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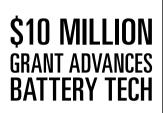


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Residents get very creative with their zucchini racers. Photo courtesy of Susan Hanks

By Annie Kerr

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - Ready, set, go! To mark its 100th anniversary, the Rio Linda Grange Number 403 will hold its annual Zucchini Festival and Races at 9 a.m. Aug. 10 at the Rio Linda Library, which falls just two days after National Zucchini Day.

Since 2014, the Rio Linda Grange has hosted this annual event for the community to provide an enjoyable, carefree time for all.

Why should residents come to the event?

"It is the Grange's 100th year and our second year of doing this at the library. This event is special and one of a kind for everyone. It allows people to be silly and have fun," said Rio Linda Grange President Susan Hanks. "Everyone needs to play with their food sometimes." Hanks and the rest of the Rio Linda Grange are anticipating an impressive turnout.



A ramp awaits racers' descents. Photo courtesy of Susan Hanks

Gov. Newsom Orders State Agencies to Address Homeless Encampments



Governor Gavin Newsom

Office of Governor Gavin Newsom News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -Building on California's ongoing work and unprecedented investments to address the decades-long issue of homelessness, Governor Gavin Newsom issued an executive order on July 25 ordering state agencies and departments to adopt clear policies that urgently address homeless encampments while respecting the dignity and well-being of all Californians. With the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision in Grants Pass v Johnson, local govern-



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"We are expecting around 1,200 attendees," Hanks said.

The free event will feature many options for family fun, such as food trucks, T-shirts, vendors, zucchini and most notably, zucchini races. What is a zucchini race, you might

ask? Attendees can bring or build a *Continued on page 3* ments now have the tools and authority to address dangerous encampments and help provide those residing in encampments with the resources they need. "This executive order

directs state agencies to move urgently to address dangerous encampments while supporting and assisting the individuals living in them — and provides guidance for cities and counties to do the same. The state has been hard at work to address this crisis on our streets. There are simply no more excuses. It's time for everyone to do their part," said Governor Gavin Newsom.

Governor Newsom's executive order directs state agencies and departments to adopt humane and dignified policies to urgently address encampments on state property, including by taking necessary and deliberate steps to notify and support the people inhabiting the encampment prior to removal. Governor Newsom has made recordlevel investments to address the housing crisis, investing over \$24 billion across multiple state agencies and departments, including billions of dollars in funding to assist local jurisdictions in providing services and wrap-around support to people living in encampments. In Fiscal Year

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Rio Linda to Host National Night Out



National Night Out has something to offer residents of all ages. Photo courtesy of Stacey Bastian

By Annie Kerr

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - Come one, come all.

On Tuesday, Aug. 6, the Rio Linda/Elverta community is encouraged to participate in National Night Out, a free annual event that is taking place throughout not just Sacramento County but the entire country. Residents can swim, enjoy a wide variety of foods and listen to music while getting acquainted with local law enforcement, government officials and neighbors from 5 to 8 p.m. Aug. 6 at the Rio Linda High School aquatic center.

Twin Rivers Police Department and the Rio Linda/Elverta Neighborhood Association are hosting the event.

What is National Night po Out?

Throughout the country, National Night Out is a project that brings residents and local law enforcement together in a positive way. According to the National Night Out website, "National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie."

More than 17,000 communities in the United States participate each year, including Rio Linda, according to National Night Out.

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56 Arrested in Undercover Prostitution Sting on Watt Avenue

Sacramento County Sheriff's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A recent operation to combat prostitution and human trafficking within Sacramento County was conducted by the Sheriff's Special Investigations Bureau detectives, in collaboration with the Sheriff's North Patrol, South Patrol, East Patrol Sheriff's Special Enforcement Detail, Sheriff's Work Project,

the Sheriff's Drone Unit. Assistance was provided by the Rancho Cordova Police Problem Oriented Policing Team and Crime Suppression Unit.

Detectives coordinated and conducted an undercover operation along Watt Avenue, in North Highlands with a two-pronged approach: Deputies worked undercover posing as sex workers and sex buyers.

This operation resulted in 56 total arrests and also yielded the recovery of an unserialized handgun. These types of undercover operations are crucial in the fight against prostitution and human trafficking, as they help identify and rescue victims, dismantle criminal networks and bring perpetrators to justice.

Sheriff Cooper has remained steadfast in his commitment to fight human trafficking in the region and the Sheriff's Office will continue to conduct these operations on a regular basis throughout Sacramento County, according to the Sheriff's Office.

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PAWS Mobile Clinic: Lifeline for Pets of Unhoused



Pet Aid & Wellness Services (PAWS) Mobile Clinic has made an effort to care for the pets of the unhoused. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -Sacramento County's Bradshaw Animal Shelter and its dedicated team are making remarkable strides in improving the lives of pets and their unhoused owners. Through the innovative Pet Aid & Wellness Services (PAWS) Mobile Clinic, led by veterinarian Dr. Cynthia Metcalf, and an extensive network of community partners, they are providing muchneeded veterinary care, resources and support to a vulnerable population that needs it most.

Recently, Pet Aid & Wellness Services received a generous \$100,000 grant from UC Davis California for All Animals. This funding is specifically aimed at enhancing access to veterinary care for pets of the unhoused, covering critical resources that will significantly enhance the program's reach and services.

To ensure unhoused pet owners and their furry friends receive the care they deserve, a collaborative effort called the Compassionate Pet Care Alliance (CPCA) was created. Established in September 2023, the Compassionate Pet Care Alliance brings together various organizations working with the pets of the unhoused in Sacramento County. Members include PAWS (Bradshaw Animal Shelter), Front Street's Homeless Outreach and Assistance Program (HOAP), Sacramento SPCA, Elica Health Services, Animals of the Homeless, Mercer Veterinary Clinic, 4R Friends and Street Dog Coalition. Meeting bi-monthly, these groups share resources, tackle challenges and support each other's missions. The collaboration has been invaluable, leveraging each organization's unique strengths.

With summer in full swing, Pet Aid & Wellness Services, along with the Homeless Outreach and Assistance Program and Sacramento SPCA, has shifted its focus to spay/neuter services to address the surge in puppy and kitten populations. "PAWS has a waitlist for these procedures and is fully booked for July underscoring the high demand for these critical services," said Dr. Metcalf. later referred to Mercy Pet Hospital for a full mouth extraction thanks to the Cal 4 Animals Grant. Today, Bellamy is thriving, much to the relief and gratitude of his owner, Elizabeth Osgood.

"Bellamy came to be with me two and a half years ago after being taken to the shelter (Happy Tails) as a kitten where he spent the next three and a half years before I met him," said Bellamy's owner Elizabeth. "We connected right away. Though he was really shy for a long time, we've become very close. His favorite things are kisses and walks in nature at sunrise, and he's such an amazing friend who brings me so much comfort and strength."

Elizabeth, who has been unhoused for more than a year, shared how Pet Aid & Wellness Services has been a lifeline for her and Bellamy. Despite her challenges, she continues to support herself by teaching online English lessons and remains devoted to Bellamy, her loyal companion.

Pet Aid & Wellness Services' success and success stories like Bellamy's wouldn't be possible without partners like California for All Animals and Mercy Pet Hospital. These collaborations have been pivotal in extending the clinic's reach and effectiveness.

In partnership with the Department of Homeless Services and Housing, Pet Aid & Wellness Services also distributes water to the unhoused and their pets, ensuring hydration and well-being during Sacramento's hot summer months. Water for pet owners is available at all Pet Aid & Wellness Services mobile events. This initiative will continue throughout the next year.

The Bradshaw Animal Shelter and the Pet Aid & Wellness Services team continue to inspire and uplift the community through their unwavering dedication to animal welfare and support for the unhoused. Their efforts not only save lives but also foster a sense of compassion and unity within Sacramento County.

The Pet Aid & Wellness Services Mobile Clinic is a full-service veterinary clinic on wheels, serving the pets of unhoused owners across Sacramento County. The clinic offers spay/neuter services, medical treatments, vaccinations, microchipping and pet supplies. For more information and a calendar of upcoming clinics and locations, visit the Pet Aid & Wellness Services Mobile Clinic website or call (916) 876-5215.

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"A touching example of PAWS' impact is the story of Bellamy, a six-year-old neutered male cat suffering from severe oral pain due to stomatitis," explained Dr. Metcalf. Initially treated with pain management and antibiotics by Pet Aid & Wellness Services, Bellamy was

New California Law Aims to Address Teacher Shortage

California Commission on Teacher Credentialing News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing is optimistic that a new state law intended to address the teacher shortage will help eliminate barriers to the profession and attract more prospective educators into classrooms.

Senate Bill 153, signed by Governor Gavin Newsom on June 29, and effective immediately, allows for a qualifying bachelor's degree or higher in any subject to be all that is needed for an individual to demonstrate basic skills required for admission to most teacher preparation programs.

This means that if an applicant holds a bachelor's degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution of higher education, teacher preparation programs will no longer need to verify demonstrated competence in reading, writing, and mathematics through any other options, including passing the California Basic Skills Examination for Teachers (CBEST) or performing a transcript review.

"This change in state educator preparation policy represents a major shift that will benefit the vast majority of prospective educators in California," said Mary Vixie Sandy, executive director, California Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

"Now is a great time for anyone with a qualifying bachelor's degree or higher who has considered teaching to take the next step to pursue their passion for education and apply to one of the state's many accredited teacher preparation programs."

The Commission's recent teacher supply annual report to the Legislature tracked an 11.2 % year-over-year decrease in the number of new teaching credentials issued between 2021-22 and 2022-23. In the most recent 2022-23 fiscal year data, there were 14,636 new teaching credentials issued compared to 16,484 the previous year.

"The CSU greatly appreciates the state's decision to recognize the bachelor's degree as demonstration of basic skills competence for educator credentials," said Commissioner Shireen Pavri, assistant vice chancellor of the Educator and Leadership Program at California State University.

"We believe this is exactly the right move toward reducing barriers for those considering teaching, counseling, and other education professions in California."

The State of California has provided approximately \$1.6 billion since 2016-17 to address the teacher shortage.

The 2022-23 state budget funded eight career counselors staffed at the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to provide one-on-one assistance to anyone interested in becoming an educator.

These experienced staff members serve as career guidance counselors, credential experts, subject matter experts, and resource specialists for individuals seeking to make the transition into a PK-12 educational career.

The Commission on Teacher Credentialing offers the following resources for those interested in pursuing a teaching credential:

Roadmap to Teaching

Career Counselor Appointment Request Approved Teacher Preparation Programs Funding Your Future in Teaching

For additional information on how to become an educator in California, contact credentials@ctc.ca.gov.

Grange Celebrates 100 Years with Zucchini Festival



A crowd eagerly watches a zucchini race during a previous year. Photo courtesy of Susan Hanks

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racer at the event by attaching a zucchini or squash to the base and the racers will be released down a ramp, letting gravity decide the winner.

Each attendee is welcome to design their own racer, which will hold a limit of one zucchini/squash. Racer registration will open at 9 a.m. Aug. 10. Hanks emphasized that most individuals bring their own racers but there is also the option to pay \$5 at the event to use racer-building materials provided by the Rio Linda Grange.

According to Hanks, racer dimensions must have a maximum height of 14 inches, a maximum width of 12 inches, and a maximum length of 14 inches. Motorized racers are not permitted. In addition, no intact skateboards or added weights are permitted.

All ages are welcome to race. There are separate races for children and adults and eventually the top-performing child will race against the top-performing adult, making for quite the spectacle, according to Hanks. Race winners will receive festive trophies.

Everyone is encouraged to be as creative as possible with their racers, as there will be a "best in show" trophy given to the most creatively-designed racer.

The Zucchini Festival and Races will take place at the Rio Linda Library, 6724



Festive zucchini trophies are given to race

6th St., Rio Linda. The last race will take place about noon, according to Hanks. Parking will be free, as well as admission.

For more information about the Rio Linda Grange, visit https://grange403. godaddysites.com/ or https://www.facebook.com/RioLindaGrange.

Eye-Popping Construction Costs Intensify California's Chronic Housing Shortage



while single-family housing Institute. But these days construction will probably units are clocking in at \$1 million or even higher, prompting the question of what can be done to bring down costs," the Chronicle reported.

Rio Linda to Host National Night Out



On Aug. 6, residents will have a perfect opportunity to meet local law enforcement. Photo courtesy of Stacev Bastian

Continued from page 1 are encouraged to lock their doors, turn on their outdoor lights and join in on the fun with their local police department. Neighborhoods host various community events such as block parties, parades, cookouts, festivals and more.

"The best way to build a safer community is to know your neighbors and your surroundings. National Night Out triumphs over a culture that isolates us from each other and allows us to rediscover our own communities," former Texas Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison said.

"National Night Out is a great opportunity for friends, neighbors, community members and law enforcement/public safety to come together in a positive manner," said Tawny Kerley, Twin Rivers Police Department Chief administrative assistant. "This community gathering allows for members of law enforcement/public safety to meet each other and the community to start or continue relationship building."

The Rio Linda National Night Out event will be joined by Chick-fil-A, Tummy's Sub Shop, Rio Linda Lions Club, Kona Ice, Future Farmers of America and the Rio Linda Elverta Park District

The Rio Linda High School aquatic center is located at 6309 Dry Creek Road, Rio Linda.

Residents are encouraged to join in on the fun. More information about National Night Out can be found at https://natw.org/about. *

Gov. Newsom Orders State Agencies to Address Homeless Encampments

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2022-2023, these investments helped lift more than 165,000 people out of homelessness and into interim or permanent housing

California blueprint

Governor Newsom's order directs state agencies and departments to adopt policies and plans consistent with the California Department of Transportation's (Caltrans) existing encampment policy. Since July 2021, California has resolved more than 11,000 encampments, and has removed 248,275 cubic yards of debris from encampments along the state right of way in preparation for Clean California projects. Prioritizing encampments that pose a threat to the life, health, and safety of the community, Caltrans provides advance notice of clearance and works with local service providers to support those experiencing homelessness at the encampment, and stores personal property collected at the site for at least 60 days. The order encourages local governments to emulate the state's successful model to adopt local policies and to use all available resources, including those provided by the state's historic investments in housing and intervention programs, to address encampments within their jurisdictions.

ill, vulnerable, or homeless. Proposition 1 includes two parts: a \$6.4 billion Behavioral Health Bond for treatment settings and housing with services, and historic reform of the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) to focus on people with the most serious illnesses, substance disorders, and housing needs. The state also recently released the Proposition 1 Behavioral Health Services Act: Housing Supports Primer (July 2024) for counties, which explains how to spend the projected \$950 million annual BHSA revenue on housing interventions.

Unprecedented investments to support communities

Governor Newsom is tackling California's homelessness crisis head-on. Since he took office, the state has developed a Statewide Action Plan for Preventing and Ending Homelessness and the Governor has demanded unprecedented accountability from local governments to do their part to end the homelessness crisis through regionally coordinated action plans. The Governor has also pioneered nation-leading homeless and housing reforms and invested more than \$24 billion to address this crisis with state and local support, including \$4.85 billion for Homeless, Housing Assistance and Prevention Grants for local jurisdictions to prevent and reduce homelessness, \$1 billion in Encampment Resolution Funding to assist local jurisdictions in providing services and supports to people living in encampments, and \$3.3 billion for Homekey to rapidly expand housing for persons experiencing homelessness.

By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

It's not hyperbole to declare that California's most serious economic, social and political issue is its chronic shortage of housing, particularly for families in the lower income brackets.

As the vawning gap between demand and supply, especially in urban areas, pushes costs upward, it drags down the economy by discouraging investment in job-creating businesses; it drives employers and their workers to other states where they can afford housing: it fuels the nation's highest level of functional poverty and it's the major factor in California's worstin-the-nation homelessness.

The state has pushed local governments to reduce impediments to housing construction, setting a goal of 2.5 million new units over the current eight-year planning cycle, or an average of more than 300,000 units a year, "and no less than one million of those homes must meet the needs of lower-income households."

At best, California's private and public housing developers are meeting a third of that goal, and the recent trend is downward. The state budget notes that in 2023 residential permits declined by 2.9% from 2022 to about 110,000 permitted units, and it projects that

pick up this year, multifamily units are expected to contract 5.5%, the largest annual decline since 2020.

The budget cites high interest rates, imposed by the Federal Reserve to combat inflation, as a major factor in the state's stagnant housing picture. But inflation itself — the rising costs of building materials and construction labor — also is a problem, as is the tangle of red tape that projects must endure.

A project now underway in downtown Sacramento, just a couple blocks from the state Capitol, illustrates how high development costs affect supply. The decrepit Sequoia Hotel, originally built in 1906, is being transformed into 88 tiny units of housing — 150 square feet each - for homeless people, at a total cost of \$50.1 million, with most of the money coming from the state. That's nearly \$600,000 per unit, more than enough to buy a detached single-family home in one of Sacramento's middle-class neighborhoods, and close to \$4,000 a square foot.

Sacramento is by no means an isolated example of the eye-popping costs of building housing for low-income Californians.

A similar project in downtown San Francisco, converting a fire-damaged building into 35 low-rent apartments, is costing a million dollars a unit, the San Francisco Chronicle revealed this week.

"Just five years ago, the cost to build affordable housing in San Francisco was only about \$740,000 a unit, according to the Bay Area Council Economic

What indeed?

Governmental projects, such as those in Sacramento and San Francisco, tend to have the highest costs because they must include all sorts of mandates, such as union-scale labor, and they depend on a pastiche of financing sources.

Private projects that needn't follow those mandates can be done much less expensively, particularly if they consist of modules that have been assembled in factories and then joined together on the site. However, construction unions bitterly oppose such innovations and flex their political muscles to minimize their use.

A new \$50 million housing fund created by Apple and private philanthropists will only finance projects that meet strict cost limits — less than \$550,000 for studios and less than \$700,000 for larger units. That's still a lot of money, but it's a step in the right direction.

California will never solve its housing crisis if it doesn't get more - much more — bang for its bucks.

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

Proposition 1 funding available for local governments

Governor Newsom also encourages local governments to apply for the newly available \$3.3 billion in competitive grant funding from Proposition 1 to expand the behavioral health continuum and provide appropriate care to individuals experiencing mental health conditions and substance use disorders - with a particular focus on people who are most seriously

A copy of July 25's executive order can be found at https://www.gov.ca.gov/ wp-content/uploads/2024/07/2024-Encampments-EO-7-24.pdf.

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By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

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I recently discovered through the SSA that I do not have enough "points" to apply for Social Security benefits. What would be the method to obtain those required points in order to receive benefits? *Signed: Needing Points*

Dear Needing: Social Security is an earned benefit, and eligibility is attained by contributing to SS through FICA payroll taxes, or Self-Employment (SECA) tax on your net earnings from self-employment, over your lifetime. You must have at least 40 "quarters of credit" to be eligible for Social Security benefits – essentially you must work one quarter of each year earning at least a specified amount

during that quarter to earn one credit, and you can earn a maximum of 4 credits for each year you work. The amount of earnings per credit varies each year, but for 2024, work earnings of \$1,730 give you one credit (annual work earnings of \$6,920 earn 4 credits). Usually, you must contribute to Social Security for about 10 years to be eligible for benefits. You must have earned at least 40 quarter credits to collect Social Security retirement benefits/ If you have less than 40 you are not eligible for SS retirement benefits.

For self-employed individuals, SECA SS tax is paid when you file your federal income tax return - you pay into Social Security when filing your annual Self-Employment income tax return (the self-employed must pay both the employee and the employer portion of Social Security tax). If you did not file an income tax return for each year over your lifetime you were self-employed, you didn't earn any SS credits for that year. You pay SECA tax on your NET earnings from self-employment (after all business expenses are deducted).

If you are just a few credits short of the 40 necessary to be eligible for benefits, you can still earn those extra credits needed by working and paying SS FICA or SECA taxes on your work earnings. For each \$1,730 earned this year, you will earn one SS credit, up to a maximum of 4 per year. But you must contribute to Social Security from those earnings - if you work as a company employee you will have FICA taxes withheld from your earnings, and if you are still self-employed you would need to pay SECA taxes on net earnings over \$6,920 when you file your self-employment income tax return. You would need to do that for as long as it takes for you to attain the minimum 40 quarter credits needed to be eligible for Social Security retirement benefits. (FYI: you cannot "buy" the extra points needed; you need to earn them by working and contributing to Social Security from your earnings).

One final point: whenever SS benefits are claimed before one's full retirement age (FRA) Social Security's "earnings test" applies. The earnings test limits how much vou can earn from working before some of your SS benefits are taken away. The earnings test no longer applies after you reach your FRA and, if you turned 64 this year, your FRA is 67. Self-employed individuals are also subject to an hourly limit of 15 to 45 working hours per month in their first year of early retirement.

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The Tale the Dead Man Told

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According to the animatronic skull at Disneyland's "Pirates of the Caribbean" ride,"Dead men tell no tales."

The saying didn't prove so true some years ago when I received a phone call from the director of a funeral home in Stockton, Calif.

The director asked if I was available to conduct the funeral of a person unknown to me. Honestly, these were welcome requests in my early pastoring days as they supplemented my modest pay while demanding little from my emotional bank.

I told him I'd be happy to do it, so he launched into the background story of how a local man had visited the funeral home a few months prior to make advance preparation for his own funeral. The director was happy to oblige and helped the man make his plans, choose a casket and select the music.

"There would have been nothing odd in this man's request," the director said, his voice trailing. "Except for his modest prediction."

"Don't expect a crowd," the lone man told him. "In fact, probably no one will be here at all."

With that, the director approved the plan and accepted payment.

"Perhaps my visitor was only being modest with his attendance prediction," the director said. "But no matter, we will provide what he paid for."

I agreed and hung up the phone to write a short sermon outline tailored to what I expected to be a handful of mourners.

A few days later, the director greeted me inside the funeral chapel, handing me a business-size envelope containing an obituary and my honorarium. We took our seats in the front row and over background music speculated how one approached life's end with the expectation that no one would attend your funeral.

At twenty-five minutes past the hour, I stood to signal the director I was done with our chit-chat. I thanked him and turned to

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walk toward the exit.

"Aren't you going to preach your sermon?" he asked.

'Really?" I asked, waving my hand over the vacant pews.

'The man paid for a funeral. You and I agreed that he should get one."

I nodded and took my spot before the empty chapel pews and preached a cookie-cutter sermon about God's love for every man.

Later, back in my office, as I considered the deceased's predicament. I began to see the similarities to the biblical parable from Matthew 25.

It's a story Jesus told about a king who'd entrusted three servants to make investments on his behalf. Apparently, the king had a reputation for rewarding people by letting them keep their heads.

The first two servants did well. One doubled the king's investment and the other increased it by half. Both were rewarded with their own kingdoms.

However, the focus of the parable is on the third man. Fearful of his king, this tightwad buried the treasure so as not to lose a cent.

When that servant offered the king only his original principal, the scripture implies that the king executed the man.

I won't presume to say that this man whose funeral I performed was just like the scaredy cat in the parable. I won't speculate, judge or even pretend to know his life.

Perhaps this fella simply outlived everyone he knew

However, if you forced me to guess, I'd say I have to wonder if the no-show funeral meant that this guy never gave to anyone. Did he ever help out in a food kitchen?

Or I might say that the biblical servant and the guy who advanced planned his funeral were trying to live their lives dodging the risk of failure. They worked hard to avoid disappointing people by steering clear of meaningful relationships.

I've done many funerals since that day some for saints and a few for scoundrels.

But this funeral has always reminded me that life is not without risks and those who seek to evade risk are often sentenced to a solitary existence. This is certainly not the way I want to live, and I'm convinced that it's not the way God wants his investment returned.

Fun Fact: "Dead men tell no tales," was first attributed to a 16th century English clergyman named Thomas Becon. Of course, it was easy for him to make that claim because his day was never interrupted by phone calls.

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Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

I'm beginning to feel some bitterness and resentment towards my parents for their recent decisions and financial irresponsibility. Fifteen years ago, while I was still in school, they left good-paying jobs to enter the ministry. They both took pay cuts when they made this decision, and they've been regularly asking for money for living expenses from my husband and I ever since. Sometimes, they even try to make us feel guilty if we can't give them the amount they ask for. My mom, especially, constantly brings up their call to the ministry, adding that we should want to help them. We believe in their calling, but we also feel they knew they would have to live on less money, and they're being irresponsible with the money they make. What should we do?

- Abigail

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ing money to your parents isn't necessarily a financial hardship for you and your husband, but that by consistently giving or loaning your parents money you're losing respect for them. This is not a healthy situation. Your relationship has become strained, and that's a tough thing for anyone to deal with-especially in a parent-child scenario.

Make no mistake, going into the ministry with the right heart is an admirable thing. However, in the Bible, Paul made tents while he conducted his ministry. I'm paraphrasing, of course, but his line was to the effect of, "If you don't work, you don't eat." He had a job. So, I don't think suggesting your folks think about working outside the ministry while trying to do God's work is unfair in a situation like this.

I'm sure your mom is a good person, but no one should do this to their child. On top of it all, she sounds like a travel agent for guilt trips—like she's working you over while implying it's all really for God. That's not only toxic, it's just plain wrong.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04740 John Lawson Vincent, 7732 Ziebell Court, Citrus Heights,

CA 95610 is doing business

under the Fictitious Business

Name(s) "Nor Cal Shade" 7732

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

the Superior Court Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024 DIAZ 8-2-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV013010

Stanley James Parker has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stanley James Parker to TySean Lamonta McDaniel

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 30, 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 1, 2024

Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024 PARKER 8-2-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV013812

Jaren Dale Rose has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jaren Dale Rose to Jeren Dale Rose.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 9, 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: July 11, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024 ROSE 8-9-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CAI IFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

#24CV013309 Walter Hughes Jr. has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Walter Hughes Jr. to Maurice Walter

Hughes. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 5, 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.

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The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's attorney, or the petitioner without an attorney are: (El nombre, dirección y número de teléfono del abogado del peticionario, o del peticionario sin abogado es:) Matias Flores, Esg. Matias Flores Law Firm, 10846 Paramount Boulevard, Downey CA 90241: 562-372-0846 Date: (Fecha) 2/7/2024 Phone: 562-372-0846 By: Clerk of Court

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-05138 Grace Lundgren, 1424 Grey Owl Circle, Roseville, CA 95661 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nailz By G 916" 7529 Sunset Avenue Suite E1, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 2, 2024 Publish: July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 2024 NAIL Z 8-2-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-05099 Rachel Kiene and Lesley Nelson, 10537 Ambassador Rancho Cordova, CA Drive, 95670 is doing business un-Fictitious Business the Name(s) "Birthstream Midwifery Service' 10537 Ambassador Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 1, 2024 Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024 BIRTHSTREAM 8-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-05190 Bloo Investments, Inc, 4541 Woodhawk Way, Antelope, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Melas Auto Sales" 2519 El Camino Avenue Suite 101, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 3, 2024 Publish: July 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2024 MELAS 8-9-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04834

Fair Oaks Village Enhancement Committee, PO Box 1251, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "FOVEC" 4200 Temescal Street, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 24, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-04488 Dena Shulruff. 5529 Rubion Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Business Name(s) Fictitious "The Body Apothecary" 4088

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-03882 Kita Locks Inc, 6923 Escallonia Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kita Locks" 6923 Escallonia Drive. Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County May 15, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05202 Pakwan Curry LLC, 2989 Club Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Desi Curry" 3290 Northgate Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 5, 2024 Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024 DESI 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05000

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05553 Keith Lewis Poteat, 8112 Glen Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Poteat Plumbing" 8112 Glen Creek Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 18, 2024 Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024

POTEAT 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05125 Emergy Group LLC, 1900 Point West Way Suite 268, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Complete Services" Business . 1900 Point West Way Suite 268, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 2, 2024 Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024 COMPLETE 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05590 Sean Buchanan, 6740 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sutterscape Designs" 6740 Sutter Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 19, 2024 Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024

SUTTERSCAPE 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05452 Mark A. Delgado Inc., 86 Primrose Way, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dara Delgado Home Loans 86 Primrose Way, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 16, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05399 Joshua James Fitzpatrick, 5343 Moody Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HD Window Cleaning Services" 5343 Moody Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 12, 2024 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024 HD 8-23-24

Ziebell Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County June 20, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05588

Jon Schwarz, 1000 San Ramon Way, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "RMS Enterprises" 1000 San Ramon Way, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 19, 2024 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-05666 Stepanov. 3831 Vladimir Annadale Lane #4. Sacramento. CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Smart Tech Service" 3831 Annadale Lane #4, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 23, 2024 Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-05700 Nand Enterprises LLC. 4925 Mack Road Apt #176, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Clothes & Craft Co" 4925 Mack Road Apt #176, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2024

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-05683

Bobby G. Kerr, 6309 Landis Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bob's Skate Supply" 6309 Landis Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County July 24, 2024

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV012680

Cassandra Shaunte Louise Diaz has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Olivia Ann McKinney-Diaz to Olivia Ann Diaz.

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American River College's MESA Helps Students Succeed

By Li Khan CALMatters.org

Alina Kralya tinkers with a microcontroller for one of her computer science projects at American River College (in Sacramento). Nearby, a group of other first-generation college students sit in green and blue chairs, chatting about their math homework. It's a typical scene at this community college space for students in the Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement program, called MESA.

Two years ago, Kralya was in her first year at an engineering university in Ukraine when the Russian invasion and the subsequent war uprooted her family. After moving around Eastern Europe, they sought refuge in sunny Sacramento with \$300 in their pockets.

Between language barriers, a brand new academic system and trying to make sense of trigonometry, it hasn't been an easy journey for the 20-year-old, who dreams of going into robotics. When she needs tutoring or just a quiet place to study away from her younger siblings, she comes to the MESA center.

She's still buzzing with excitement about a recent conference for female engineers she attended in San Jose. The program covered her entrance fee and transportation costs, and staff helped her set up her LinkedIn profile for the event. "Listening to all those successful ladies in STEM, oh my gosh, it was so nice," she said.

California allotted millions of dollars in 2022 to create the same program at community colleges across the state. Currently, 91 out of 115 campuses have programs established, with three more set to create one next year. The state hopes the expansion will reduce barriers to STEM jobs for "underserved and underrepresented" students. As the initiative rolls out statewide, questions remain about how long the funding will last, and how the programs can track how well they're working.

To enroll in the program, students must be both low-income and a first-generation college student. The students' parents can't hold a bachelor's degree in any country to meet the first-generation requirement.

Less than one in five community college students in California who want to transfer to a university succeed in doing so within four years, according to a report from the Public Policy Institute of California. For Black and Latino students, transfer pathways are even weaker: 13% for Black students and 16% for Latinos.

Beyond bolstering transfer rates, the goals for MESA include increasing representation of Blacks, Latinos, and Native Americans in STEM industries. In 2021, 9% of STEM workers nationwide were Black, while 15% were Hispanic or Latino, according to a report from the National Center for Science



Students discuss their work in class at the MESA center at American River College on April 25. Photo by Cristian Gonzalez for CalMatters

Each college received a total of \$428,576 for the 2022-23 school year, in the form of a grant from the state. This past year and every year through 2027 they'll get at least \$280,000 each. However, the state chancellor's office expects colleges to eventually start covering some of the costs, so that the programs can stay afloat if the state money disappears, according to the statewide MESA project monitor Stephanie Ricks-Albert.

The state grants will be up for renewal in 2027. Rashidi said more legislation is being written that could establish a minimum funding level, to guarantee stable funding for the programs.

The program also exists in different forms across the state and nation. In California, many universities and high schools have MESA programs or clubs that are overseen by the UC Office of the President with a budget of about \$7 million.

Inside a MESA Program

Computers, STEM textbooks, whiteboards, a free-to-use printer and a coffee machine occupy the MESA center at American River College, housed on the first floor of the sleek new Diane Bryant STEM Innovation Center. A line of university pennants hangs from one wall; on another, three astronauts smile from a poster that reads, "FROM MESA TO NASA."

Over 200 students have access to this space. It's where tutors like Marco Alaniz, who is also a MESA student studying computer science, can often be found. He's had a love for programming since his mom bought him a computer as a little kid, but he struggled when he started college the first time over 20 years ago, and ultimately dropped out.

"I just wasn't prepared," Alaniz said. Because his parents never went to college, they didn't have the experience to help him navigate school or teach him time management habits. "So really, growing up, I was kind of on my own on that, just his job so he can take classes full time, but he really enjoys breaking down difficult concepts for his fellow classmates, and it's even made him consider a career in education.

Samuel Morrison, the college's interim MESA project lead, explained that the cost of living is one the biggest challenges for the low-income students he serves. He helps connect them to scholarships and internships, as the programs are required to do. One creative way the college has found to financially assist its students is to create paid projects with faculty mentorship and research opportunities students can apply for.

"So students are finding, OK, this is a stipend that I can use to pay for gas to get to school, or I can use to supplement food costs," Morrison said.

Still, the college lacks a designated MESA academic counselor. Kralya, the Ukrainian student, explained that the general counselors she's seen are not always familiar with STEM-specific transfer programs, which can differ between universities. Adding financial aid to the mix makes things even more complicated; Kralya and Alaniz both had to declare multiple majors to get certain transfer requirements covered by financial aid.

"That's why we have to find a really good counselor who can tell us this, because this information is not listed anywhere," Kralya said.

The state requires the programs to have designated counselors, but getting an in-house counselor can be a lengthy and complicated process, Morrison said. He hopes to have one on board by the spring of 2025.

Students can also sign up for field trips, which include conferences and college tours. Students this semester visited the Sacramento State University planetarium, attended the Women in Engineering conference in San Jose, and toured UC Berkeley and UC Santa Cruz.

At programs across the state, students who are either low-income or first-generation, but not both, can still access certain resources, such as tutoring and counseling, but can't go on field trips or receive paid research opportunities. There are currently 1,345 of them enrolled systemwide, called ASEM students, or "Friends of MESA" at

some colleges.

Growing Pains as Programs Roll Out Systemwide

Two years after new funding opened the doors for more programs, many still need to hire staff, find the required minimum 500 square feet of space to house the center, or recruit students to officially get off the ground.

Just hiring a program director to lead the program can be a lengthy process. A year and a half after receiving its grant, the program at Laney College in Oakland is still without a director. The college's dean of math and sciences, Inger Stark, appointed math instructor Kyla Oh as the program's faculty lead for the program in the interim.

"It has definitely slowed us down," said Stark. The bulk of the work falls on Oh, who teaches fewer credits so that she has time to focus on the program. Stark squeezes the administrative side of the program into her workday as a dean.

Right now, the state money covers the entire program, which launched in April with an initial cohort of 14 students. Stark is determined to ensure the program stays afloat through any changes in the funding, but she's spent enough time in her community college district to have seen many "beautiful initiatives" get weeded out.

"It is heartbreaking," she said. "A huge amount of work can fall on the ground." The Need for More Granular Program Data

Tracking MESA programs in a comprehensive way is not easy. Some basic data is available through public dashboards, but directors want easy access to more in-depth information about their programs to help make sure they're meeting their goals.

"We actually have no way of measuring our success, still, with the Chancellor's Office," said Rashidi, the lead advocate for MESA directors.

Basic information, such as the total number of MESA students in the system, is available through the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office public data tool, DataMart. However, that information isn't broken down by race, gender or major. Granular data could give program directors the ability to quickly check if their efforts to reach students from underserved backgrounds are working.

Limited information on MESA student success is publicly available. Of the MESA students who first attempted to complete a transfer-level math course in the 2021-22 school year, 79% passed within one year, compared to a 54% completion rate for the general student body, according to the Transfer-Level English and Math Completion Dashboard.

CalMatters requested MESA transfer statistics and racial data from the Chancellor's Office. According to the data, about 62% of MESA students were Hispanic or Latino as of December 2023, while 4% were Black.

To count transfers, the Chancellor's Office counted students who were in MESA in one school year, and then enrolled at a university the next year. By this metric, MESA programs collectively transferred 1,010 students after the 2021-22 school year, including 563 Hispanic or Latino students and 23 Black students. Nearly half of MESA students enroll at a university within four years of taking their first community college class, as of 2017, the most recent year complete data is available. Students were considered to be MESA students if they participated in the program at any point during their first three years in the community college system. The Chancellor's Office will analyze the status of the programs at the end of the current grant cycle, and the results could affect how much money programs will receive in the future, according to an emailed statement from Melissa Villarin, a spokesperson for California Community Colleges. Any additional funding would be based on "program and campus metrics," according to the statement. Li Khan is a fellow with the College Journalism Network, a collaboration between CalMatters and student journalists from across California. CalMatters higher education coverage is supported by a grant from the College Futures Foundation. \star

and Engineering Statistics.

"The community needs people to be in these positions as doctors, as scientists, as engineers, as computer scientists who actually understand the community that is being served," said Edrina Rashidi, the officer of advocacy for the Community College Association of MESA Directors, who recently lobbied for more legislative support for the programs.

Students in the program have access to a range of support, such as tutoring, academic counseling and help finding internships or scholarships. The physical centers offer computer equipment, textbooks and a place to study. Program directors work closely with students to connect them to resources.

As of fall 2023, 4,279 students were enrolled at a MESA program on their campus, according to state data.

State Funds Expansion of MESA Programs Systemwide

Four years ago, MESA programs had a \$2.5 million statewide budget. After lobbying efforts from the MESA directors association, the program now has a \$39.4 million statewide budget and was written into the California Education Code. Over 50 colleges have taken advantage of the funds in the last two years, nearly tripling the number of programs from 34 to 94. kind of figuring things out."

After about 15 years of working odd jobs to pay the bills, Alaniz enrolled in American River College in 2019 in Sacramento to give his computer science degree another shot. For the past year, he has tutored MESA students. It doesn't pay enough for him to quit



Barbie Schmitt chats with interim MESA project lead Samuel Morrison in the MESA center at American River College on April 25. Photo by Cristian Gonzalez for CalMatters

Director Nancy Bargmann to Retire from California Department of Developmental Services

California Department of Developmental Services

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) announces that after 40 years of serving Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), Director Nancy Bargmann will retire effective Sept. 6.

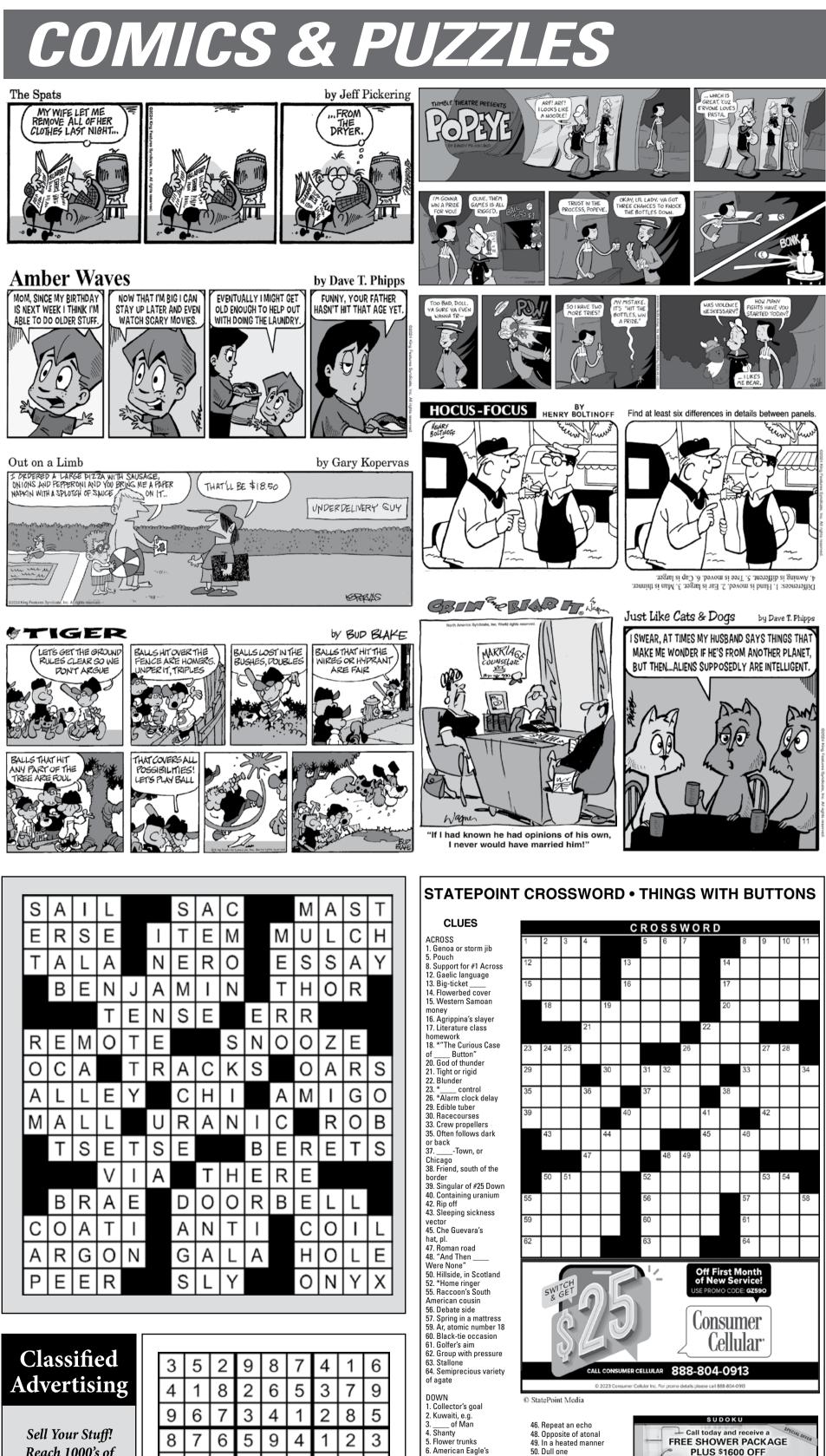
Director Bargmann's career is marked by her commitment to improving the quality of life for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through advocacy, innovation, and collaboration. During her eight-year tenure as Director, the department has closed all developmental centers and developed and implemented numerous initiatives to enhance services and supports that foster inclusivity and choice for more than 440,000 persons served and their families. This includes but is not limited to the Safety Net Program, Self-Determination Program, Direct Support Professional (DSP) Workforce Initiatives, and the Service Access and Equity Grant Program. Bargmann's focus on strengthening relationships with self-advocates and families, regional centers, advocacy groups, and service providers to advance service-delivery, improve service access for diverse communities, and reach more individuals and families has laid a strong foundation for the department's continued progress in the years to come.

"Under Director Bargmann's leadership, more people with intellectual and developmental disabilities statewide are now able to make meaningful decisions about where they want to live, work and enjoy their communities," said California Health & Human Services Agency (CalHHS) Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly. "I'm grateful for her years of dedicated service and guiding the department to create more equitable and accessible opportunities for all Californians."

Nancy Bargmann began her career as a Direct Support Professional (DSP) in 1984. She went on to hold several positions and leadership roles at regional centers, service providers, and the State, including as associate executive director at San Gabriel/ Pomona Regional Center and deputy director of the Community Services Division at the Department of Developmental Services. Bargmann was appointed Director of the Department of Developmental Services on March 4, 2016, by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. and reappointed in 2020 by Governor Gavin Newsom.

"It has been an incredible privilege to serve Californians with intellectual and developmental disabilities and an honor to work alongside so many dedicated professionals and advocates," said Director Bargmann. "I am very proud of what we have accomplished together, and I look forward to seeing how DDS will continue to advance its mission and vision so that every person with I/DD can live the life they choose."

Bargmann is looking forward to spending time with loved ones and pursuing personal interests while enjoying her retirement. \star





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flow long-duration energy storage project is in its early phases at SMUD's Sacramento Power Academy. In September 2023, ESS commissioned six Energy WarehouseTM systems for SMUD as part of a 2-gigawatt-hour framework agreement. The existing 450 kilowatt / 2,400 kilowatt-hour Energy Warehouse system at SMUD's Sacramento Power Academy continues to provide SMUD and ESS with valuable insights through risk and benefits analysis, use case studies and performance testing. These efforts will ultimately determine the optimal applications for iron flow battery technology, aiming to achieve cost and performance competitiveness relative to lithium-ion batteries for 8-hour durations and longer.

ESS will deliver up to 200 megawatts / 2 gigawatt-hours of iron flow long-duration energy storage systems. Once fully operational and paired with renewable energy, these systems are expected to eliminate approximately 284,000 metric tons of CO2 emissions per year from

Alongside the California Energy Commission's grant, SMUD is committing approximately \$19.5 million in cost-sharing for labor and material expenses for the combined 4-megawatt ESS Tech, Inc. long-duration energy storage project, which includes the existing 450-kilowatt installation and the newly grant-funded 3.6-megawatt addition. ★



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