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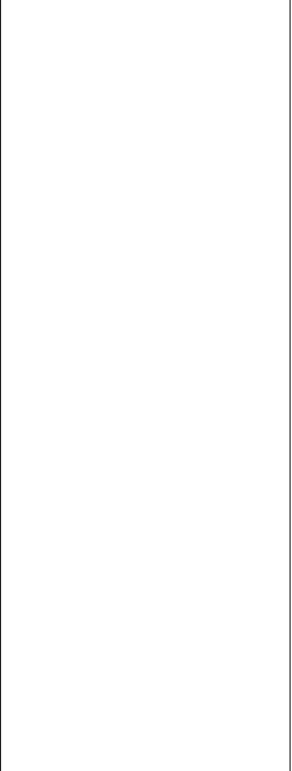


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Tour de' Fruit

Farm Stand Tour to Debut this Weekend



A Bounty of Beauties! These lovely locals are bringing quality produce and handcrafted goods to you via their individual farmstands, all part of the first Farm Stand Tour this weekend! Pictured from left are Ashley Siller – Sheldon Self-Serve Farm Stand, Nicole Allard – The Cackleberry, Ashley Garske -Aldrich Family Cart and Justine Dutra – Reis Ranch Farm Stand. Not pictured are Paula Carli – Windmill Farms and Ethel Byers – Hastings Avenue Farm Stand. Photo by Seti Long

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - If you keep your eyes open on the next country drive, you might see one sitting unassumingly beside the road as you pass by – a fruit stand.

There is something about homegrown produce that sets it apart from others – the rich taste, perfect texture and usually great prices. Thankfully, we live in an area with easy and direct access to it, whether via farmers markets or roadside stands that are beginning to trend in rural communities.

An enterprising group of locals has fallen in love with the fruit stand concept

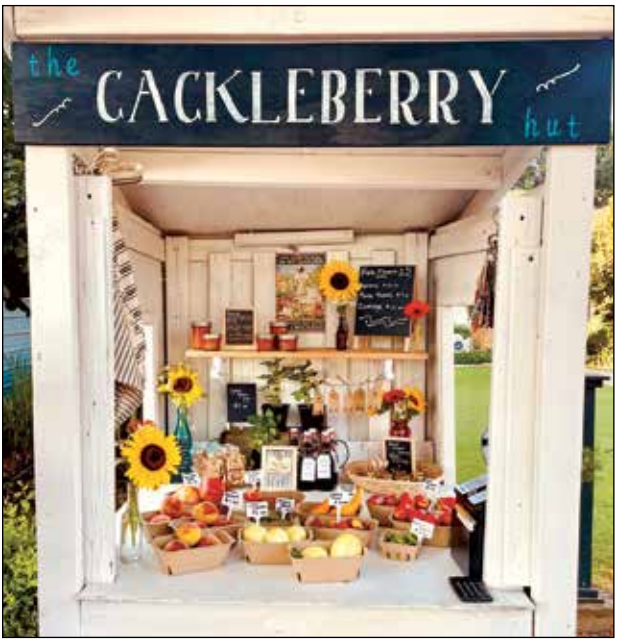
and is harnessing its power, networking with like-minded fellow growers to bring more than just fresh produce to the public.

Nicole Allard just started her stand “The Cackleberry Hut” and has been met with outstanding support from the community in the short weeks it has been open.

She had the idea to reach out to some of the other farm stands in the community that she has frequented, and together, they are bringing the first Farm Stand Tour to the area.

Spread between Biggs, Gridley and the Manzanita area, six farm stands have

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Each farmstand brings its own unique charm and twist to the farm-stand culture. The Cackleberry Hut illustrates how a small collection of goods can make a big impact displayed in a stand. Photo provided by Nicole Allard

Rice is Nice  
at the CCRRF  
Rice Field Day

By Connie Voss

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Local rice farmers and researchers eagerly attended the annual Rice Field Day, Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Rice Experiment Station (RES) north of Biggs.

The event was hosted by the California Cooperative Rice Research Foundation (CCRRF) of the University of California. Presentations were made on the latest weed control products, new insecticides and improved rice varieties.

Fifth-generation rice farmer Kyle LaMalfa was among the guests. He told the Gridley Herald in an interview that he and his bride Lizzett are taking over the LaMalfa family rice farm on Highway 99. The farm has been in operation since 1931.

LaMalfa got a degree in Agribusiness from Butte College. Lizzett has a degree in Business from Chico State and has worked for Lundberg Rice Farms. With her experience, she will handle the business side of the operation. Kyle underlined that the research conducted by the Rice Experiment Station is important to the rice industry. He has attended the Field Day for several years “to stay up to date on everything.”

The event began with a general meeting for business, including awards of two scholarships to Consuelo Baez Vega, a student at CSU Chico, and Michael Lynch of UC Davis. Both are pursuing careers in the rice industry and presented research at Field Day. Recognition was also given to Randall Mattson of Richvale.

In addition, the 2024 Rice Industry Award went to Charley Mathews Jr. of Marysville. Mathews, another fifth-generation rice farmer, was praised for his leadership and many contributions to the rice industry.

All of the attendees then toured both the Weed Science test area on Hamilton Road and the Main Station on Highway 162. The Main Station is where the new varieties of rice are developed.

Weed Science speaker K. Al-Khatib discussed a number of herbicides including Zembu, Cliffhanger, Pendimethalin, Dodhylex and Roxy Rice Production System (RPS). The latter two are not yet available, but will be upon EPA approval, probably in 2025.

“Dodhylex will be a game-changer,” Al-Khatib said.

Weeds become resistant to herbicides over time, making it necessary to

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Adventist Health Featured at Rotary Club

By Connie Voss

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - At the weekly meeting of the Gridley Rotary Club, Vice-President Lisa Van De Hey conducted the meeting for President Lynne Spencer, who was absent.

Announcements were made about the Gridley Chapter Centennial next year and fund raising for a clock in memory of Dick Jones. Rotary Youth Leadership Academy (RYLA) delegate Annie Woods will report next week. Also, the Rotary District Governor Steve Turner will be in attendance at that time.

The guest speaker was Adventist Health Rideout Foundation (AHRF) Executive Director Patience Boudreau. She was invited by City Council and Rotary member Catalina Sanchez and presented an informative slideshow on the foundation and its goals.

The foundation’s



Adventist Health Rideout Foundation Executive Director Patience Boudreau addresses the Gridley Rotary Club. Photo by Connie Voss

purpose is to financially support medical research, scholarships, new hospital equipment, construction,

charitable causes, and local food banks. Food banks are supported because a large number of people come to

Adventist Rideout facilities every day seeking food. The organization relies on fundraisers, grants and independent donations to fund these needs.

A top priority for the foundation is to add a DaVinci robot to perform delicate surgeries. This device is the “Gold Standard” for these procedures, according to Boudreau. Patients heal faster from robotic surgeries because the incisions are smaller and they are discharged sooner. State money is not available for this purchase. Another example is there is currently no out-patient imaging center. The funds necessary for this project are \$30 million.

Fundraisers for these plans include the “Fairway to Health Golf Tournament” and “Dance with Our Stars,” where each team can choose which part of the hospital they wish to support,

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# The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

We note with great sadness the passing of Doug Rudd. Past President of the Farm Bureau and pillar of our community. A beloved father, grandfather, son, and brother. He will be missed by many as he was a friend to all and a gentleman. His Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity brother, Tod Kimmelshue, will eulogize him as the two brothers part ways - for a time.

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Many people in Gridley, Chico & Durham believe milk chocolate was invented as a covering for almonds. Congressman Doug LaMalfa and his sister think chocolate is another place to add crisped CA rice (to avoid rice trade tariffs of countries that hate America).

There is actually more to the story than that. The original milk chocolate was created by Daniel Peter, a Swiss gentleman who thought chocolate was an excellent way to sell more milk. The story of Peter's Chocolate starts in 1875; after eight years of experimentation and refinement, Daniel Peter gave the world its first taste of milk chocolate. The challenge - to create a chocolate of fine, velvety smoothness that wouldn't spoil - was overcome when Peter perfected the method for dehydrating milk and combining it with chocolate. This proprietary development revolutionized the manufacturing process of chocolate and set a new standard for taste and texture. Twelve years after the invention of the milk crumb in 1887, Chocolat au lait Gala Peter became the world's first commercially sold milk chocolate. By 1917, a Peter's manufacturing facility was opened in Fulton, NY. In 2002, Cargill purchased Peter's Chocolate.

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Gay & Earl McDaniel's daughter, Mrs. Gretchen

McDaniel Harrison, had a busy Holiday weekend as the mother of the bride at one of the most celebrated weddings on social calendars this year. Her daughter Abigayle Rose wed Jacob Grant Bell, a young man from a prominent family in Turner, Oregon. The couple traveled home to California to wed in the Feather River Temple. Congratulations to the families on a well-made match and a bright future of adorable grandchildren.

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Big news in the Electric Industry: Erin Sanford, daughter of former Gridley Mayor ProTem, and local Attorney of great prominence, Tom Sanford, has accepted a high-level management position of great importance at the Northern California Power Association - of which Biggs and Gridley have an ownership stake. Currently, we enjoy electric service at half the cost of PG&E. We will be counting on her to keep the good thing going.

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Josh F.W. Cook, M.S., is an administrator and educator. ★

# Adventist Health Featured at Rotary Club

Continued from page 1 including NICU, Pediatrics, Cardiac Catheter Labs, etc. Not only monetary gifts are accepted by the Foundation. Donations of assets, such as real estate, are encouraged.

Boudreau concluded by expressing Adventist Health Rideout Foundation's support of the Blue Zone Project, which studies areas where people frequently live to ages of 100 and beyond.

One such Blue Zone is Loma Linda, California. People there are generally non-smokers, non-drinkers and vegetarians. Health problems are fewer, resulting in lower medical costs all around. ★

# Marysville Stampede Rodeo is Coming to Town!



The Marysville Stampede Rodeo will take place Sept. 14 and 15. Photo courtesy Marysville Stampede.com

## Flying U Rodeo News Release

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - The fun is about to break out of the chutes at the Marysville Stampede Rodeo!

Celebrating their 90th year, the Stampede Rodeo will take place Sept. 14 and 15, and tickets are on sale now.

Yuba-Sutter's only pro sporting event, this fun Western tradition brings families, riders and local businesses throughout the community together to celebrate our heritage.

In addition to the Stampede itself, there are several events going on during the week leading up to the rodeo weekend.

The Western Display Competition is going on now throughout the community and local businesses decorate their business fronts and windows and stores leading up to the rodeo weekend to show their western spirit.

## Wednesday, Sept. 11

At 6 p.m. at Washington Square Park, Marysville will be the Cotton Rosser Bronze Monument Dedication and Celebration. Join us for the unveiling and dedication of a larger-than-life-size bronze monument commemorating our hometown hero, Cotton Rosser, The King of Cowboys! The celebration will include featured speakers, performances, and unveiling of the monument with western flare, and will kick off the 90th Annual Marysville Stampede celebrations.

## Thursday, Sept. 12

From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Geweke Ford in Yuba City, Geweke Ford and the Chamber of Commerce will host an After Hours & Rodeo Kickoff Party.

## Friday, Sept. 13

5:30 sign up and 6 p.m. roping, is a Local Team Roping Qualifier at the Yuba County Posse Arena located at 5396 Marysville Road in Browns Valley. The top 10 teams will rope at the Marysville Stampede Rodeo Sept. 14 and 15.

Two days of rodeo performances are held at the Cotton Rosser Arena at Riverfront Park in Marysville.

## Saturday, Sept. 14

At 5 p.m. (gates open at 3 p.m.), is also our Military Appreciation Day where Active Military, Veterans and First Responders get in free with ID card.

## Sunday, Sept. 15

At 3:30 p.m. (gates open at 1:30) is our Tough Enough to Wear Pink Day. Show your support for breast cancer awareness.

Rodeo tickets are all general admission. Adults are \$20 per performance and kids, ages 4 to 12 are \$10 per performance. Children 3 and under are free.

For rodeo tickets or more information, call 530-742-8240 or visit the rodeo's website at [www.marysvillestampede.com](http://www.marysvillestampede.com). ★

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# Tour de' Fruit



A rainbow assortment of produce can be found at the Reis Ranch Stand. Photo provided by Reis Ranch Produce

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joined the tour that kicks off this weekend. Locations are Bigg's Hasting Avenue Veggie Stand, Aldrich Farm Cart, Windmill Flower Farm, Sheldon Self-Serve and Reis Ranch Produce.

The women and families behind the stands agree that the beautiful thing about the farm stand is that it meets you where you are in life, whether you have a large farm like Paul Carli or Ethel Byers and have excess goods to offer, are creating your own candles and jewelry to sell like Ashley Garske or have a small family-style garden where your children help pull the extra zucchinis and tomatoes. The farm stand is an easy and direct way to get your products to the community.

Some of the stands have recently been established, only months old, such as Reis Ranch and Cackleberry, while other stands such as Windmill Flower Farm stand have run their locations for more than a decade.

Run by women for the most part, the fruit stands featured in this upcoming tour have had different reasons for starting their stand. Carli of Windmill Farms shares that her 24/7 stand allows busy professionals that carry odd

hours, such as nurses, the ability to grab freshly picked fruit or flowers on their way home.

Others, such as the Siller family, started their stand on Sheldon to share some of their homesteading practices with the community. They preserve their excess goods for food storage and want to share the natural sweetness of the earth with others through offerings of freeze-dried fruits and treats.

Others wanted a creative way to make a few dollars through a low-key side-hustle, selling candles, jewelry and custom gifts.

And what happens when one stand runs out? They send the shopper down the road to the next one that is stocked.

In this way, the farm stand community lifts each other up and fosters the spirit of inclusion with the hopes to inspire more folks to follow suit.

It could be considered natural evolution of this farm-stand-community-support system that they take it to the next level with the Farm Stand Tour this weekend.

Each of the six stands featured on the tour will be packed with offerings and goodies, from infused oils, sourdough products, organic honey, gifts and more.

The women hope to establish a regular occurring tour, following

the pop-up model that some shops have found so successful. The frequency of the tours has yet to be established, but with the community's support, they hope for more in the near future.

The Gridley Biggs Farm Stand Tour will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 7.

You can find maps at some of the farm stands such as the Sheldon Avenue stand and information circulating on Facebook by searching for Gridley Farm Stand Tour or following the link <https://www.facebook.com/events/498365459589592>. ★



Looking for a quick gift? Jewelry, candles and goodies can be found at the Aldrich Family Cart open 24/7 on Little Avenue. Photo provided by Ashley Garske



The Siller family's self-serve stand on Sheldon Avenue, Gridley, offers healthy alternatives to candy with freeze-dried fruits such as peaches and watermelon. Ashley Siller calls it "God's candy" as the natural sweetness of the products can rival even the tastiest store-bought candies. Photo provided by Ashley Siller



On Sheldon Avenue, homegrown fresh produce and eggs can be purchased. Courtesy photo

# Rice is Nice at the CCRRF Rice Field Day

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keep developing new formulations. Some brands can be mixed with others to produce better results. Each test patch was neatly labelled according to the herbicide or combination used there for evaluation. Hand-outs with a comprehensive list of each herbicide, combinations, coverage and prices were handed out to the audience.

Regarding the herbicides, LaMalfa said, "Cliffhanger looks promising, and I've heard from a few people that it works pretty well.... We dabbled a little bit with some Zembu this year, and we were happy with it—and it looked good out here too. So, it seems like that is a pretty promising product. The Zembu-Cerano [combination] worked well for them. [It] worked well for us also."

For the Main Station tour, participants boarded trucks that drove to five different test areas: 1) Pest Management, Water Grass, and Herbicide Resistance Updates; 2) Rice Agronomy, Fertility,



Combinations of herbicides that have proven effective, including Zembu, Cliffhanger and Dodhylex, were all spoken highly of at Field Day. Photo by Connie Voss

and Insect Management; 3) Medium Grain and Herbicide Tolerant Rice Breeding; 4) Short grain Breeding Program & Genome-wide Selection; 5) Long Grain Rice Breeding Program.

Insecticides aim to control common rice pests, such as tadpole shrimp (TPS) and armyworms. Tadpole shrimps are also affected by the temperature of the water. The tadpole shrimp eat germinating rice and uproot seedlings. Like the weeds, the pests also become

resistant to different treatments, according to Dr. Ian Grettenberger from UC Davis.

Many patches of rice varieties were growing, including aromatic vs. non-aromatic, short, medium or long grain, Jasmine, Basmati, Calrose, and Arborio. Some were designated only by letters and numbers. No new rice varieties are available to purchase this year, but two will be in 2025, including California Arborio—an Italian-type rice with a light Jasmine aroma that is best cooked as risotto. Everyone in attendance received a vacuum-packed sample of California Arborio Type rice to take home. California dominates the market for



K. Al-Khatib presents the latest findings in weed control. Photo by Connie Voss

medium-grain exports.

LaMalfa said he was curious to see about a new medium-grain variety that "is going to have a higher yield than the M-211. That is a high yielder, but they're saying with less of a chance of chalkiness. So that's a big plus for us."

Less chalkiness is just one of the many characteristics that rice farmers are looking for. New varieties are developed to improve yield, have low Amylose

(a non-digestible component of starch), and shorter stalks—just to name a few.

Congressman Doug LaMalfa, who was also in attendance, concurred that years of experimentation had produced lower Amylose, shorter stalks and more grains per head, making the yield higher. He also said that research at the Rice Experiment Station is critical since some herbicides and insecticides are lost due to regulation.



Dr. Ian Grettenberger of UC Davis discusses control of tadpole shrimp and armyworms. Photo by Connie Voss

The percentage of Amylose was also important to researchers such as Wally and James, employees of USDA who travelled from Berkeley to attend the Field Day. They were specifically looking for types of rice with 22% Amylose for puffed rice snacks.

Field Day concluded with lunch featuring sushi and several types of rice of course, labelled for easy comparison. ★



Dr. Ian Grettenberger of UC Davis discusses control of tadpole shrimp and armyworms. Photo by Connie Voss



Low Amylose is a desirable characteristic for rice. Photo by Connie Voss



The rice farmer's nemesis is the tadpole shrimp. Photo by Nora Papian/U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service





MEMORIAL

DAMIAN JOSEPH MRAKUZIC • 8/22/55 - 9/11/2021

Damian was called home to Heaven, to be with his Father August. They were both called home on the same day 13 years apart. He is also now with our beloved Mother Agnes and cherished Sister Paula.

Damian is survived by his loving Wife Mickey, his older Brother Stephen (Terry), his 5-minute younger “Twinny Twin” Sister Diane (Brad) Friedel and his younger Brother Augie(Susan Delibero), Vincent (Stephanie) Rodriguez and Phillip (Vicki) Rodriguez. Damian is survived, by his daughter, Sara (Benjamin) Baltazar, Amber (William) Kuykendall, Tracy and Justin (Katie) Whitaker.

Damian was a cherished “Tata” to his beloved Grandchildren Tobias (Zlato), Micah, Cadence (Chacha), Bentley, Maddison and Abigail. Damian was a FAVORITE Uncle to Renee (Tyler) Gramps and Desiree Strohlein, Derek and Spencer in California. Jason and Abigail in Nevada. Jessica Dawson, Matthew (Jessica), Amanda (Kyle) Sneedeen, Brett, Melissa (Tyler) Blackiston. A.J., Maxwell, Zane and Sadie in Ohio.

Damian was a FAVORITE Great Uncle to Wyatt (Jessica) Morgan,




Josey, Dasan, Angela, Shiana, Leland, Jaiden and Willa, in California. Nickolas, Cassidy, Natalie, Tyler, Kylie, Kristen and Chase in Ohio. Damian was a FAVORITE Great Great Uncle to Charlotte, Avery, Ashton and Brylee. Damian will also be greatly missed by his TV soccer buddy, Latin crooner and mechanic “Poppee” and his wife Mother Mary. We are sure Damian is proclaiming her culinary prowess and other great virtues to all the other Saints in Heaven.

In 1973, Damian served in the Navy as an Aviation Structural Mechanic on the USS Constellation aircraft carrier during the Vietnam

War and received the National Defense Service Medal.

Damian had a penchant for living life, to its fullest. He was always smiling and had a warm, kind aura about him. A peaceful loving feeling that transferred to anyone he ever met either in person, or online. He would end his live broadcast with a large smile saying “PEACE AND LOVE EVERYONE” That is how everyone will fondly remember Damian with peace, love and a happy smile!

Inurnment will be at Gridley-Biggs Cemetery on September 11, 2024 at 2pm



MEMORIAL


ANDRES CAMPOS • 11/30/1934 - 8/28/2024

With heavy hearts and deep gratitude, we announce the passing of Andres Campos on August 28, 2024, at the age of 89. Surrounded by his beloved family in the comfort of his home in Gridley, CA, Andres departed this world as he lived it—surrounded by love and the fruits of his labor.

Born on November 30, 1934, on a ranch in San Vicente Municipio, Mexico, Andres was the second of nine children born to Florentino and Socorro Campos. His journey began with humble beginnings, and his life was marked by a steadfast dedication to his family and work. From a young age, Andres learned the value of hard work, contributing to his family’s needs and achieving all he could with limited formal education. Despite his challenges, he never wavered in his commitment to building a better future.

In 1959, Andres moved to Gridley in search of opportunity, and it was here that he found not only a new home but also his true love. In 1964, he married Teresa De La Rosa, and together they nurtured a family of eight children with boundless love and dedication.

For over three decades, Andres worked tirelessly in agriculture and farming for Marvin Stowe and Triple B Ranch. His work ethic was unparalleled, and even after retiring at 65, he found joy in returning to his roots. Andres poured his heart into his yearly garden, which became a testament to his generosity and his joy in sharing the harvest with family and friends. Visitors to his home always left with a bounty of fresh vegetables and a



warm smile, a reflection of his spirit.

Andres was affectionately known as “Grandpa Goat” by his grandchildren, a nickname that highlighted his love for his herd of goats and the special bond he shared with his grandchildren. His garden, his goats, and his cherished family were the cornerstones of his life, each representing his unwavering love and dedication.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 60 years, Teresa; his sons Andy (Sonya), Mike (Arin), Carlos (Yanira), Tony; and his daughter Leticia (John). He was a proud and loving grandfather to 12 grandchildren and a dotting great-grandfather to 9 great-grandchildren. Andres is also survived by his brothers Ascanio, Manuel, Roberto, and Jesus; his sisters Olivia, Teresa, and Guillermina; and their families. He is preceded in death by his sons Eduardo and Raul; an infant daughter,

Martha; his parents; and two siblings Silvano and Maria Del Carmen.

Andres Campos leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work, and devotion. His memory will forever live on in the hearts of those who knew him, cherished through the gardens he tended, the goats he loved, and the family he so dearly nurtured. May he rest in peace, knowing that his spirit and his lessons will continue to guide us.

**The viewing will be held at Gridley Block Funeral Chapel located at 679 Ohio St. in Gridley on Tuesday, September 10 from 4 to 7 with the rosary from 6 to 6:30. A mass will be celebrated in his honor at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church on Wednesday, September 11 at 10:00 AM with graveside services at Gridley Biggs cemetery immediately following. The family invites you to join them for lunch @ Gridley Moose Lodge immediately following the graveside services.**



MEMORIAL

MARGERY SPANGLER NESTOR DADDOW, • 9/14/1938 - 8/24/2024

Margery Spangler Nestor Daddow, affectionately known as Granny Marge, passed away on August 24, 2024, in Davis, CA. Born on September 14, 1938, in Van Nuys, CA, she was the daughter of the late William L. Spangler and Alice Mae Cowan Spangler.

Marge attended Marcum-Illinois Elementary School, and East Nicolaus High School. She and Richard Nestor were married until his death in 1963. Marge married Nick Daddow and moved to Gridley. They remained very happily married until Nick’s death in 1984.

Marge graduated from Chico State University and dedicated her career to education. She proudly taught in migrant workers’ camps in Butte County and Special



sister-in-law, Jim and Dorothy Spangler, her brother-in-law, Bill Madsen, and her six children, Nikki Johnson (late Jerry Johnson), Richard Daddow (Pam), David Daddow (Janie), Patrick Daddow, Michael Daddow (Susan), and Roxanne Glassman (Eric), along with 23 grandchildren, 30 great- grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

A service to celebrate her life will be held at St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church in Gridley on September 6, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. Marge’s family kindly requests that in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Gridley Friends of the Library, St. Timothy’s Episcopal Church, Special Olympics, or South Sutter Recreation District.

Arrangements entrusted to Gridley-Block Funeral Chapel.



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# Live Oak Dog Park is Something to Bark About



Live Oak City Council celebrates the realization of Vice-Mayor Nancy Santana’s dream of bringing a dog park to Live Oak during the ribbon cutting celebration and grand opening of the venue. Pictured left to right is Lakhvir Ghag, Bob Woten, Santana’s grandson Ray, Nancy Santana, Ashley Hernandez and Jeramy Chapdelaine.

**Story and photos by Seti Long**

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - Live Oak City Officials, Staff, and members of the community celebrated the grand opening of the new Live Oak Dog Park on Aug. 22. That Thursday evening was breezy and cool, perfect for residents and their four-legged friends to explore the new addition to Live Oak. Construction of the dog park has been in the works for some time. Making the park a reality for the community was Vice-Mayor Santana’s dream even before she was elected to City Council. Once on the dais and while serving as Mayor, Santana spearheaded the project with the help of her council and the city administrator. “I wanted to do something big for our community that hadn’t

been done before, while also watching our budget,” Santana told the Herald. A search for a suitable location turned up a land parcel already owned by the city near the soccer fields. Santana dug in and found that the property had not been used for anything in 8 years. Since it was located near established parking, restrooms, and away from heavily populated areas, it was the perfect location for the park. Projects on Pennington Rd. and Covid slowed movement of the project, but the park is currently open for business. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held to mark the dog parks grand opening, inviting guests enjoy complimentary drinks from Dutch Bros Live Oak and free pup cups for their furry friends. The Herald spoke with pet parents of Bella, a black lab who lives in Live Oak. They shared

that they would drive to Yuba City in order for Bella to play at other dog parks and anticipate being at the Live Oak venue every day from here forward. Currently, the dog park features a water fountain for people and pets, trees donated by Sperbeck’s Nursery and Landscape Center, benches, and it currently boasts natural turf and is fenced for pets’ safety. Santana hopes to get sod installed in the future to keep down the dust. The park has two sections, one larger area for more active play and outgoing furry-friends, and one for the more timid canines. Santana gathered with her fellow Councilmembers, Mayor and Live Oak City staff to celebrate the park’s opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony, thanking those who made the park. The Live Oak Dog Park is located at 9150 Linda Ave., Live Oak. ★



Bella dressed up and arrived with a smile, patiently awaiting the grand opening of the Live Oak Dog Park with her human parents.



This furry friend takes advantage of complimentary Dutch Bro’s pup cup, or doggie treats made of whipped cream with a dog bone topper.

## Gridley Police Report

**Aug. 23, 2024**  
At 5:31 a.m. on the 700 Block of Heron Landing, Gridley, CA Rafael Cedillo Ruvalcaba, 59, was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct: alcohol (647(F) PC) and was booked into Butte County Jail.  
At 10:04 p.m. on Lincoln & Sycamore St, Gridley, CA, Brenda Basulto, 33, was arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance (11377 (A) HS), Bike light and reflectors required (21201(D) VC), and carry concealed dirk or dagger (21310 PC) and booked

into Butte County Jail.  
**Aug. 25, 2024**  
At 12:37 a.m. on the 100 block of East Hazel Street, Gridley, CA, Charles Randall Gegg, 20, was arrested on suspicion of DUI alcohol (23152 (A) VC), DUI alcohol/0.08 percent (23152(B) VC) and minor driving w/BAC 0.05 or more (23140(a) VC) and booked into Butte County Jail.  
At 12:36 a.m. on the 100 block of East Hazel Street, Gridley, CA, Fawkes Daniel Williams, 18, was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct: alcohol

(647(F) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.  
At 12:36 a.m. on the 100 block of East Hazel Street, Gridley, CA, Juan Jose Garcia Jr, 20, was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct: alcohol (647(F) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail.  
**Aug. 27, 2024**  
At 10:31 p.m. on the 200 Block of Ohio Street #7, Gridley, CA, Andrew Justin Melton, 40, was arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct: alcohol (647(F) PC) and booked into Butte County Jail. ★

## Magalia Man Arrested for Possession and Distribution of Child Pornography

**Butte County Sheriff’s Office News Release**  
**MAGALIA, CA (MPG)** - In July, the Butte County Sheriff’s Office started an investigation based on a cyber tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children is an online reporting mechanism for cases involving sexual abuse of children and child pornography. Based on evidence located during a two-month investigation, detectives said that Allen Charles, 47, of Magalia distributed multiple images and at least one video containing child pornography. Detectives said that Charles distributed the child pornography multiple times between the dates of 2019 and 2023. On Aug. 27, detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Charles for a felony

count of possession of child pornography and a felony count of distribution of child pornography. On the morning of Aug. 28, Butte County Sheriff’s Office detectives and Butte County District Attorney investigators arrested Charles and served a search warrant at his residence in Magalia. During the arrest and service of the search warrant, detectives located additional evidence related to this investigation. On the morning of Aug. 28, Charles was booked at the Butte County Jail. Charles is employed by Butte College as a campus police officer. Butte College has placed Charles on administrative leave and suspended his peace officer powers. This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with additional information is requested to contact Detective Mary Barker at 530-538-7671. ★

## Community Shot Clinic Being Held in Live Oak

**Sutter County Health and Human Services News Release**  
**SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Sutter County Public Health is holding a Community Shot Clinic on Saturday, Oct. 12, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. The clinic is being held at the Live Oak High School gym, 2351 Pennington Road in Live Oak. Free injectable flu vaccine will be given at the clinic for Sutter County residents ages six months and older. A free injectable COVID vaccine is also available for those ages six months and older. Getting vaccinated remains the single most effective way to prevent illness and it is very important to get your flu and COVID vaccines in addition to washing your hands, covering your cough, and staying home when you are sick. The clinic is a public health emergency preparedness exercise that helps Sutter

County Public Health test its emergency plans and train staff. It also offers residents an opportunity to participate and learn about one of the ways public health prepares to protect the people of our community in the event of an epidemic or other health emergency. The community clinic is for ALL Sutter County residents 6 months of age and up. No appointments necessary. Sutter County Public Health asks the community to be prepared for the clinic by understanding the following information: Injectable flu vaccine and injectable COVID vaccine are available for residents six months and older. If over the age of three: Wear clothing that quickly bares the upper arm near the shoulder for the injection. For ages three and under: Wear clothing that quickly bares the thigh near the hip joint for the injection. Donations accepted. ★

## Gridley High Grabs Buckets

**By Jennifer Davidson-Link**  
**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - On Saturday, Sept. 7, the Gridley High School leadership class is hosting a bucket blast from 10 a.m. to noon along the major intersections of Highway 99 to raise money for St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital. From St. Jude’s website: The mission of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital is to advance cures, and means

of prevention, for pediatric catastrophic diseases through research and treatment. Consistent with the vision of our founder Danny Thomas, no child is denied treatment based on race, religion or a family’s ability to pay. If you’d like to donate to a worthy cause, hold your donation out the window at a stoplight and a student will come to the car to collect it from you! Donations of any size are appreciated! ★

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# Cordi Winery Celebrates 15 Years of Success

Story and photos by Jordonna Lobese

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - “Family Farmed. Family Crafted,” is Cordi Winery’s motto.

From beginning to end, Reece and Teresa Cordi, along with daughters, Juleah and Emily, operate a “full production facility from vine to bottle and do it all by hand.” After a friendly welcome, they gave a tour of their property and shared in the wine making process. They also showed off the beautifully refurbished tasting room, which is a mid-1900’s bunkhouse that housed Hispanic workers at one time. They even placed their rustic style pavers one by one all by hand. It was refreshing to experience the Cordis utilizing the concept of ‘vertical integration’, where all production processes occur in-house.

In addition, the Cordis have played an integral part in helping neighboring vintners start their businesses. Owners of the Munger Family Vineyard and Sicilia Vineyards make mention of the Cordis.

Prior to becoming vintners, they were almond growers. That changed during a 2008 winter storm when they lost the majority of their crops to powerfully strong winds. Although catastrophic, they knew they had three important things: soil, climate, and aspiration. So, in the summer of 2009, they planted 300 Primitivo vines, and Sutter County’s very first commercial winery was born. Now, one could argue that the 2008 storm was a tragedy; then again, it could have been divine intervention. A few



Reece and Teresa Cordi hold an estate wine with picturesque scenery of northern Sutter Buttes

weeks ago, they celebrated their 15th anniversary.

What makes Cordi wines so unique?

Well, the Cordis specialize in 100% single varietal wines. Simply put: only one grape is used, which is on the label. They focus on the grapes’ characteristics and take steps to keep the quality preserved. Located at the

Sutter Buttes base, the soil is rich and loamy; and the sunny, warm days followed by cool evenings make it the perfect climate.

Added to the mix is the wild-life scenery. Just a few miles from Gray Lodge Wildlife Area, the wild animals and birds spill over into surrounding areas. Spectacular views of the Northern Sutter Buttes provide



Cordi Winery refurbished their mid-1900 tasting room alongside a walnut tree.

the perfect backdrop to sit back, relax, and sip a glass of one of their award-winning 12 varietals in the vineyard, on the patio, or underneath the symbolic beauty of the winery’s weeping willow.

When life hands you lemons, toss them back and demand Cordi wines. Congratulations to 15 years, and here’s to a lifetime more.

Cordi Winery is open two weekends a month and is working on several upcoming events. They also offer a few wine club options and are carried at Yuba City’s Bel Air, Raley’s, and New Earth Market. ★



A tractor sits in front of crops at Cordi Winery.



Cordi Winery wooden barrels are used in the barrel aging process.

# Great Things in Store for Munger Family Vineyard



Owner Stacy Munger stands in the outdoor tasting area at Munger Family Vineyard.

Story and photos by Jordonna Lobese

**SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - “You can do a lot of things with wine. It takes the edge off,” said Munger Family Vineyard owner Stacy Munger.

She’s right. It can be used to make red wine vinegar, sauces, and for whipping up some jam. But at Munger Family Vineyard, it’s used to bring people together in the form of tastings, weddings, events, meetings, engagements, festivals, and family and friend get-togethers. Sharing a bottle of wine can lead to laughter; and it allows you to experience other cultures and build memories. Some claim it’s liquid confidence in a bottle and cheaper than therapy. Most importantly, it shows us how beautiful the aging process can be. Maturing is an aesthetic process to be admired and celebrated.

It was Calvin Coolidge that once said, “Nothing in the world can take

the place of persistence. Talent will not, genius will not, education will not.”

This is a story about perseverance and collaborative achievement to garnish success. Despite many obstacles along the way to get their land deemed a ‘winery’ in California, they never gave up and turned their hobby into a full-fledged career. Their determination has paid off.

Today, they are one of three main wineries in the Yuba-Sutter area that is known for producing award-winning wines and for their stunning multi-use outdoor tasting space located at the base of the Sutter Buttes, the world’s smallest mountain range.

The Sutter Buttes are the perfect backdrop for Munger’s delicious red wines, which are grown and produced in Sutter. The winery has won multiple awards and chosen by readers to offer the ‘Best Wine Tasting of Yuba Sutter’ for five years in a row from



Munger Family Vineyard’s new tasting room is in the process of being built.

Appeal-Democrat’s Best of Yuba Sutter and have also racked up numerous awards at the California State Fair, won accolades from The San Francisco Chronicle and others.

These are pretty great accomplishments for a winery who planted its first vines in March 2010 with the assistance of Sutter fellow vintner and owner of Cordi Winery, Reese Cordi. In 2017, the winery was ready to operate. They’ve also partnered with Peacock Family Farms’ owners, Bruce and Kathy Peacock, to process and produce their wines. PFF’s 2019 Extra Virgin Olive Oil is sold on Munger Family Vineyard website.

What’s new and exciting?

For starters, the Mungers are building a 3000-sf indoor tasting room to house wine and offer the best service possible, and its estimated completion date is around January 2025. The building is quite lovely and will allow for more room

to congregate while offering tastings. In the meantime, there are quite a few fun events scheduled. On Nov. 2 and 3, Munger Family Vineyard will host the Fall Vendor Fair, where you can shop wine, local crafters and producers, and there will be some tasty food options.



Pictured here is the outdoor event area/bar at Munger Family Vineyard.

Many other events are in the works. Please refer to their website for pricing, dates, more events, and specifics as well as Club benefits. Currently, the tasting room is open one weekend a month, and curbside pickup is available by appointment. Munger Family Vineyard wines are carried at New

Earth Market in Yuba City and South Butte Market in Sutter. At this time let’s toast to this season’s upcoming events at Munger Family Vineyard. Raise your glasses, sip, savor, and celebrate. Cheers!

Source: Stacy Munger, Owner Munger Family Vineyard ★



An outdoor event space is available at Munger Family Vineyard.



# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



It's well known that the Sacramento Kings have gotten little love over the years from the NBA pundits, and almost everyone outside of the city of Sacramento for literally decades. We can argue the merits, but imagine my surprise when of all people, I hear Stephen A. Smith recently come to the Kings defense.

Stephen A. was asked the question, "are there any surprises that we can look for in the upcoming season?" His response was, "the sleeper team in the NBA this year is the Sacramento Kings."

Now as elated as I was to hear something positive about our hometown team, Stephen A. didn't go on and on about the merits of the team. He simply believed that a lot of people have it wrong, and that with the recent addition of DeMar DeRozan, the Kings are going to surprise a lot of people.

No surprise to Kings fans I can assure you. Sacramento embraces their team with a fervor that most cities could only hope for and is rarely seen. I think of the Seattle Supersonics and realize that many cities don't appreciate what they have, but I have never seen that behavior in the city of Sacramento.

Yes, we are proud of our Kings team, and the expectations for the upcoming season are reaching a fever pitch. If you have a seat for opening night, you're holding a valuable commodity, and whatever you do, don't sell it.

I believe that the introductions alone for the starting lineup are worth the price of admission, and this team will undoubtedly get a standing ovation that is well deserved.

Excluding the Sacramento River Cats, and the offing of the Oakland A's coming to town next year, the Kings have been the sole representative of major league sports for Sacramento and the surrounding region for over 35 years.

For many years the hope of a season ticket was a pipe dream, and you could count on waiting 3-5 years. Sold out crowds every night would eventually translate into the Kings setting attendance records, and that with teams with a subpar winning record.

DeMar DeRozan cannot come to town

and do it alone, and he isn't expecting to!

De'Aaron Fox and Domantas Sabonis are not the only Kings that will vie for a spot on the all-star team this year, and I look for former NCAA scoring champ and three-point specialist Keegan Murray to put a stamp on his lofty #4 pick by the Kings two seasons ago.

Many were critical of Murray's selection, but a credible rookie season silenced most critics. Last season was a bit of a mixed bag, but I saw a young NBA player adding to his repertoire by developing his mid-range game and interior play significantly. Add to that rebounding at a higher clip and becoming more defensive minded, it makes me think Keegan is about to put it all together.

Everyone knows what we have in De'Aaron Fox and Domantas Sabonis, so while they consistently live up to expectations, have they reached their ceiling yet? I don't think so, but let's wait and see how much Mr. DeRozan can tip those scales.

Is there a number of wins that Kings fans are wanting, or even expecting? I hear the number 50 all the time and if that number is right, Sacramento fans are in for a real treat this year.

Recent acquisitions and trades have been tepid at best, but I am excited about the team assembled right now.

Little has been said about Orlando Robinson since he was acquired as a free agent, but at 6'10" and 235 lbs., I'll be watching intently as he interns under Mr. double-double Domantas Sabonis, and at the ripe old age of 24, Orlando has plenty of time to show Sacramento fans what his upside looks like.

Many players, some future hall-of-famers such as Kawhi Leonard, came into the league but took several seasons to find their stride, so I am hopeful that Orlando's time in Miami has been well spent, and what he needs now is a team that will give him the floor time he's looking for.

As always, stay tuned Kings fans. Training camp is less than 30 days away and the action is about to begin.

All the best! ★

Your thoughts are always welcome at [vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com](mailto:vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com)

# Fast Food Workers Got a \$20 Minimum Wage, But Is It Working? It's Debatable



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Every session of the California Legislature seems to produce at least one bill that generates high-octane political debate and media attention.

As the 2023-24 session winds down this week, Senate Bill 1047, which would impose rules on artificial intelligence developers, is generating fierce lobbying and drawing global interest.

During the final days of last year's session, the focus was on a very different issue — whether the state should impose a \$20-per-hour minimum wage for fast food workers and create a Fast Food Council to oversee working conditions.

A year before, Assembly Bill 257 created the council and empowered it to set an initial minimum wage of at least \$22 an hour, while assuming that franchised fast food outlets were subsidiaries of the parent company, rather than independently owned.

The fast food industry responded with a referendum that, if ratified by voters, would cancel out the new law, thus renewing the debate in the 2023 session. A last-minute deal repealed AB 257 and substituted another measure, AB 1228, that dictated a \$20 minimum wage and removed what the industry considered to be a threat

to the franchise system. In return, the referendum was dropped.

The \$20 wage took effect last April, but only after a new squabble erupted over which sellers of food would be covered, colored by a Bloomberg article alleging that Newsom had demanded an exemption to benefit a campaign donor who owns two dozen Panera locations in California.

Newsom declared that the story was "absurd" and gave assurances that Panera and other similar businesses would be covered. The businessman, billionaire Greg Flynn, also said he would honor the \$20 wage.

End of fast food angst? Of course not.

Six months after the \$20 wage took effect there's a new debate in political, media and academic circles over its impact.

Fast food prices have been increasing, but how much higher wages are driving the rise and how fast food operations have changed are two new issues.

This month, Newsom declared that California fast food outlets had created 11,000 new jobs since the law was signed.

"What's good for workers is good for business, and as California's fast food industry continues booming every single month our workers are finally getting the pay they deserve," Newsom said. "Despite those who pedaled lies about how this would doom the industry, California's economy and workers are again proving them wrong."

The industry didn't agree.

"Every day you see headlines of restaurant closures, employee job losses and hours cut, and rising food

prices for consumers," the International Franchise Association said in a statement. "Local restaurant owners in California are already struggling to cope with the \$20/hour wage, as the Fast Food Council considers additional wage increases. All the while, workers and consumers are feeling the pinch."

Brooke Armour, president of the California Center for Jobs and the Economy, an adjunct of the Business Roundtable, criticized Newsom's declaration as reflecting just one month of preliminary data and concluding, "Despite what some are saying, the data are clear: newly passed fast food minimum wage laws are leading to job losses in California."

Christopher Thornberg, founding partner of Beacon Economics, also was critical in an analysis of the state's economic trends. "California's well-intended push to reduce income inequality via wage floors is beginning to have a significant negative impact on some of our most vulnerable workers — our youth, particularly those from lower income households," Thornberg wrote.

What California has wrought in the fast food industry could be the harbinger of more direct regulation of other industries, and not just in California, for better or worse. It's not surprising, therefore, that its effects will be debated ad nauseam.

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. ★

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**Cost:** Free | **Location:** The Barrell Room, 1566 Huntton St., Oroville

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The following person(s) are doing business as: Daydreamer Hair Loft, 2211 Saint George Lane, Suite 4, Chico, CA 95928.  
Veronica N Evans, 25 Shari Lane, Chico, CA 95928  
Date filed in Butte County: August 19, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A  
This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: August 30, Sept 6, 13, 20, 2024  
DAYDREAMER 9-20-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000648  
The following person(s) are doing business as: Coach Works Collision Center, 2844 Northgate Drive, Suite A, Chico, 95973.  
Coachworks Collision Center, 2844 Northgate Drive, Suite A, Chico, 95973  
Date filed in Butte County: August 22, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A  
This Business is conducted by: A Corporation. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: August 30, Sept 6, 13, 20, 2024  
COACHWORKS 9-20-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000651  
The following person(s) are doing business as: Spirit Soul and Body, 1030 Spruce Street, Gridley, CA 95948  
Mikenna C Lavy, P.O. Box 1081, Biggs, CA 95917  
Date filed in Butte County: August 23, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: July 29, 2024  
This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: September 6, 13, 20, 27, 2024  
SPIRIT 9-27-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0000657  
The following person(s) are doing business as: North Family Tree Service, 3155 Bald Rock Road, Berry Creek, CA 95966  
Rebeka North and Wesley W North, P.O. Box 874, Berry Creek, CA, 95916  
Date filed in Butte County: August 27, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A  
This Business is conducted by: A Married Couple. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation

of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: September 6, 13, 20, 27, 2024  
NORTH 9-27-24

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE #24CV02403

Petitioner Cody Braxton Earl filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Cody Braxton Earl to Cody Braxton Billington-French.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing October 2, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 1, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on August 14, 2024  
Tamara L Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: August 23, 30, Sept 6, 13, 2024  
EARL 9-13-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE #24CV02402

Petitioner Brannndon Leland Earl filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Brannndon Leland Earl to Brannndon Leland Billington-French.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing September 25, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on July 25, 2024  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: August 23, 30, Sept 6, 13, 2024  
FRENCH 9-13-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE #24CV02682

Petitioner Sarah Madeline Pladson filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Alonzo Alvarado to Alonzo Pladson and Alliah Alvarado to Alliah Pladson and Olivia Alvarado to Olivia Pladson.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing October 16, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department 1, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on August 22, 2024  
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Sept 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2024  
PLADSON 9-27-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
CASE #24CV01846

Petitioner Virice Lee Alessio filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Virice Lee Alessio to Vercie Lee Alessio.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing October 2, 2024, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928

Filed on August 20, 2024  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Sept 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2024  
ALESSIO 9-27-24

NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE

AMENDED NOTICE OF PETITION TO  
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF  
DOROTHY LEE MACK  
CASE NO. 24PR00351

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Dorothy Lee Mack.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Frederick W. Newall,

Esq. in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, re-questing Frederick W. Newall, Esq be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: September 24, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Nicholas R. Deal, 331 D Street, Suite C, Marysville, CA 95901; 530-415-6222  
Publish: August 23, 30, Sept 6, 2024  
MACK 9-6-24

LIEN SALE  
1988 WATERWAYS  
HOUSEBOATS HIN#  
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9750TG LIEN SALE: 9/16/2024  
AT: 10:00 AM 6210 MINERS  
RANCH RD., OROVILLE, CA 95966  
GRIDLEY HERALD 9-6-24

TRUSTEE SALE

APN: 130-290-010-539 TS  
No: CA05000426-23-2 TO No: 240244008-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED December 3, 2018. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On September 18, 2024 at 11:00 AM, East Entrance, Plumas County Courthouse, 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on December 6, 2018 as Instrument No. 2018-0006683, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, executed by PATRICK A WHITTEN, AN UNMARRIED MAN, AND TOBI L WHITTEN, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for SUMMIT FUNDING, INC. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 39 GRAEAGLE MEADOWS RD, GRAEAGLE, CA 96103 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 made without covenant or

warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$167,491.99 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a 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 California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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. 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 Auction.com at 800.280.2832 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website address www.Auction.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA05000426-23-2. 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 Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER 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 800.280.2832, or visit this internet website www. Auction.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA05000426-23-2 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. Date: August 15, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA05000426-23-2 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bobbie La Flower, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.Auction.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 NPP0464338 To: GRIDLEY HERALD - PLUMAS 08/23/2024, 08/30/2024, 09/06/2024  
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TS No: CA08000457-24-1 APN: 003-055-008-000 TO No: 240199407-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED November 16, 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On September 24, 2024 at 11:00 AM, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on November 20, 2015 as Instrument No. 2015-0007600, and that said Deed of Trust was modified by Modification Agreement and recorded May 10, 2019 as Instrument Number 2019-0002040, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, executed by CHRISTINE BERGLUND, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for AMERICAN PACIFIC MORTGAGE CORPORATION as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2051 WARREN HILL RD., LA PORTE, CA 95981 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 made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$201,967.51 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a 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 California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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



# Suicide Prevention Month Can Save Lives

By MPG Staff

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG)** - September is Suicide Prevention Month, a time to raise awareness and discuss this urgently increasing crisis, according to NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness).

NAMI has somber statistics: suicide is the second leading cause of death among those aged 10 to 14, the third leading cause of death among those aged 15 to 24 and the 12th leading cause of death overall in the U.S.

Or, as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reports, more than 49,000 people in the United States died by suicide in 2022. That's one death every 11 minutes.

And millions more experience suicidal thoughts. Suicidal thoughts can affect anyone regardless of age, gender or background, according to the NAMI website at nami.org. While suicidal thoughts are common, however, they should not be considered normal and often indicate more serious issues.

Many events and activities promoting suicide prevention awareness will be held locally, regionally and nationally throughout September.

During Suicide Prevention Month, NAMI and numerous other mental health organizations stress that all of us can

SAVE THE NUMBER  
SAVE A LIFE  
CALL OR TEXT 988

Add this number to your phone now.  
It could save a life later.

[nimh.nih.gov/suicideprevention](https://nimh.nih.gov/suicideprevention)

Calling or texting the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at any time of the day, any day of the week, could help save someone's life. Suicide is the 12th leading cause of death overall in the U.S. Graphic courtesy of the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

help prevent suicide by reaching out to those who need help.

The National Institute of Mental Health lists five action steps to help someone having suicidal thoughts.

The first step is **Ask** "Are you thinking about suicide?" It's not an easy question to ask but it can help start a conversation.

The second step is **Be there**: Listening without judgment is key to learning what the person is thinking and feeling.

The third step is **Help keep them safe**: Reducing access to highly lethal items or places can help prevent suicide.

The fourth step is **Help them connect**: Connecting the person with the 988 Suicide &

Crisis Lifeline (call or text 988) and other community resources can give them a safety net. You can also assist by reaching out to a trusted family member, friend, spiritual advisor or mental health professional.

The fifth National Institute of Mental Health step is **Follow up**: Staying in touch with the person after they have experienced a crisis or been discharged from care can make a difference. Studies show that supportive, ongoing contact can play an important role in suicide prevention.

### How You Can Help

The advocacy groups say to educate yourself and others about suicide prevention by checking out the 988

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline at [www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988](https://www.samhsa.gov/find-help/988).

And visit the Suicide Prevention Resource Center at <https://sprc.org>. Each year, the resource center creates many ways to get involved in Suicide Prevention Awareness Month.

The U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration invites residents throughout the country to participate in 988 Day on Sept. 8. 988 Day is a national initiative dedicated to raising awareness about the federal agency's 988 resource and emphasizing the importance of mental health and suicide prevention.

According to the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline website at 988lifeline.

org, "We can all help prevent suicide. The 988 Lifeline provides 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress, prevention and crisis resources for you or your loved ones, and best practices for professionals in the United States."

The National Institute of Mental Health website at <https://www.nimh.nih.gov> lists warning signs that indicate someone might be considering suicide. During National Suicide Prevention Month, the institute reminds residents that warning signs include the following:

Talking about wanting to die or wanting to kill themselves, talking about feeling empty or hopeless or having no reason to live, talking about

feeling trapped or feeling that there are no solutions, feeling unbearable emotional or physical pain, talking about being a burden to others, withdrawing from family and friends, giving away important possessions, saying goodbye to friends and family, putting affairs in order, such as making a will, taking great risks that could lead to death, such as driving extremely fast, or talking or thinking about death often.

Other serious warning signs that someone might be at risk for attempting suicide include:

Displaying extreme mood swings, suddenly changing from very sad to very calm or happy, making a plan or looking for ways to kill themselves, such as searching for lethal methods online, stockpiling pills or buying a gun, talking about feeling great guilt or shame, using alcohol or drugs more often, acting anxious or agitated, changing eating or sleeping habits, and showing rage or talking about seeking revenge.

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, suicidal thoughts or actions are a sign of extreme distress and should not be ignored. If these warning signs apply to you or someone you know, the institute urges you to get help as soon as possible, particularly if the behavior is new or has recently increased. ★

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Dated: June 26, 2024

RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 833:

SHANNON FONTAINE  
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# Victim Advocates, Law Enforcement Call for Rejection of Senate Bill 94

Measure Will Allow Violent Murderers Out of Prison Early

Office of Assemblyman  
James Gallagher  
News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Aug. 22, victim advocates and law enforcement joined California Senate and Assembly Republicans to rally against Senate Bill 94 (D-Cortese) during a press conference at the State Capitol. The proposal, revived at the eleventh hour by legislative Democrats, would make eligible for release some of the state’s worst murderers. Specifically, SB 94 would allow violent murderers sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole to petition the court for a new sentence with parole, if the individual has served at least 25 years and if their offense occurred before June 5, 1990. “When violent murderers brutally take a life, they lose their right to freedom. Their punishment is in the name—life without parole,” said Senate

Minority Leader Brian W. Jones (R-San Diego). “Now, radical Democrat politicians want to bring these violent offenders back into our communities. Releasing heinous murderers after promising justice to the victims’ families is not just disrespectful, it’s dangerous.” “The fact that Democrats are debating whether or not to keep violent murderers behind bars shows how out-of-touch they really are,” said Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher (R-Yuba City). “SB 94 is an insult to the victims of these killers, their families and the millions of Californians who are sick of criminals running rampant on our streets.” “The supermajority’s efforts to empty California’s prisons have become entirely too focused on the criminals and forget to consider the victims and their families,” said Senator Kelly Seyarto (R-Murrieta), vice chair of the Senate Committee on Public Safety. “It is unacceptable

for legislators to show this complete disregard for those who have suffered byre-litigating crimes that have already received a fair trial. This bill sends a terrible message and retraumatizes families of victims who were reassured that the criminals who have done unspeakable things to their loved ones would never be released.” “I am disgusted by the actions of radical Democrats in our state legislature who have chosen to resurrect one of last year’s most egregious ‘public safety’ bills, SB94,” said Assemblymember Bill Essayli (R-Corona). “This disastrous proposal would allow the most vicious murderers to be released from prison. SB 94 would break the promise made to victims that society would never see these criminals on our streets again. Under this proposal criminals like Scott Peterson who viciously murdered his wife and unborn child would be eligible for early release. Californians are sick of Democrats’ soft on crime

agenda in Sacramento and we must reject SB 94.” In an analysis released last week, Leader Jones and Senator Seyarto exposed details of the dangerous policy. “To hear that Sen. Cortese has revived this horrible bill is a total slap in the face to the victims who were promised by a judge that their killers would never get released,” said Lauren Pettigrew of Crime Victims United, whose brother was killed in 2007 by three people who were sentenced to life without parole. “Senate Bill 94 is opening up the nightmare and anxiety of having to go back to court and face the monsters, followed by the possibility of a lifetime of parole hearings. I am disillusioned and in anguish wondering when victims’ families can mourn quietly for their loved ones without worrying about legislation that will re-open up wounds from their past.” Below are examples of heinous murderers that would be eligible for early release under

SB94: Richard Philips of Madera County lured two Vietnam veterans into a rural area where he shot them multiple times, stole their wallets, then doused them in gasoline and lit them on fire. For his horrific crimes against veterans nonetheless, Richard Phillips was sentenced to life without parole, even after a 2019 retrial. Under Democrats’ SB 94, Richard Phillips is eligible for early release. Jason Leroy Smith of Sonoma sliced the wrists of an 88-year-old victim and then burned down the house he was in. Jason Leroy Smith is eligible for early release under Democrats’ SB 94. Tim Dale Morris of Ventura burglarized the home of an elderly, deaf, one-legged man whom Morris beat to death in his own bed. Morris had a previous burglary conviction. It’s people like Tim Dale Morris who Democrats want to release from prison into our communities under their SB 94. ★

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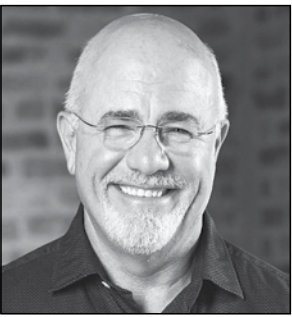
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Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

Do you think it's a good idea for a small business, one that's very young but growing, to seek out investors?.

– Trey

Dear Trey,

My advice to someone in this position is to grow their business with organic cash. That may sound like a fancy phrase, but it just means you earn the money with which you'll grow. This may mean growing a little bit slower, and it might even mean passing on a few "big deals" you thought were going to be the best things ever to happen to you and your business. But you want to know something? That's okay. I've turned down plenty of deals like that over the years, and

## Dave Ramsey Says *Don't Crack the Foundation*

it's left me firmly convinced it's better to be the tortoise than the hare.

Think about this. When you sell a piece of your ownership to people who are looking for a return, instead of caring about your dream, you're creating the potential for a big mess. A lot of times, these folks will seem like silent partners—which is an oxymoron in small business. They might even present themselves that way in the beginning. But the truth is most people who've put money into your business won't keep silent. They're all going to have different opinions and ideas, and there's a strong possibility these are going to clash at some point with the vision you have for your company.

In short, I would not recommend a fledgling small business, even one that's doing well, to seek out investors. Period. Cash flow your growth, Trey. Cash flow your equipment purchases, and

the markets you enter, also. Does this mean you might miss a good opportunity here and there? Sure, it does. But it also means you'll be missing opportunities to fail. Too much success too soon is one of the biggest reasons why small businesses shut down. When you grow too quickly, you run the risk of outgrowing your financial resources, your infrastructure and your human resources.

Do what you can to ensure growth is steady, but play it smart. Don't grow so fast that you crack the foundation of your company.

– Dave

*Dave Ramsey is a national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions.* ★

## Gridley Thumbs and Roots

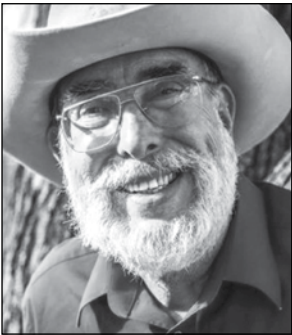


By Barbara Ott

Here we all go on the downward slide to Fall. The harvest has started. The canning, drying and other food preservation, like pickling and making jams and jellies is almost done. We've got pickles both dill and bread and butter. I might be able to convince the canner to make dill relish, we will see. We also have enough stewed tomatoes for at least one year. This means we have the base for marinara sauce. Once we canned those items

along with salsa, as individual canned items. Now we go for the basic stewed tomatoes and make the other items when we want them. We also freeze some things. I love it that he likes to chop the onions into diced pieces and freeze them. So easy to grab a handful of ready to go onions. A friend of ours makes a killer Jalapeno Jelly. It is far better than my recipe. I might beg more from her that way I don't have to make it!! Or if need be, I'll get the recipe. Canning the basic things for two people is not hard. Not that much needs to be done for the year. Of course, if you get someone else to do the canning it is really easy. I might freeze a few of my great O Henry peaches. They are so large I can't keep up with eating them. I being selfish with them and keeping them all instead of giving them to the friends and neighbors. The aphids have moved in so I think the squash plants are coming out. I'd like to see fall vegetables going in but that might not happen until what I consider as too late. We will see how this year of all year gardening goes. My hopes of fresh cabbage and cauliflower may be stifled. Happy almost Fall to you all. ★

## Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

"Mavis, dear, is that coffee HOT this morning?"

"Sure is, Windy."

"Well then, slaver a bunch of it in a cup and flop it down here in front of a freezin' guy, would you? Thanks, Hon."

"Freezing, Windy?"

"Ain't the first time, Doc, but they never seem any easier as I get older."

"You want to come in for a checkup later?"

"Naw, just need to get warm, you know. Used to it at my age."

Steve set his cup down and looked at his old pard, Windy Wilson, camp cook and mule packer extraordinaire.

## You know ... *think SNOW!*

"Don't know how you can get cold on a summer morning like this."

"It's the air tempa-choor, Steve. You recomlect that time you 'n me was up in the high country and got caught in a snowstorm ..."

"And our slickers and jackets were back in camp? Sure I remember that. I thought about how to get that horse into my bedroll that night, 'cuz he was cold, too."

"And you 'member how good that Dutch oven cobbler tasted once we got the circle-lationaries goin' again?"

"You betcha, Windy."

"Okay ... okay ... I'll do it," mumbled Doc. "Somebody has to. Windy, we've known each other a long time, right?"

"Sure have."

"And do you really think a temperature of 90 degrees outside will make a guy cold? Cause it's going to be 90 later on. Even the fish in Lewis Creek are sweating."

"No Doc. I don't look at it that way. Sure, it's already hot and it's a-gonna get hotter, you bet. But that's where friends come in."

We all turned to stare at Windy.

"See, a friend is a guy who tells you it's the opporsit so's you can start your day cooled off a bit. You know ... think SNOW!"

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### California Fig Sector Hopes to Raise Profile of the Fruit

Figs are in peak season, and California growers say they have a quality crop this year that more retailers should promote for fresh eating, even if most of their production still ends up going to make dried fruit. They have been trying to change that for years by promoting fresh figs while they're in season and educating consumers, who may know the fruit only as a filling for a certain cookie. "We're really trying to liberate the fig from the Newton," said Karla Stockli, CEO of the California Fresh Fig Growers Association and the California Fig Advisory Board.

### Imperial Valley Farmers Reduce Forage Crop Production to Save Water

Irrigators cut off water to a huge portion of the Imperial Valley's half-million acres of farmland earlier this month after the federal government approved a long-awaited program designed to bolster water levels on the Colorado River. The conservation agreement, authorized Aug. 12 by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Imperial Irrigation District, pays farmers to stop irrigating forage crops such as alfalfa for a period during the summer. Farmers participating in the "deficit irrigation" program will be compensated to sacrifice one or two hay cuttings.

### Water-right Hearing Could Advance Long-planned Sites Reservoir

The plan to build California's first new major reservoir in decades is advancing as the state considers whether to issue a water-right permit for the proposed Sites Reservoir, an off-stream water storage project that could store up to 1.5 million acre-feet of annually. The California State Water Resources Control Board last week began a public hearing process on the project's water-right permit application. Representatives of agriculture, water districts and government agencies are urging the state water board to approve the water-right permit to advance the project.

### UC Davis, Other Institutions to Study Seaweed as 'Sustainable' Specialty Crop

A multi-state grant has been awarded to help develop Pacific dulse seaweed as "a sustainable, nutritious specialty crop," the U.S. Department of Agriculture announced last week. The project is being undertaken by University of California, Davis, Oregon State University, University of Alaska Fairbanks and Kelp Line LLC. The effort is one of 65 projects to share in \$82.3 million in funding from the USDA's Specialty Crop Multi-State Grant Program. More than \$23.3 million in funding was awarded for specialty crop programs in California. ★



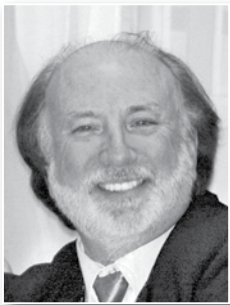
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# Assemblyman Gallagher Addresses Homelessness



"I think the better approach to homelessness is what I term more of an empowerment strategy as opposed to an enablement strategy," said District 3 State Assemblyman James Gallagher.

By Mitch Barber

**CALIFORNIA REGION (MPG)** - According to a 2023 report to Congress by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development there were 181,399 homeless individuals in California.

For State Assembly Minority Leader James Gallagher, that is a problem that requires a solution at the legislative level. He recently told the Territorial Dispatch that the State of California's approach so far to homelessness is piecemeal and expensive, and enabling rather than empowering.

Sometimes it's good to find a political middle ground, especially before diving into a divisive topic such as homelessness, during a newspaper interview. That common ground was independent league baseball, namely the Marysville Drakes, who play in the Pecos League.

"It's good to have baseball in Marysville. I certainly support all the teams that have been through...There's a lot of history connected to it," Gallagher said.

Part of that history has to

do with the team's infield grass and seating which has its roots in the early 20th century.

"The thing that's cool about that is that it's the site of Bryant Field," he continued. "Bryant Field is a historic stadium in Marysville and everybody used to come out, and my dad was actually a batboy for the Marysville Giants, and my grandfather played for many years in that semi-pro league for the Yuba City Bears and the Marysville Giants."

Both teams played at Bryant Field, with its brickwork trim, at the corner of 14th and B streets.

Today, the ballpark provides little protection from the elements if one were looking for shelter, one of the chief concerns of California's homeless population.

"I think the better approach to homelessness is what I term more of an empowerment strategy as opposed to an enablement strategy. The Democrats have carried out an enablement strategy," Gallagher said.

Gallagher described what he considered enablement strategies somewhat satirically: "These are

people who just have fallen on hard times and the best way to help them is just to meet them where they're at, give them all kinds of things including syringes and let them stay in public parks, and let them stay in front of businesses, and essentially cater to them and then build really expensive housing like they did in L.A.'s case. According to their own audit, \$760,000 a unit they spent to house one homeless person."

"Those (strategies) aren't working. And, in fact, it's just really enabling the problem," Gallagher continued. "We want to empower people out of it and I think the best way to do that is to one, you say, hey, you cannot stay in certain places. You can't be in public parks and in front of businesses."

Gallagher didn't mention what the other side of the aisle was doing without providing a solution himself.

"My proposal: regional sheltering facilities that have services built into them — drug treatment, mental health. These don't have to be expensive apartments. They can be pallet shelters like some jurisdictions have used, essentially like Tuff Sheds with insulation," he said. "They're clean. It's a place you can stay. You have shelter and then also with those places, you have the ability to get help with whatever it is you might need — mental health, drug treatment, getting you on a better path — and then you can move into a place like transitional housing. But all toward empowering that person off the street, getting treatment for what they really need that has caused their homelessness and getting them into, ultimately into permanent housing."

One might hope as permanent as Bryant Field. ★

# Potential Water Losses Due to Climate Crisis, Actions to Boost Supplies

California Department of Water Resources News Release

**CALIFORNIA (MPG)** - On July 31, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) released its final 2023 State Water Project (SWP) Delivery Capability Report, which presents a new and enhanced analysis of current and future expectations for the State Water Project water supply if no new adaptation actions are taken. According to the report, State Water Project delivery capability and reliability could be reduced as much as 23 percent in 20 years due to changing flow patterns and extreme weather shifts — underscoring the need for California to continue addressing the impacts of climate change and upgrading infrastructure.

A 23 percent decline would be equivalent to about 496,000 acre-feet a year, enough to supply 1,736,000 homes for a year. This reinforces the serious need for California to boost water supplies to account for any State Water Project losses in the coming years, including the Delta Conveyance Project, Sites Reservoir, desalination projects, and more.

"The analysis released today underscores the need to modernize and upgrade our aging infrastructure so we can capture water supplies when it's wet," said Department of Water Resources Director Karla Nemeth.

"The State Water Project service area amounts to the world's eighth-largest economy and includes more than 8 million Californians living in disadvantaged communities. Modernizing the

State Water Project is critical to delivering on the human right to water in California."

Built in 1960, the State Water Project spans more than 700 miles throughout California and consists of canals, dams, reservoirs, pumping plants, and power plants that provide water to 27 million Californians and 750,000 acres of farmland. Several factors impact the State Water Project's water delivery capability including California's population, state legislation, environmental requirements, and potential changing climate resulting in varying hydrologic conditions.

"The SWP was designed for the climate of the 20th century when our precipitation fell as snow more reliably between October and May and we could capture that water effectively for future use," said State Water Project Deputy Director John Yarbrough. "We need to continue to adapt and invest in the SWP, so that we can add flexibility and resilience for 21st century conditions and we can avoid these losses in reliability."

The 2023 Delivery Capability Report introduces two new innovative approaches to characterize current climate change conditions and emphasizes the uncertainty in future climate change projections. The first is an approach to account for changes in operations from the climate change that has already occurred. The second is an approach for developing a range of future climate scenarios. Both additions have undergone independent peer review and are considered significant improvements over previous methods.

The Delivery Capability

Report is used widely both within and outside the State Water Project for water supply planning. The information in these reports is a key component of the drought planning done by the SWP and is fundamental to the drought planning done by the public water agencies that receive State Water Project and Central Valley Project water. The report provides the information needed by these agencies to develop and manage their own water supply portfolios and is an important input for Sustainable Groundwater Management Plans, Urban Water Management Plans, Agricultural Water Management Plans, and Integrated Regional Water Management Plans.

These decreases in the availability of surface water deliveries can lead to supply shortages, an increase in groundwater demand, and reductions in available supplies to support groundwater replenishment. The Department of Water Resources' Sustainable Groundwater Management Office will use the information in the report to update its existing climate change data and guidance that many Groundwater Sustainability Agencies used for their initial Plans. Similarly, the Department of Water Resources' Water Use Efficiency Branch will be advising urban and agricultural water agencies to update their water budget assumptions based on these new assessments.

For more information, view the report at [https://data.cnra.ca.gov/dataset/finaldcr2023/resource/92356681-957a-48ee-97c4-529d25b9db-b2?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=govdelivery](https://data.cnra.ca.gov/dataset/finaldcr2023/resource/92356681-957a-48ee-97c4-529d25b9db-b2?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery). ★

# Phone-Free Schools Act Clears Legislature

Office of Assemblyman Josh Hoover News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On Aug. 29, the Legislature passed landmark legislation authored by Assemblymembers Josh Hoover (R-Folsom), Al Muratsuchi (D-Torrance), Josh Lowenthal (D-Long Beach), and David Alvarez (D-San Diego) to limit the use of smartphones in schools. Assembly Bill 3216, also known as the Phone-Free Schools Act, requires school districts in California to adopt a policy no later than July 1, 2026, that limits or prohibits the use of smartphones by students during the school day.

"Today, the Legislature took meaningful action to support students and transform schools across California," said Assemblyman Josh Hoover. "As a parent and former school board member, I am incredibly grateful for this bipartisan effort to put kids first and improve their academic and mental health outcomes. I thank the Governor for his leadership on this issue and urge him to sign this bill to create phone-free schools across our state."

"Research continues to demonstrate the potential harms of smartphone use among children. The growing use of these

devices in a child's everyday life can contribute to lower test scores, anxiety, depression, and even suicide. I am grateful for the Legislature's leadership on limiting the use of smartphones during the school day and I look forward to working with the Governor," Hoover added.

The bill now heads to Governor Gavin Newsom's desk for signature, who has signaled support for the legislation in recent weeks.

Many school districts have already limited or prohibited smartphone use in schools and have seen resounding success. Administrators have reported increased social interaction among peers, decreased instances of bullying on campus, and improvements in academic outcomes. A 2016 study found that when smartphones were removed from classrooms standardized test scores increased by an average of six percent, with even greater improvements among low achieving students. The Phone-Free Schools Act will continue to build on this success by expanding limitations on smartphones statewide.

A piece published in The Atlantic earlier this year by NYU social psychologist Jonathan Haidt described a number of the potential harms that smartphone

use is contributing to in children:

Grades suffer when learning is disrupted as a result of smartphone distractions in the classroom

Up to 15% of teenagers engage in "problematic social media use," which includes symptoms such as preoccupation, withdrawal symptoms, neglect of other areas of life, and lying to parents and friends about time spent on social media

The latest Gallup data found that American teenagers spend around five hours per day on social media platforms alone.

As smartphones have become ubiquitous since 2010, we have seen a 70% increase in the number of high school seniors expressing that "life often feels meaningless (now more than 1 in 5 seniors express this).

Rates of anxiety, depression, and suicide are on the rise among young people.

Poor mental health outcomes and smartphone use are most strongly correlated in kids under the age of 14.

Josh Hoover represents Assembly District 7, which includes the cities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, and Rancho Cordova and the unincorporated communities of Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Foothill Farms, Gold River, Mather, McClellan Park, North Highlands, Orangevale, and Rosemont. ★

# Stabbing Suspect Charged for "Ninja" Assault in Magalia

Purpose to Kidnap and Rape Eight-Year-Old Girl

Butte County District Attorney's Office News Release

**MAGALIA, CA (MPG)** - A Chico man was in Butte County Superior Court Aug. 29 to face charges of residential burglary, assault with a deadly weapon, attempted murder, and attempted rape of a child under 10 years old.

Samuel Dickenson, 31, did not enter a plea. Instead, his attorney declared a doubt as to Dickenson's mental competency to stand trial. The judge suspended the criminal proceedings and appointed a court psychologist to assess Dickenson's mental state.

Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey said the charges stemmed from a Sunday night attack where it is alleged Dickenson, disguised in an all-black ninja outfit, armed himself with knives and duct tape and entered the home of a

Magalia family at about 10:40 p.m. with the intent to kidnap and rape an eight-year-old child who lived there.

The child and her mother were not home at the time, but the child's grandparents were. Ramsey alleged that Dickenson stabbed the grandmother, 70, twice in the chest, while she was in the living room. When the 72-year-old grandfather came into the living room to save his wife, Dickenson allegedly beat him in the head repeatedly with a large roll of duct tape. The grandfather was also allegedly stabbed in the ribs during the altercation.

The child's 13-year-old brother heard the commotion, locked himself in the residence's bathroom, and called 911. Sheriff's deputies responded, but Dickenson had fled, according to the District Attorney's Office.

The next day, Dickenson turned himself

in to sheriff's detectives.

An investigation by detectives reported Dickenson had planned the attack for several months before the attack, including where he planned to take the child to a remote Paradise location, according to the District Attorney's Office. The child and her family had lived temporarily with Dickenson and his family in Durham after the Camp Fire.

The grandmother was taken to the hospital where she was treated and eventually released. The grandfather sought medical treatment for his injuries the next day. Both are recovering.

The District Attorney's Office requested Aug. 29 that Dickenson be held without bail. The judge granted the motion, and Dickenson will remain in custody until his next court hearing on Oct. 2, when the judge will receive the psychologist's report. ★



# California’s Water Workforce Is Aging, Promoting The Next Generation of Workers Is Essential

**Commentary**  
**by Travis Hinkle**  
**CALMatters.org**

A career building and maintaining California’s water and wastewater treatment systems may be unglamorous, failing to spring to mind — at least it did for me — when young people contemplate their future careers.

However, the state faces a looming shortage of workers in these critical roles. It is imperative to support local, state and federal policies that help fill them.

Some 17 million workers will be retiring from infrastructure jobs during the next 10 years, taking their skills and institutional knowledge with them, as the workforce ages. According to a US Water Alliance report, approximately one-third of water utility operators are eligible to retire during the next decade. In 2018, Brookings projected that water utilities must fill 9,200 water treatment positions annually.

While President Biden and Congress agreed to spend \$1 trillion on thousands of infrastructure projects, including \$50 billion alone on water resilience projects in the West, California needs to ensure that there are enough workers equipped with the know-how and sweat equity to build and operate these projects.

These are jobs that get your hands dirty. It’s work that makes a difference. It typically requires less formal education than many other jobs, but can offer a life-long career, good pay and solid opportunities for advancement.

Infrastructure work pays 30% more to lower-income workers and those just starting their careers, relative to all jobs nationally.

I got my own start after high



Environmental scientist Mackenzie Miner, from the California Department of Water Resources Division of Integrated Science and Engineering Aquatic Ecology and Estuarine Science and Synthesis teams, performs routine water sampling on the Sacramento River in Yolo County on June 18. Photo by Andrew Nixon, California Department of Water Resources

school by joining my brother’s remodeling business — kitchens, bathrooms and the like — in San Jose, where I grew up. But a friend in Sacramento stumbled into wastewater collections for Sacramento County and encouraged me to visit his plant. There I discovered the range of jobs available: electricians, control technicians and treatment and distribution operators.

Even though I pursued online specialty courses, it took a few years for my first job in the water industry to come together.

My work requires lots of on-the-job training, but all of it is teachable and learnable. Once hired, workers can bid through labor unions for other

available positions they’re qualified for. Even if they decide to go elsewhere, they’ll leave the department knowing how a water distribution system works.

I have noticed that more attention is being paid these days to proactively recruit water industry workers, helping them understand the training and skills needed to grow in the industry. Last fall, I even told my story to a joint session of the California Public Utilities Commission and the California Workforce Development Board, as the state seeks to widen doors to infrastructure jobs, especially for disadvantaged workers.

When I entered this field, serendipity was my guide. Today,

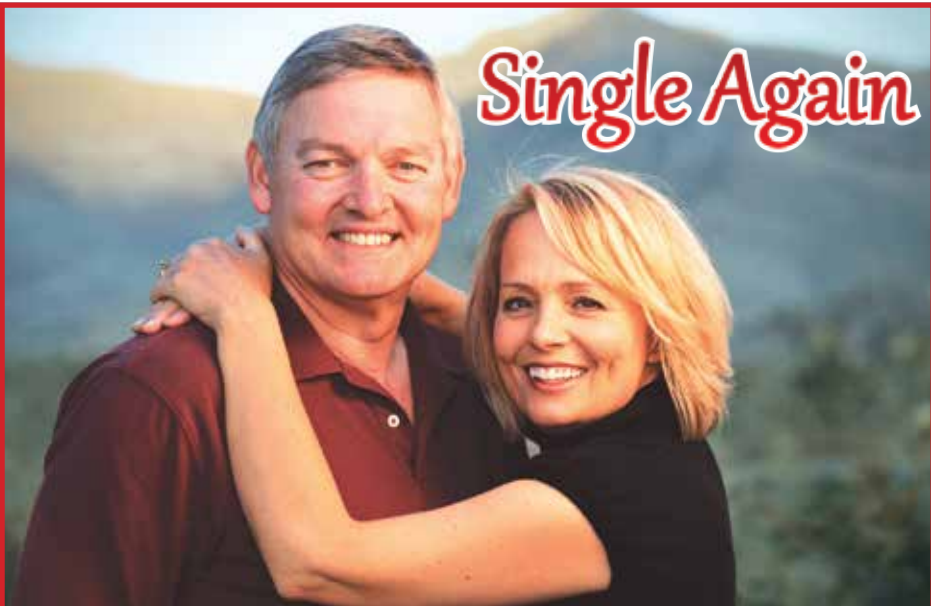
there are resources such as the EPA report “Making Water a Career of Choice,” with case studies of utility-worker pathways to encourage more people to consider working in water systems. In the years ahead, tens of thousands more workers will be needed to meet California’s water delivery and other infrastructure needs, and more effort required to attract new talent into this crucial industry.

While work in the water industry may seem obscure, it is rewarding, meaningful and essential for the wellbeing of communities throughout our state. Promoting community college, state university, private sector and state and federal

programs designed to inspire and train the next generation of water infrastructure leaders is vital for California’s future.

Encouraging more young people to enter this career field will not only help California meet its mushrooming needs, but will provide important, well-paying work for those who don’t mind rolling up their sleeves to keep California’s water pipelines flowing.

*Financial support for this story was provided by the Smidt Foundation and The James Irvine Foundation. Travis Hinkle is a distribution system supervisor for San Jose Water. He has worked in the water industry for 13 years.*



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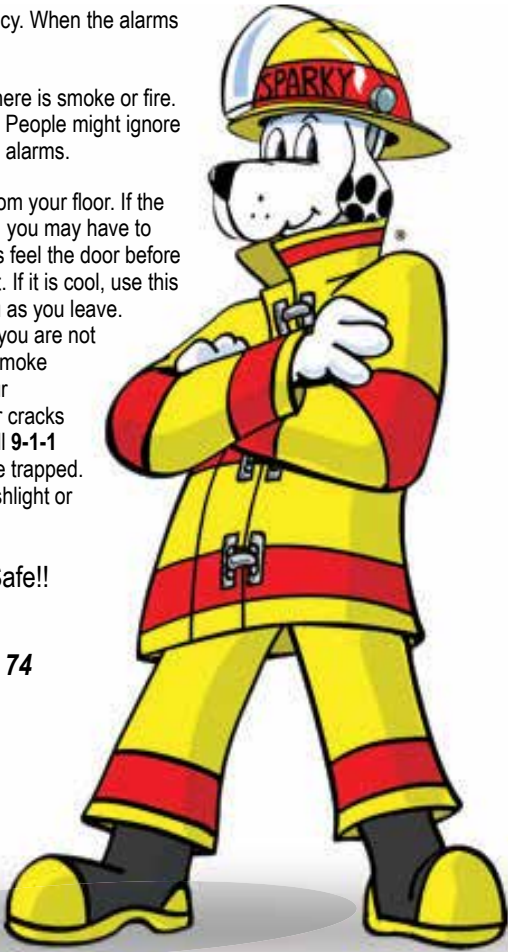
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# Dogs on the Road

**Story by Seti Long,  
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**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley High School Varsity Football started their season on the road this last week, traveling to Redding Friday, Aug. 30 to take on the University Prep Panthers.

The Bulldogs boast a united team of returning players, Head Coach Dan Zumwalt saying that many of his team have come up

through the Titans football league together before being reunited at the high school level. Zumwalt says this shared experience and camaraderie is a huge advantage for his athletes in 2024 and that it should be visible on the field this season.

MaxPreps reports that Gridley rushed for 212 yards during this first game, attributing 95 yards to Senior Luis Murillo, #4 in only 11 carries and Senior Gus Stogsdill

rushing for 117 yards. The quarterback would also score the lone touchdown of the game.

A field goal would bring Gridley to 10, but the score would hold there.

Despite playing hard, Gridley would see a loss of 10 – 22 against the Panthers in their season opener.

The Bulldogs have a break this week, looking to Friday Sept. 13 for their first home game against the Winters Warriors. ★



Noe Moran, #10 tries to find a hole in U-Prep defense and put more numbers on the scoreboard late in the game.



Gridley powerhouse and quarterback Gus Stogsdill, #3 strong-arms approaching rivals and he takes the play on the run.



Max Tolman #2, makes room for Jr. Eli Punzo, #5, as he weaves through enemy territory looking to gain yards.



Bulldogs Ben Clement, #75 and Cody Grover #66, wall-off U-Prep and keep them at bay.



Gridley's quarterback Gus Stogsdill, #2, dives for the touchdown after wrestling free from opponents with the help of Riley Engleman, #14, Max Tolman, #2, and Canon Moore, #7.



Senior Luis Murillo, #4, dodges U-Prep players flanked by Canon Moore, #7.

# Pirates Sink Lions

*Live Oak Opens Season with Painful Loss*

**By Seti Long**

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - The Wheatland Pirates sailed to victory in Live Oak at the Lions' season opener this past Friday, Aug. 30.

The Lions would put up a good fight through the first quarter until Wheatland's Daniel Oamil marked the board with the first touchdown of the game. The pirates would try for the extra point, but the kick would be no good.

Defense was physical, and offense combined running and passing attacks, Wheatland favoring plays up the side.

Live Oak's Victor Reyes Jr. would pick-off the ball intended for a Pirate during the second quarter and would go on to have a total of two interceptions during the game.

Personal fouls, roughing the kicker and other flags kept chipping away at both teams' yardage during the first half.

As the clock wound down towards half-time, Wheatland looked to widen the point spread nearing. Cash Tarrant, quarterback for the Pirates, began throwing long passes

to push the numbers on the board to double digits.

The Lions would get in the way, putting pressure on Tarrant and the pocket during a play late in the second quarter, but Wheatland added another touchdown just minutes before the whistle blew.

The score would sit Lions 0 – Pirates 13 as the game rolled into halftime.

There would be a few mistakes heading into the second quarter that would hurt the Lions. Wheatland would capitalize on any slip and make good on their passes to favorite target, Zozaya.

Senior running back Nolan Bertolucci would rush for 41 yards and bring in two touchdowns for Wheatland.

The Pirates would score four touchdowns in the second quarter, sinking the Lions' hopes for a win, the final score being Live Oak 0 – Wheatland 41.

Live Oak hosts the Anderson Cubs this Friday at home, while Wheatland continues their road trip to play Woodland this week. ★



Tillotson catches the ball for Live Oak. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter High School Sports Photography



Live Oak's Victor Reyes, #11, intercepts a pass intended for Wheatland's Brayden Zozaya, #17. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter High School Sports Photography



Wheatland's Brayden Zozaya preps for incoming, which he would carry into the endzone for a touchdown. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter High School Sports Photography



# Opinion: Californians Will Have to Use Less Water Under State Board’s New Rules

By Kerry Jackson

**PACIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE** - It’s been said in different ways by a variety of people, but there’s more than just a grain of truth in it: If the federal bureaucracy or a socialist regime were ever put in charge of the Sahara Desert, there would eventually be a shortage of sand. This helps explain why there is such a scarcity of water in California that permanent use restrictions have been, for the first time in the state’s history, set.

On July 3, the California State Water Resources Control Board approved the rules for “Making Conservation a California Way of Life.” Under this framework, retail water suppliers are going to have to figure out how to meet the imposed “water use objective,” which “is 70% or less of the supplier’s average annual water use” in 2024-26 by July 2040.

The rules will apply to about 400 water agencies that together deliver water to 95% of the state’s population. Beginning on Jan.1, 2025, and on every Jan.1 thereafter, these agencies will have to “submit to the Department and the Board” their “actual urban water use for the previous state fiscal year.”

It will be up to the local agencies as to how they meet the requirements — though it seems that the water board could take action if it chose to. The agencies can impose out-right water-use restrictions. Or they could pressure customers into adopting water-saving fixtures and



**Sprinklers watering a Southern California lawn.** Photo courtesy Metropolitan Water District

appliances, such as low-flow shower heads, which will do little more than extend shower times for most people, and high-efficiency dishwashers and washing machines that cost more and need to run longer to do their jobs.

The agencies can even raise rates, which wouldn’t be an unappealing idea if they were actually market rates and not those some bureaucracy or board believes are the “right” rates.

Edward Ring, director of water and energy policy for the California Policy Center, calls the new rules an “insane policy” that “will end investment in more water supply projects

and spiral our cities into increasingly restrictive rationing.”

And if California needs anything, it needs investment in projects that will yield water abundance.

Much of California is arid land. A great deal of the state, about 38%, is even desert. But that doesn’t mean there’s not enough water to meet the demand. If policymakers would take the “all of the above” approach recommended by PRI Free Cities Center director Steven Greenhut, there would be no need for the state to order agencies to cut use.

In his 2020 book “Winning the Water Wars,” Greenhut explains

the “many ways to feed more water into our state’s ‘plumbing’ systems.” He admits “some are more politically feasible or cost-effective than others.” Nevertheless, policymakers are obliged to enact policies that promote water abundance “through a multiplicity of approaches.”

The myriad options in an “all of the above” approach include new infrastructure (little has been built in the way of new or expanded water storage facilities over the last 40 years); desalination (there’s an immense source of water just to the west of the state); and wastewater recycling — all of which Gov. Gavin Newsom supports.

The first two are politically difficult. A pair of long-planned large storage projects recently held some promise, but one has been slow to take shape, and the other is on hold.

Meanwhile, the Claude “Bud” Lewis Carlsbad Desalination Plant in Carlsbad has been a success. It now provides 10% of the drinking water in the San Diego area. But it was no easy task getting it built. Desalination facilities might as well be nuclear plants, given the resistance they have encountered.

While opponents of water abundance argue and protest and block projects, billions that should have been put to use have

been idled. Proposition 1, approved by voters 67-33 in 2014, authorized \$7.12 billion in general obligation bonds, with \$2.7 billion set aside to build storage, dam and reservoir projects. Yet a decade later, drawing boards have been busier than construction sites.

Even though California is mostly dry by nature, previous generations were able to obtain enough water to ensure a continuous state of growth. Today we live instead in the “won’t do, can’t do” era brought on by policymakers, central planners and a coastal elite whose ideological motivations and incompetence are holding California back. ★



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