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Honkers Keep the Mayor's Cup



Yuba City Vice Mayor Dave Shaw shaking hands with Yuba City's #3 JD Henry who is holding the Mayor's Cup Trophy. Photo by Yuba Sutter High School Sports

By Dillon Longmire

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - The River Valley Falcons fought hard but fell against the Yuba City Honkers 27-6 in the annual Mayor's Cup on Friday, Oct. 11.

The Falcons headed to Yuba City High School and although the Falcons lost, they surprised everyone with just how much of a battle they put up in the game that is usually a blowout in favor of the Honkers.

The game started off with both teams striking on the ground with rushing touchdowns making the score 7-6 early in the first quarter. With how quick each team scored, it would make one think that this game

would be a game dominated by the offenses but then each defense took over and each team spent the entire rest of the first half trading punts and turnovers.

The Honkers would receive the ball at the start of the third quarter and put an end to the great Falcon defense as they scored a rushing touchdown on a quick two-minute long drive. The Honkers defense would hold strong and force a turnover on downs and once getting the ball back, the Honkers would score another rushing touchdown making the score 20-6 at the end of the third quarter.

The Falcons would have repeated

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Yuba City's quarterback Ulysses Vaca scrambling to the sidelines against River Valley. Photo by Yuba Sutter High School Sports

New Construction, Future Planning

By Angela Underwood

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - This year's third Quarterly Economic Development update is all good news.

"It's crazy to me that we are already at the third quarter but here we are," said Ashley Potocnik, development liaison, to Mayor Shon Harris and the Yuba City Council at the first town hall meeting of the month on Oct. 1.

Before presenting, Potocnik said all the updates are posted online, making the city's progress available through a QR code that sends residents to the website with information.

Divisions of economic development include building, housing, planning, public works and code enforcement.

"A big portion of these updates are in alignment with 'You Can,' the city's initiative to benefit the business community and build economic vitality within the community," Potocnik said.

Next came the You Can Development 101 series slide, pointing out how infrastructure starts with an idea and ends as a licensed building. Potocnik said the same information was shared with local business owners and developers at a quarterly workshop luncheon.

"The purpose of this is to explain a somewhat complicated process and put it into a very simplified four-step approach," Potocnik said, holding up printed materials, also available on the website.

Starting with the preliminary review, "where you are kind of making your plan," Potocnik said planning and entitlement comes next.

"That is when you get your discretionary approval or come before the council or the Planning Commission for your project," Potocnik said, noting the building permit is when you get the chief official to construct whatever you want to build. "Then you get your business license and open."

While it sounds easy, Potocnik said it cannot be, which is why she is there to help business owners and the public through the process.

You Can Development 101 offers a new map dotted with iconic restaurants, hotels and specialty coffee shops.

"It shows which locations are, so if you hear about subdivisions or different businesses, it is nice to be able to pinpoint it," Potocnik said of commercial and residential development here. "We will be providing copies and posting them on the city's social media."

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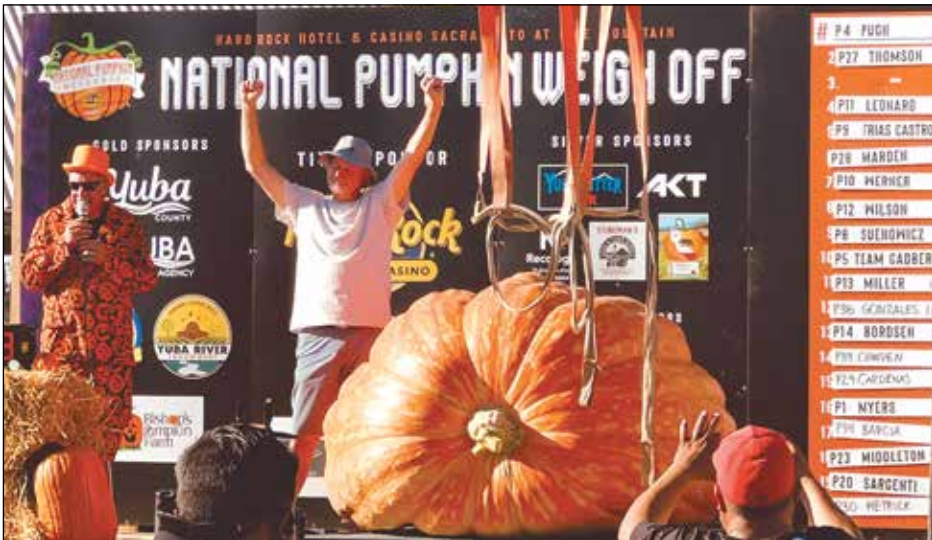
National Pumpkin Weigh-Off Results

**Story and photos by
Shamaya Sutton**

WHEATLAND, CA (MPG) - Sheri Retzlaff choked softly as the wheels of her forklift kicked dry brown dust into the air. The day was hot despite it being the end of September, and at 2 p.m. the sun was at its peak. All around her, people dressed in orange crowded into shaded corners patiently waiting for the next Atlantic Giant to be weighed.

Retzlaff had been given an important task. One by one, she touted some of the nation's largest pumpkins to the grand scale to solidify its weight and placement at the National Pumpkin Weigh Off.

This event, now hosted at Bishop's Pumpkin Farm in Wheatland, stands as the arbiter of pumpkin culture and offers the world's highest prize pool to participating growers across the United States and Canada. The weigh offs came to Bishop's last year with Dave Chan of Vancouver, Canada taking home \$19,908 for his 2,212-pound pumpkin. The



Jim Sherwood of Mulino, Oregon, celebrates his win at the National Pumpkin Weigh Off at Bishop's Pumpkin Farm in Wheatland on Sept. 28.

world record, however, is still held by Travis Gienger of Minnesota for a pumpkin that weighed in at 2,749 pounds.

Nevertheless, the stakes were high this year with two Oregon pumpkins vying for both a state record and a shot at the world record. With just a half inch difference in circumference, fans waited with bated breath to see if they would be a part of history in the making.

It all came down between

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This year's winning pumpkin also earned the prestigious and highly sought-after Howard Dill award. Dill, from Windsor Nova Scotia, is known as the "Father of Giant Pumpkin Growing" and he was said to have a fondness for big, beautiful orange pumpkins. Judging criteria for this award largely comes down to color, symmetry, and size.

“American Pickers” to Film in California



The American Pickers are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Photo courtesy of Cineflix Productions

Cineflix Productions News Release

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - The American Pickers are excited to return to California! They plan to film episodes of The History Channel hit television series throughout your area in November 2024. “American Pickers” is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique “picking” on The History Channel. The hit show follows skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America’s most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find historically significant or rare items, in addition to unforgettable characters and their collections. As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, the Pickers are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, they want to meet characters with amazing stories and fun items. They hope to give historically significant objects a

new lease on life while learning a thing or two about America’s past along the way. The Pickers have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they’ve never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them. The American Pickers TV Show is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a unique item, story to tell, and is ready to sell...we would love to hear from you! Please note, the Pickers DO NOT pick stores, flea markets, malls, auction businesses, museums, or anything open to the public. If interested, please send us your name, phone number, location, and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cineflix.com or call (646)-493-2184. Facebook: @GotAPick. ★

Dom Belza Named Honorary Co-Chair for Yes on Prop 36 Committee



Marysville City Councilmember Dom Belza. Photo courtesy of the City of Marysville

Free California News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - On Oct. 7, Marysville City Councilmember Dom Belza was named an Honorary Co-Chair for the Yes on Prop 36 campaign for the City of Marysville. Proposition 36 aims to revise key provisions of Prop 47 that have led to a growth in homeless encampments, increased drug use, and the spread of retail theft. Prop 36 includes increased penalties for certain drug crimes, reduces the current monetary threshold for felony theft, and gives law enforcement the tools it needs to get people off the streets and into treatment. Belza has been influential in building support for the Yes on 36 campaign. He has spent countless hours collecting signatures to get Prop 36 on the ballot, building a coalition of business owners to support

Yes on 36, and assisting the campaign with fundraising and voter outreach. Belza issued the following statement, “Living in a small community, we deal with the impacts of drug abuse and homelessness every day. Businesses and residents are fed up with Sacramento tying the hands of law enforcement. This is why Prop 36 is so important to me and for all law-abiding Californians. Now is the moment We the People can course correct by voting Yes on Prop 36!” Earlier this year, Belza found himself “protecting and serving” the community in a way not typical of a local city councilman. Belza was quick to react after he and the Mayor of Marysville were assaulted in broad daylight. The incident made national headlines on Fox News. **About Dom Belza** Dom Belza is a fourth generation Yuba County resident, longtime North State Realtor, small business owner and City Councilmember. Belza’s family background and experience is in farming and ranching, agriculture and investment real estate and development. Belza and his wife Julia have been married 10 years and are raising their four children in the City of Marysville. **About Free California** Belza is the founder of Free California, a Political Action Committee with the goal of preserving and promoting conservative values. The organization is supported by Assembly Republican Leader James Gallagher. Learn more about Free California by visiting www.Free-Cali.com. ★

LaMalfa, Thompson Introduce Pacific Flyway Habitat Enhancement Act

Office of Congressman Doug LaMalfa News Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (MPG) - Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Richvale) issued the following statement after introducing the Pacific Flyway Habitat Enhancement Act with Congressman Mike Thompson (CA-04). This bill allows the Secretary of Agriculture to enroll additional agricultural lands in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program as long as it is necessary to address wetland habitat concerns. Additionally, it encourages farmers to manage their working croplands in ways

that support wetland-dependent species by permitting seasonal flooding of these fields. LaMalfa said: “The next drought is around the corner, and we need to use the water resources we get to the best mutual benefit of farms, people, and the environment. Even this year with better water availability the California Department of Fish and Wildlife estimated that breeding duck populations have dropped by 30 percent, highlighting the ongoing struggles faced by both farmers and wildlife due to poor water management policies. This bill seeks to protect both the farmers and the hundreds of species along

the Pacific Flyway. I'm proud to support this bipartisan solution, bringing waterfowl and agriculture together to protect these habitats and keep land productive.” Thompson said: “Many wildlife species rely on wetland habitat created by California's farmers, including our rice growers. With the Pacific Flyway Habitat Enhancement Act, we can expand USDA support for our local growers, offering resources so qualified farmers can flood their fields in the off-season to both improve soil conditions and support the Pacific Flyway ecosystem. Thank you to Rep. LaMalfa

for his partnership on this legislation.” “We're happy to see Rep. LaMalfa and Rep. Thompson introduce the Pacific Flyway Habitat Enhancement Act,” said Julia Peebles, Ducks Unlimited Director of Agriculture and Sustainability Policy. “This bipartisan legislation will allow producers to enroll more working lands in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, which will benefit producers, waterfowl, and other wildlife who rely on seasonally flooded croplands.” “We appreciate Rep. LaMalfa and Rep. Thompson's Pacific Flyway Habitat Enhancement Act as an additional tool in the

toolbox to reward the stewardship of producers to conserve and enhance waterfowl habitat on their working lands,” noted John Devney, Chief Policy Officer at Delta Waterfowl. “We look forward to this being part of the conversation as Congress presses forward with continuing work on the Farm Bill and the myriad of ways we can work with private landowners to conserve, restore, and enhance duck habitat.” *Congressman Doug LaMalfa is a lifelong farmer representing California's First Congressional District, including Butte, Colusa, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama and Yuba Counties.* ★

Marysville Man Arrested for Suspected Criminal Threats, Illegal Firearm

Yuba County Sheriff's Department News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Just before midnight on Friday, Oct. 4, Yuba County Sheriff’s Office deputies arrested 30-year-old Raymond Gonzales at his Marysville residence.

Gonzales is suspected of threatening his estranged wife on Oct. 4 while she worked her shift at Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital in Marysville. In collaboration with the Yuba County Sheriff’s Office, Adventist Health and Rideout temporarily

restricted visitor access for the safety of patients and staff beginning the afternoon of Oct. 4 and concluding the morning of Oct. 5. Gonzales was booked at the Yuba County Jail for criminal threats and felon in possession of a firearm. ★

Honkers Keep the Mayor’s Cup



Honker’s JD Henry returning a fumble. Photo by Yuba Sutter High School Sports

Continued from page 1 drives of getting a first down, but not moving anymore after and being forced to punt to the Honkers. The Honkers would score their last touchdown and effectively end the game early in the fourth quarter after a touchdown throw from senior quarterback Jordan Martinez. The rest of the game, both teams would once again trade punts and turnover on downs.

While moral victories do not exist in sports, this almost feels like one for the Falcons who are 1-6 on the season now but put up a strong fight against the 5-2 Honkers. The Falcons will be away from home against the Burbank Titans, while the Yuba City Honkers will be at home against the Del Campo Cougars. Both teams will play this upcoming Friday, Oct. 18 after press time. ★

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YCUSD Choir Students Shine in Collaborative Concert

Yuba City High School Orchestra and Musical Theatre News Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - As Yuba City High School Choir director Kathryn Campbell stated, singing is something you can do for your whole life.

“You might not be able to play football when you are 50 or 60 years old but you can still sing,” Campbell said.

This philosophy was evident Oct. 10, when more than 100 Yuba City Unified School District choir students in grades 6 to 12 combined with about 30 members of a Yuba City High School alumni choir to perform for a packed house at Andros Karperos School in Yuba City. In total, there were participants from six different decades who joined together in song.

This concert was organized by Yuba City Unified School District choir teachers Kathryn Campbell, Kelly Cunningham, David Harris and Karla Hyatt. The Yuba City Unified School District choir students had been practicing their music at their own schools for the last six weeks before finally joining together for a combined rehearsal on the morning of Oct. 10, leading up to the concert that night.

The program began with the combined sixth- to 12th-grade students singing in a variety of musical styles, including an American folk song, a contemporary song with the Latin title of “Cantate Hodie,” and another contrasting and exuberant song sung in Swahili. The choir students from both high schools then combined to perform a couple of selections on their own in



Combined choirs showcased their talents during the Oct. 10 performance. Courtesy photo

which they demonstrated their ability to sing harmony in multiple parts with lyricism and energy.

Following the high school students, Campbell invited the special Yuba City High School Alumni Choir to perform. As

they were taking their places, Campbell talked with the students about how special it is to be part of a choir and how students can continue singing for the rest of their lives.

She also mentioned that many professional pop, rock, Broadway and opera singers often get their first vocal experiences singing in their school choirs. As the alumni choir sang, the students, along with the rest of the audience, listened intently as these mature voices filled the auditorium with music that many of the audience had never heard before. Their harmonies, expression, balance and diction were of a quality that one might hear from a professional chorale group.

The alumni choir was also directed by special guest conductor Linda Robinson, recently retired Yuba City High School Choir director, and had Dean Estabrook, also a retired Yuba

City High School Choir director, singing in the choir. Campbell also pointed out that all four current Yuba City Unified School District choir teachers are also Yuba City High School Choir alumni.

The concert concluded with a combined group of all performers singing “The Lion Sleeps Tonight.” Families and students alike had smiles on their faces during this final number as the choir members and the audience moved with the music. Afterward, there was great pride seen on the faces of the performers and their families.

“Music has the ability to bring people together,” stated Karla Hyatt, choir director at AK School. “It was inspirational to have the alumni choir join the students and be able to share their love of choral music with the next generation of singers in our community.” ★



Choir teacher David Harris conducts the choir as they perform on Oct. 10. Courtesy photo

Yuba-Sutter Teen Music Showcase to Feature Five Vocalists and Band



Five teen vocalists, along with a live band, will showcase their skills on Nov. 1 and 2. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture embraces the work it does to show the community the artistic output, efforts and excellence of student artists across all genres including the visual arts, digital arts, theater arts and of course music.

It’s only natural that it would host a Yuba-Sutter Teen Music Showcase at its Sutter Theater Center for the Arts. Come out and celebrate five remarkable young singers who are more than ready for “prime time!”

The stars of the show are Paige Clements, Cameron Kersting, Lexy Osburn, Olivia Rhody and Macy Sbranti. Each of these top teen performers in the Yuba Sutter region were nominated for the event by a local music educator.

Singing with a hot, live band, they will be covering modern pop, show tunes, classic songs from the ‘70s and R&B from the ‘60s. The back up quartet is made up of local professional musicians and music educators Jim Achilles on guitar, Obie Leff on bass, Greg Zunino on keys and Christopher Little on drums.

The showcase performances will be on Nov. 1 and Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. with a matinee performance on Nov. 2 at 2 p.m. The location is the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas St. in Yuba City. General admission is \$10 and will go towards supporting local arts in education programs. Additional donations and sponsorships are welcome.

The program will include songs sung by the full ensemble along with solos by the

participating artists including showtunes like “I Can’t Say No” from “Oklahoma,” “Corner of the Sky” from “Pippin,” and “Found/Tonight,” a mash-up of two popular musical theater tracks from “Hamilton” and “Dear Evan Hansen.” Other songs will include “Sing a Song” by Earth, Wind, and Fire, “If I Ain’t Got You” by Alicia Keys, “Listen to the Music” by the Doobie Brothers, “Puttin’ on the Ritz” by Irving Berlin and many more.

We all know that music education plays a vital role in the holistic development of students, fostering creativity, discipline, and cognitive growth. Engaging in music strengthens critical thinking and problem-solving skills, as students learn to interpret and perform complex compositions. Music provides an outlet for self-expression and improving mental health. By nurturing cultural appreciation and creativity, music education equips students with valuable skills that extend beyond the classroom, preparing them for diverse life challenges. Plan to attend this exciting program and help celebrate all that our music educators have accomplished to help showcase student achievement in music.

Also, while attending the concert, plan to visit the Art Box Gallery. See art in a variety of genres created by local artists. You will enjoy a unique art experience, and your purchases of original art will help support artists, so it is a real win-win for all involved. Plenty of free parking is available on the streets and parking lots adjacent to the Theater. For more information about this event and other upcoming YSAC 2024 programs, go to yubasutterarts.org. ★

National Pumpkin Weigh Off Results



Sheri Retzlaff diligently tows pumpkins to and from the official weigh in station during the National Pumpkin Weigh Off at Bishop’s Pumpkin Farm in Wheatland on Sept. 28.

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Russ Pugh and Jim Sherwood. Ironically, Pugh’s previous best was his 2023 pumpkin that weighed in at 2,023 pounds. This year, he beat his own record by 278 pounds. Sherwood, on the other hand, won out at 2,453 pounds, his own personal best. His pumpkin was grown in a greenhouse and periodically injected with CO2. As this year’s first-place winner, Sherwood was awarded \$9-per-pound, resulting in a total grand prize of \$22,017.

Unfortunately, neither Sherwood nor Pugh’s pumpkin weighed enough to beat the current Oregon state record held at 2,469 pounds by Steve Daletas, so it looks like Gienger’s world record is safe for another year.

Even still, the top five heaviest squashes were left on display for farm goers to enjoy with their weight and placement as follows:

Jim Sherwood of Mulino, Oregon, with a pumpkin that weighed 2,453 pounds and

was nicknamed “Hank the Tank.”

Russ Pugh of Eugene, Oregon, with a pumpkin that weighed 2,301 pounds.

Madison Thomson of Penn Valley with a pumpkin that weighed 1,991 pounds.

Jake Leonard of Rocklin with a pumpkin that weighed 1,950 pounds.

Ruben Castro of American Canyon with a pumpkin that weighed 1,634 pounds. ★



Volunteers assist in inspecting the underside of a pumpkin for flaws such as holes, mold, or rotten spots. A crane and heavy-duty straps are needed to lift the fruit and facilitate inspection from all sides. Due to their sheer size and weight, inspection and lifting is a team effort.

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Interactive Database Reports if Agencies Fiscally Healthy

California Policy Center News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - California Policy Center released a Local Fiscal Health Dashboard on Oct. 4 that tracks the financial health of California cities, counties and school districts. The interactive database allows users to track how elected officials are managing local budgets, support ongoing budget decision-making and identify financial red flags.

The new dashboard is especially timely for California voters who have local tax and bond measures on their November ballots. Each city, county and school district has been awarded a fiscal health score and letter grade from A to F, depending on how well they have managed their finances. Government entities are also identified and color-coded as low, moderate or high-risk for fiscal distress.

"We're excited to be able to offer local officials and voters this important tool for tracking their city's fiscal performance," said Lance Christensen, vice-president of government affairs at the California Policy Center. "Today, many local governments are asking taxpayers for more money to fund lower-quality services. Californians have the right to know where their hard-earned dollars are being effectively used and where they are not."

Sacramento-area cities had mixed results, from an "A" for Elk Grove while Folsom flunked the test. The grades for several cities in the region, listed alphabetically, include Citrus Heights, B; Colusa, C; Dixon, B; Elk Grove, A; Galt, B; Gridley,

Local Fiscal Health Dashboard Scoring Table

Letter Grade	Fiscal Health Score out of 100	Description - Overall Fiscal Risk
A	85 to 100	Low Risk of financial distress
B	70 to 84	Low Risk of financial distress
C	60 to 70	Moderate Risk of financial distress
D	50 to 60	Moderate Risk of financial distress
F	49 and under	High Risk of financial distress
N/A	No Data	Jurisdiction is delinquent in publishing timely financial audits
Exempt	Exempt From Reporting Requirement	Local entity's federal awards expenditures were less than \$750K

Local Fiscal Health Dashboard Scoring Table

B; Lincoln, B; Live Oak, C; Marysville, C; Rancho Cordova, B; Sacramento, D; West Sacramento, B; and Yuba City, D.

The Local Fiscal Health Dashboard fills a void in government transparency data left after the California State Auditor's Office unexpectedly discontinued its popular Local Government High-Risk Dashboard in October 2023. California Policy Center's new dashboard was created to replace and expand on that data to ensure local governments maintain transparency and accountability when it comes to their budgets.

California Policy Center's dashboard uses public data from Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (ACFR) that local governments are required to submit every year to get access to federal funds. The dashboard provides key financial metrics to allow local elected officials, analysts, reporters and citizens to understand how cities are performing overall and

in comparison to other cities, and spotlight concerning financial trends.

"The public should have access to the tools necessary to ensure government budgets are transparent and government officials are held accountable," Christensen said. "Californians can't allow government officials to sweep bad fiscal news under the rug."

Tracking local financial metrics, such as liabilities and revenue trends, is crucial. California has more than \$1.6 trillion in unfunded liabilities (debt) at both state and local levels. Many cities have potentially catastrophic unfunded pension liabilities. Other municipalities are making budget decisions based on incomplete, missing or delayed financial reports.

Cities are required to file their Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports, often referred to as annual audits, every year. Most municipalities submit the financial reports within nine months of fiscal year end (as required

by the federal and state governments) but many others are routinely and egregiously late in filing their required annual financial reports, according to the California Policy Center. That means local officials are left to make budgeting decisions without current fiscal information.

Out of 482 cities, 86 (or 17.8%) received an "A" grade; 21 (4.4%) received an "F" grade, indicating they are at high-risk of fiscal catastrophe and 70 cities (14.52%) are delinquent in submitting their 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. (Sixteen cities are exempt from reporting.)

But 189 cities, counties and school districts have still not submitted Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports for 2023. Twenty-six of those cities, counties and school districts that are missing their 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report are asking voters to OK a local tax increase on the November ballot and/or approve new bonds

totaling \$534.6 million in new borrowing.

"When cities don't turn in their fiscal reports on time, city officials have to make important budget decisions without the data they need," Christensen said. "Even worse, many of the cities that aren't on top of their financial reports are proposing tax increases and putting local bond measures on the ballot."

Based on the dashboard data, California Policy Center has identified 10 of the best and worst performing cities statewide when it comes to financial health. The dashboard designates the level of financial risk as low, moderate or high.

This financial risk determination is achieved by evaluating each entity on 10 key fiscal metrics: General Fund Reserves, Debt Burden, Liquidity, Revenue Trends, Pension Costs, Pension Funding, Pension Obligations, Other Post Employment Benefit Obligations, Other Post Employment Benefit

Funding, and Net Worth.

The 10 cities earning the highest fiscal health scores and an "A" grade are Eastvale (Riverside County), Indian Wells (Riverside County), Danville (Contra Costa County), Rancho Mirage (Riverside County), Lake Forest (Orange County), La Quinta (Riverside County), Laguna Woods (Orange County), Dublin (Alameda County), La Mirada (Los Angeles County) and Jurupa Valley (Riverside County).

Ten of the worst performing cities are considered high-risk for fiscal stress, including the ability of the city to pay its bills in the short and long term.

Cities earning the lowest fiscal health scores and an "F" grade are Ukiah (Mendocino County), West Covina (Los Angeles County), Richmond (Contra Costa County), Calexico (Imperial County), San Gabriel (Los Angeles County), Oakland (Alameda County), Orange (Orange County), Pinole (Contra Costa County), Atwater (Merced County) and Escondido (San Diego County).

Other cities that received an "F" include San Buenaventura/Ventura, Grover Beach, Banning, Lake Elsinore, Folsom, Costa Mesa, Montebello, Downey, Monrovia, Hayward and Lindsay. With many cities having yet to file Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports for Fiscal Year 2023 and in some cases, Fiscal Year 2022, this list of worst cities is subject to change. Some cities with poor financial metrics are often late filers.

Information about California cities, counties and school districts can be found at californiapolicycenter.org/fiscal-health-dashboard. ★

Stop Criminals, Drugs, Theft

By John McGinness

California voters will have several very important decisions to make as they complete their November 2024 ballots. One that has the potential to reverse a decade of deterioration of the state's criminal justice system is Proposition 36.

To adequately analyze the merits of Proposition 36, a quick review of history is in order. Ten years ago, voters approved Proposition 47 based upon assurance that it would improve public safety. The voters were deceived – Proposition 47 eliminated compounding consequences for several theft and possession and use of dangerous drugs. Many crimes were reduced from felonies to misdemeanors, eliminating the deterrent value of discipline.

The results have been devastating for the state of California. Urban, suburban, and even rural areas once used for recreation have been taken over by critically addicted people living like walking zombies. Retail businesses have become so frequently victimized by "smash and grab" thieves that merchants have been forced to lock up much of their merchandise out of reach, inconveniencing legitimate costumers and staff. Fentanyl poisoning has become the leading cause of death for Americans 18-45-years-of-age. On average, over 200 deaths by fentanyl poisoning occur in the United States every day. Consider the tolerance

society would have in an environment in which 200 people were killed in a commercial airline crash every day – public outcry would be extreme and warranted; change would be mandated by an outraged public. Yet persons in positions of leadership seem oblivious or apathetic to the plight of our youth.

Proposition 36 will restore the ability of the criminal justice system to impose compounding consequences on chronic habitual offenders for the sake of discouraging unacceptable behavior. Specifically, offenders convicted not once, but twice of possession of hard and dangerous drugs will be eligible for felony prosecution or completion of a court-supervised treatment for addiction. This course of action was common before the passage of Proposition 47, when drug court was a viable option for those first charged with felony drug possession. The impetus for treatment is now gone by virtue of chronic drug offenders suffering through addiction and only being cited for misdemeanor violations of law. That means no time in custody in California, and no incentive to participate

in court supervised treatment. Those cited typically ignore their citations, fail to appear in court and continue to live their destructive lifestyle, wreaking havoc on the streets, parks and public facilities throughout the state. Proposition

consequences be brought against those who habitually violate the law for the sake of discouraging habitual lawlessness.

Critics have asserted that Proposition 36 represents a reversion to days of mass incarceration. It does not!

Proposition 36 is a bipartisan concept created by elected attorneys of diverse political and philosophical affiliation, supported by big city mayors from California's diverse communities, to provide incentive for treatment for those chronically addicted to dangerous

drugs, as well as common sense solutions to those who habitually break the law and diminish the quality of life for law abiding Californians.

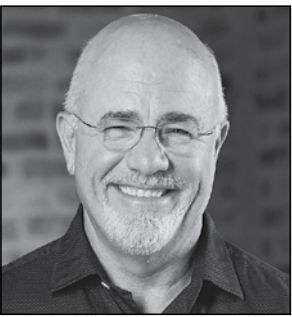
If concern for law abiding citizens and those seeking to safely pursue their dreams in this state is insufficient to motivate voters to support this thoughtful proposition, consider the wellbeing of the people directly adversely impacted by the results of the horrific current state of law. Since 2014, when Proposition 47 passed, the number of chronically addicted people living on the streets of California has exploded. Failing to recognize the wellbeing of those

36 will give incentive to those who badly need treatment. Those who complete the treatment and graduate from the program will have the opportunity to have their record expunged and avoid incarceration, liberating them to live rich full lives.

Proposition 36 will also reclassify fentanyl as a hard drug, and provide enhanced penalties on those who possess fentanyl while armed with a firearm.

As or thieves, Proposition 36 will impose the potential for felony consequences for persons twice convicted of petty theft and charged with a subsequent theft case. It simply demands that





Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are debt-free, and we live on a budget. My mother-in-law, on the other hand, uses credit cards for practically every purchase. Several times she has gone too far and run up balances she couldn't pay off. We bail her out when she does this, but often the extra purchases are frivolous things she doesn't need. We love her, of course, and we feel obligated to help because my wife is her only child. But her behavior with credit cards is beginning to put a strain on our finances. What should we do?

– Charles

Dear Charles,

This is a tough situation, one that's made even tougher by the fact that involves a close, loved family member. A very blunt, but caring, discussion is in order. But it needs to be initiated by your wife—not you. This is important, because if you try to step

Dave Ramsey Says

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in and take the lead on things, you'll immediately become the mean son-in-law in her eyes.

You and your wife need to be completely on the same page about this situation, but she's the one who needs to approach mom and talk things out. She needs to sit down with her mom, and very gently let her know you two have talked, and you've decided together that you won't be picking up the pieces where her overspending is concerned anymore. Your wife also needs to tell her the two of you are willing to help her work on handling money a little better, and walk her through making and living on a monthly budget. Your wife could even explain that's what you guys do, and it's one of the reasons you're in such good financial shape.

Here's what it comes down to. You wouldn't buy her more drugs if you found out she was an addict, right? Along the same lines, you're not helping this lady by bailing her out every time she creates a money mess. You're enabling her

when you do this, and that's the same as telling her it's okay.

Work with her, Charles. Teach her, both of you, and love on her. Let her know you're there to help. If things get really bad, you can pay her light bill, or even buy her some groceries if the pantry gets a little bare. Hopefully, it won't come to anything that serious.

But one thing needs to be clear. You folks are not bailing her out anymore when she misbehaves with money.

– 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. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. 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. ★



Flood Irrigation Can Be Efficient When Done the Right Way

Having endured crushing impacts of drought and regulatory water restrictions, California farmers have embraced drip irrigation to improve their water footprint. At the same time, flood irrigation has faced increased scrutiny for being inefficient—even wasteful. But experts say that with automation and other design improvements, farmers could maximize efficiency with flood and surface irrigation systems. “It could be as efficient as other pressurized irrigation systems—and friendly to the environment,” said Khaled Bali, an irrigation water management specialist at the University of California Kearney Agricultural Research and Extension Center in Parlier.

State Water Board Increases Rates for 2024-25

To meet budgetary shortfalls for water rights and water quality programs that require participation by farmers and ranchers, the California State Water Resources Control Board has approved rate increases, including for groundwater recharge projects. The higher fees come as California water users and local agencies work to balance critically overdrafted

aquifers under the state's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. “Farm Bureau is concerned that if the fees are too high, this will be a disincentive to doing the exact sort of recharge that the temporary 180-day and five-year, high-flow diversion permits were intended to do,” said Alexandra Biering, senior policy advocate for the California Farm Bureau.

Sales Rep Helps Farmers Find Solutions for Irrigation Needs

As an irrigation sales representative in the Imperial Valley, John Tamayo is on the front lines of the most ambitious water conservation effort in the country. Amid warnings that the Colorado River is running dry, farmers in the valley have undertaken efforts to conserve an unprecedented amount of water, some of it through the installation of more efficient irrigation systems. “I appreciate being able to play a role in that,” said Tamayo, who works with farmers to determine which irrigation systems are best suited for their farming needs and conservation goals. His desire to support farmers led him to join the California Farm Bureau's Young Farmers & Ranchers program, where he serves on the State Committee representing Santa Clara, Santa Cruz and San Mateo counties. ★

Connected



By Kathy Craig Harteis

We are all connected. Most of us know at least one person in the path of recent storms. Our hearts go out to all of the people who have lost so much. Especially to the families who lost loved ones. We may have whined this past spring when we faced hail storm damage where I live in North Dakota, but it didn't come close to the hurricane, tornado and

flood damage the southern states are facing.

Thank goodness for the private foundations that have stepped up to help these folks.

I have my opinions of the government response, but this is probably not the place to voice it.

That's the privilege we have in America.

Thus far we still have the right to our opinion.

Regardless, we are all connected and we have an obligation to look out for one another. I've heard story after story this week about neighbors helping neighbors. Isn't that how it should be regardless of the situation?

I've been thinking a lot lately about the course of my life. There were periods of great joy, comfort and celebration. Likewise there were periods of great

trials and sadness.

Through each chapter I have relied on God to help me or to cheer me on. Also, I was blessed with a bevy of cheerleaders and supporters among friends and family.

As I look back I can now clearly see when I was lifted up, and when I was spared.

This morning I've heard from Florida friends reporting they are safe. One friend summed it up by saying God is good.

I say amen and life is good today.

A native of Grimes, CA, Kathy Craig Harteis is a former local journalist and former owner and chief executive of Kathy Craig Media Consulting, in Colusa. She currently lives in Beach, North Dakota, where she lived for many years while raising her family. ★



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Warren Buffett

Warren Buffett, the 90 plus year old iconic investor known as the Oracle of Omaha, and CEO and Founder of the investment holding company Berkshire Hathaway, sold 60% of his shares in one of his favorite holdings Apple. Once owning a whopping one billion shares, he now owns 400 million shares. Buffett also reduced another longtime holding, Bank of America. His company is now holding a record amount of cash and cash like investments and one has to wonder what Buffett sees or is thinking about the stock markets. Buffett's right hand man Ajit Jain, who has been with Buffett since 1986 and is his top investment officer is also making notable stock market sells himself, having sold Berkshire shares to the tune of 139 million.

It is said insider buy stocks when they think markets are good and sell stocks when they fear bad things are afoot.

True, not all insider sells are due to market conditions. Sometimes it might be to raise money for a home or whatever, but Buffett and Jain's sells are major stock dumps entailing massive amounts of money.

It isn't because they are buying some real estate. Not sells at these levels.

Keep in mind Buffett, his company and Jain, his top guy, all follow the CEO's strategy of buying great businesses and holding them “forever” as Buffett has said many times.

So why has forever ended? At least when it comes to these recent large sells?

Buffett holds and has held for quite some time large amounts of Treasury Bills. These T-Bills, as they are commonly called, are U.S. Government debt issuances, regarded as risk free as to the principal if held to maturity and have been yielding up to 5% or more annually because of the recent Federal Reserve's interest rate hikes.

Not a bad return for the staunch investor



Have you been to Stone Soup lately? There are about 35 – 40 people having a great lunch (and doing lots of visiting) from about 11:30 – 12:30 each Thursday. This community lunch program has been going for several years, run by volunteers. The menu is simple: homemade soups, salad, bread and dessert. There are always several soups to choose from, one is vegetarian, the salad bar is terrific and the desserts are usually homemade. A donation is requested and so is volunteer involvement. Each soup maker brings a crockpot of soup once a month, organized by Yvonne. Then volunteers set up the lunch, and stay to clean up afterwards. We would love a little more help, so consider coming and helping out.

Our hearts go out to the hurricane victims and I am so glad we are not in a hurricane area. Our thoughts are on fall wild fires, though. So far, so good. We are thankful for the quick responses to the grass fires. Perhaps people have been more careful, too. Do not mow dry grass, burn piles of yard leavings, toss cigarettes, etc. We are keeping our fingers crossed for a bit of rain soon.

Next week will be the last of our Farmer's Market until spring. Come on by and enjoy food, company and even a costume gathering. It looks like there won't be much happening in Brownsville on Halloween itself, but Books and More will have a treat for those who want to stop by on Friday, Oct. 25. We have given away books to kids for many years now, and I hate to stop that just because we don't have a Trick N Trunk.

Keri Paul-Mayo's school news Wednesday October 2nd was National Custodian Day. I want to acknowledge our amazing team of custodians. Tiffany and Kara at Yuba Feather Elementary, thank you for all you do everyday. Kris, Dobbins Elementary is beyond lucky to have someone as wonderful as you. It is because of your love,dedication and can-do attitudes

that Buffett is known to be. Plus 5% yield is nothing to sneeze at. But selling these solid companies that B of A and Apple are known to be, you have to wonder what Buffett and Jain are afraid of.

Stocks are wildly over valued by more than one standard metric. Stansberry Research Digest newsletters notes that 19 valuation models are stretched into territory, which when measured by these metrics, are the highest they have ever been.

This means stocks are the most expensive they have ever been.

Note that markets are rarely predictable even when historical precedents are widely out of whack. It is said what is low can go lower and what seems too high can go even higher. And this is especially true where stock markets are concerned. Being the sum of all the beliefs of the billions of investors in the market at any one time, much like a flock of swallows or a herd of buffalo, its direction is impossible to discern.

One might be wise however, to at least consider the movements of large and notable investors like Warren Buffett and the like and note historical precedents as they pertain stock prices when evaluating where the markets might go and what, if any movements, should be made in their own portfolios.

“Watching the markets so you don't have to”

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Yuba Sutter Symphony Presents Fall Classics Concert

Yuba Sutter Oratorio Society News Release

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - The Yuba Sutter Symphony, under the direction of Maestro Corey Kersting, will present their Fall Classics Concert on Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 20 at 2 p.m. at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1390 Franklin Road, Yuba City.

The concert will feature works by Mozart, Dvorak and Shostakovich.

The guest soloist for the concert will be pianist Emily Hayes. Hayes is a gifted pianist who grew up in Colusa and graduated from the esteemed Thornton School of Music at USC. She studied under Dr. Lucinda Carver, Vice Dean of Classical Performance and Composition and received both her Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degree in Piano Performance.

“We are thrilled to have Emily play Mozart’s Piano Concerto

#23. Emily plays with zest and precision and makes the Steinway concert grand piano resound with music that will delight the audience,” Kersting stated.

Kersting added, “It is a joy to welcome Emily back to play with our orchestra. When she was 13 years old, she was one of the winners of our annual Young Artist Competition and made her debut as a concerto soloist with the Yuba Sutter Symphony. She has also performed with the North State

Symphony.”

The concert will also include Dvorak’s Symphony #8 and Shostakovich’s “Festival Overture.”

“These two orchestral pieces are full of energy, beauty, and joy. These numbers, along with the Mozart Piano Concerto, are sure to create a memorable and inspiring evening of music!” Kersting said.

Both concerts are free, but donations are gratefully accepted. ★



Emily Hayes, originally from Colusa, will showcase her piano skills at the Fall Classics Concert. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Oratorio Society

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Democrats Aren't Serious About Lowering Gas Prices

Assembly Republicans News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Despite California drivers consistently paying the highest gas prices in the country, Democrats aren't serious about bringing costs down. How do we know?

More than a year after signing legislation to create an advisory commission on gas prices, Newsom has yet to appoint anyone to it. Even Democrats pointed this out at the Oct. 7 hearing.

Newsom's California Energy Commission is three months late on a refinery management report. Despite the fact that Newsom's agencies don't seem to be running effectively or efficiently, he's still pushing for new regulations.

Newsom's own administration has admitted that new regulations could cause gas prices to spike another \$0.47 cents a gallon next year. Despite the insanity of this number, Newsom hasn't raised any concerns or indicated he's interested in avoiding crushing drivers at the pump.

Republicans had to wait four months for a response from the California Air Resource Board to simple questions about the cost of Newsom's climate policies on drivers.

Assembly Democrats refused to vote on Republican bills that would have lowered the price of gas immediately, such as suspending the gas tax and exempting gas from Cap-and-Trade.

Despite warnings from the California Energy Commission that the scheme could increase gas prices, Democrat lawmakers are falling in line behind Newsom's refinery mandate.

Make no mistake, Newsom is doing everything he can to make gas more expensive — and his Democrat allies in the Legislature are complicit in his deception. ★

Check Your Ballot Before the Election

By Assemblyman James Gallagher

Dear Friends,

Election day – Nov. 5 - is right around the corner, which means you will have the power to elect your leaders and make your voices heard.

Ballots started being sent out on Oct. 7, which means it's time to think about your voting plan. To cast your ballot, you can either cast your ballot by mail, take your ballot to a designated ballot drop-off location, or cast your vote in person at a polling station.

If you submit your ballot by mail, you can track it by visiting WheresMyBallot.sos.ca.gov. The last day to register to vote is Oct. 21, after that, you can register to vote at a polling location and cast a provisional ballot.

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APN: 010-070-017-000 TS No: CA08000706-24-1 TO No: 240334424-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 March 16, 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JUDY DILTZ Case NO. PRPB24-00129

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate or both of JUDY DILTZ.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by: JAMES DILTZ in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition for Probate requests that JAMES DILTZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or 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: 10/28/2024 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.

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 decedent, 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 a person 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.

Attorney for Petitioner: Nicholas R. Deal
321 D Street, Suite C
Marysville, CA 95901
Phone No.: 530-329-5076
PUBLISHED IN THE TERRITORIAL DISPATCH:
October 11, 18, 25, 2024

Community Events

COFFEE WITH A COP • FRIDAY, OCT. 18
9 am at THE FACILITY, 1230 YUBA STREET
Hosted by Sgt. Magana • Building relationships one cup at a time.

HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE AT FARM TO FORK OCTOBER 19, 2024
831 RAMIREZ ST, MARYSVILLE, 9 AM TO 3 PM
Crafts, Baked Goodies, Rummage Sale, Games & Truck-or-Treating for the kids!

2024 EVEN MORE SPOOKTACULAR RIVER RUN SAT, OCT. 26. GAUCHE AQUATIC PARK WILBER & C STREETS, YUBA CITY
5K and 10K Run/Walk
Registration begins at 8 am, Pre-Registration encouraged at www.ysunitedway.org (click on upcoming events) Or by Calling 530-743-1847. Costumes Encouraged, Prizes awarded for best.

ANNUAL SENIOR RESOURCE FAIR YUBA CITY SENIOR CENTER THURSDAY, NOV. 7TH, 2024 • 9 AM-NOON
Vendors will include: Senior Housing, Assisted Living, Food Programs, Transportation, Legal Services, Medicare, Healthcare, Flu Shots and more. Free event, located at 777 Ainsley Ave. Yuba City.

Thursdays On 3rd Community Market Every Thursday 5 pm to 9 pm
FREE PARKING DOWNTOWN, 3rd & D, Marysville
Food Trucks, Vendors, Music & Family Fun
Sponsored by Edible Memories Bakery. Interested in being a vendor? Email: Thursdayson3rd@gmail.com

ROY BOURG VFW POST 4095's BINGO OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
6 pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays
4965 Powerline Rd, Olivehurst. Info: 530-777-9057

Next Step Community Breakfast, 2nd
Sunday of the Month at Brownsville Community Center downstairs located at 17103 Ponderosa Way. Complete breakfast includes: Coffee, orange juice & peaches. Choice of eggs, ham or sausage. Choice of pancakes, french toast or biscuits & gravy. Adults \$10, Children under 12 \$5, 3 & under Free.

DOBBINS CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKET SATURDAYS • 10 am-2 pm
9761 Marysville Rd, Dobbins
Vendor Information call Teresa McFall 530-635-0452

THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On November 7, 2024 at 01:30 PM, at the front entrance to the County Courthouse, 215 5th St., Marysville, CA 95901, 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 March 22, 2022 as Instrument No. 2022-004603, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Yuba County, California, executed by LINDSEY RANDOLPH, A SINGLE WOMAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for HOMEXPRESS MORTGAGE CORP. 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: SEE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF EXHIBIT "A" LOT 6, AS SHOWN UPON THE MAP ENTITLED: "HARLOW SUBDIVISION", ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF THE COUNTY OF YUBA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN BOOK 4 OF MAPS, AT PAGE 30. 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: 1022 DIVVER STREET, MARYSVILLE, CA 95901 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, pos-

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024F-238

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
River Valley Self Storage
1370 Furneaux Road
Olivehurst, CA 95961
County of YUBA
MAILING ADDRESS:
5950 Jetton Ln.
Loomis, CA 95650
Registered Owners:
1. Brian L. Hogan
5950 Jetton Ln.
Loomis, CA 95650
2. Sean L. Hogan
5950 Jetton Ln.
Loomis, CA 95650
This business is conducted by a Trust.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/21/2019.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Brian L. Hogan
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on September 26, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 11, 18, 25, Nov. 1, 2024.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YUBA IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF: Lexene Victorian Keo, PETITIONER(S) CASE NUMBER: CVPT 24-01297 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE: 11/18/2024
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Lexene Victorian Keo, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Lexene Victorian Keo
to: Lexene Theosliam Vu

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter 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 a 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 to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: 10/1/2024
Stephen W. Berrier
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 2024

session, 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 \$180,644.37 (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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024F-244

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
GMG Painting
5591 Roaring Rapids Way
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
1. Gustavo Medina Guijosa
5591 Roaring Rapids Way
Marysville, CA 95901
2. Laura Hernandez Rosales
5591 Roaring Rapids Way
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by a Married Couple..

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Gustavo Medina Guijosa
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on October 4, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024.

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 Nationwide Posting & Publication at 916.939.0772 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000706-24-1. 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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024F-239

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
AutoNation Finance
6 Executive Circle, Suite #100
Irvine, CA 92614
County of Orange
Registered Owners:
CIG Financial LLC
6 Executive Circle, Suite #100
Irvine, CA 92614
This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company..

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 06/01/2024.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Kimberly Gershon
CA Manager
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on September 27, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024F-228

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
AG Truck Tech
1521 Minories Drive
Plumas Lake, CA 95961
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
Akashdeep Singh
1521 Minories Drive
Plumas Lake, CA 95961
This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Akasheep Singh
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on September 19, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By MANDY LUIS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024.

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 916.939.0772, or visit this internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA08000706-24-1 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: September 27, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000706-24-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Bernardo Sotelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.nationwideposting.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Nationwide Posting & Publication AT 916.939.0772 NPP0465995 To: TERRITORIAL DISPATCH 10/18/2024, 10/25/2024, 11/01/2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2024F-245

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
YES FOUNDATION
13961 Ingersoll Dr.
Dobbins, CA 95935
Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 305
Dobbins, CA 95935
County of YUBA
Registered Owners:
Yuba Environmental Science Foundation
P.O. Box 305
Dobbins, CA 95935
This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/24/2024.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Lisa A. Thompson
CA Chairperson/CEO
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on September 19, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 18, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 2024.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024F-216

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
Solar Clean Central
5555 Barwick Ct.
Marysville, CA 95901
Yuba County
1) John Shaw
5555 Barwick Ct.
Marysville, CA 95901
This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/30/24.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
John Shaw
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba on August 30, 2024, indicated by file stamp.
(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).
DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024

New Construction, Future Planning



Ashley Potocnik, Yuba City development liaison, broke down the city's third quarter of the Economic Development Plan, telling officials about all citywide commercial and residential properties approved and under construction. Courtesy photo

Continued from page 1

Potocnik used Harter Marketplace as an example of one development phase with pictures of workers dressed in fluorescent safety vests and hardhats at Raising Cane's and Dutch Bros construction sites.

Potocnik said the adjacent ARCO is pending in the permit phase. The development liaison said a recent mayor's bus tour offered officials behind the scenes at Dutch Bros.

Simultaneously, housing development is up significantly.

"We are projected to double our single-family housing numbers from last year," the development liaison said.

Another major project out of development services is Yuba City's General Plan Update, a framework to guide the city, according to Potocnik, noting the refresh of the two-decade-long plan developed in 2004.

Planning entitlements under review include Dean Ranch, a 23.36-acre mixed-use development proposed as a senior housing project with different assistance levels. The other two projects under review are the Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Building, a 38-thousand-square-foot facility, and the Brownstone Estates, up to 7.84 acres, including 54 single-family homes.

Potocnik pointed out the Dean Ranch possibilities.

"Think of potential medical offices right there at the housing area so it is all walkable," Potocnik said.

Approved planning entitlements include Butte Vista East, 8.04 acres of 37 single-family homes; Johnson Ranch, 15.84 acres of 82-single family homes; and Newkom Ranch South, 54.74 acres of 234 residential lots.

Finishing up with public works and code enforcement, Potocnik pointed out unseen underground projects, including extending wastewater and service lines.

"Please feel free to reach me if you have questions about what is going on in Yuba City," Potocnik said of her contact information available on the website through the QR code.

Help Wanted - Trucking Newspapers

MESSENGER PUBLISHING GROUP

is seeking a delivery driver to haul our newspapers every Thursday morning from our offices in Carmichael to our locations in Marysville and Gridley.

Newspapers must be loaded in Carmichael at 8:30 Thursday mornings. Delivery then drops to Marysville by 11:30 am and then drops to Gridley by 1:00 pm.

Round trip is approximately 120 miles. Total time for the delivery is approximately 6 hours.

This is an independent contractor position. You must have a very reliable cargo van to be able to handle the volume of newspapers being delivered. You must have current DMV, drivers license, proper insurance and must be a resident of the State of California.

The delivery includes loading and unloading the product. You must be able to lift and move the newspapers without any assistance.

To apply contact us via email at Publisher@MPG8.com. You can also call us during regular business hours at 916-773-1111.



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**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YUBA
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:
LARRY DONALD VARGAS, PETITIONER(S)
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 24-01347
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:
11/25/2024
DEPT: 4
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) LARRY DONALD VARGAS, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: LARRY DONALD VARGAS
to: LARRY DONALD CORTEZ

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter 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 a 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 to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: 10/9/2024

Stephen W. Berrier
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
October 18, 25, November 1, 8, 2024

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
FOR MASTER DESIGN REVIEW
DREV-24-0005 (CRESLEIGH HOMES) BEFORE
THE PLUMAS LAKE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that public meeting will be held before the Plumas Lake Design Review Committee (PLDRC) on Wednesday October 30th, at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter via Zoom. In compliance with Government Code section 54953(e), members of the PLDRC and members of the public may participate in the meeting by teleconference via Zoom to consider the following:

Join Zoom
Meeting Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86316277475>
Meeting ID: 863 1627 7475
Mobile: +1 408 638 0968 US

DREV-24-0005: A request by Cresleigh Homes for consideration of a Master Design Review Plan and overall conceptual architectural and site design for 131 lots for Woodside Village 4 Subdivision (TSTM-24-0005). The project site is located 0.27 miles west of River Oaks Boulevard, south of Lockwood Drive, at the southern portion of the Plumas Lake Specific Plan area.

Any person wishing to testify on the above project may appear before the **PLDRC** at the prescribed time via Zoom or may submit written comments or objections to the Community Development and Services Agency at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901, prior to the meeting the project file is available for inspection at the same address. If you have any questions, you may contact Ciara Fisher, Planner III at (530) 749-5470.

The **PLDRC's** action on the project may be appealed by any interested person to the Board of Supervisors by filing a written appeal with the Clerk of the Board within 10 days following the **PLDRC's** final action on the project. If the Board of Supervisors is the final Approving Authority, or if the project is appealed to the Board, the Board's action is final.

If you challenge the action of the **PLDRC** on this matter in court, pursuant to Government Code section 65009 you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public meeting described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Department at, or prior to the meeting. (TD) 10-18-2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that Marysville Mini Storage 528 14th Street, Marysville, CA 95901 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, known as the "California Self Service Storage Facilities Act", Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

This auction will be conducted online at www.bid13.com on **October 18th, 2024 at 10:00 AM, and end on October 24th at 10:00 AM**. If there are no bidders, the property will be donated or disposed of accordingly. Property to be sold as follows: household goods, personal items, furniture, etc. belonging to the following:

Name:
Timothy L Sutton Jr.
Jon Ingram
David Jefferson
Ronald Smith

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in CASH only. All purchased items sold AS IS, WHERE IS, and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 530-742-6898 (TD) 10-18-24

**COUNTY OF YUBA
SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 1637**

The following is a summary of adopted ordinance amendments by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Yuba at a regular meeting held on October 8, 2024.

The ordinance amends sections 2.41.030 (c), 2.41.040, 2.41.040 (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f), 2.41.050 (a), 2.41.060, and 2.41.060 (a), (a) (2), (b), and (c) of Title II, Chapter 2.41 of the Yuba County Ordinance Code.

The ordinance was passed upon the following vote:

AYES: Don Blaser, Seth Fuhrer, Gary Bradford, Jon Messick
NOES: None
ABSENT: Andy Vasquez
ABSTAIN: None

The complete text of the adopted ordinance may be reviewed in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Yuba County, located at 915 8th Street, Suite 109, Marysville, CA 95901.

Mary Pasillas
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

(TD) October 18, 2024

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2024F-227**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Chez Flea
320 D Street
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA

Registered Owners:
Cynthia A. Valentini
320 D Street
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/12/2007.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
Cynthia A. Valentini

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on September 16, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,
Deputy Clerk
Sept. 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 2024.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File No. 2024F-248**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

Junk Jockey's
1622 C Street
Marysville, CA 95901
County of YUBA

Registered Owners:
1. Brian Joseph Johnson
1622 C Street
Marysville, CA 95901
2. Daniel Noah Sheyman
1622 C Street
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by Co-Partners.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:
**Brian J. Johnson
Daniel N. Sheyman**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on October 11, 2024.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,
County Clerk
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,
Deputy Clerk
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Notice of Self Storage Sale

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Nine Commission-Supported Bills Signed into Law

Little Hoover Commission News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Nine bills supported by the Little Hoover Commission were signed into law this year, including four measures that will strengthen efforts against intimate partner violence and other legislation to address labor trafficking, organic waste disposal, and customer-centric government.

“Seeing our recommendations embraced by the legislature and Governor Newsom and then turned into concrete policy improvements speaks to the Little Hoover Commission’s bi-partisan approach to solving California’s complex challenges,” said Commission Chair Pedro Nava. “We are honored that our work is helping to protect many of California’s most vulnerable.”

The Commission is a nonpartisan 13-member body appointed by the Governor and legislative leadership, and charged with making recommendations for policy changes that will foster efficiency, economy, and improved service in state government. The Commission supports legislation and other actions that implement its recommendations.

The four bills addressing intimate partner violence implement recommendations stemming from a pair of Commission reports on that topic. Among other reforms, those reports urged a focus on prevention and early intervention, accompanied by adequate funding.

Three of the bills address prevention and early intervention:

AB 2308 (Davies) extends from 10 to 15 years the maximum duration of a protective order issued against people convicted of certain domestic violence offenses.

SB 1394 (Min) creates new ways for survivors to stop a

domestic abuser from tracking their car.

SB 989 (Ashby) enhances investigation procedures in cases involving domestic violence-related deaths.

The fourth bill, AB 2432 (Gabriel, Cervantes, Reyes), establishes a California Crime Victims Fund, which will disburse fines paid by corporations convicted of illegal activity, to assist victims, including survivors of intimate partner violence.

“These new laws will make a real impact in the lives of people who experience intimate partner violence,” said Commissioner Janna Sidley, who chaired the Commission’s subcommittee on IPV, “We want to congratulate Assemblymembers Davies, Gabriel, Cervantes and Reyes and Senator Min, for their important work in getting these bills passed, and the Governor for signing them.”

Two other approved bills further the goals of recommendations from three Commission reports on labor trafficking. Detecting labor trafficking is particularly difficult as few understand the nature of the crime, and implementation of state human trafficking laws has focused primarily on sex trafficking.

Even when these crimes are successfully identified, cases that bring traffickers to justice remain rare. The Commission recommended that the state should empower state agencies to investigate labor trafficking crimes and conduct public education and outreach campaigns to increase awareness of all forms of human trafficking.

AB 1888 (Arambula and Ramos) establishes a dedicated labor trafficking unit within the California Department of Justice to receive labor trafficking reports from law enforcement agencies and other entities and refer those reports to appropriate

agencies for action. AB 1966 (Davies) requires ticket sellers to include information and resources for human trafficking victims with all ticket purchases for events at an entertainment venue.

“These reforms will help California serve those victimized by labor trafficking, an often-hidden crime,” said Commission Vice Chair Anthony Cannella. “Assemblymembers Arambula, Ramos and Davies should be very proud of this important milestone.”

In a 2023 report, Reducing California’s Landfill Emissions: SB 1383 Implementation, the Commission determined that California is falling short in the fight against harmful landfill emissions, a major contributor to climate change. The report featured recommendations that would help further the state’s efforts to curb methane emission, including:

Build as much flexibility as possible for local governments to recycle their organic waste.

Expand the list of compliance pathways and products eligible to count toward a jurisdiction’s procurement requirements.

Plan for the necessary infrastructure to achieve the state’s environmental goals, facilitate community composting, speed up the permitting process, and make any necessary changes to the relationship between state and local governments to better reflect shared responsibility for waste management.

Two approved bills will further the goals of these recommendations. AB 2346 (Lee) provides flexibility to local governments in how they comply with procurement requirements for recovered organic material. SB 1046 (Laird) requires a Program Environmental Impact Report for small and medium composts facilities to streamline permitting and help the state meet its climate goals.

AB 2455 (Gabriel) modernizes whistleblower laws and add protections to prevent the misuse of state funds and is in line with numerous Commission recommendations through the years regarding fiscal accountability.

Here are details of the nine bills that were supported by the Commission and that were signed into law this year.

Intimate Partner Violence

SB 989 (Ashby) expands law enforcement and coroners’ duties when a deceased person has a history as victim of domestic violence. Allows additional access to coroner records for family members when litigating a victim’s death.

AB 2432 (Gabriel, Cervantes, Reyes) establishes the California Crime Victims Fund in the State Treasury and would require that moneys deposited in the fund be continuously appropriated to the Office of Emergency Services to support crime victims’ services.

AB 2308 (Davies) authorizes a court to issue a protective order for up to 15 years. Authorizes the issuing court, upon a written petition by the prosecuting attorney, defendant, or victim, to modify or terminate the protective order for good cause if the parties receive notice at least 15 days before the hearing on the petition. Expands the scope of a crime to create a state-mandated local program.

SB 1394 (Min) establishes a process for the rapid termination of a domestic abuser’s access to app-connected, remote, and GPS-based vehicle technology. Requires car manufacturers to disable an abuser’s access to remote vehicle technology within two business days of a survivor’s request provided sufficient documentation, such as proof of legal possession of the vehicle or a domestic violence restraining order that awards

possession of the vehicle in question.

Labor Trafficking

AB 1966 (Davies) requires a primary ticket seller to include information regarding non-profit organizations that provide services or support in the elimination of slavery and human trafficking.

AB 1888 (Arambula and Ramos) establishes the Labor Trafficking Unit within the Department of Industrial Relations to receive, investigate, and prosecute complaints alleging labor trafficking and take steps to prevent it. The Unit will also coordinate with the Labor Enforcement Task Force, the Criminal Investigation Unit, the Department of Justice, and the Civil Rights Department to combat labor trafficking.

Organic Waste Disposal

AB 2346 (Lee) authorizes local jurisdictions to be credited for the procurement of recovered organic waste products through an agreement with a direct service provider. Recovered organic waste that local jurisdictions procure from specified compost operations also count towards the local jurisdiction’s procurement target.

SB 1046 (Laird) requires CalRecycle to prepare and certify completion of an environmental impact report that would streamline the process for jurisdictions to develop small and medium organic waste composting facilities.

Customer-Centric Government

AB 2455 (Gabriel) modernizes local and state whistleblower hotline laws and add protections to prevent the misuse of state funds. These changes are meant to improve accountability, increase public trust, and ensure government actions and transactions are transparent. ★

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Is there panic in Sactown? I certainly hope not, but there is concern. The concern emanates from three straight preseason losses and a disappointing 20-point loss to the Portland Trailblazers on the Kings home court.

The new starting lineup has been looking good but had an off night with the Trailblazers. My concern, however, is not with the starters, but rather with the caliber of the Kings bench.

The problem the Kings are initially facing is that the blue-chip bench players, that is to say the seventh and eighth players off the bench, are injured and have yet to play a single minute of basketball. I’m talking about Trey Lyles and Kevin Huerter, who are legitimate NBA players that could arguably be starters on many teams.

Coach Brown has already made his intentions known as it relates to fan favorite Malik Monk, and he apparently is about to resume his role on the team as the consummate sixth man.

I can’t say I agree with this decision, but it is the coaches to make, and the fans must wait and see if he’s right or wrong.

I’m high on Keon Ellis, and I can certainly see why coach Brown is high on him as well, but whether he should be occupying the sixth man role or not, is a question that we may or may not ever have the chance to see.

At the moment, I just want to see some solid basketball and avoid losing every preseason game going into the regular season. Losing can be contagious, and I would like to see the Kings put up a solid ‘W’ on Oct. 15, against the Utah Jazz. Follow that up with a crisp performance against the Clippers, and the home opener against the Timberwolves on Oct. 24, will feel like a playoff game.

I would be much more comfortable seeing Trey Lyles coming off the bench instead of Skal Labissiere. Obviously a project, Labissiere looks like a fish out of water on the court, and although I embrace his rags to riches story, this traveled 28-year-old from Haiti needs much more seasoning before he’s ready for prime time.

If ever there is a story every fan would love to embrace it would certainly be Skal Labissiere, but playing NBA basketball is all about confidence, and watching Skal on the court right now is not a picture of confidence.

Would I give up on Skal? No! But I would play his legs off in the G-league and I would do everything imaginable to build his confidence.

Never give up on a potential late-bloomer, and Labissiere could be a true late-bloomer.

One of the smartest moves the NBA has ever made is the creation of the G-league, and already the league is replete with success stories. I would love to see Skal become one of those success stories, and it’s entirely possible that could happen.

Not to make too much of one loss, the Portland game shed light on what happens when the Kings don’t shoot their threes. On Sunday Sacramento shot a disappointing 17% from beyond the arc, and for this team that portends disaster. They don’t have to shoot 45%, but something north of 38% is imperative if the Kings hope to have a better season than last year.

I believe the Kings will prove to be a solid three-point shooting team, as there is simply too much talent on this team for the outcome to be otherwise.

Monk, Huerter, and Lyles are all proven three-point shooters, so at this point with a small sample size to look at, it’s time to take a deep breath, have faith and just work on seeing improvement every game.

If there was any bright spot in the Blazer game it was Alex Len’s 13 points off the bench, and if Sacramento is going to have the successful season all Kings fans want to see, Len will need to make a nightly contribution on both ends of the court. At times Len looks like the rim protector the Kings desperately need, and I for one am hoping he can double down on this aspect of his game.

On another positive note, it was a shot in the arm to watch DeMar DeRozan carve up the Warriors in the preseason opener. Hitting all six of his field goals, he truly played the part of the six-time all-star we had all hoped to see.

The season opener looms ahead, and a quick start will erase any memory of poor preseason performances.

Let’s get our bench players healthy and see what the full contingent looks like.

Keep the faith Kings fans. Wins are right around the corner!!

Your thoughts are always welcome at vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com. ★

Yuba City to Host Halloween Safety Event

By Angela Underwood

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Trick or treat?

Halloween’s famous line immediately invokes the possibility of harm upon children who ask the question?

Although the treat wins over the trick at doorways, harm is still possible on Oct. 31. Alisha Bengé, Yuba Police Department information officer, said officers speak to children in a non-threatening way when it comes to the annual night out, ensuring that they are giving a clear message across about their safety.

“As with any time, not just Halloween, if something suspicious or ‘uneasy’ is spotted, you can notify the police by calling the non-emergency number for your local law enforcement agency,” Bengé said. “Officers and dispatchers can provide advice over the phone or respond to investigate if needed. Of course, if an emergency requires an immediate response, call 911.”

The greatest Halloween threat comes on the road, not the doorway.

“Halloween is particularly busy for pedestrian and vehicle traffic on the roadways,” Bengé said. “The likelihood of an accident is higher with all the activity.”

Traffic Safety Officer and Sgt. Dave Krause cites sombering data related to the seasonal event.

“Statistically, children are twice as likely to be injured in a vehicle or pedestrian accident on Halloween compared to any other day of the year, according to the National Safety Council,” Krause said.

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) outlines necessary precautions to avoid harm, including trick-or-treating with a friend or parent, walking only on sidewalks, and using flashlights or glowsticks.

Additionally, the Department



Yuba City Police Department officials join with the tiniest law enforcement officers once a year on Halloween. Photo courtesy of the Yuba City Police Department

of Homeland Security reports that Halloween participants should wear face paint rather than a mask for clearer vision and stay on a porch or sidewalk when giving out candy.

Regarding sweets, “Do not eat any candy until it has been inspected and review labels to ensure allergens are not present,” according to the Department of Homeland Security.

Bengé said precautions in Yuba City include a “Traffic Unit” conducting a traffic control run on Oct. 26, followed by some fun inside the Police Department.

“The Halloween Trick-or-Treat Open House is an annual event at

the department put it on that was inspired by Disneyland trick-or-treat trails,” Bengé said. “This gives the community a festive twist on touring the PD (Police Department) and having a small insight on what activity looks like in the department.”

This event runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. that day.

“There will be candy at each station and photo opportunities for parents and kiddos,” Bengé said of the Oct. 26 event.

For more information on the Oct. 26 Halloween Trick-or-Treat Open House, contact the Yuba City Police Department at 530-822-4660. ★



Children are invited to the Yuba City Police Department to get candy during Halloween when law enforcement officers and the community gather to talk safety. Photo courtesy of the Yuba City Police Department



The police department here goes all out for Halloween, even hanging witch hats from the ceiling for fun. Photo courtesy of the Yuba City Police Department

California Prepares for Extreme Weather Swings as New Water Year Approaches

California Department of Water Resources News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) on Sept. 26 previewed the new Water Year, which started on Oct. 1, by highlighting preparations for more extreme weather events this season following a record hot summer across much of California and a looming La Niña pattern.

Over the past decade, climate extremes have posed significant challenges to water managers, especially the extreme hot and dry conditions that frequently persist well past summer months and into the fall. California is seeing that right now with above-average temperatures forecast into October and no rain in the current forecast. At the same time, the water that California does receive will arrive from more powerful storms, and hotter temperatures will mean less winter precipitation falls as snow and more will arrive as rain, increasing flood risk.

“California has experienced the full range of climate challenges in recent years from extreme drought to severe flooding and we will be seeing more of that in the future,” said Department of Water Resources Director Karla Nemeth. “To meet these dramatic challenges, California is starting this water year with more accurate forecasting and additional investments in flood protection and groundwater recharge.”

The Department of Water Resources and partner agencies are making California more climate resilient, taking actions to protect and boost California’s water supplies by taking an

all-of-the-above approach to creating a resilient water supply in the face of a changing climate.

Investments in Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations and improved data collection on hydrological conditions across the state through the Department of Water Resources’ \$7 million California Stream Gage Improvement Program (CalSIP) will allow California to incorporate the best available science and data into its water management decisions.

California is also investing in protecting Californians from extreme weather events. Floodplain restoration and flood infrastructure projects such as the Lookout Slough Tidal Habitat Restoration and Flood Improvement Project and the Lower Elkhorn Basin Levee Setback Project will work with nature to improve wildlife habitat while reducing flood risk to hundreds of thousands of Californians.

California is also starting this water year with significant progress in bringing groundwater basins across the state closer to long-term sustainability, protecting drinking water supplies against the impacts of climate change. Last winter, the Department of Water Resources launched the Flood Diversion and Recharge Enhancement Initiative, which supports local groundwater recharge efforts that increase the volume of flood flows diverted from local waterways to recharge areas and expand local capacity to divert and receive future flood flows. The Department of Water Resources has invested over \$100 million in groundwater recharge projects since the Sustainable Groundwater



Pictured here is a drone photo of Lake Oroville taken Sept. 5. Photo courtesy of the California Department of Water Resources

Management Act was signed into law in 2014.

While Lake Oroville, the State Water Project’s largest reservoir, is currently 101 percent of average for this date, the latest outlook from NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center shows a 71 percent chance of La Niña conditions emerging this fall. While seven of the 10 La Niña events this century resulted in dry years, research also suggests that even as the climate grows hotter and drier overall, the precipitation that California does receive will arrive in stronger storms, increasing the risk from flooding.

“California experienced record

heat and dry conditions this summer, drying out the landscape and putting our hydrology behind before the water year even starts,” said State Climatologist Dr. Michael Anderson. “While there is still a lot of uncertainty around how La Niña could impact the state this year, we know we can count on it to include extreme conditions.”

The record dry conditions this summer broke multiple records across the state for consecutive days of triple digit temperatures. In the critically important Sierra Nevada watersheds, precipitation this fall will be vitally important to ensure the winter

snowpack can translate into runoff that fills our reservoirs, which provides a third of the water used in California.

In addition to today’s preview of the new Water Year, the Department of Water Resources released the 2024 Annual Water Supply and Demand Assessment Summary Report on Monday, Sept. 30. The summary report, which includes water shortage information at the supplier level, as well as regional and statewide analyses of water supply conditions, finds that all suppliers have assessed that they will have adequate supplies to meet demand in the coming year. ★