a two-year stint as a doctor in the Air Force, Gordon and family moved to San Jose, California. He chose to establish his medical practice on the East Side of the burgeoning Silicon Valley, and lovingly cared for thousands of patients in his 39 years of practice, primarily at Alexian Brothers Hospital (now Regional Medical Center), where he served as Chief of Staff and was on the Board of Directors.

He was actively involved in the lives of the Church of the Chimes (San Jose), and, with Mary Lou, was a founding member of the church plant New Hope Community Church (Fremont), where he served on the Board of Elders.

As committed as he was to serving others through his medical practice or through the church, Gordon cherished

family time dearly - in the form of family trips, reunions or simple meals around a table, where laughter and joy were always present.

Gordon will be remembered for his hearty laugh, his generous smile, his boisterous and enthusiastic greetings of friends and strangers alike, his commitment to all things family, and his steadfast faith in Christ. He truly lived out the edicts of his life verse, Micah 6:8.

Gordon is preceded in death by his father Henry, his mother Hazel and his sister Carol. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Mary Lou; his four children, Kim Lubich (Mark) of Galt, Greg Hondorp (Marilyn) of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Paul Hondorp (Jennifer) of Bowling Green, Kentucky; and Kara Link (Gary) of Elk Grove; 12 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on July 26, 2024, 3:00 pm at LifePointe Christian Church in Elk Grove, CA (10291 E. Stockton Blvd.). For those unable to attend in person, the recorded service will be available upon request ([phondo@gmail.com](mailto:phondo@gmail.com)).

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## LCHS Band Summer Shred Day

It's time to get those important papers together to be shredded! Laguna Creek High School Band and Guard is holding a Summer Shred Event! Help the Band and Guard earn money by bringing your personal/commercial papers to their Summer Shred Day on July 27 from 8 am to 11:30 am.

Location: Laguna Creek High School, 9050 Vicino Drive, Elk Grove, 95758. The school is located off Big Horn and close to Bruceville.

Shredding will be done by Viking Shred, a local company. Please come early as once the shredding company's trucks are full, the event is over. Each truck holds 30 tons, but this event is popular!

In addition, batteries (AA, AAA, C and D along with old cellphone and phone batteries) will be collected and be recycled through the Elk Grove recycling center.

This is a fundraiser. The

Band Boosters are asking for a \$5 donation per box of shredding and a \$1-\$5 donation for household batteries (depending on amount recycled). The money will be used to repair the band's many elderly instruments and to buy equipment for guard.

Come early in case it gets HOT!

If you have any questions, please contact Sheron Morris (treasurer@thelchsband.org or 916-715-9003, texting OK).

## Jazz and Blues Hour Held Monthly

The monthly Jazz and Blues Hour concert series will bring various bands and musicians to Elk Grove Presbyterian Church (8153 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 50) on first Sundays through November.

Performances start at 4 p.m., and attendees are asked to make a \$10 donation at the door. For more information, email jbvspers@gmail.com or call Nan Mahon at 916-806-9476.

Upcoming acts are: Aug. 4, Julie and the Jukes (blues); Sept. 1, Gary Mendoza Trio (jazz); Oct. 6, Papa Day Blues Band (blues); and Nov. 3, Beth Duncan (jazz). Historical Society Open House Aug. 3

The Elk Grove Historical Society invites the public to Heritage Park on Aug. 3, from noon to 4 p.m., to tour the many museums there. Enjoy the cool air-conditioned Stage Stop Museum House with many rooms filled with vintage artifacts. Rhoads School House will also be open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.

## Nashville Hit Songwriters at Miner's Leap Aug. 9

Nashville songwriters Sarah Buxton and D. Vincent Williams will perform their hit compositions as part of The Sac Song & Wine Series on Friday, Aug. 9 at Miner's Leap Winery in Clarksburg. Buxton's songs include

"Stupid Boy" by Keith Urban, "PrizeFighter" by Trisha Yearwood, "For Her" by Chris Lane and "Sun Daze" by Florida Georgia Line. Williams penned such hits as "Four Walls" by Randy Travis, "The Last Ten Years (Superman)" by Kenny Rogers, "I'm Moving On" by Rascal Flatts and "Hands of a Working Man" by Ty Herndon.

Attendees will be treated to a live DJ set by DJ Louie Giovanni, food truck options, lawn games and more.

Future Sac Song & Wine shows are Sept. 20 and Oct. 11. For tickets and information, see sacsongandwineseries.com.

## Widowed Persons Social Club Activities for July

The Widowed Persons Social Club (WPSC) will host the following activities:

July 26 - 10 a.m. - Hand and Foot card game at La Bou, 8694 Elk Grove Blvd. Contact is Gerri at

916-698-1940.

July 30 - 5 p.m. - Dinner at Cattleman's Steakhouse, 12409 Folsom Blvd., Rancho Codova. Contact is Delberta at 916-769-8869.

July 31 - 1 p.m. - Book Club at Elk Grove UMC, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact is Merrylynn at 916-549-4264.

July 18 - noon - General Meeting at Valley Hi Country Club, 9595 Franklin Blvd., \$35 includes lunch. Make reservations at least a week in advance with Pat at 916-802-4524.

A widowed person can attend up to three events before joining Widowed Persons Social Club.

Contact Bonnie Dale at 916-422-1522 if interested in membership.

## American Legion Post 233 Meetings

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 August meeting is scheduled for Aug. 22.

Post 233 invites veterans and their spouses to a dinner/social hour from 6-7 pm. The veteran's general meeting starts at 7 pm.

Veteran's 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 August 3rd 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 June-August.

We hope to see you there. ★

# MEETING MINDERS

Community members can watch these meetings online and submit public comments for the officials to review.

**The Elk Grove City Council** has its regular meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. To view the meeting, visit the city of Elk Grove's website, www.ElkGroveCity.org.

**The Elk Grove Planning Commission** has its online meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of the month.

A live video stream of this meeting can be viewed at the city of Elk Grove's

website, www.ElkGroveCity.org.

**The Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors** has in-person meetings at 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month. It governs the Cosumnes Fire Department as well as Elk Grove's parks and recreation system.

The CSD board meetings can be watched live at www.CosumnesCSD.gov and they are held at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

**The Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees** will meet Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 6 p.m. This meeting is in-person

at the Cosumnes Community Services District headquarters, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

Members of the public can also view it online by using the Zoom application and visiting the school district's website, www.EGUSD.net.

Past board meetings can be watched on the district's YouTube channel, "ElkGroveUnified."

**The Florin Resource Conservation District Board**, which governs the Elk Grove Water District, holds online

meetings every third Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. These meetings are held via the Zoom application.

To access them, visit the district's website, www.egwd.org.

**The Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetery District Board** has in-person meetings every second Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. They meet at their district office, 8540 Elk Grove Blvd.

Attendees are required to wear face coverings and practice social distancing. Find agendas at www.EGCCD.com. ★

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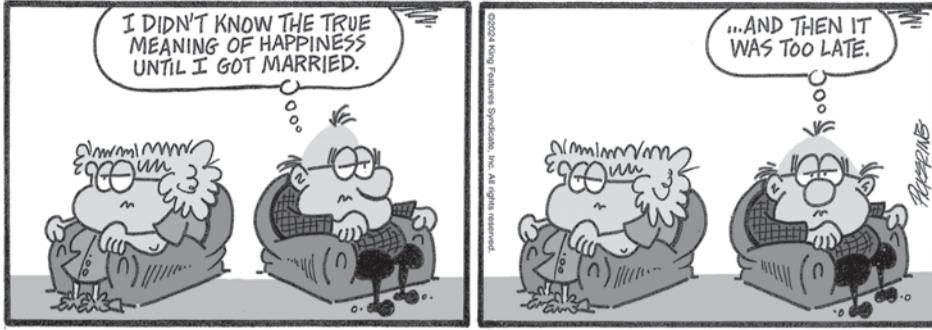




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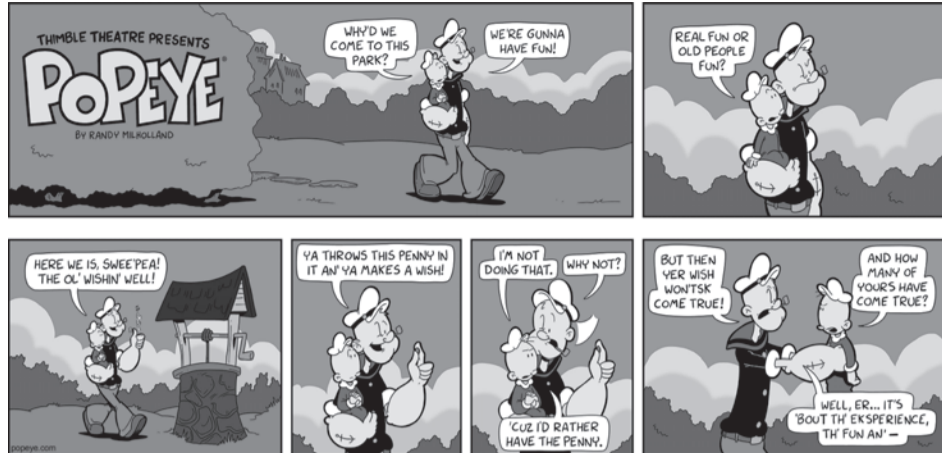
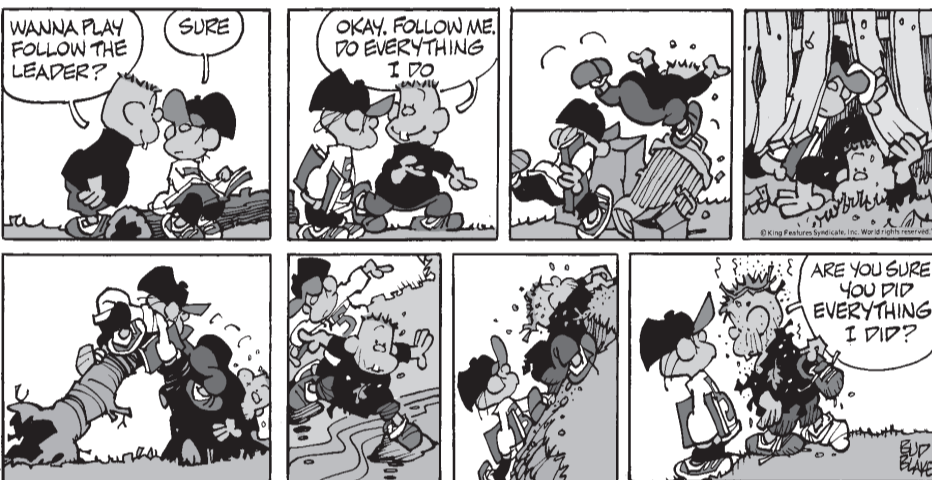
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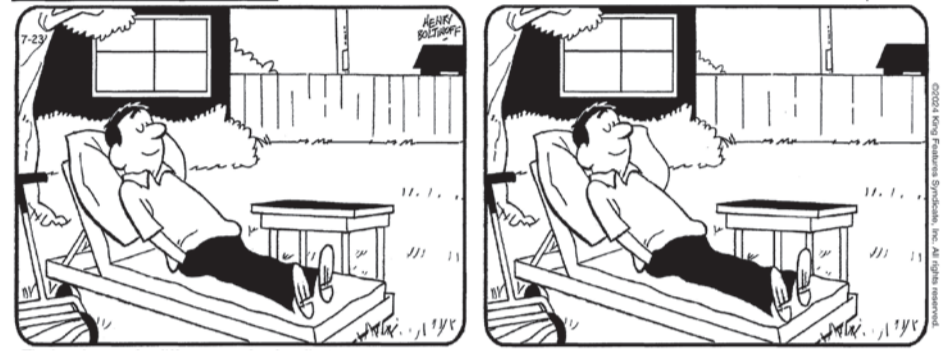


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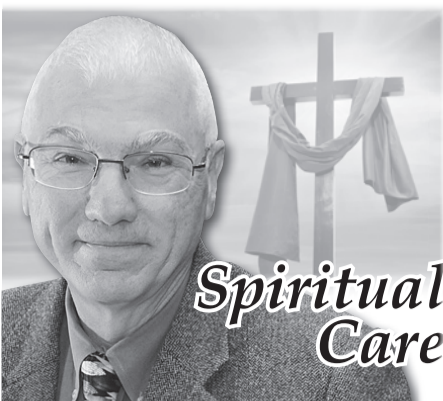


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GRIN and BEAR IT. by Dave T. Phipps





**BY NORRIS BURKES**

# Bible Will Inspire Our Olympians

With the Olympics set to begin today, it may be a good time for a Bible study.

No, I'm not going full Jerry Falwell on you. I just thought you might be interested in the biblical etymology of expressions used in the heat of sports competition.

According to the Online Etymology Dictionary, "Etymologies are not definitions; they're explanations of what our words meant and how they sounded 600 or 2,000 years ago."

However, I'm going to take you a bit farther back because, as a spiritual columnist, I'm somewhat amused to hear people unwittingly quote the Bible.

So today, and just for trivial fun, I present some biblical sayings which might be inadvertently quoted by athletes at the Paris games.

For instance, when weightlifters talk about their "hard work and sweat" that

brought them to the Olympics, they are making a veiled reference to Genesis 3:19.

It's here that God tells Adam and Eve that because of their transgression, there will be no more free lunch. Their survival will require hard work because it'll only be "By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food. ..."

When a gymnast stumbles over his answers in a news interview, the reporter might suggest a favorable answer to his own question. Journalists call those questions "softballs" and will often add, "I'm not trying to put words in your mouth." That news reporter is trying to evoke a printable quote as he unknowingly plagiarizes 2 Samuel 14:3: "And Joab put the words in her mouth."

In sports competition, a cyclist might revel in his rival's failure by saying his competitor "bit the dust." Those words convey the vengeful spirit expressed in Psalm 72:9 "... and his enemies will lick the dust."

"Rise and shine!" is an admonition a few coaches may use to awaken their Olympians for an early morning training routine. They do so without realizing they are quoting the prophet Isaiah, who said, "Arise, shine, for your light has come. ..."

(60:1).

Or a swimmer in a tight race might modestly describe her win "by the skin of my teeth." She is quoting Job 19:20, "I have escaped only by the skin of my teeth."

And when a track star tells us they are "just going to concentrate and run the race before them," they make a vague reference to Hebrews 12:1: "Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."

When a high diver speaks in resigning tones of the poor scores received from international judges, they may choose their comment from two different verses.

"I have to trust 'the powers that be,' they may say, without thought to Romans 13:1: "... the powers that be are ordained of God."

Or as the diver looks to his poor showing on the scoreboard, he may unknowingly quote Daniel 5 as seeing "the writing on the wall."

The humble relay racer knows hers is a team competition with no "I" in the word "team." So, when asked about her chances in an upcoming race, she resists the temptation to brag saying, "Pride comes before a fall." She perhaps knows she's quoting Proverbs 16:18: "Pride goes before

destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall."

Of course, the one I expect to hear most often will be from coaches trying to lift the spirits of those athletes going home without gold medals. "You can be proud to have competed for the USA because 'You fought the good fight!'"

Those words should inspire them just as they may motivate the rest of us couch potatoes to get up and move. After all, they are the words that inspired Timothy when the Apostle Paul told his co-pastor to, "Fight the good fight for the true faith" (I Timothy 6:12).

Go, Team USA!

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I owe inspiration for this column to Steve Prokopchak's list of 30 Everyday Sayings That You Didn't Know Originated from the Bible. See [steveprokopchak.com](http://steveprokopchak.com).

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## RELIGION NEWS

### Music and Sermon Topics at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

Our Men's Bible study meets every two weeks and we are currently studying the Book of Ecclesiastes.

#### MUSIC EVENTS

There was no traditional JAZZ & BLUES HOUR in May. However, the Triumphant Quartet performed in Elk Grove for the 5th year. It was a wonderful performance at District 56, with well over 100 people attending.

The four charities we help support – Chicks in Crisis, Elk Grove Food Bank, One Thousand Schools and Sacramento Stand Down – each received a portion of the proceeds.

JAZZ & BLUES HOUR continues in August with Julie and the Jukes (blues) at 4pm Sunday, Aug. 4 at our church.

Rev. McNamara recently addended a Pastors' Conference at Zephyr Point

focusing on Care for Creation and Relationships with Native Americans.

Rev. McNamara welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 am. Our church is located at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn Blvd.

For more information Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or [elk-grovepres@gmail.com](mailto:elk-grovepres@gmail.com).

### Grace Church Welcomes You to Join Us as We Worship the One True God

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For more information, call (916) 714-3444 or email: [office@gracechurcheg.org](mailto:office@gracechurcheg.org).

Check out our website at [GraceChurchEG.org](http://GraceChurchEG.org).

### Chabad of Elk Grove's Weekly Torah Classes

Local community members are invited to attend weekly Torah Classes that will be offered by Chabad of Elk Grove. Each class will be held from 6:45-7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at a private location.

The course, "Flashbacks in Jewish History," will examine how our past informs our future.

Rabbi Chaim Groner is leading the discussion.

Classes are free. For location, call (917) 724-4443. Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Services

Community members are invited to the Field of Hope United Church of Christ's Sunday worship service at 10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove.

Sunday School and nursery services are available. For more information, visit [www.FieldOfHopeUCC.org](http://www.FieldOfHopeUCC.org).

### St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church's Mass Schedule

Elk Grove's St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church invites everyone to their celebrations of Holy Mass.

Mass will be held there at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays.

They also have weekday Masses at 9 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays.

The church's office hours are Mon, Thurs, Fri, 9:30-2:30, Wed, 9:30-6:00. For more information, call (916) 647-4538, visit [www.SMGCC.net](http://www.SMGCC.net), or download the MyParish app and enter the code, 55321.

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church is at 8700 Bradshaw Road. ★

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Summer Service Hours (June 2-Aug. 25):  
One in Worship service 9:30 am  
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If you know of a piece or event that should be included, contact the city of Elk Grove's community event center manager, Lana Yoshimura at [lyoshimura@elkgrovecity.org](mailto:lyoshimura@elkgrovecity.org).

## The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

Check out the local website for featured

rotating local artist. The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center is at their new location, 9020 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 101.

The Center entrance is on Walnut Avenue, with parking available out front or in public lots in Old Town Elk Grove.

They are open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays through Saturdays, and Sundays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit us every First Saturday from 4-7PM at the Center for refreshments, an opportunity to meet featured artists, and enjoy live music.

For more information, visit [www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org](http://www.ElkGroveFineArtsCenter.org) or call (916) 685-5992.

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## Call for Artists at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center

All art competitions require online submission through Smarter Entry. Fees may be paid directly online through this system.

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04799  
Albert Di Paolo, 7542 Ryland Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Di Paolo & Son Machine And Locomotive Works" 7542 Ryland Court, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 21, 2024  
Publish: July 5, 12, 19, 26, 2024  
DIPAALO 7-26-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04594  
Time and Sky Inc., 8744 Gessnger Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HI&BUY Market" 7591 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95822 Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 12, 2024  
Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
HI&BUY 8-2-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04905  
Quality Solutions Nationwide Inc, 9401 East Stockton Boulevard, Suite 100, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Quality Solutions" 9401 East Stockton Boulevard, Suite 100, Elk Grove, CA 95624 Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 25, 2024  
Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
QUALITY 8-2-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04144  
Bao Phung Phu, 9538 Hollow Creek Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sac Valley Automotive" 7728 Fruitridge Road Suite A, Sacramento, CA 95820 Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 28, 2024  
Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
SAC 8-2-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04965  
Thind Family Investments LLC, 8744 Gessnger Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Meadowview Plaza" 7591 24<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95822 Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 27, 2024  
Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
MEADOWVIEW 8-2-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05207  
Richard Reiff, 8947 N. Camden Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blue Lake Enterprises" 8947 N. Camden Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 5, 2024  
Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024  
BLUE 8-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05220  
Denny Duong, 8422 Villeneuve Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95624

is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cozy Spa & Nails" 4801 Laguna Boulevard #103, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024  
COZY 8-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05245  
Farrukh Zia Hashmi, 7928 Marla Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tandoori Bites/Halal Bites/Catering and Events By Farrukh" 7928 Marla Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05253  
Palm Valley Home Care, 8720 Thetford Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Palm Valley Home Care" 8720 Thetford Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 8, 2024  
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024  
PALM 8-16-24

## ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV012861

Thi Ngoc Tu Do has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Thi Ngoc Tu Do to Tulip Thi Do.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 25, 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 27, 2024  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024  
DO 8-2-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV013868

Eunice Bucad Ignacio has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Eunice Bucad Ignacio to Eunice Ignacio Sanchez.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 13, 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: July 12, 2024  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024  
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## LIEN SALE

LIEN SALE 8/6/24 10AM  
AT 8240 14TH AVE, SACRAMENTO  
19 TOYT LIC# 8HRB956  
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Elk Grove Citizen 7-26-24

## TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No. 120827-CA APN: 127-0650-019-0000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 1/3/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 8/22/2024 at 1:30 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 1/17/2006 in Book 20060117 Page 1659 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Sacramento County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: BUDDY A FONSECA AND VIVIAN JANET LOCKETT WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; OUTSIDE THE EAST MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 720 9TH ST., SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 9443 STONEBROOK DR, ELK GROVE, CA 95624-6055. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation

secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$62,469.24 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (855) 313-3319 or visit this Internet website [www.clearreconcorp.com](http://www.clearreconcorp.com), using the file number assigned to this case 120827-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website [www.clearreconcorp.com](http://www.clearreconcorp.com), using the file number assigned to this case 120827-CA to find the date on which the trustee's

sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108  
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T.S. No.: 24-10855 Loan No.: \*\*\*\*\*9103 APN: 132-1270-021-0000 Notice of Trustee's Sale You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 11/29/2022. Unless You Take Action to Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Caroline Cruz single woman Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services, LLC Recorded 11/30/2022 as Instrument No. 202211301138 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California. Date of Sale: 8/20/2024 at 1:30 PM Place of Sale: At the East Main Entrance to the County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$632,517.06 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 10319 Sagres Way Elk Grove, California 95757 A.P.N.: 132-1270-021-0000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. Notice To Potential Bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee

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## City of Elk Grove INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that electronic bids will be received at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids prior to 10:00 a.m. local time (09:59:59 – according to the PlanetBids official Bid clock) on **Tuesday, August 20, 2024**, for furnishing all labor, materials, tax, transportation, equipment and services necessary for the:

**PERMANENT SHARED HOUSING CONVERSION OF 8679 ADAMSTOWN WAY – PHASE 3 (NEW CONSTRUCTION) PROJECT (NSP-2022-01)**

Bids submitted after the time specified will not be accepted.

### Description of Work:

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following: site and tenant improvements at the City owned, unoccupied facility located at 8679 Adamstown Way Elk Grove, CA 95624. The Project shall result in Contractor performing an interior remodel of an existing house to convert a portion of the garage into habitable space, convert living room into a new bedroom, add new exterior patios, walkways, and landscaping. The completed Project will have seven (7) bedrooms, two and a half (2-1/2) bathrooms, new fixtures, new appliances, new HVAC equipment plus ductwork, new casework, and new finishes throughout (Work).

The Opinion of Probable Cost (OPC) for the work is \$532,600.

**Bidder shall have current standing as a City approved pre-qualified Bidder prior to submitting a bid for this Project. Bidders that submit a Bid without being pre-qualified shall have their Bid deemed non-responsive.**

In order to bid on or to be listed on the bid proposal for this Public Works Project all Contractors and subcontractors shall be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations and be qualified to perform Public Work pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code. Unregistered Contractors may still submit bids provided the bid is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by either Section 10164 and 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code and all Contractors including subcontractors are registered with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform Public Work pursuant to California Labor Code Section 1725.5 at the time the bid is submitted. DIR registration is not required on Projects that do not exceed \$25,000, which are for construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work or for public works projects for maintenance when \$15,000 or less.

### Construction License:

Bidder must possess a current valid Class "B" General Building Contractor's Licenses issued by the State of California. The Bidder shall possess and demonstrate such possession or list a Subcontractor that possesses a current valid "C-27" Landscaping Contractor's License issued by the State of California for the Landscaping Work in this area.

### Pre-Bid:

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at 8679 Adamstown Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Attendees are encouraged to bring a flashlight. Anyone sensitive to mold should bring proper PPE.

### For Pre-Bid Information and Information Pertaining to the Construction Plans and Specifications, Contact:

Alisha Olson, Project Manager, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department  
Telephone: (916) 261-1840 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

### For Obtaining Bid Documents, Contact:

Kimberlee Marlan, Administrative Assistant, City of Elk Grove, Public Works Department  
Telephone: (916) 627-3315 or electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids

Plans, specifications and other bid documents may be examined and/or obtained at the City of Elk Grove City Hall, Public Works Department, located on the second floor of 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758. A copy of the bid documents may be obtained at the City Hall upon request and payment of \$15.00 or may be mailed upon request and payment of \$25.00. The amount of the payment is non-refundable. Bidders may also view and download the plans, specifications, and other bid documents at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. Any Addendum shall only be issued electronically at the City of Elk Grove Vendor Portal through PlanetBids. In person requests for Addendum shall not be accepted by the City during the pandemic.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina Castro, PE  
Capital Program Division Manager

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS/PROPOSAL TO PERFORM LEASE-LEASEBACK PRE-CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE GRANTLINE 208 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT

The Elk Grove Unified School District ("District") is requesting a Statement of Qualifications/ Proposal (SOQ/P) from Contractors holding a **Class B** license, to perform Lease-Leaseback Pre-construction and Construction Services for the **GRANTLINE 208 Elementary School** project.

If your firm is interested in being considered for this project, the submittal requirements and deadline for SOQ/P responses are as follows:

- Electronic copy in PDF format of a completed SOQ/P, submitted thru Dropbox
- As part of this RFQ, all participants must complete a Pre-qualification Application, if you have not already
- SOQ/P packet, and Pre-qualification Application can be accessed at [www.egusdplans.com](http://www.egusdplans.com)
- Completed SOQ/P must be received no later than **Friday, August 30, 2024, by 4:59 p.m.**

The District will not review submittals received after the time and date above. Facsimile (FAX) copies of the SOQ/P will not be accepted. The Administration reserves the right to accept or reject any and all SOQ/P, to negotiate with any and all-responsible firms, and to waive any informality in the process. The District is not responsible for any expenses related to the preparation or presentation of the SOQ/P, including travel costs. The SOQ/P may be withdrawn at any time prior to the closing date and time for receipt of SOQ/P.

In order to control information disseminated regarding this SOQ/P, firms interested in submitting SOQ/P are directed not to make personal contact with members of the Governing Board or District Administration with the exception of the individual, or department staff listed above. This includes unauthorized visits to District educating facilities.

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 *et seq.* payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. This project has a goal of 3% Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) participation per the State Allocation Board requirements. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements applies to this project.



# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Summer league is drawing to a close, and the Kings are putting together the pieces that will become the 2024/25 team.

Keon Ellis looks like a man among boys as he has thrashed opposing defenses and is tearing up the summer league. Keon is showing why coach Brown used him extensively last season, and finally made him a Kings starter. Ellis, out of Alabama, was undrafted in 2022, and had to painstakingly work his way through the G League to eventually find favor with coach Brown and the Sacramento Kings. His tenacity on defense was noted early on, and with the departure of Davion Mitchell he will undoubtedly be called upon to stop some of the top guards in the NBA this season.

The maturation of Ellis gives credit to coach Brown and his patience with young players with promise, and he is hoping to see that same maturation in rising star Keegan Murray.

The acquisition of DeMar DeRozan has hit the team like a thunderbolt, but it's the supporting cast that will need to give the Kings quality minutes off the bench if the team is to return to the playoffs.

Monte McNair receives high marks in my book and has shown a degree of patience rarely seen in young GMs. He has refrained from the knee-jerk reaction trades and is showing himself to be a tough negotiator. Resisting numerous offers for Keegan Murray needs to pay off this season, and I for one am more than ready for Keegan to take a leap forward.

Murray's defense improved last season, as did his mid-range game, and if he can effectively use his three-point prowess that compliments his other skills, the 2024/25 season could be a breakout year for Keegan.

Gone is veteran Harrison Barnes, but the Kings picked up 6'9" Jalen McDaniels in his stead.

McDaniels, out of San Diego State, was drafted 52nd overall by the Charlotte Hornets in the 2019 draft, and like Keon Ellis has had to prove his mettle by working his way through the G League, and now opportunity has finally knocked.

The Kings need someone to fill the

role left by Harrison Barnes, and the only question is whether McDaniels can prove to coach Brown that he is that guy.

The summer league has given the Kings a glimpse of Drew Timme, and although he's received mixed reviews, Timme is a heady player with a big body on a team that is short on big bodies. He remains a long shot to make the team, but the competition is good to see, and I would love to see Timme get some G League opportunities if he doesn't make the big club.

First-round draft choice Devin Cater underwent successful shoulder surgery but won't be available for the start of the season. That means offseason acquisition Jordan McLaughlin from the Minnesota Timberwolves will likely be called on to back up the Kings all-world point guard De'Aaron Fox, and with the absence of Davion Mitchell, the presence of McLaughlin could be vital if the Kings want to get off to a hot start. Like Fox, McLaughlin is lightning quick and a competent ball handler.

The starting lineup is anything but certain at this point, but I am convinced Malik Monk needs to be one of the five every night.

Trey Lyles has been an underused big body for the Kings, and if Sacramento is to return to the playoffs, this diamond in the rough needs to log considerably more minutes than last season, and if this occurs, I believe good things will happen. The starting lineup could look something like this: De'Aaron Fox with Malik Monk and Keon Ellis in the back court, with Keegan Murray and Domantas Sabonis carrying the load down low.

That represents a small lineup, but with Trey Lyles and Jalen McDaniels coming off the bench, and the scoring punch of six-time All-Star DeMar DeRozan, I expect to see the Kings production return to the high temperature we enjoyed two seasons ago.

It's still very early, so let's wait and see if Monte McNair has more surprises in store for us.

All the best! ★  
Your thoughts are always welcome at [vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com](mailto:vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com)

# We Must Protect Veterans' Access to Mental Health Treatments

Commentary by Anthony J. Principi



Anthony Principi

As a nation, we have a sacred duty to support the men and women who put their lives on the line to defend our freedoms. That responsibility doesn't end when their service does. Once military members return home, we must ensure they have the health care they need to live their best lives -- including treatments for mental health conditions.

Bipartisan majorities in Congress have made a priority of this issue, notably with their overwhelming support for the Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019.

Unfortunately, though, a single provision in the 2022 Inflation Reduction Act threatens to undermine this progress. The law is inadvertently discouraging the development of next-generation psychiatric medications that could benefit countless veterans. The good news is that an easy, bipartisan fix is now in the works.

Mental health challenges remain heartbreakingly common among our nation's heroes. Rates of PTSD are higher among veterans than civilians. Sadly, it is estimated that 17 veterans die by suicide every day, and over half of veterans living with mental illness aren't receiving treatment.

These painful statistics reflect the unique stresses and traumas of military life. Combat exposure, family separation,

In a recent survey of over two dozen prominent biopharmaceutical firms, 63% said they plan to shift investment away from small molecules because of the IRA.

This alarming trend could have serious consequences for veterans seeking treatment options for mental illness. Small molecules have a key advantage when it comes to treating mental health conditions: they're tiny enough to cross the blood-brain barrier. That's why small molecules make up virtually all psychiatric medications, from antipsychotics to antidepressants.

The IRA's bias against small molecules will also worsen existing inequities in care access. Small-molecule medications usually come as easy-to-use pills, while biologics typically require injections or IVs administered by a healthcare professional.

Thankfully, a straightforward, bipartisan fix has already emerged. The Ensuring Pathways to Innovative Cures (EPIC) Act would align price negotiation timelines for small molecules and biologics, giving each category 13 years of post-approval protection.

As millions of veterans struggle with mental health or behavioral conditions, we need to protect their access to innovative therapies. That starts with passing the EPIC Act.

Anthony Principi served as Secretary of Veterans Affairs from 2001-2005. This column first appeared in Stars and Stripes. ★

reintegration into civilian life -- each can take a heavy psychological toll.

Drug researchers have responded to mental illness with an expanding arsenal of treatment options. The United States is currently responsible for about half of all new medications developed worldwide.

But affordability is also an important issue. To address it, the IRA gave Medicare the authority to negotiate with drug makers for lower prices. To help ensure pharmaceutical developers have time to recoup their investment costs, lawmakers wisely granted newly approved medicines a period of exemption from price negotiations.

But oddly, this exemption period isn't the same for all drug types. Under the law, new "large molecule" biologic medicines are exempt from government price negotiations for 13 years after FDA approval, whereas small-molecule drugs receive only nine years of exemption.

Unsurprisingly, this disparity is already leading drug companies to deprioritize or abandon small-molecule treatments.

# Sacramento Native Continues 124-Year Sub Tradition

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 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



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

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, 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 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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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF A PROPOSED SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2024-2025 TAX REPORT FOR THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Governing Board of the Elk Grove Unified School District, acting on behalf of the Elk Grove Unified School District Community Facilities District No. 1, at its regular meeting on August 6, 2024, will consider the second reading of the proposed ordinance adopting the 2024-2025 Tax Report.

Pursuant to Section 53340 of the California Government Code, the special tax would be levied at the rates specified in the Tax Report and would be apportioned in the manner specified in Resolution No. 27, 1986-87, and the Community Facilities District No. 1 Financial Plan adopted by the Board of Education January 26, 1987.

For further information contact the Facilities and Planning Department at 916-686-7711, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Elk Grove, CA.

DATE: August 6, 2024  
 TIME: 6:00 PM  
 LOCATION: Cosumnes Community Services District (CCSD)  
 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.  
 Elk Grove, CA 95624



# MLB Draft Selects CO, Franklin Pitchers



The Tampa Bay Rays selected Andres Galan, who pitched for Franklin High School. Photo by Kelley L Cox, courtesy of Cal Athletics

The Cleveland Guardians selected Cam Walty, who pitched for Cosumnes Oaks High School. Photo courtesy of Arizona Athletics

By Alejandro Barron

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - Once again, the MLB Draft included talent coming out of Elk Grove with two pitchers being selected.

A graduate of Franklin High School and a right-handed pitcher out of UC Berkeley, Andres Galan, was selected in the 17th round with the 516th overall pick by the Tampa Bay Rays.

Prior to Berkeley, Galan was a standout as a Franklin Wildcat as he was the 2021 Delta League MVP and Sacramento Bee Large School Player of the

Year during his senior year. That year Galan would pitch 56.1 innings and had a record of 7-3, 2.86 ERA with 74 strikeouts.

Fresh off his 21st birthday on July 4, Galan had an overall record of 8-5, 4.38 ERA and 84 strikeouts across three seasons at Cal Berkeley in 86.1 innings pitched.

“Andres played a key role for us the last two seasons working primarily as a mid-week starter,” Cal Berkeley head coach Mike Neu said in an article published by Cal Athletics.

“He really showed what he is capable of in

the opening game of the Pac-12 Tournament last year when he shut down Washington. He’s big and strong, and he can be dominating and a very tough guy to hit.”

Cam Walty was drafted with the No. 595 overall pick of the 2024 MLB Draft in the 20th round by the Cleveland Guardians. Walty graduated from Cosumnes Oaks High School in 2020.

The other player drafted was Cosumnes Oaks High School’s right-handed pitcher Cam Walty, who went on to the University of Nevada-Reno,

then transferred to the University of Arizona.

With the No. 595 overall selection and in the 20th round, the Cleveland Guardians selected the 22-year-old who, across two seasons at UNR and two seasons at Arizona, sported a 23-13 record, 4.54 ERA and 238 strikeouts in 287.1 innings pitched.

In college, Walty received Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-American and All-Mountain West First Team in 2021, three-time Mountain West Pitcher of the Week in 2022, CSC

Academic All-District, ABCA West All-Region Second Team and NCBWA Third Team All-American in 2024.

These performances allowed the Arizona Wildcats to win the Pac-12 during the regular season as well as the Pac-12 Tournament.

While at Cosumnes Oaks, he earned Second

Team All-Delta League and an Optimist All-Star award following his junior season.

That year, he led the league in strikeouts and became the first Division I baseball commit in CO’s history.

At the time of publication, neither pitcher has signed with his respective club. ★

# YOLO with the Yolo High Wheelers



Phil Swimley Field at James M. & Ann Dobbins Baseball Stadium has room for 3,500 spectators. Photo courtesy of Yolo High Wheelers



Jack Zalasky kicks his leg high in a game on July 16 against the Oakland Ballers at Dobbins Baseball Stadium. Photo courtesy of Yolo High Wheelers



Jack Zalasky delivers from the mound on July 16 against the Oakland Ballers at Dobbins Baseball Stadium. Photo courtesy of Yolo High Wheelers

By Mitch Barber

**DAVIS, CA (MPG)** - It takes little effort to find baseball in its purest form, somewhere multi-million-dollar salaries don’t lure players into a money game. One has only to look at a Little League diamond, a high school ballpark or a college’s personal-sized stadium; these places are where athletes participate for the love of the game.

In the city of Davis, on the University of California, Davis campus, such an environment exists on a competitive level: elite-level players throw baseballs and swing bats for little more than spare change.

The Yolo High Wheelers play in the Pioneer League, where the squads have no affiliation with Major League Baseball teams. Their stadium is spacious — with a 3,500-fan capacity — but on a blisteringly hot Wednesday this summer only 18 fans occupied the seats in the first inning for a game against the equally wet-behind-the-ears Oakland Ballers, the other first-year professional organization in a league considered just a rung below Single-A ball.

Doug Greenwald, son of the famed San Francisco Giants commentator Hank Greenwald, met Messenger Publishing Group at Phil Swimley Field at James M. & Ann Dobbins Baseball Stadium — the official name of where the UC Davis baseball team plays its home games — for a



Coach Billy Horton’s son, Bryce, is in town for Yolo High Wheelers games. Here, father and son smile in the clubhouse. Photo by Mitch Barber

daytime contest on July 11. Doug is the High Wheelers’ livestreaming broadcaster, and someone who always has a quick joke.

His enthusiasm toward the Yolo High Wheelers isn’t a surprise; Doug indicated that the team has some 16 former Division I college baseball players who weren’t drafted, yet still have major-league aspirations.

Doug arranged an interview with High Wheelers manager Billy Horton, who

was about a five-minute power-cart ride from the stadium, stationed in the team’s clubhouse.

The driver of the cart was Horton’s son, Connor, an outgoing young man with an eye for safety. He was visiting Davis from Arizona to be with his dad while his high school is on summer break.

The older Horton was a tall, imposing presence in what could be described as the team’s locker room (what looked

like former classrooms); he was clothing his chiseled body, complete with six-pack abdominal muscles, when this reporter arrived at the clubhouse in the cart.

Horton’s favorite position as a player was third base, but he had more success as a catcher. He said, “I only started catching because I didn’t hit with enough power.”

The High Wheelers had a winning record at 27-25 at the time of publication, but Horton humbly stated, “I believe our team is better than what our record shows.”

One of Horton’s players is especially local. Jack Zalasky played varsity baseball for Elk Grove High School, and later Sacramento State University. He was happy to be met in the clubhouse hallway on that Wednesday afternoon.

Zalasky is tall and lanky, with a dark-brown head of hair that was somewhat disorganized, and he was full of competitive energy. When asked where he saw himself in a couple of years, Zalasky said, “I don’t know. I’m just kind of going day by day.”

Zalasky has a tie to catching like his manager; he has a pug/chihuahua named Posey, after legendary San Francisco Giants catcher Buster Posey.

But there was a game to be played that summer Wednesday.

The bottom of the first inning included a home run by Yolo High Wheeler Braedon Blackford.

During that same inning, a song by Common and Kanye West played over the public address system. (West is a man who made the term “YOLO” famous.) Divine intervention? Or something planned by the PA announcer, Shiloh Roiss-Hume, who has a voice that brings to mind Samuel L. Jackson’s radio broadcasting in “Do the Right Thing?” ★

# Elk Grove's Larson Wins Brickyard 400

By Alejandro Barron

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - This season has been a successful one for Elk Grove’s Kyle Larson, who picked up his NASCAR Cup Series-leading fourth victory of the season on July 21 in Indianapolis.

Larson took the Brickyard 400 in double overtime by charging through the field into contention toward the end of regulation to maintain his lead in front of

Ryan Blaney at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

“This is such a prestigious place and such hallowed ground so it’s pretty neat getting the opportunity to race here in the oval again, and what a job by our team who never gave up at all even with the pit stop issue we fought and dug,” Larson said following his win.

Fortune went Larson’s way when an overtime restart meant running out of

gas for leader Brad Keselowski, which allowed Larson the inside lane for the restart.

Larson hasn’t had much luck lately. Over Memorial Day weekend his Indy 500-Coke 600 double was delayed by rain at the 500, which meant he missed the start of the 600 and didn’t get into the Cup car.

“Everything is meant to be. Today definitely meant to be for us. With the way the

strategy was working out, Brad running out of fuel, me inheriting the front row. A lot had to fall into place. Thankfully, it did,” Larson said.

Despite his 27th Cup Series career win, Larson wants to attempt a double once again as he looks ahead to next year.

With this win, Larson became the first to compete in the Indy 500 then go on to win the Brickyard 400 in the same year.

“I love you Indiana fans and I know you guys love me too, so how about let’s come back next May and try to kiss the bricks in the Indy car?” Larson said to the Indianapolis fans in attendance. ★