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Local Team Puts West Sac on Map



Above: Mayor Martha Guerero, Councilwoman Verna Sulpizio-Hull and Norma Alcalá proudly pose with the River City Tigers and their family at the Aug. 7 meeting.
Right: Co-owner and founder of the River City Tigers, Manny Ramirez accepts a city proclamation for the River City Tigers winning the California Football Conference Association title this year. Photos courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The applause during Mayor Martha Guerero's reading of the River City Tigers proclamation had the leader slowing down her words.

Calling the 11-wins-and-one-loss record impressive, Guerrero said that the football team "demonstrated exceptional athleticism, dedication and teamwork" in its winning season and 2024 California Football Conference Association (CFCA)

championship.

One significant "whereas" was "shutting out the North Bay Rattlers 21-0," said Guerero, gaining applause again.

"The River City Tigers' defense was formidable, allowing only 77 points throughout the season and contributing significantly to their success," the mayor added.

The loudest applause came at the names of standout players.

"Such as quarterback Ace Boogie, who passed for 1,199 yards and

22 touchdowns, and running back Howard Warren, who rushed for 635 yards and scored nine touchdowns," Mayor Guerero said.

The mayor recognized Manny Ramirez's partners and owners, Jose Villanueva and head coach Derrick Watkins, as well as the "instrumental" coaching staff fostering an environment of growth and achievement.

What is achievement without fans to share it with? The proclamation

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Yolo County Launches Text Message Campaign for Employment and Farmworker Services



**Yolo County
News Release**

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency, YoloWorks!, and the Yolo County Workforce Innovation Board are excited to announce the launch of a new text message campaign. This initiative is intended to enhance residents'

access to farmworker and employment services. By simplifying the way community members access information, the campaign ensures the community receives timely and relevant information.

Chair of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors, Lucas Frerichs, emphasizes the importance of this new campaign, stating, "Increasingly, we all rely on our phones for access to information, and as an agricultural county, it makes a lot of sense for us to integrate text messaging into county employment services that are aimed at our agricultural workers. This tool will enhance accessibility, and we hope it will foster greater engagement

in our employment initiatives. I am grateful to our county staff for implementing this tool and I hope it proves to be valuable for our residents, too."

Residents can now easily access information on employment, career services, training opportunities, and upcoming events by texting "Career" to 888777. If you're looking for details on farmworker services, including events, resources, and job leads, simply text "Agricola" to 888777.

Employment Services: By texting "Career" to 888777, individuals will receive information on job openings, career fairs, training programs, and other employment-related

services available in Yolo County through YoloWorks!

Farmworker Services: By texting "Agricola" to 888777, farmworkers will gain access to resources and support tailored specifically to their needs, including information on resources, services, and community programs.

"Yolo County's text message campaign represents an important step in ensuring that the public and in particular the farmworkers, have immediate access to the resources they need and deserve," said Yolo County District 5 Supervisor, Angel Barajas. "The Board of Supervisors will continue supporting

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Mayor Addresses Utility Crisis

Story and photo by Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - City officials want to cut power to their partnership with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) due to high rates.

At the Aug. 7 regular council meeting, Councilwoman Norma Alcalá said residents' emails and phone calls detail PG&E's high rates while the major utility company is making "record profits right now."

"And yet they are still increasing our rates," Alcalá said. "I am anxious to hear what the public has to say because it is affecting a lot of people."

Mayor Martha Guerero called out a "utility crisis" here for some residents whose utility rates are too high, suggesting officials consider a future agenda addressing other utility options.

"We have had some experience working with Valley Clean Energy," Guerero said regarding her predecessors before recently seeing a Pioneer Community Energy presentation as the second vice president for the League of Cities.

Noting she was limited to what she could say legally, the mayor mentioned every present energy-use concern and why the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) is another viable option.

"The reason we don't have SMUD is because it requires a vote, which we tried in the past and it failed," said Guerero, adding that is why Pioneer Community Energy is now on the radar.

According to the city manager, one option is to join the California Community Choice Association, where cities can buy electricity for residents and businesses rather than use it.

"There are a number of CCA's out there, including in our backyard," City Manager Aaron Laurel said.

As for SMUD, "a lot of history" comes with that relationship, according to the city manager.

"There was a time back in the mid-two when there was an effort to annex into

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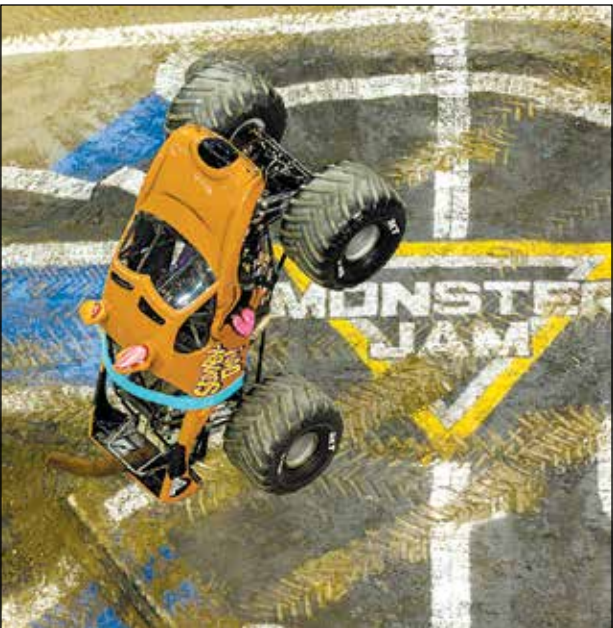
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Monster Jam Takes Over Golden 1 Center This Weekend



Driver Brianna Mahon returns to Monster Jam at Golden 1 Center as the Scooby-Doo! Driver from Friday to Sunday Photo courtesy of Monster Jam

Monster Jam News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Get ready for an action-packed family fun at Monster Jam this weekend at the Golden 1 Center in Sacramento.

This electrifying event will feature the Sacramento debut of Sparkle Smash, an all-new six-ton unicorn-themed monster truck with vibrant charisma and a bold attitude. Recently unveiled at Monster Jam World Finals XXIII, Sparkle Smash is set to make a splash in Sacramento's competitive arena.

Monster Jam brings together world-class athletes and their 12,000-pound trucks for exhilarating competitions that test speed, skill, and power. The event will showcase jaw-dropping stunts, high-flying big air,

backflips, and fierce head-to-head racing battles for the Event Championship. Fans can expect Monster Jam trucks to push all limits in Freestyle, Skills and Racing events, engineered to perfection for maximum excitement.

The festivities kick off with the Monster Jam Pit Party on Saturday and Sunday, where fans can get a close-up look at the massive trucks, meet their favorite drivers and crews, and enjoy autographs and photo opportunities. Activities include the Sand Box play area, UNOH tire demonstrations, a coloring and temporary tattoo station, and new photo ops such as the chance to pose with the Series trophy. This exclusive experience offers a behind-the-scenes look at how these trucks are built to withstand the competition. Be sure to arrive early

for Monster Jam Trackside, starting approximately one hour before the event. Enjoy previews of the competition, driver interviews, giveaways, opening ceremonies, and power rush truck introductions.

Drivers at Monster Jam are elite athletes with the physical strength, mental stamina, and skill to maneuver 12,000-pound machines through feats including backflips and high-speed racing.

The Monster Jam competitions start at 7 p.m. Friday, 7 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday.

Also on Saturday is a pit party from 4:30 to 6 p.m., which requires an event ticket and pit pass for entry.

On Sunday, the pit party from 10:30 a.m. to noon requires an event ticket and pit pass for entry.

Golden 1 Center is at 500 David J Stern Walk, Sacramento. ★

Truck Line-up

Grave Digger driven by Krysten Anderson

Megalodon driven by Angelina Nock; El Toro

Loco driven by Fernando Martinez

Sparkle Smash driven by Kayla Blood

Jurassic Attack driven by Tim Hall

Velociraptor driven by Devin Winfield

Earthshaker driven by Joe Urie

Monster Mutt Rottweiler driven by Carson Williams

Hot Jazz Jubilee 2024 to Sizzle

MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The ninth annual Hot Jazz Jubilee will feature four days of music and entertainment over Labor Day weekend, Aug. 30 to Sept. 2, under one roof.

Five rooms will offer music, ranging from the large Grand Ballroom to the more intimate Garden Terrace and RJ's. Dancers will want to be in the three ballrooms that offer a dance floor.

The annual extravaganza will feature more than 20 bands and guest artists.

"We are excited to offer some new featured performers, plus some bands returning by popular demand," said Hot Jazz Jubilee festival director Pat Jones. "And the variety can't be beat. We have jazz, swing, zydeco, rock 'n' roll and R & B. Something for everyone."

Performers include Brian Casserly, Todd Morgan & The Emblems, San Lyon, Katie Cavera & the Lost Boys, and many more. Some exciting special sets are "Boogie Woogie Extravaganza" on Saturday, Aug. 31 and a "Back to the Future" Old Time Rock 'n' Roll set on Sunday, Sept. 1.

In addition, Shaymus Hanlin will present his "Tribute to Frank Sinatra" and High Street Band will honor Veterans with their "Salute to the '60s" on Friday, Aug. 30. There will be two gospel sets on Sunday, Sept. 1, one set with Yve Evans and Company, and the other set with High Street Band. Special guest pianist, Nicole Pesce will perform two sets, "Two Pianos, Six Hands," with Stephanie



Brian Casserly is a regular featured All-Star at jazz festivals throughout the country; and a session musician for commercials, professional recordings and musicals in the U.S. and Canada. Photo courtesy of Hot Jazz Jubilee



High Street Band plays jazz, Motown, R&B, blues and funk tunes that bring their audiences to the dance floor. Photo courtesy of Hot Jazz Jubilee

and Paolo.

For the full performance schedule, check online at hotjazzjubilee.com/venues-scheduled-events.

The family-friendly event is in air-conditioned comfort at the newly-re-modeled DoubleTree by Hilton Sacramento at 2001 Point West Way. Admission is free for children 18 and under.

Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation

will sponsor Youth Clinics where young musicians can perform with the pros. Food and drink and a jazz vendor fair will also be on site.

Single-day tickets are \$65 for Aug. 30, \$85 for Aug. 31 or Sept. 1 and \$65 for Sept. 2. A four-day event pass is \$155. Tickets are available online at hotjazzjubilee.com/purchase-tickets. For special group rates, visit info@hotjazzjubilee.com. ★

Yolo County Launches Text Message Campaign for Employment and Farmworker Services

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employment and service initiatives geared towards building a better and healthier county. We are excited to launch this one-of-a-kind campaign."

This campaign is a key part of Yolo County's ongoing efforts to enhance communication and support services for its residents. By utilizing modern technologies, the county is improving the quality of life for our community, particularly for

those who face barriers to accessing traditional communication channels.

For additional information about this campaign and farmworker services, please contact Rodrigo Lopez at Rodrigo.Lopez@YoloCounty.gov or by phone/text at (530) 702-1790. For inquiries related to employment or career services, please reach out to Faisal Alfaty at Faisal.Alfaty@YoloCounty.gov or by phone/text at (530)-341-6022. ★

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Local Team Puts West Sac on Map



Officials thanked the River City Tigers for “putting West Sacramento” on the map and handed off a proclamation of honor for their 2024 Championship, which included 11 wins and only one loss. Photo courtesy of River City Tigers co-owner Manny Ramirez

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pointed out “the support and enthusiasm of team volunteers, fans, player’s families and community members who have played a vital role in the team’s success.”

The decree ended, noting River City Tigers’ significant contributions to the community through charitable events, including hosting a Youth Football Camp.

Clad in black jerseys, the team sat behind Manny Ramirez, the team’s founder and co-owner, at the Aug. 7 meeting. With a big gold football to his left, Ramirez humbly spoke before the mayor and council proclamation, touting the team’s achievements in the California Football Conference Association, which partners amateur and semi-professional football players across the region.

Completing the team’s third year, Ramirez said, “Despite the obstacles and challenges we faced, we never waived in our determination to achieve our goals after facing disappointment in the playoffs for two consecutive years.”

According to the

co-owner, the motto of “accountability and team-work” is behind the team’s success.

“We pushed each other to become better on and off the field,” Ramirez said.

Like the mayor, Ramirez’s short speech broke because of applause, causing a big smile on Ramirez, who said the team remains steadfast in its mission to positively impact the community.

“Through our various charity events such as our free youth football camp, turkey drive and Toys for Tots football game, we have been able to support and uplift those in need,” Ramirez said, giving thanks to his two biggest fans, his mother and fiancée, down to the water boy and concession stand volunteer.

“We definitely want to give a big shout-out to West Sacramento for opening their arms with a generous and courteous proclamation award,” Ramirez said. “Go Tigers.”

Councilwoman Norma Alcalá was the first fan to shout out, touting the teams’ scores and for putting West Sacramento on the map.

“Eleven wins and one loss; that is incredible,” Alcalá said, adding their team’s charity work is a win. “That means a lot to this community since we have a lot of folks that go without and you are helping, which makes all the difference.”

Councilwoman Verna Sulpizio-Hull said what is “phenomenal” is the 75-member team and entire volunteer crew.

“And on top of that, you have your family supporting you,” Sulpizio-Hull said, echoing Alcalá’s sentiments about community charity. “That is above and beyond.”

Sulpizio-Hull ended saying she looks forward to another successful season in 2025.

Guererro closed the short ceremony, noting that one of their biggest fans “remembered sitting in the bleachers at River City High School Stadium” scoring those touchdowns, cheering you on and just being among you and your family members.”

“You brought pride to West Sacramento with this incredible trophy,” the mayor said. ★

Mayor Addresses Utility Crisis



Pioneer Energy Company Chair and Auburn Councilwoman Alice Dowdin Calvillo plugged her company, asking West Sacramento officials to consider them when changing providers in the future.

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SMUD throughout the county, which, as you mentioned, failed the vote,” Laurel said, adding it is much more than just year or nay to pass due to the regulatory environment and more.

Laurel recommended returning in the fall after the energy use study is complete, “along with an analysis by staff on the CCA industry” and “more background on the SMUD annexation and what that actually looks like as a process.”

Winters Councilwoman Jesse Loren, a Valley Clean Energy board member, was on the other side of the dais, telling the mayor and council about her city’s experience with the SMUD process.

“I serve with other members of your dais on various regional boards,” Loren said, adding she was coming forth in the “Yolo

County way” spirit.

Loren reminded the mayor and council that Valley Clean Energy “opened the door” to West Sacramento and Winters in 2017.

While SMUD might be “far more attractive,” according to Loren, no deal can be made if they do not want to partner with West Sacramento.

“Not only is it a ballot process but they have to have an appetite to grow,” Loren said. “That is not something they have expressed at this time.”

While West Sacramento has not benefited from decreased utility bills, Winters has benefited with “lower costs,” Loren said, followed by another Valley Clean Energy board member.

Like Loren, Lucas Frerichs said that while “we would love to have a utility like SMUD rates 40% lower literally across the river than

we do here in Yolo County,” it might not be feasible.

“We currently have rates that are lower than PG&E,” Frerichs said of Valley Clean Energy.

Vying for the mayor and council’s attention, Pioneer Energy Company Chair and Auburn Councilwoman Alice Dowdin Calvillo also plugged her program, noting \$85 million in rate savings for the company’s customers.

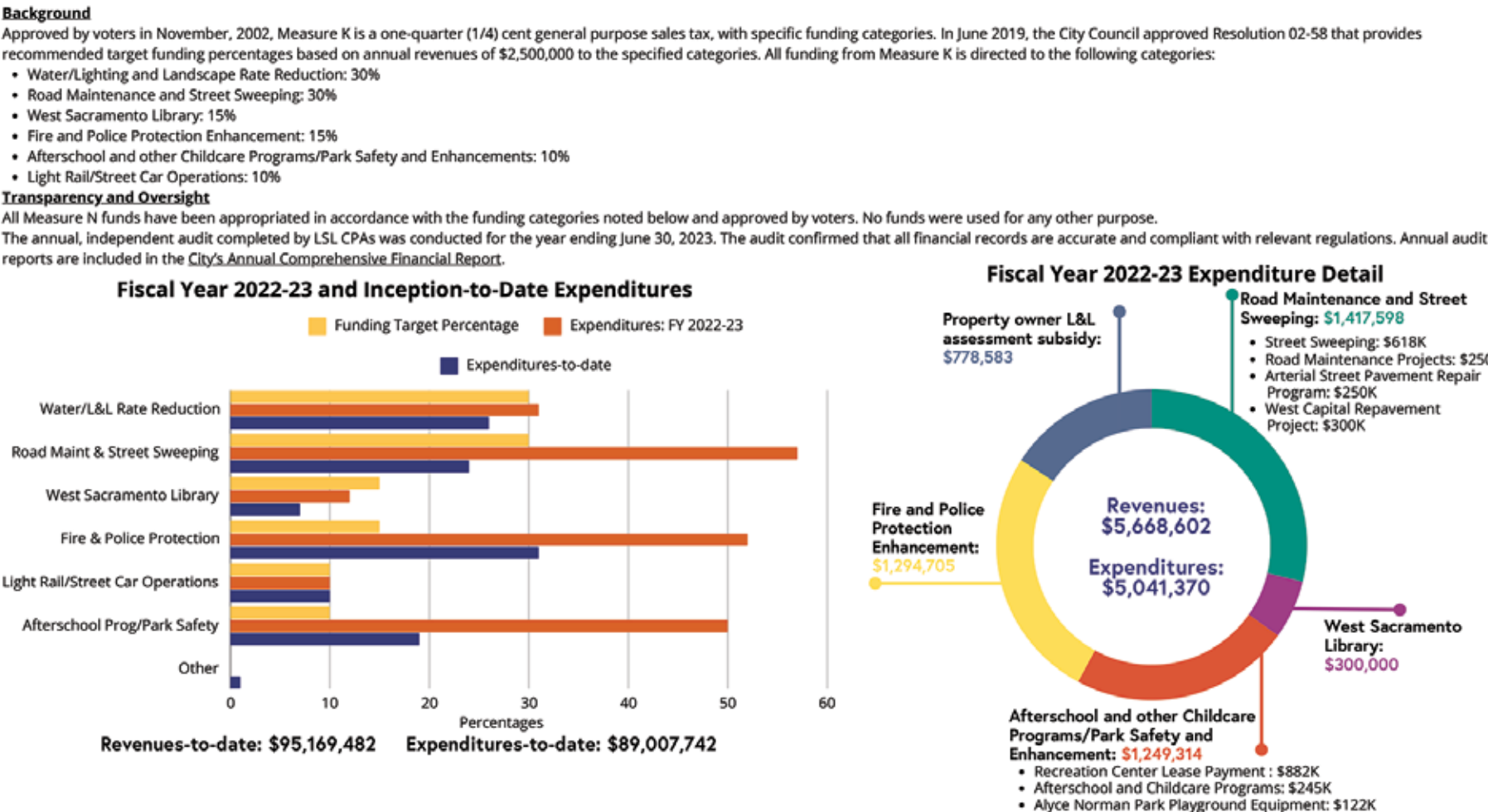
Calvillo said the company is “certainly not trying to step” on Clean Valley Energy’s “toes by any means;” however, due to recent discussions, it was essential to come to the table.

Guererro said that she looks forward to future studies and comprehensive citywide presentations from both companies soon.

“I am looking forward to conversing with the community next month,” Guererro said. ★

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Social Security Matters

Will My Wife Get a Spousal Benefit from Me?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social
Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be turning 70 (yikes) this coming November. I will begin taking my Social Security benefit at that time. My age 70 SS benefit will be approximately \$4,500 per month. My spouse (who is currently 74) began receiving her SS benefits about 10 years ago - before her FRA. She receives approximately \$1,900 per month.

My question is, based on my expected SS monthly benefit of approximately \$4,500, would my spouse be eligible for an increase in her monthly SS benefit? I've read some articles about this topic, but none of them seem to be on point - so I thought I'd reach out to you. **Signed: Seeking Answers**

Dear Seeking: Congratulations on choosing a claiming strategy

which will maximize your Social Security. Waiting until age 70 to claim guarantees you will get the most you can personally receive for the rest of your life, along with annual Cost of Living Adjustments (COLA). But the spouse benefits available to your wife when you claim are not based on your age 70 amount. Rather, spouse benefits are calculated using full retirement age (FRA) amounts. Here's what that means:

If your age 70 benefit will be about \$4,500 then your FRA amount was likely around \$3,450. If your wife claimed at, say, 64, then her FRA entitlement would probably have been around \$2,200. Your wife will only get a spousal boost if 50% of your FRA amount (not your age 70 amount) is more than her own FRA entitlement. From what you've shared, 50% of your FRA amount would be about \$1,750, which is less than your wife's FRA entitlement (and her current age 64 amount), which means that she would not be eligible for a spousal boost to her own amount from you.

Spouse benefits can be tricky, because they're based on FRA

entitlements, regardless of the age at which benefits are actually claimed. That is not so, however, for surviving spouse benefits. If you were to predecease your wife, her benefit would be your entire \$4,500 amount, instead of her own smaller current amount. Surviving spouse benefits are based on the amount each of you are currently receiving, not on your amounts at your full retirement age.

I hope this answers your question, but we're always here if you need any further assistance.

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California Seizes More Than \$120 Million In Illegal Cannabis Since January

Office of Governor Gavin Newsom News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In strong support of California's legal cannabis market, Governor Gavin Newsom announced that since January, California's Unified Cannabis Enforcement Task Force (UCETF) has seized more than \$120 million worth of illegal cannabis, destroyed nearly 37 tons of unlicensed cannabis, including 122,914 illegal plants. As part of these operations, state law enforcement officials have also seized 22 firearms.

"The legal cannabis market brings billions of dollars to our state's economy, helping to sustain California's position as the fifth largest economy in the world. We will not tolerate illegal operations that threaten our economy and the health and well-being of California communities," Governor Gavin Newsom said.

In recent months, the task force conducted operations in 11 California counties, including Mendocino, Tuolumne, Shasta, Orange, Kern, Alameda, Yuba, Trinity, Los Angeles, Butte and Humboldt.

"UCETF's efforts are continuing to break new ground in unlicensed cannabis enforcement by

leveraging the expertise and knowledge of its diverse group of partners to disrupt the unlicensed market," said Bill Jones, Chief of the Law Enforcement Division with the Department of Cannabis Control.

Taking down illicit cannabis

Governor Newsom has directed state agencies to aggressively target the organized criminal enterprises involved in the illicit cannabis market. These illegal schemes not only threaten California's legal cannabis market, but the use of illegal pesticides and unregulated practices harm California's environment and water quality. California is also focused on ending the exploitation of vulnerable workers at these sites, who are often victims of labor violations and human trafficking.

"The continued success of UCETF is a testament to the collaboration between its partner agencies. Due to the high level of engagement from each of the agencies involved, we are able to move swiftly against those who choose to continue to grow cannabis illegally," said Nathaniel Arnold, Chief of the Law Enforcement Division with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and co-lead of the Unified Cannabis

Enforcement Task Force.

"We will continue to rely on the individual and combined strengths of these agencies to support those who are cultivating legally in a manner that is safe for the consumer, the general public, and the environment."

A unified strategy across California

In 2022, Governor Newsom created the Unified Cannabis Enforcement Task Force to further align state efforts and increase cannabis enforcement coordination between state, local, and federal partners. The enforcement actions protect consumer and public safety, safeguard the environment, and deprive illegal cannabis operators and transnational criminal organizations of illicit revenue that harms consumers and undercuts the regulated cannabis market in California.

Since its inception, the Unified Cannabis Enforcement Task Force has seized over \$465 million in unlicensed cannabis by serving 309 search warrants. The taskforce has also eradicated 470,435 illegal cannabis plants, seized 150 illegal firearms, and arrested 38 individuals.

To learn more about the legal California cannabis market, state licenses, and laws, visit cannabis.ca.gov ★




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Classic Car and Truck Show Returns to Yolo on Aug. 24

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Join Yolo County Library and the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library for the Cruisin’ into the Next Chapter Classic Car and Truck Show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24. The event will be held around the new Yolo Branch Library, located at 37750 Sacramento St., Yolo, just a five-minute drive north of Woodland.

This free, family-friendly event will showcase a diverse collection of classic cars and trucks. Highlights include a youth low-rider bike show, antique fire trucks, tractors, and engine displays.

Attendees can enjoy a variety of food options while listening to music provided by a Rockwell Sound & Lighting deejay.

An art exhibit featuring automotive drawings by Cache Creek High School students will be displayed inside the library.

Additional activities include book giveaways, balloon twisting and children’s activities. Participants can also enter a drawing for a chance to win various prizes, browse vendor stalls and buy event T-shirts and souvenirs.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library and Yolo County Library, all proceeds from the event will benefit the Yolo Branch Library, serving

the communities of Yolo, Zamora, Dunnigan and surrounding areas.

Support for this event is provided by the Yolo Fire Protection District, Yolo Welding & Fabrication, Yolo Market, Cache Creek High School and dozens of other local businesses and residents.

For more information about this event, visit www.FriendsOfYoloLibrary.org, write to YoloCarShow@gmail.com or call Meg Sheldon at 916-837-9171. For more information about the Yolo County Library, visit www.YoloCountyLibrary.org or connect with the library on Facebook @YoloCountyLibrary



Yolo County Library and the Friends of the Yolo Branch Library for the Cruisin’ into the Next Chapter Classic Car and Truck Show from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24. Photo by Nicky at Pixabay

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Brandon Hodges, 619 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on January 1, 2015.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 15, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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WOODLAND 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240600
The following person(s) is doing business as: Figure Transport/Silverline Transport, 720 Greenwood Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95605.
Leticia Ochoa Oregel. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 9, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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FIGURE 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240521
The following person(s) is doing business as: Faithful Bookkeeping, 1478 Columbus Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Nadia Ivon Garcia, 1478 Columbus Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on June 17, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024
FAITHFUL 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240438
The following person(s) is doing business as: Caio Terra Academy Woodland, 175 W Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
Compoundx, LLC, 3207 Shelter Cove Avenue, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on May 23, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024
CAIO 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240627
The following person(s) is doing business as: Lift Global Academy, 433 California Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
Rocklin International Schools, 433 California Street, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 17, 2017.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 18, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024
LIFT 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240619
The following person(s) is doing business as: Scenic, Scenic Wines, Scenic View, 2540 Boatman Avenue Suite 180, West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Ogilvie Merwin Venturer LLC, 2540 Boatman Avenue Suite 180, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on April 1, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 16, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024
SCENIC 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240630
The following person(s) is doing business as: Precision Auto Sales, 1540 South River Road,

West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Luis Orozco, 3981 McDougald Boulevard, Stockton, CA 95206. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 18, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 18, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: July 26, August 2, 9, 16, 2024
PRECISION 8-16-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240559
The following person(s) is doing business as: Mabel's Market, 222 D Street #1, Davis, CA 95616.
Shelley Marie Dunning, 721 Hunt Way, Davis, CA 95691. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on June 1, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on June 26, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
MABELS 8-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240623
The following person(s) is doing business as: Flat Pack Games, 3181 Longspur Lane, West Sacramento, CA 95691.
Floyd Patrick Lu, 3181 Longspur Lane, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 17, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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FLAT 8-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240631
The following person(s) is doing business as: The Desi Art Nook, 950 Fairview Drive, Woodland, CA 95695.
Sheetal Divate, 950 Fairview Drive, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 18, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 18, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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THE 8-23-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240635
The following person(s) is doing business as: Quick Quack Car Wash, 2260 Lake Washington Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691
QQ Operating Holding Company, LLC, 6020 W Oaks Boulevard Suite 300. Rocklin, CA 95765. This business is conducted by A Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 5, 2019.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 23, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024
QUICK 8-30-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240578
The following person(s) is doing business as: Cheers at the Dugout, 2435 West Capitol Avenue Suite A, West Sacramento, CA 95691
Always an Adventure, Inc., 1132 Meadow Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 10, 2014.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 1, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024
CHEERS 8-30-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240639
The following person(s) is doing business as:

1. My Kid's Dentist and Orthodontics, 2. My Kid's Dentist, 3. Woodland Smiles Dentistry and Orthodontics, 4. Woodland Smiles Dentistry Dental Group,

2041 Bronze Star Dr., Suites 300 & 100, Woodland, CA 95776
County of YOLO
Mailing Address: 17000 Red Hill Ave., Attn: Legal Dept, Irvine, CA 92614
Gill and Macchiarella Dental Corporation, 17000 Red Hill Ave., Attn: Legal Dept., Irvine, CA 92614
This business is conducted by a Corporation

The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 2/2010.
Gill and Macchiarella Dental Corporation S/ Bianca Macchiarella, President,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 07/24/2024.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
kquam, Deputy
8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30/24
CNS-3830206#
NEWS-LEDGER 8-30-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240634
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Riverside Commerce Center II, 830 Riverside Parkway, Ste. 109, West Sacramento, CA 95605
County of YOLO
Mailing Address: 1121 SW Salmon St., Ste. 500, Portland, OR 97205
Schnitzer Properties, LLC, 1121 SW Salmon St., Ste. 500, Portland, OR 97205
This business is conducted by a limited liability company
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 4/30/1999.
Schnitzer Properties, LLC S/ Jeffrey F. Nudelman, Secretary,
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 07/23/2024.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
KQUAM, Deputy
8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30/24
CNS-3821989#
NEWS-LEDGER 8-30-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240574
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Kalua's Consulting and Home Solutions, 2416 North Beach Ave, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
County of EL DORADO
Mailing Address: 2416 North Beach Ave, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
Lance P K Kalua, 2416 North Beach Ave, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691
This business is conducted by an Individual
The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 31, 2024.
S/ Lance Peter Kekoa Kalua, This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 07/01/2024.
Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
Zuri Hernandez, Deputy
8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30/24
CNS-3839070#
NEWS-LEDGER 8-30-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240660
The following person(s) is doing business as: Buyers Broker Realty Free Home Tours, 904 Drummond Avenue, Davis, CA 95618.
Kurtis Ray Sandhoff, 904 Drummond Avenue, Davis, CA 95618. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 2, 2024.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on August 2, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: August 16, 23, 30, Sept 6, 2024
BUYERS 9-6-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240664
The following person(s) is doing business as: Cloughesy Arbitration Services, 3401 Bermuda Avenue Unit 13, Davis, CA 95616.
Shawn Patrick Cloughesy, 3401 Bermuda Avenue Unit 13, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 9, 2010.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on

August 5, 2024.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: August 16, 23, 30, Sept 6, 2024
CLOUGHESY 9-6-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1754
Anna Nicole Lindquist has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anna Nicole Lindquist to Anna Nicole Salazar-Islas.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on August 28, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: July 18, 2024
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2024
LINDQUIST 8-23-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1863
Raquel Cisneros has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Raquel Cisneros to Rachel Cisneros.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 1, 2024
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024
CISNEROS 8-30-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1875
Amanda-Rose Nadia Lute has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Amanda-Rose Nadia Lute to Amanda-Rose Nadia Arsalan.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: July 26, 2024
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024
LUTE 8-30-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1690
Marissa Delene Gamez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Marissa Delene Gamez to Marissa Delene Telelyuev.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 11, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: July 29, 2024
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 16, 23, 30, Sept 6, 2024
GAMEZ 9-6-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2024-1918
Caim Ann Rodrigues has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Caim Ann Rodrigues to Nutmeg Andrew Jones.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 18, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 1, 2024
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: August 16, 23, 30, Sept 6,

2024
RODRIGUES 9-6-24

LIEN SALE
NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated.
19389 County Rd 102, Woodland, CA,95776 on 8/28/24 @2pm: Amanda Kennedy: Brianna August: Cisca Dogbe: Warkiesha Anderson
975 F St, West Sacramento, Ca, 95605 on 8/28/24 @11am: Miguel Furtado: Jose Gudalupe Pelayo: Gina Lewis: Eva Avila: Star Powell: Vanessa McMahan
1100 N 1st St, Dixon, CA 95620 on 8/28/24 @2pm:Cristopher Olmedo: Eduardo Cruz
3280 Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691 on 8/28/24 @11am: Haseebullah Feroz
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.
8/16/24
CNS-3842208#
NEWS-LEDGER 8-16-24

TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No. 121633-CA APN: 046-431-015-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 7/20/2015. 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 9/19/2024 at 12:45 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 7/27/2015 as Instrument No. 2015-0020921-00 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Yolo County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: VERA L KESS, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN 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 REAR (NORTH) ENTRANCE TO THE CITY HALL 1110 WEST CAPITOL AVENUE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 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: LOT 95, AS SHOWN ON THE MAP ENTITLED "AMENDING PLAT OF SUBDIVISION NO. 4525 RIVER RANCH" IN THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO, COUNTY OF YOLO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, FILED APRIL 8, 2004 IN BOOK 2004 OF MAPS AT PAGE 33 THROUGH 39, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2793 MOJAVE DRIVE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 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: \$484,015.18 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, using the file number assigned to this case 121633-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, using the file number assigned to this case 121633-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 Published 8/16, 8/23, 8/30/2024 News Ledger 8-30-24



Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Well Kings fans, the Olympics are over, and in no time fans will be talking about the start of training camp. Yes, in less than 60 days the hometown hoopsters will be back together, with a team composed of explosive offensive talents, and some question marks on the defensive side of the ball.

With the re-signing of Malik Monk, and the heralded signing of 6-time all-star DeMar DeRozan, the Kings have an offensive nightly threat that will rival any opposing team in the NBA. Don't forget, without DeRozan, the Kings led the NBA in scoring just 2 seasons ago, and with his addition to the lineup, players like Fox, Sabonis, Murray and Monk will have better looks on a nightly basis.

Without question, DeRozan will require a lot of defensive attention, and three-point shooters like Murray and Fox will benefit greatly by his presence on the court.

The Kings continue to look for the power forward to body-up alongside Domantas Sabonis, and last week sought after Lauri Markkanen who re-signed with the Utah Jazz for a reported \$238-million contract over five years. His signing after August 6 means that he cannot be traded for at least six months, after the 2025 trade deadline, and for all intents and purposes makes Mr. Markkanen a name to no longer discuss.

Color announcer Kyle Draper jumped in last week with his own thoughts as to who might be a good fit at power forward when he expressed his enthusiasm for another Utah Jazz standout, in big man John Collins. Collins showed a lot of promise last season putting up 15.1 points per game, while securing 8.5 rebounds. This while he only garnished 28 minutes of playing time per game. Collins is only 26 years of age and stands 6'9" with a 6'11" wingspan. Nice stats for a power forward with a bright future in the NBA, so perhaps Draper is working two jobs as scout and game announcer.

I like hearing from all quarters as it relates to players that might improve the Sacramento Kings front court, and as high as I am on Domantas Sabonis, I know this talented big man needs more help on the boards.

I am high and guardedly hopeful that the recent signing of Orlando Robinson will pay dividends this season, and I applaud Monte McNair's search for a diamond in the rough.

Every year some player surfaces to the top and surprises everyone with a breakout year, and in many circumstances this occurs because they finally found a team to give them a true opportunity to shine.

Keon Ellis made significant strides last season because coach Brown built his confidence gradually throughout the season, even making him a starter for a lengthy stretch. Keon's best basketball is still in front of him, and that is after he endured a stint in the G league where he showcased his talents and worked his way up to the big club.

I believe that same confidence would do wonders for Trey Lyles, and like Ellis I am convinced we have not yet seen the top side of Mr. Lyles.

Keep your eyes on Boogie Ellis, who like his namesake Keon looked like a man among boys in the recent summer league games. The Ellis boys could potentially play significant minutes for the Kings this season, and like Keon, I like the defensive effort Boogie brings to the floor to go along with his three-point shooting.

Not to be overlooked is our top draft choice of two years ago Keegan Murray, who had an ambitious rookie season to be followed by his sophomore year that had mixed reviews. This former NCAA Division I leading scorer (822 points, 2021-22) in the nation may very well surprise everyone this year and propel himself into an all-star year. Keegan added a mid-range game last season that will undoubtedly play well alongside newcomer DeMar DeRozan.

I remain convinced that McNair is not through tinkering with this lineup, and when the Kings break training camp this season, look for at least one more power forward to join the group we have today.

The Sacramento Kings glass is half full, and I can't wait to see the upcoming season in full splendor.

If you're not thinking 50 wins-plus, take a closer look!

All the best Kings fans! ★

Your thoughts are always welcome at
vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com

Texas Scores a Goal on California as Chevron Moves Headquarters to Houston



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

The war between Gov. Gavin Newsom and the state's once-immense oil industry entered a new phase a few days ago when Chevron, California's oldest and best known producer of gasoline and other petroleum products, announced it was moving its corporate headquarters to Texas.

Chevron, which dates its origins to the California Star Oil Works, which struck oil in the Santa Susana Mountains of Southern California in 1876, characterized the move from San Ramon to Houston as merely an ordinary managerial consolidation.

However, given its prominence, Newsom's recurrent vilification of the industry and his vow to end sales of gasoline-powered cars as a way of becoming carbon-neutral by 2045, the move's political aspects could not be ignored.

Initially, Newsom posted on social media a video denouncing oil industry "price gouging," including a melty-face emoji characterizing the industry's reaction to California's efforts to dampen gas prices.

But his office quickly took down the video and issued a statement saying Chevron's announcement "is the logical culmination of a long process that has repeatedly been foreshadowed by Chevron."

Predictably, Texas' Republican Gov. Greg Abbott, a frequent foil for Newsom, immediately cast Chevron's move as a "snub" to California in a posting on X, formerly Twitter, calling Texas Chevron's "true home."

A more stinging rebuke came from the Bay Area Council, a business group that hews to a moderate political line and has often been supportive of Newsom.

"Chasing jobs and employers out of California is no way to run the economy," Jim Wunderman, the organization's president, said. "It's an embarrassment for California that we've lost so many global companies because of misguided policies that make it incredibly difficult to do business here. California's elected leaders need to take stock of the decisions they're making that affect millions of families and workers, impact the state budget and have grave consequences for the future economic health of this state."

Were Chevron's move an isolated event, it would be only temporarily interesting. However, California has seen a steady exodus of corporations, as the Bay Area Council noted, thus reinforcing its image of hostility to business.

Just days earlier, Elon Musk, who had already moved his Tesla corporate headquarters to Texas, announced that X and SpaceX would follow.

Chevron's announcement also comes amid a flurry of layoffs and corporate retrenchments in the Bay Area's high-tech industry, which have contributed to the state's having the nation's highest unemployment rate.

Moreover, we may not have heard the last of Chevron's moves. The company had been warning California officials that it might close its two refineries in the state, which are major producers of the state's unique gasoline blend.

Voters in Richmond, the site of one Chevron refinery, will decide in November whether to impose a special tax on the refinery, \$1 per barrel, and the company has accused Richmond's leaders of "playing chicken" with their largest taxpayer and employer.

Politico reported that Andy Walz, a top Chevron executive, warned in an interview about the potential consequences of the Richmond tax measure. "I'm not going to tell you that that's the death knell, but we're getting close," he said, adding, "if I can't invest there, and I can't get a return, we will move on."

Newsom and other California politicians openly intend to eventually shut down the oil industry to reduce the state's carbon footprint. But they want a gradual reduction so many millions of gasoline-powered cars still on the road can run until phased out.

Were Chevron and other producers to decide, as Walz warns, that continuing operations in a politically hostile California no longer pencils out, the state could see an abrupt and economically devastating fuel shortage.

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. ★

Crime Reports

WEST SACRAMENTO



ARRESTS

July 9: Angel Mark Tarazon. Arrested for misdemeanor bench warrant.

July 31: Crystal Kay Boone. Arrested for misdemeanor bench warrant.

August 5: Anthony Alan Woods. Arrested for felony bench warrant, manufacture/sale/possess/etc metal knuckles.

July 29: Vincent Elias Lara. Arrested for misdemeanor bench warrant.

July 31: Abeed Asghar. Arrested for misdemeanor bench warrant.

August 2: Thomas Charles Hodge. Arrested for grand theft: money/labor/property, felony warrant of arrest.

August 4: Rakia Renee Fulmer. Arrested for fugitive from justice: warrant arrest.

August 5: Christopher Neil Marinelli. Arrested for false identification to specific peace officer, felony bench warrant, probation violation: rearrest/revoke.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

July 26: Reporting party arrived to jobsite and observed that multiple batteries and copper wiring had been stripped from equipment on the job site. No suspect information. \$10,000 loss. Grand theft: money/labor/property.

July 29: Unknown suspects possibly Jose Melvin and Jose Argueda forced Jonathon Gonzalez to call/direct Jamie Manzo and Miguel Lopez to 1700 West Capitol Ave. As Manzo and Lopez arrived, Melvin and Argueda assaulted Manzo. Melvin punched Manzo with brass knuckles in the left eye and mouth. Manzo sustained a visible injury to his left eye and was transported to Sutter Sac by AMR. Assault with deadly weapon: not firearm. Battery.

July 28: Theft of tools located in the bed of truck. \$270 loss. Theft of personal property.

July 20: Two unknown female subjects walked into the Nugget store and began lingering around victim as she was shopping. As one of the female subjects (S2) began talking to victim while selecting produce, the other female subject (S1) reached into victim's purse and stole her belongings. S1 walked out of the store and waited inside a white SUV. S2 then exited the store and entered the same SUV as S1. Both suspects left the area in the white SUV. \$26,375 loss. Grand theft: money/labor/property. Conspiracy: commit crime.

July 20: An unknown male climbed the fence into an enclosed truck yard. Male poked a hole into the fuel tank of a truck, attempting to take fuel. \$50 loss. Tamper with vehicle.

July 25: Reporting party came in to work at approximately 0700 hours and observed large amounts of water in the road and flowing from pipes on the property at his workplace. After further inspection. He observed the water pipes had been cut that allow water to the property. \$5,000 loss. Grand theft: money/labor/property. Vandalism (\$400 or more).

July 11: Vandalism to vacant commercial building. Vandalism: damage property.

August 2: Vehicle burglary. \$1,801 loss. Burglary. Tamper with vehicle.



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Reduced Plantings, Heat Affect 2024 Processing Tomato Crop

With searing heat waves impacting pollination for some plantings and harvest for others, California processing tomato growers said they were anticipating average yields at best. As farmers began harvesting across the Central Valley during the past few weeks, the crop was already set to be a light one. Tomato processors contracted 40,000 fewer acres from farmers this year due to bolstered inventory from last year's bumper crop, aiming to process about 10% less tonnage, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

New Report Says Water Supplies Will Shrink Without Infrastructure Improvements

Delivery capability and reliability of the State Water Project, a 700-mile network of reservoirs and canals, could be reduced by 23% in 20 years due to changing flow patterns and extreme weather shifts, according to a new report from the California Department of Water Resources. DWR Director Karla Nemeth said the analysis "underscores the need to modernize and upgrade our aging infrastructure so we can capture water supplies when it's wet." She said, "Modernizing the State Water Project is critical to delivering on the human right to water in California."

Water Projects Review Seeks to Balance Farm, Environmental Needs

State and federal agencies face a challenge to balance the beneficial uses of water needed by farmers with needs of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem amid challenges of climate change. A new draft environmental impact statement for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation seeks to influence operations for California's two primary water-delivery systems, which guide pumping of water through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, sending water south to tens of millions of people and to millions of acres of farmland. Comments on the report are due by Sept. 9.

Project Studies Specialty-Crop Production in Urban Areas And On Vacant Lots

Researchers from University of California Cooperative Extension in San Diego County are investigating the economic feasibility of growing high-value specialty crops in urban settings such as vacant lots. In Carlsbad, researchers have created the Small-Scale Urban Ag Demonstration Site. Funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture, the farm is designed to evaluate containerized production both outdoors and under hoop houses. In the trial, researchers are growing turmeric, ginger and blueberries. ★

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16. Driver's license notation

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18. Like Cheerios

19. "Piece of football equipment required since 1943

21. *Peyton or Eli

23. Napkin spot

24. Eminem's 2002 hit "Yourself"

25. Embargo

28. Feed storage cylinder

30. Like house from a kit

35. Greek god of love

37. Smokes

39. *Super Bowl I M.V.P. Bart

40. Taj Mahal locale

41. "Career rushing yards record holder

43. Equals s squared

44. Regretting

46. *Highest college football level: _____ Division I

47. Extend credit

48. *Seventeen games in NFL

50. Somewhat (2 words)

52. "Whatever Will Be, Will Be" singer

53. Mare's baby

55. Not a friend

57. *55 of them

61. *Home of the NFL Hall of Fame

64. Hole-borer

65. For every

67. Color red on coat of arms

69. Birds of ill omen

70. Outrage

71. _____ shopping cart

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2. Cry of contempt

3. Marine eagle

4. Wake Island, e.g.

5. Kizmet, pl.

6. Foolish one

7. Even, poetic

8. Useful contraption

9. Lamborghini model

10. Unfavorable prefix

11. "As _____ on TV"

12. Suspend

15. Astrigents

20. "The Iliad" and "The Odyssey," e.g.

22. Venomous Egyptian snake

24. Deducible

25. *One of 2 NFL founding teams still in league

26. Lock horns

27. Waterwheel

29. Outline

31. Et alii, abbr.

32. Got along

33. *Like indoor eight-men

34. *Career NFL passing yards record holder

36. Without

38. Wild guess

42. Israeli port

45. Errand-runners

49. Neither's partner

51. Nuku'alofa language

54. Meat jelly dish

56. Musician's exercise

57. "Go _____ Go!"

58. Fishing decoy

59. Awestruck

60. Archery wood

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Schools Back in Action

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Five days a week, the sound of the bell and children rushing to class is once again familiar.

Wednesday, Aug. 14, marked the first day of the 2024-25 school year, with administration and teachers preparing summer events, including the National Day of Social Action and a large-scale Back to School Resource + National Night Out Block Party at Raider Stadium.

While parents supply new school clothes, Washington Unified School District (WUSD) officials gave away gratis supplies to complement that exciting new school year feeling. Washington Unified School District Student Leadership and Empowerment Coordinator June Marie Flores said that on Aug. 6, the Washington Unified School District, the West Sacramento Police Department and United Way California Capital Region hosted the first-ever event that gave away accessories.

“This was a fantastic opportunity to kick off the new school year with a variety of free resources and fun activities for the whole family, courtesy of

more than 45 vendors who generously worked with our teams to support the nearly 2,000 attendees that evening,” Flores said. “By partnering with local organizations, we strengthen our partnerships and showcase our community’s true spirit and unity.”

Before the fair, students remained engaged over the summer, uniting for the National Day of Social Action, according to Washington Unified School District executive director of communication Giorgos Kazanis.

Hosting the event, Kazanis said, underscores the district’s “commitment to providing an ongoing commitment to providing enriching, empowering experiences for students beyond the traditional academic year.”

Kazanis said the landmark event was made possible by partnering with the Children’s Defense Fund (CDF) Freedom Schools and the Roberts Family Development Center.

“It brought together more than 1,000 students across the Sacramento region participating in various activities, including workshops, presentations, and collaborative projects focused on civic

engagement and social justice,” Kazanis said.

The new school year’s walls are especially fresh after the Westfield Village ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Superintendent Dr. Cheryl P. Hildreth called Aug. 12 a momentous occasion for Washington Unified School District and the entire West Sacramento community.

“This new school is a testament to the community’s unwavering investment in our educational infrastructure and its commitment to providing our students with state-of-the-art learning environments,” Hildreth said.

The superintendent said Westfield Village represents the latest in many district successes. Once serving as one of the district’s most historic campuses, the school’s modern facilities and innovative design will, according to Hildreth, enhance the educational experience for students and serve as a hub for community engagement and collaboration.

“This project reflects the collective efforts of our educators, district leaders and community partners, all working toward a shared vision of



Washington Unified School District hosted the first-ever National Day of Social Action, bringing together students through the Children’s Defense Organization to celebrate positive civic change. Photo courtesy of Washington Unified School District

educational excellence,” Hildreth said.

Bridgeway Island School Principal Trish Dietrich noted how the start of a new school year symbolizes renewed energy and opportunity for students and teachers, symbolizing “a fresh beginning, where everyone comes together with enthusiasm and hope for what lies ahead.”

“For students, it’s a chance to explore new subjects, make new friends, and set personal and academic goals,” Dietrich said. “For teachers, it’s an

opportunity to inspire and engage with a new group of learners, fostering a love for learning and guiding them toward success.”

Hildreth looks ahead with excitement and encourages students and families to reach out.

“We know you have a lot on your plate in the coming days as we readjust our school routines,” Hildreth said. “If you have any questions or need information regarding class schedules, school supply lists or any other school-related matters, please do

not hesitate to contact your school’s main office.”

After saying the school staff is “here to assist you and ensure a smooth transition back to school,” the superintendent noted thanks.

“I want to express my gratitude to all our staff, partners and community members who have worked tirelessly to prepare our schools,” Hildreth said. “Your dedication ensures we are ready to provide an enriching and supportive educational experience for every student.” ★

UC Students Push for A Place to Get — And Stay — Sober on Every Campus



Stephanie J. Lake, M.Ed, LAADC, is shown in her private office on the second floor of the Cowell Building, where Counseling Services support the 40,000-plus UC Davis student body. Aug. 1. Photo by Louis Bryant III for CalMatters

By Mikhail Zinshteyn
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A small collegiate recovery program at half of the University of California’s 10 campuses holds regular weekly meetings for students in some stage of battling drug and alcohol addiction or some other form of self-harm.

The University of California Student Association, which represents the system’s 233,000 undergraduates, is mounting a campaign to bring the program and university funding to every campus. After almost a year of advocacy, the student organization brought the program to UC’s largest stage, the UC Regents meeting, in July. Student advocates want a full-time coordinator at every campus, ongoing funding for each program and a private, dedicated meeting space at every UC.

The University Office of the President maintains that every campus has some kind of drug prevention, intervention and treatment program. But student advocates say the collegiate recovery

programs are unique and provide an important outlet for students who need a nuanced approach to vanquishing their drug dependencies. The first was founded at Brown University in 1977. Today, scores exist on campuses across the country.

The need for drug recovery centers

The university system estimates that the existing programs served 4,000 students last year. A 2023 national survey indicates that 1.6% of UC undergraduates are in some form of drug or alcohol recovery.

But likely many more could benefit from a drug recovery program. The same 2023 survey showed that, depending on the campus, around 50% to 70% of undergraduates reported drinking at least once and a third to half have tried cannabis. Smaller, but still notable, shares of students have used other drugs at least once: roughly 3% to 10% used cocaine; as much as 2% tried meth. Among UC Berkeley students, nearly 1% had tried heroin.

What the program does

Often with few dollars and no full-time staffer, these programs foster a community of peers who together navigate their sobriety through the thicket of tempting or illicit substances that are often rife on their college campuses.

The programs serve multiple purposes: group meetings, more targeted support from a campus coordinator who may also refer the students to mental or medical help on or off campus, and if there’s money, social events. Some, like the one at UC Davis, distribute fentanyl test strips and Narcan, an overdose-reversing nasal spray, for free.

Unlike more familiar substance recovery programs such as Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous, collegiate recovery programs don’t demand abstinence from all substances when a person pursues recovery from one in particular.

The program’s “harm reduction” approach is meant to appeal to more students who aren’t ready to fully abstain from all substances but need help quitting or dialing back from a substance that’s personally destructive.

“What I’ve seen for a lot of people is, once they get involved in the (college recovery program) and they see people that are totally sober, they’re like, ‘Oh, I can still have fun being totally sober,’” said Stephanie Lake, the coordinator at UC Davis’s college recovery program, Aggies for Recovery, and a full-time substance abuse therapist on the campus. “A lot of them do eventually get to total sobriety but harm reduction at least gives them a way where they’re reducing the harm of their drugs so that they’re able to function in a better capacity.”

Lake said that harm reduction is a newer

practice that became more common in the past five years. One of the weekly meetings uses an Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous speaker format to give students a sense of how those meetings look like, she added.

Still, students hooked on certain hard drugs struggle to moderate their consumption. Lake described one student she counseled a few years ago who wanted to continue using heroin on weekends. She told the student to see if he could limit his usage after three weeks. He couldn’t but also didn’t want to quit. A few months later, he came back to her, ready to get sober. Lake then referred him to treatment.

Collegiate recovery programs are located on campus, another benefit, UC officials wrote in an agenda item to regents last month. That’s because not all students have the transportation means or time to seek services that are off campus, such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, intensive outpatient services and Suboxone treatment.

Need for full-time coordinators

The UC Student Association stresses that each campus needs a full-time coordinator. At UC Davis, Lake officially spends 5% of her time in that role, on top of the four to six students she sees daily for counseling. The campus intends to hire a full-time coordinator this fall, which she says couldn’t come soon enough.

She couldn’t apply for outside grants to fund the recovery program because she was busy with her full-time therapist job. The recovery program sponsors events on weekends, making it hard for her to attend after a full week’s work seeing other

students.

She also guides two student facilitators who work part-time leading the group meetings. They include Ashlyn Reed, an incoming fourth-year student. The program has been instrumental in helping her remain off the substance that she has struggled with the most — nicotine. It’s her fourth time quitting; this six-month stint has been the longest she has gone without smoking. She said the group meetings helped her examine why she relied on nicotine as an emotional crutch. “What am I hiding from or trying to avoid?” she said.

But she also feels the limits of the program without a full-time coordinator. “We’re the best kept secret on campus, and we don’t want to be,” she said. Without a full-time coordinator, there’s no one to market the program on campus, where hundreds of student and community groups compete for attention from the campus’s 40,000 students through leaflets, live events and other outreach.

Students pushing for a recovery program on every campus insist on ongoing university funding to support them as well as dedicated space for the meetings.

Aditi Hariharan, a UC Davis student who has advocated on behalf of the UC Student Association for these centers, expressed concern that some regents at the July meeting encouraged campuses to seek county health grants to fund the programs. Navigating county bureaucracy is difficult, she and other student advocates said, and even if the funding comes through, it’s not a guaranteed ongoing source.

“County grants are also temporary and need to be reapplied and reapplied, and don’t assure that permanent funding that

CRPs should have,” said Hariharan, who recently was elected as the student association’s president.

Ryan King, a spokesperson for the UC Office of the President wrote that each “campus sets priorities within its budget and must balance competing priorities.” He added that the system is exploring additional funding through the California Youth Behavioral Health Initiative and the recently passed Proposition 1, a state initiative to raise billions of dollars for housing and treatment facilities for mentally ill Californians. The UC maintains a \$50 billion budget and about a fifth of that is for its main education mission, including student services.

“If there was a space where they could just hang out during that day, there wouldn’t be so much temptation to relapse,” Lake said. The campus’s program relies on temporary meeting spaces, including the lobby of a student health services building.

UC Berkeley’s center just received its own space. Previously, students attending meetings in an administrative building would need to sometimes enter the police department to gain access to the building — an awkward encounter for individuals trying to confide to each other about substance abuse. Other times, campus deans would cross the communal space during group meetings.

“The fentanyl crisis and everything else, it’s a scary time for me as a counselor,” Lake said. Having the collegiate recovery program “is just super, super important.”

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