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Sea of Blue Honors Fallen Firefighter



Pictured is the entryway of Crossroads Christian Church, where fallen first responder Timothy Hall is memorialized with portraits, banners and flowers. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - If not me, then who?

That is the life quote of West Sacramento's Fallen Fire Engineer Lt. Timothy Hall, printed at the end of his obituary.

Hall collapsed during a training exercise on Sept. 23, later dying. Hall's life quote and memorial service, with helicopters flying

overhead, depict his dying dedication to be the finest firefighter possible. The service on Oct. 8 brought local and regional firefighters together to honor Hall, who died at 59.

Sacramento Fire Department Captain and public information officer Justin Sylvia said that "many line of duty deaths take place during training, unfortunately."

"This one was unique though," Captain Sylvia said. "Tim was

surrounded by some of the best EMT's around who immediately started CPR and life-saving efforts."

The fire captain said it's not often that high-quality CPR begins the second someone collapses.

"Also, training exercises should be as realistic as possible," Sylvia said. "Your training is what you default to when an incident goes south. You train like your life depends on it

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WUSD Talks Tech, New Field

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - New state-of-the-art fields, student board members and more had officials' attention at the Washington Unified School District

(WUSD) Board meeting. On Oct. 10, board trustees began the night recognizing and honoring the 2023-2024 Washington Unified School District student board members while welcoming in the new. By involving students in governance, executive communications director Giorgios Kazanis said, the district is not only improving current policies but also nurturing the next generation of community

"They serve as a direct link between the student



At the Oct. 10 Washington Unified School District meeting, officials thanked parting student board members while welcoming new ones. Photo courtesy of Washington Unified School District

body and the school board, ensuring that student voices are heard and considered," Kazanis said. "It's also a fun way for our student board members to

share regular updates highlighting various activities and achievements representing each of our schools districtwide."

Following, officials

held a public hearing on the Cool Schools Grant slated for Westmore Oaks Elementary, Riverbank Elementary, Yolo High Continued on page 5

Yolo Food Bank Raises \$130,000-Plus



Taiko drummers from UC Davis: Bakuhatsu Taiko Dan perform at the Global Rice Fest. Photo courtesy of Yolo Food

Yolo Food Bank News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) -

The second annual Global Rice Fest convened with more than 250 guests at Conaway Ranch in a remarkable celebration of rice, a vital crop for our region and beyond, underscoring the collective efforts of farmers, rice industry professionals, farm workers and chefs in feeding our communities.

Created by and for Yolo

Food Bank and in partnership with the City of Woodland's Food Front, this event was made possible through the founding sponsorship of Conaway Preservation Group, with generous support from Nugget Market as the presenting sponsor, along with Visit Woodland and many other valued sponsors. The event brought together rice and agricultural leaders, civic leaders, and passionate supporters, all coming together in a unified effort to combat food insecurity in Yolo County.

"The Global Rice Fest raised over \$130,000, made possible by the extraordinary generosity of our founding sponsor, Conaway Preservation Group, and the invaluable support from Nugget Market, Visit Woodland and many other generous sponsors," said Yolo Food Bank Executive Director Karen Baker. "These funds come at a crucial time, as the holiday season approaches, and family budgets become tighter. The blend of the region's finest chefs, quality spirits, and the enchanting ambiance of a century-old barn created an unforgettable setting for Continued on page 5

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Sea of Blue Honors Fallen Firefighter

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Hall's decree rang the loudest in his final hours

"His quote for life was 'If not me, then who?' and he lived that to the end," the obituary reads of the 18-year member of the West Sacramento Fire Department and 41-year lieutenant and training officer with Clarksburg Fire Protection District.

"Tim's passing has united various agencies throughout not only the region but the state of California as well," Sylvia said. "Many departments came together to not only cover West Sacramento the day of Tim's passing but on the day of the memorial as well."

The California Fire Foundation dedicated a webpage to Hall's life celebration details.

"Engineer Tim Hall leaves behind a lasting legacy of courage,

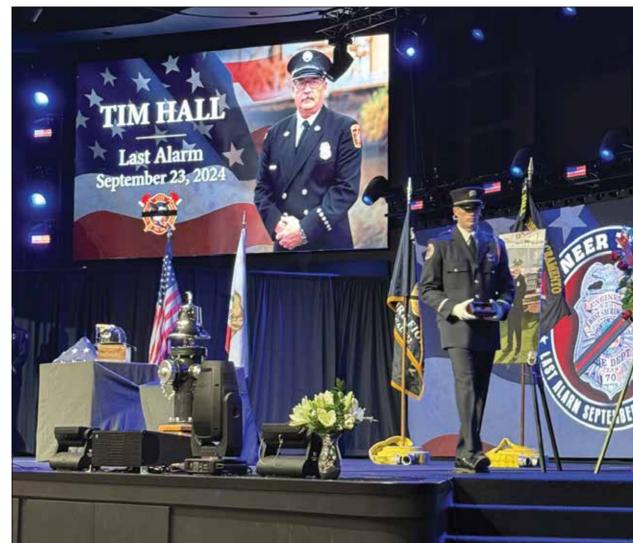
commitment, and care in the communities he served," the foundation wrote. "The only things he loved more than his profession were his wife, children and parents."

Son to Rochelle and Bruce Hall, a three-decade-long California Highway Patrol officer, Hall followed in his father's footsteps of public service, meeting the love of his wife, Susan, along the way.

"Their beautiful journey began when they met at a Boy Scout event in Clarksburg at an early age," the obituary reads of the couple who parented four children and three grandchildren.

As a local, Syliva said, the death of a neighbor brings intimacy.

"As a resident of West Sacramento myself, it was amazing to see the community come together to honor the life and legacy of Tim Hall. From a local school



West Sacramento's Fallen Fire Engineer Lt. Timothy Hall's memorial service at Crossroads Christian Church was on Oct. 8. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento



A badge honors Fallen Fire Engineer Lt. Timothy Hall. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

raising money for his family to all of the people lining the streets during the procession, a true sense of community was felt in this city," Sylvia said.

Hall also leaves behind children who love animals. Hall's volunteerism with the Clarksburg branch of the Yolo County 4-H proved his volunteerism went far beyond fire station walls.

"Timothy's endearing smile and deep, infectious laugh warmed the hearts of many," his obituary reads. "His love for Clarksburg and West Sacramento shone through in every selfless act as he bravely served the community."

Hall's procession ran south of Jefferson Boulevard from West Sacramento Fire Department Station 45 on Lake Washington Boulevard south to Clarksburg, crossing the river and ending at Elk's Grove.

service at Crossroads Christian Church included posting colors, a eulogy by West Sacramento Fire Department Chief Andy Bevins, a tribute video, medallion, and flag presentations, and a last alarm before playing "Amazing Grace" and closing in prayer.

"There were multiple agencies that worked on the planning piece of the service as well," Sylvia said. "Countless The sea of blue hours were spent with

local agencies planning this service so that West Sacramento could mourn the loss of Tim and not worry about planning a funeral."

Now that the planning, service and memorial is over, nothing could be more true than the last line of Hall's mortuary tribute.

"Timothy's impact on the world will never be forgotten, and his spirit will continue to inspire us all," the obituary

Quirina Orozco



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Local Library Much More than Books



The Yolo County Library West Sacramento Branch is culturally diverse, offering bi-lingual events and story times. Photo courtesy of the Yolo County Library

By Angela Underwood

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Arthur F. Turner Community Library here has

Open every day except Sunday, the local Yolo County Library System branch offers so much more than just books.

For example, cardholders use the system's 3D printer to complete small manufacturing projects or borrow a free vehicle day pass for up to 200 state parks. For those who like to stay inside, the branch offers free and discounted passes to local museums.

October features some of the local library's innovative programs, including Halloween costume donations of all ages and sizes from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Oct. 18 at 1212 Merkley Ave. Assistant County Librarian Dana Christy, who governs the local branch, said the Merkley Avenue location is ideal.

"It is centrally located near the City of West Sacramento Senior Center and the Los Rios Community College campus," Christy said. "This centralized location makes it easy for students, seniors and nearby residents to walk to the library.'

Along with access, the Arthur F. Turner branch offers gratis events.

"Free programs and events

at the library provide everyone in the community an equal opportunity to learn and be inspired regardless of their economic status," Christy said. "This is especially important for families that may have limited budgets."

Free activities make it possible to be educated and entertained, regardless of the cost of living, according to the

"Library cardholders have free online access to the New York Times, popular magazines and thousands of eBooks and downloadable audiobooks through the Libby app," Christy said.

It gets even better; cardholders are no longer penalized.

"For those who like printed books, the library no longer has late fees," Christy said.

As far as story time, you don't even have to be in the branch to enjoy it. Dial-A-Story offers the chance to hear a story in English or Spanish anytime, with new tales available monthly. In-person story times at the local branch include family, Russian bi-lingual and Native American.

"There are very few places where people from all backgrounds can come together to share a common interest like practicing speaking English, watching a beloved movie, enjoying a cultural celebration

or discussing a new book," Christy said.

The local branch also offers volunteer opportunities, including English tutoring positions and a virtual English Conversation Group facilitator. Adolescents also have a chance to help out or gain community service hours at the branch.

"Everyone is welcome at the library, and it is a safe space for many marginalized community members," Christy said of the bilingual staff and story times. "These are just a few examples of how the library brings community members together to learn from and enjoy each other.'

Christy said the Yolo County Library in West Sacramento is committed to serving our community in as many ways as possible, including the Pumpkin Decorating Event on Oct. 26 from 2 to 4 p.m., open to adults and children.

"By offering a variety of programs and events at no cost, we hope to pique the interest of all community members within West Sacramento and in Yolo County at large," Christy said.

For more information on the local library, call 530-666-8005 or visit yolocountylibrary.org/locations/

Mercy General Hospital Guild Back Open to Volunteers



The Mercy Hospital Guild volunteers served 608 hospital staff members tea sandwiches and baked goods at the annual personal tea in May. Photo courtesy of Deborah McStocker of Mercy Guild

By Carol Barr, Mercy General Hospital Guild

Editor's note: Mercy General Hospital offers many services, including heart and vascular care, a family birth center and cancer care. The Sacramento hospital, part of the Dignity Health network, is dedicated to delivering high quality, compassionate care and access to Sacramento and nearby communities.

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

- The Mercy General Hospital Guild is back open to any and all volunteers since the pandemic

Because children have returned to school, Mercy General Hospital Guild volunteers hope that you will want to give back to your community by volunteering. The address for Mercy General Hospital is 4001 J St., Sacramento.

Volunteers only work in four-hour shifts, which are 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 12:30

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The basic requirement is only two shifts a month. The yearly fee for membership is \$20.

to 4 p.m. or in some cases.

There are many departments where volunteers can work.

The AlexGSpanos information desk is located in the main lobby. Patients are directed to registrars so they can have their procedures completed from that desk. We also direct patients and their families to see loved ones or find the locations of their procedures.

The Mercy Medical Plaza Information Desk is located in the doctors' offices building next door and patients are directed to their doctors' offices or outpatient surgery there.

The Surgery/Cardiac Waiting Area is located on the second floor of the main hospital. We keep families informed of their loved ones' surgery and its completion.

The gift shop is located on the first floor of the main hospital. There are always beautiful clothes, jewelry and gifts, seasonal art pieces, books, candy and snacks to purchase.

If a volunteer would rather work from home, pillowcases are made for all our cardiac patients, plus there are creations made for our seasonal sales throughout the year. The fun activities are planned for the staff at the hospital. These activities include bake sales, ice cream socials, vendor sales and the annual personal tea

held each May. There is office work available in the new Guild office located in the main hospital basement. The staff organizes hours and keeps information, such as addresses and requirements, current for all volunteers.

If you are interested in receiving an application, call 916-453-4699. The requirements will be explained to you and an application will be made available.

Elections Office to Process and Count Vote-by-Mail Ballots

Yolo County Assessor News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Elections Office began the processing and counting of vote-by-mail ballots for the Nov. 5 General Election on Friday, Oct. 11. The totaling and posting of election results will begin after 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

The Elections Office will continue to process and count vote-by-mail ballots during regular business hours at the Yolo County Elections Office (625 Court St., Suite B-05, Woodland), including after business hours on Election Day (until 8 p.m. on Nov. 5). For the most up to date daily times, contact the Elections Office at 530-666-8133.

"The processing and counting of voteby-mail ballots is open to the public and we welcome anyone who is interested in observing," said Jesse Salinas, Yolo

County Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/Registrar of Voters. "Transparency is the cornerstone of our democratic process. We are committed to ensuring that all voters can see and understand all of our processes."

If you are interested in observing, email elections@yolocounty.gov.

For more information about this election, visit elections.yolocounty. gov. Information about Vote Centers, Mobile Vote Center and Ballot Drop Box locations are available at: https://elections. yolocounty.gov/vote-locations.

The Yolo County Elections Office encourages residents to connect with Yolo County ACE - Assessor/Clerk-Recorder/ Elections on Facebook: @YoloACE. Instagram: @YoloCoACE, Threads: @ YoloCoACE, YouTube: @Yolo County ACE, TikTok: @yolocoace and X: @ YoloCoACE to receive the most up-todate information

United Way Seeks Volunteers for Initiatives to End Poverty for Families in The Sacramento Region

Volunteers needed for Free Tax Prep and literacy tutoring programs

Kristin Thebaud, Kristin Thebaud Communications News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Local residents can help end poverty for families in the capital region by volunteering with United Way California Capital Region in its Free Tax Prep and literacy tutoring programs. From teens to seniors, volunteers can receive valuable experience while making an impact on their community.

"Whether they're more into numbers or letters, math or reading, our volunteers of all ages provide a critical human touch to our programs as they develop relationships and directly empower local families with tools to rise from poverty," said Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region. "Our literacy volunteers work with children to help them excel in school so they can succeed in college and career. Our Free Tax Prep volunteers work with families to ensure they receive every dollar possible in tax credits so they can increase the amount of money in their bank accounts and support their families and their children's education."

Local residents who are interested in education, child development or literacy and have a couple hours to commit each week can become literacy volunteers, either virtually or in person. These volunteers facilitate tutoring sessions at local elementary schools and implement engaging literacy activities. Volunteers receive hands-on experience as they network and gain skills in tutoring, teaching, mentoring and volunteer management, all while making a meaningful impact on children's lives. To learn more about becoming a literacy volunteer: https://www.yourlocalunitedway.org/our-work/help-kids-excel/

literacy-tutoring/. Volunteers looking to dedicate four to eight hours each week and learn valu-

able tax filing information can sign up to



help with United Way's Free Tax Prep program. Free Tax Prep volunteers directly impact individuals and families as they work to help them file their taxes and apply for the maximum tax credits possible. Commitments span five to six months, with 40 hours of tax training between November-January, and tax season running January through May.

To learn more about becoming a Free Tax Prep volunteer, visit https://www. yourlocalunitedway.org/our-work/ invest-in-families/free-tax-preparation/.

Founded in 1923, United Way California Capital Region has been a transformative force in the Sacramento community for more than a century, serving Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo counties. The local United Way's Square One approach to ending poverty is grounded in a public health model and uses a threefold strategy to address community needs from birth and beyond: helping kids excel in school, investing in families and strengthening schools. At United Way's core is the philosophy that families possess the blueprint for their success. United Way supplies books to young children, provides literacy tutoring, addresses housing and food security, leads the region's largest tax preparation initiative and launched Sacramento's first guaranteed income program. United Way works across diverse school districts, providing case management for foster youth and leading the Community Schools initiative in West Sacramento.

For more information or to make a donation, visit www.YourLocalUnitedWay.org ★

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Social Security Matters Yolo County Superior **About Retroactive** Social Security Benefits



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: Both my wife and I are $67 \frac{1}{2}$, i.e., past our full retirement age of 66 years and 6 months. Neither of us have yet filed for SS retirement benefits. My wife is entitled to about \$1,000/month based on her work history, and I plan to wait until age 70 to file. I was entitled to \$3,700 at my full retirement age date and am eligible to receive \$4,800 at age 70. Thus, my wife's spousal benefit, which she can get when I start taking my SS, is another \$850 (a total of \$1,850), which is 50% of my full retirement age amount. We just recently became aware that my wife should have claimed her own smaller benefit earlier and taken her higher spousal benefit later when I claim. But has she lost Social Security benefits because she waited until now to claim? Signed: Trying

Dear Trying: Yes, I am afraid your wife has lost some of her SS retirement benefit by waiting too long to

Hard to Understand

circumstances (where your wife is eligible for a higher monthly amount as your spouse) it is important to know that her spousal benefit amount reached maximum when she attained her full retirement age (FRA) of age 66 and 6 months. Even though she cannot collect as your spouse until you later claim, her eventual spousal amount does not increase because she is now past her FRA. Thus, waiting the extra year after her FRA did not enhance her spousal benefit amount, meaning she could have been collecting her own smaller SS retirement benefit starting at her FRA. The good news, however, is not all those past benefits are lost.

Once someone has passed their full retirement age, it is possible to claim up to six months of retroactive benefits. Full retirement age is the cutoff point because your wife cannot get retroactive benefits before her FRA but, since she is about a year past, she can claim her full six months of retroactive benefits. Thus, she will lose only about six months of her SS retirement benefit by claiming her benefits to start at age 67 (vs. now at $67 \frac{1}{2}$, which at least mitigates the loss. And instead of her FRA amount of \$1000, her initial SS retirement benefit will be about 3% higher because she is

claim. In your specific claiming past her FRA. But, nevertheless, your wife's eventual spousal amount (when you claim) will still be limited to 50% of your full retirement age entitlement.

The important thing to keep in mind is that retroactive benefits can only be claimed after someone has reached their full retirement age, and only up to six months of retroactive benefits can normally be claimed. So, in your wife's case, her eventual spousal benefit from you will still be limited to 50% of your FRA amount even though she waited for a year past her own FRA to claim. But she can claim six months of retroactive SS retirement benefits now to soften the financial blow.

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Court Elects Judges

Yolo County Superior Court News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Judges of Yolo Superior Court elected Judge Tom M. Dver and Judge Sonia Cortés to serve as Presiding Judge and Assistant Presiding Judge for 2025-2026. Their terms will begin Jan. 1, 2025.

The Presiding Judge is responsible for the administration of the court in addition to his regular judicial duties in the courtroom. With the assistance of the Court Executive Officer, the Presiding Judge, or "PJ," establishes policies, ensures public access to justice, promotes efficiencies, maximizes use of judicial resources, provide a forum for the fair and expeditious resolution of disputes, and enhance service to the public.

Following his election to the position of Presiding Judge, Judge Dyer said, "I'm grateful my colleagues have entrusted me with the opportunity to serve as Presiding Judge. The Yolo County Superior Court has a strong tradition of being innovative so that the community's needs are handled capably and efficiently. I look forward to working with court staff and my judicial colleagues in fulfilling our mandate of providing access to justice for the community we serve."

Appointed by Governor Brown to the

Yolo Superior Court bench in 2019, Judge Tom M. Dyer has presided over Family, Juvenile and Criminal calendars. He currently presides over a Criminal calendar. Prior to his appointment, he served as Chief Deputy Legislative Affairs Secretary in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown, 2015-2018 and Legislative Director of the California Department of Finance (2012- 2015). He received a Juris Doctorate from University of California, Davis School of Law in 2003 and a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from University of California, Davis in 1997.

Judge Cortés has been a Superior Court Judge for 10 years. Appointed by Governor Edmund G. Brown in 2015, she received her Juris Doctor degree from University of California Berkeley School of Law in 1996 and a Bachelor of Arts at the University of California, Davis in 1993. Judge Cortés served as Yolo County Deputy County Counsel (2002-2015). Prior to that she was Managing Attorney for the International Institute of the East Bay (2002). Judge Cortés has presided over Criminal, Probate and Civil assignments, Juvenile, Small Claims and Traffic calendars. She currently presides over a Criminal calendar.

For a more complete description of the 2025 Calendar Assignments, visit the court's website at www.yolo.courts.ca.gov.

Yolo Superior Court also released the 2025 calendar assignments, as follows:

Department	Judge	Assignment
One	Judge Clara M. Levers	Arraignments/Master Calendar
Two	Comm. Katherine Taylor	AB 1058/Traffic/Small Claims
Three	Hon. Janene Beronio	Family Law
Four	Hon. Danette C. Brown	Family Law
Five	Hon. Daniel P. Maguire	Juvenile
Six	Hon. Tom M. Dyer	Juvenile
Seven	Hon. Paul K. Richardso	Criminal
Eight	Hon. Daniel M. Wolk	Criminal
Nine	Hon. Sonia Cortés	Criminal
Ten	Hon. Catherine Hohenwarter	Criminal
Eleven	Hon. Timothy L. Fall	Civil/Probate/LPS
Fourteen	Hon. Samuel T. McAdam	Civil/Probate/Care Court

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Teichert Foundation Grants \$5,000 To Make It Happen for Yolo County

Kristin Thebaud **Communications** News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Local nonprofit Make It Happen for Yolo County has received a grant of \$5,000 from the Teichert Foundation to provide under-resourced transition age youth with furniture, safe appliances and household items needed to care for their home so they can be successful first-time renters in college or career.

"We are honored to partner with the Teichert Foundation in our work to ensure our community's transition age youth have a safe home and foundation," said Cathi Schmidt, executive director, Make It Happen for Yolo County. "The odds truly are stacked against this population due to the lack of financial and emotional support that so many of us have been fortunate enough to experience. We are grateful to the Teichert Foundation for prioritizing our community's resilient youth."

Celebrating its 10th anniversary this year, Make It Happen for Yolo County serves local transition age youth ages 18 to 24, many of whom have been in foster care or experienced homelessness. The nonprofit receives furniture donations from the community and purchases new appliances and household items to help youth



Dr. Allegra Pickett of the Teichert Foundation presents a check to Make It Happen for Yolo County board member Yvonne **Emmons.** Photo courtesy of Kristin Thebaud Communications

involved with the Yolo County child welfare, mental health and probation divisions, as well as the UC Davis Guardian Scholars program and other local nonprofits. Since its founding in 2014, Make It Happen for Yolo County has helped more than 250 transition age youth. To make a financial or furniture donation, visit www. MIHYolo.org.

Teichert is committed to building and preserving a healthy and prosperous region. The foundation makes grants to organizations that create beauty, foster culture, nurture children, provide access to food and housing for those in need, preserve nature, increase awareness of our environment, build an educated citizenry and a well-prepared workforce, and strive to provide better health for all. For more information. visit www.Teichert.com/ Teichert-Foundation.

Yolo Food Bank Raises \$130,000-Plus



Attendees enjoy the ambiance at Conaway Ranch for the Global Rice Fest. Photo courtesy of Yolo

Continued from page 1 celebrating and strengthening our community."

The event featured an exceptional lineup of culinary talent, with ricebased dishes crafted by Chef Yekaterina Balagian, The Dolce Diva; Chef Greg Desmangles, Urban Roots; Chef Santana Diaz, UC Davis Health; Pastry Chef Katlyn Hall, Katydid Sweets Co.; Chef Billy Ngo, Kru; Chef Sean Rumery, Canon; Chef Craig Takehara, Binchovaki and a local fan favorite Chef Sam Durrani of Curry Kabab Paradise. Special recognition is due to Juan Barajas, Yolo Food Bank's Vice Chair and the Global Rice Fest Chef Ambassador, whose efforts in convening this impressive array of chefs were instrumental to the event's success. The evening was further enriched by a diverse selection of global sounds, including the captivating rhythms of Bakuhatsu Taiko Dan, the UC Davis student-run Taiko drummers, which contributed to the celebration's cultural vibrancy. Guests also enjoyed the Brazilian melodies of Boca do Rio alongside the eclectic sounds of the Lucky Devils Band.

"This event exemplifies the generosity of the rice community and neighboring farmers in addressing food insecurity right here in our backyards," said Kyriakos Tsakopoulos, president and CEO of Conaway Preservation Group. "Through our longstanding partnership with Yolo Food Bank, we are leveraging Conaway Ranch to strengthen connections that uplift and benefit our community for years to come."

The Global Rice Fest not only highlighted the region's agricultural heritage but also served as a celebration of the community's dedication to feeding its most vulnerable neighbors. With nearly one in three households facing hunger in Yolo County, events that unite supporters of all types create awareness essential to generating support for residents in need. The event's success paves the way for the third annual Global Rice Fest in 2025. Next year, the event will continue to showcase the best of Yolo County, highlighting its authentically unique farm-to-fork assets. Interested future sponsors should contact Maria Segoviano, Yolo Food Bank's director of development and communications, at marias@ yolofoodbank.org.

To learn more about Yolo Food Bank, visit: https://yolofoodbank.org★

WUSD Talks Tech, New Field



Children play on the new grass fields at Westmore Oaks Elementary School, with officials reporting outdoor activity enhances and increases social skills. Photo courtesy of Washington Unified

Continued from page 1 School and River City High School.

As for action and consent agenda items, officials approved the Disney Imagination Campus Field Trip, an overnight opportunity for River City High School students to record a professional ensemble piece with Disney industry professionals.

Speaking of music, trustees approved a contract with Nariman Percussion Inc., for Washington Unified School District Expanded Learning Programs, which introduce students to different musical instruments.

Trustees continued sharing the love of liberal studies, renewing a contract with Nor Cal School of the Arts for classroom instruction and after-school and summer programs. The contract will provide 20 weeks of theater arts workshops integrating social-emotional learning through culturally responsive and trauma-informed practices.

Students are not the only ones who get to travel, as board trustees approved an out-of-state conference, allowing four social workers to attend the National School Social Work Conference in Atlanta in April 2025.

According to a staff brief, "The conference offers a diverse range of breakout workshop sessions designed to provide practical strategies and best practices that can be applied directly to the work

of a social worker."

Security was also addressed. Trustees approved additional security cameras for the Westfield Village School Modernization project to better monitor the campus and approved the 2024-2025 Washington Unified School District Comprehensive School Site Safety Plans.

The mandated annual update includes protocols for child abuse reporting, disaster preparedness, student entry and exit safety, sexual harassment prevention and school discipline, among other required safety measures.

Tech talks stopped when officials tabled a proposed Data Sharing Agreement between the City of West Sacramento and Washington Unified School District for a future

board meeting. The meeting ended on a green note, with officials approving a change order

for the Westmore Oaks Field Project's newly-in-

stalled irrigation system. According to a staff brief, "to obtain proper water coverage, the irrigation system was improved beyond what was originally planned."

Kazanis said that the project's scope was comprehensive, including clearing and grading the area, installing an irrigation system and laying grass sod.

"These steps were necessary to create a sustainable and safe play environment," Kazanis said of the nearly \$200,000 project funded through Measure V State Facilities Program matching funds. "While the timeline was extended, the result is a significant upgrade that will benefit our students for years to

Along with a safer playing surface for sports and physical education activities, the new fields offer an improved environment for outdoor learning and social activities, according to Kazanis.

Enhanced aesthetics of the field contributes to school pride and creates a more inviting atmosphere for the entire school community, Kazanis said.

West Sacramento Man Sentenced after Killing Man with Sword

Yolo County District Attorney's Office News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - On Oct. 4, the Honorable Tom Dyer sentenced Jeffrey Lee, a 39-year-old resident of West Sacramento, to 30 years to life in prison. The sentence came after a Yolo County jury found Lee guilty of second-degree murder and allegations of use of a deadly weapon and a prior serious felony conviction to be true.

On April 5, 2022, West Sacramento Police Officers responded to a report of a male bleeding on the ground. The injured male was laying on the ground next to a white Ford Motor home. He was later identified as Jack Knox, a 28-year-old resident of West Sacramento. Knox

had suffered a stab wound to his heart. Lifesaving efforts were made; howpronounced dead by emergency room personnel.

After reviewing surveillance video from the surrounding businesses, officers identified Lee as a suspect. Lee was later contacted and taken into custody. Lee directed investigators to the location of the murder weapon, a short, bladed sword. Lee hid the weapon in some brush around his camp near the Sacramento River immediately after the murder. The confrontation between the two men was related to concerns Lee had over Knox's relationship with Lee's ex-girlfriend.

At the sentencing, Judge Dyer heard from Knox's brother, who provided a

victim impact statement, and reviewed information provided by both the prosever, Knox was later ecution and the defense related to Lee's long history of mental illness, substance abuse, homelessness and poor performance on parole. After weighing the circumstances of the murder and Lee's prior history, Judge Dyer found that the 30-year-to-life sentence was in the best interest of

public safety. Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig commented that "Mr. Lee's sentencing serves as a stark reminder of the critical need to address chronic mental health and substance abuse in our community. While justice must be served, we must also acknowledge the underlying issues that contribute to such tragic events."



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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 hardearned 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 Score out of 100	Description - Overall Fiscal Risk
Α	85 to 100	Low Risk of financial distress
В	70 to 84	Low Risk of financial distress
С	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 unexnectedly 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.

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

California Policy Center's

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. Twentysix 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

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 cus-

tody in California, and no

incentive to participate

society would have in an in court supervised treat- consequences be brought lost to drugs on the streets nment in which 200 ment. Those cited typically against those who habituignore 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



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

ally 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 distract attorneys of diverse political and philosophical affiliation, supported by big city mayfrom ors California's diverse communities, provide incentive 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

treatment for

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 recog-

nize the wellbeing of those

regard for our fellow human beings. Swift, lawful action taken to put these lost souls on the path to a vastly better existence is the compassionate and appropriate action to be taken by the electorate of this state.

Ten years ago, the political leadership of the state of California misled the voters, assuring them that Proposition 47 would enhance public safety, that eliminating thoughtful punitive consequences for lawlessness would somehow make the schools and neighborhoods safer. Many of those same people are again describing Proposition as something vastly different than what it is. Proposition 36 is a plan to reduce homelessness, drug addiction, and theft in California. Lawabiding taxpayers deserve better, future generations of Californians deserve better and those in the grip of addiction need our help. Please do not be fooled by the same people who misled the voters to pass Proposition 47. Please help save

California. Vote "Yes" on Prop.36.

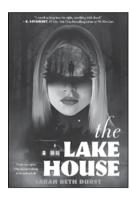
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Young Adult Reads to Scream About



The Lake House by Sarah Beth Durst; Harper Teen

Claire has always been one to be prepared. She runs over worst-case scenarios in her head. preparing for anything that "could" happen, yet nothing ever does. That was until Claire showed up at her off-grid summer camp. This summer camp was supposed to be a whole new experience, and she was even a little excited, even though it was entirely off the grid. But what Claire discovered when she arrived was more than any worse case scenario she could have imagined. All that was left of the camp was burnt remains, and Claire and the other two late arrivals were all that was left. No shelter, cell phones, electricity, or way to get back home. But even worse - realizing they weren't the only ones left behind. Someone is out there hunting them, and they will need to uncover the truth in order



The Blonde Dies First Joelle Wellington,

Simon & Schuster

What started as the best summer ever quickly turns dark when a group of teens learn what happens when you mess with a Ouija board. Now, Devon, her genius twin sister, along with their group of friends, are spending their summer trying not to die as they are being hunted down by an unleashed demon. Then Devon quickly realizes that this demon might not be a demotic creature. but a human hunting them in horror movie style. As Devon fights to try and save her friend's lives, she starts to feel them slip away. Will their horror movie knowledge help them change the tables on the killer, or will this be their last summer together?

This "trope-savvy, self-referential young adult thriller" is the perfect Halloween read for fans of the Scream franchise.

The Hysterical Girls of St Bernadette's

Hanna Alkaf, Salaam Reads/Simon & Schuster A chilling dark-academia



thriller just in time for the spooky season.

St Bernadette's has always been known for shaping the best minds of young women, but it also has another reputation.

While St Bernadette's has been the school girls' have been fighting to attend for over 100 years, everything is about to change with one scream. By the end of one day, a chain reaction, 17 girls each falling into fits of screaming.

Khadijah has her own problems that need attention, but seeing her friends mysteriously fall into hysterical fits starts to tear her apart, but when her sister becomes the next victim, she knows she has to step in.

Rachel finally starts to find her own voice, free from her mother's expectations. But just as she starts to feel free, she falls into the screams.

Now, it is between Khadijah and Rachel to try to uncover the school's dark history, but what lies in the darkness watching is more than either of them could ever prepare for.



Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are debtfree, 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 wifenot you. This is important, because if you try to step

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Dave Ramsey Says

in and take the lead on things, you'll immediately become the mean sonin-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 se-

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

– Dave

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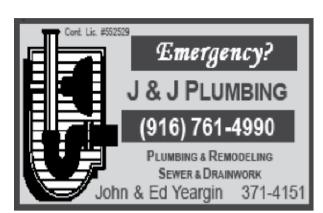
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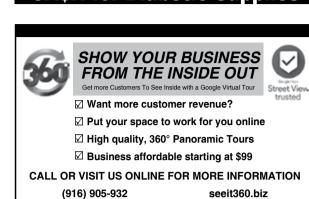
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Office Administration - We are seeking a full-time administrative support person for our newspaper group. This position works in the Carmichael office and works directly with the Office Manager. Work hours are between 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. Previous office experience is required. Primary duties are working with customers and assisting with weekly

legal advertising filings. We also have a part-time position available in West Sacramento available in August. City Reporter - We are seeking a fulltime City Reporter for our newspaper group. This position may be assigned to work in the Carmichael office or another area office and works directly with the Managing Editor. Work hours are flexible depending on assignments. Pre-

vious reporting experience is required.

Copy Editor - We are seeking a part-time copy editor for our newspaper group. This position works in the Carmichael office and works directly with the Managing Editor. Work hours are flexible between 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. Previous editing experi-

ence is required. **Delivery Driver - Weekly Hauling** to Marysville- We are seeking a parttime Delivery Driver for our newspaper group. This position would transport newspapers from our Carmichael office to our offices in Marysville and Gridley. Work hours are from 8:30 to 4:00 every Thursday. Must be able to lift and move bundles of newspapers without assistance. Must have your own reliable cargo van. This is an independent contractor position and pays a flat rate for your service.

Newsstand Delivery Driver/Local

- We are seeking a part-time Newsstand Deliver Driver for our newspaper group. This position works from the Carmichael office and delivers to our locations in the West Sacramento/Sacramento Region. Routes also available in Elk Grove, Pocket, East Sacramento, Arden Arcade. Work hours are from 8:30 to 5:00 Thursday and/or Friday. Must be able to lift and move bundles of newspapers without assistance. You must have a reliable vehicle. This is an independent contractor position. Previous experience preferred.

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COMICS & PUZZLES



Amber Waves

UNCLE LOU, WHAT DO YOU SAY WE SPEND ALL DAY AT THE MALL?

Out on a Limb



OR FOR FUN WE COULD

JUST LAY IN THE MUD

AND SLEEP ALL DAY?

MAYBE WE GO TO AN

AMUSEMENT PARK

OR TO THE BEACH?



by Dave T. Phipps

REMIND ME TO NEVER LET YOU BE IN CHARGE OF MY BACHELOR PARTY.

by Gary Kopervas

CORN HENGE







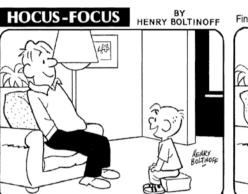


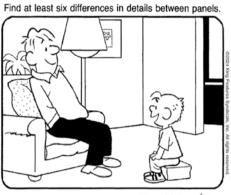












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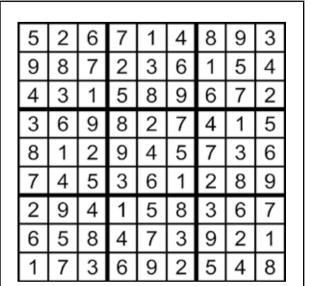


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25. Away's partner 28. Biology lab supply 30. Offspring of alumnus 35. Month before Nisan 37. Latte choice

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spot 48. Popular post 50. Biblical firstborn 52. What skeletons and skedaddlers have in

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Marvel role 12. *Like decorated house

on Halloween 15. El Chapo's organization,

20. MC Hammer's "Too

to Quit" album
22. Black gold

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26. Love intensely 27. a.k.a. honey badger

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33. *Spooky house sound 34. "Fiddler on the Roof" gossipy character 36. Coral barrier



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38. Gads, anagrammed 42. Mold a mind 45. Expel a lawver

49. Ever, to a poet

51. Bluish planet

*#12 Down, alt. sp.

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60. Having wings 61. Black-eyed legumes

62. Sound of a bell 63. Fail to mention 64. Magnolia State, abbr. 67. *R.I.P. container

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240700 The following person(s) is doing business as: Dollar Tree #10267 375 West Main Street, Suite B, Woodland, CA 95695-3683. Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. 500 Volvo Parkway, Chesapeake, VA 23320. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/15/2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024 10-18-24 **DOLLAR**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240800 The following person(s) is doing business as: Westlake Market, 1260 Lake Boulevard, Davis, CA 95616.

Gur Kirpa LLC, 878 Daffodil Vacaville, CA 95687. 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 N/A

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/16/2024

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240794 The following person(s) is doing business as: Speedy Pawz, 1401 Patriot Way, Woodland, CA 95776.

Speedy Pawz LLC, 1401 Patriot Way, Woodland, CA 95776. 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 4/23/2024 This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/13/2024. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024 **SPEEDY** 10-18-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240778 The following person(s) is doing business as: Penrith Home Loans/Scenic Oaks Funding, 1200 East Orangeburg Avenue, Suite 103, Modesto, CA 95350. Scenic Oaks Funding, LLC, 1200 East Orangeburg Avenue, Suite 103, Modesto, CA 95350. 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 2/15/2024.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/9/2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024 10-18-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240776 The following person(s) is doing business as: Sunshine Healing Spa Massage, 512 College Street, Woodland, CA 95695. Xie Yongchao, 5630 55th Street, Sacramento, CA 95824. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on Sep-

tember 9, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/9/24

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: October 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024 SUNSHINE 10-25-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. F20240822 The following person(s) is doing business as:

BradyPLUS of California, 9353 Waxie Way Sandiego, CA 92123, WAXIÉ'S ENTERPRISES, LLC,

9353 WAXIE WAY SAN DI-

EGO, CA 92123 This business is conducted by Limited Liability Company (submit Articles of Organization from the Secretary of State).

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

/s/ Glenn Chamberlin. Vice President This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on

09/23/2024. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/ Recorder

By: kquam, Deputy 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25/24 CNS-3854905# **NEWS-LEDGER BRADY**

10-25-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240842 The following person(s) is doing business as: Best Rate Motors LLC, 5080 East Chiles Road, Suite 2, Davis, CA 95618 Best Rate Motors LLC,

Mount Stephens Court, Sacramento, CA 95835. 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 September 30, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/1/2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024 11-1-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240835 The following person(s) is doing business as: Pizza Twist, 2115 Bronze Star Drive, Suite 120, Woodland, CA 95776 EK Nirankar LLC, 2109 Wooster

Place, Woodland, CA 95776. 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 N/A. This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/27/2024. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240848 The following person(s) is doing business as: Insight Seed Technologies, 10 North East Street, Suite 203, Woodland, CA 95776 Aginnovation LLC and SeQso, B.V., 1930 Tienda Drive, Suite 104, Lodi, CA 95242. This business is conducted by a Joint Venture. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/3/2024.

name or names listed above on

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024 **SEED** 11-1-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240849 The following person(s) is doing business as: Cardio Rhythm For Life, 955 Cranbrook Court, Suite #301, Davis, CA 95616

Joyce Barrett, 955 Cranbrook Court, Suite #301, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by a Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed

above on 10/3/2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024 **CARDIO** 11-1-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME **STATEMENT** FILE NO. F20240804 The following person(s) is doing

business as: MANA CIRCUIT STUDIOS. 26378 PLAINFIELD ST, ES-PARTO, CA 95627, County of

YOLO. **RYAN ANDREW MILES, 26378** PLAINFIELD ST, ESPARTO,

This business is conducted by INDIVIDUAL.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/03/2023 /s/ RYAN ANDREW MILES

This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 09/17/2024. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/ Recorder By: KQUAM, Deputy 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1/24 CNS-3857835# **NEWS-LEDGER**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240811 The following person(s) is doing business as: Penny Rod & Bait, 1301 Merkley Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Echung Chen, 611 Bluebird

Place, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on September 12, 2024. This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 9/19/2024. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240720 The following person(s) is do-Service, 48050 Central Avenue, Clarksburg, CA 95612.

Britton Norman Holtz, PO Box 125, Clarksburg, CA 95612, This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 16, 2010.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 8/22/2024. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240853 The following person(s) is doing business as: Aaron Matthew Music, 523 Scripps Drive, Davis, CA

95616. Aaron Matthew Letinsky, 523 Scripps Drive, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1,

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/4/2024. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024 11-8-24 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20240852 The following person(s) is doing business as: The Wildest Kids/ The Wildest Company, Scripps Drive, Davis, CA 95616. Sierra Rose Letinsky, 523 Scripps Drive, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 3. 2019.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 10/4/2024.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. F20240830

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: Transportation, 900 E

Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605 County of YOLO AAA Cooper Transportation, 1751 Kinsey Road, Dothan, AL 36303 This business is conducted by a Corporation The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/30/2024.

Cooper Transportation S/ Michelle Lewis, CFO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 09/26/2024.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder Jesse Salinas, Deputy 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8/24 CNS-3859478#

NEWS-LEDGER

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The City of West Sacramento is soliciting sealed proposals for professional engineering services

PORT AREA INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMPLETE STREETS PROJECT Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's Procurement

system at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento until 2:00 PM local time on October 31, 2024 at which time and place they will be posted and available for public review. West Sac News Ledger 10-11 and 10-18-2024

INVITATION TO BID Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's Procurement

system at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento until 2:00 PM local time on October 30, 2024 at which time and place they will be posted and available for public review for the:

B STREET TOWER PARKLET PROJECT

The proposed work consists of the following:

Removing current art panels and signs, repairing and adjusting tower bracing, straightening steel

beams, minor repairs to concrete foundation pedestals, cleaning the existing structure and painting lower portion of the tower. **ADDITIVE ALTERNATE BID ITEMS:** Adding a concrete slab and walkway under the tower, including associated excavation and

aggregate base, installing temporary fencing, and removing existing fencing, gates and bollards.

The Contractor shall provide labor, materials, tools, equipment and incidentals, and shall perform

all work necessary to deliver a completed, workmanlike project.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE: Bid Publication

Question Submission Deadline Bids Due / Bid Opening Award of Contract

no later than

no later than 2 P.M. 2 P.M. October 4, 2024 October 18, 2024 October 30, 2024 December 4, 2024

West Sac News Ledger 10-11, and 10-18-2024

CHANGE OF NAME #CV2024-2117

Thi Dien Hoang and Quang Thai Le On Behalf Of Ngoc Nhi Hoang, A Minor has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ngoc Nhi Hoang to Maggie Le. IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11 located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be Dated: September 9, 2024

Daniel M. Wolk, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024 10-18-24

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2024-2168

Barbara Johnson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Barbara Joan Johnson to Barbara Joan

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: September 9, 2024

Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Sept 27, Oct 4, 11, 18, 2024 10-18-24 BARBARA

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2024-2341

Mary Eatha Hagerty has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mary Eatha Hagerty to Mary Eatha Hagerty IT IS ORDÉRED that all per-

sons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 20, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be

Dated: September 18, 2024 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: October 4, 11, 18, 25, 2024

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2024-2397

Mickey Marie Corona has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mickey Marie Corona to Mickiela Marie Yagen.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 19, 2024. at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show why the p Change of Name should not be granted

Dated: September 24, 2024 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Oct 11, 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024

YAGEN 11-1-24 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

#CV2024-2589 Rosario Khugiani and Wahid Khugiani have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Eva Elizabeth Oropeza Khugiani to Eva Luna Oropeza Khugiani. IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 26, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: October 7, 2024

Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Oct 18, 25, Noc 1, 8, 2024

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE NOTICE OF PETITION TO

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MILDRED E. FARNELL CASE NO. PR2024-0157 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors

of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Mildred E. Farnell. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Charles Farnell,

in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting Charles Farnell be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the dece

dent'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 The petition requests authority to administer the estate under

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: November 5, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 11. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-

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

a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal de-livery 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 Cali-

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Matthew D. Scott, 1013 Galleria Boulevard, Suite 290, Roseville, CA 95678; 916-953-5517

Publish: October 11, 18, 25, 2024

NOTICE OF PETITION TO JERRY M. ADCOCK CASE NO. PR2024-0242

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Jerry M. Adcock. A Petition for Probate has

been filed by JoAnn Southwell, in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting JoAnn Southwell be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests authority

to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interes 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: November 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 14. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-

ing of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state vour objections or file written obiections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Rebecca A. Gardner, 455 Capitol Mall, Suite 605, Sacramento, CA 95814; 916-252-0200 Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 2024

ADCOCK 11-1-24

TRUSTEE SALE NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. CA-24-992358-AB Or-No.: 240343555-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/11/2013. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PRO-AGAINST CEEDING YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale

to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIA-RY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT

DUE. Trustor(s): HAMID HAID-ARI. A SINGLE MAN Recorded: 6/19/2013 as Instrument No. 2013-0020641-00 and modified as per Modification Agreement recorded 3/11/2021 as Instrument No. 2021-0009915 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California: Date of Sale: 11/14/2024 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the North entrance to the City Hall located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$194,196.07 The purported property address 1417 HIGHLAND DRIVE WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 Assessor's Parcel No.: 046-752-008-000 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROP-ERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may

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Elk Grove Man Sentenced to 228 Years-to-Life After Conviction in Davis Freeway Shooting

Yolo County District Attorney's Office News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - On Oct. 14. Andre Chevill Wilson, 56, of Elk Grove, was sentenced following his Aug. 28 conviction by a Yolo County jury of two counts of attempted murder, two counts of shooting into an occupied vehicle, two counts of assault with an assault weapon or machine gun, two counts of being a felon in possession of a firearm, possession of a machine gun, possession of an assault weapon, and four counts of being

a felon in possession of ammunition. The offenses occurred in the City of Davis at the westbound I-80 offramp at Mace Blvd., on Feb. 10, 2022.

Wilson was driving a vehicle when he used two different weapons, a Glock handgun, which had been modified to fully automatic, and an AR-15 assault rifle, both with high-capacity magazines, to shoot at two other motorists who were taking the Mace Blvd. exit. After the shooting, Wilson crashed his vehicle into a fence and fled on foot. After an approximately two-hour search, a CHP K-9 officer located Wilson, with

the AR-15 rifle, in some vegetation about 100 yards from his vehicle.

Wilson had four prior "strike" convictions, all in Alameda County, for Manslaughter in 1992, Assault with a Deadly weapon with personal infliction of great bodily injury in 1999, Weapon Possession with a gang enhancement in 1999, and Assault with a Deadly Weapon. to wit a firearm, in 2010.

Officers from the California Highway Patrol Investigative Services Unit conducted the investigation and had already arrived when Wilson was

located. Officers with the Davis Police Department and a K-9 Deputy with the Solano County Sheriff's Office also assisted in the investigation.

The trial took place before Judge Tom M. Dyer and was prosecuted by Supervising Deputy District Attorney Frits van der Hoek.

The trial began on Aug. 12 and the jury heard evidence from the victims, the investigating officers, and criminalists with the Department of Justice. The jury reached its verdict on Aug. 28 after about a day and a half of deliberation.

Wilson was sentenced to 228

years-to-life in prison, consisting of four indeterminate terms of 49-Life, 49-Life, 25-Life, and 25-Life, and an additional determinate term of 80

District Attorney Jeff Reisig praised the California Highway Patrol for their thorough investigation and the Department of Justice for their expert assistance throughout the case.

"Some offenders present a serious and clear danger to society. Our office is committed to prosecuting those who have demonstrated that they are unable to live peacefully within our community," Reisig

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INVITATION TO BID

HOMELESS EMERGENCY HOUSING FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS

The City of West Sacramento was awarded Yolo County Behavioral Health Bridge Housing funds to support the acquisition of two motels to operate a homeless emergency housing program. The properties located at 1809 and 1821 West Capitol Avenue (and 1812 Merkley Avenue - combined parcel) have been acquired for the purposes of operating the program. It is the intent of this facility improvement project to make the necessary repairs and improvements to the properties to meet the needs of the homeless emergency housing program.

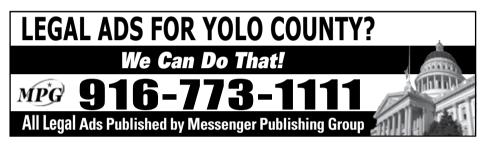
Engineer's Estimate: \$600,000.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

- *Attendance is mandatory at only one of the two meetings above. Attendance roster will be published on the project portal linked below.
- 1. Completion of Work: All work shall be completed within One Hundred Fifty (150) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed
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Riley Reviews

"JOKER: FOLIE A DEUX" FALLS SHORT OF THE ORIGIN STORY

A Film and TV Review by Tim Riley

"JOKER: FOLIE A DEUX" RATED R

For starters, it might serve well to recall the origin story for Joaquin Phoenix's Arthur Fleck, aka the Joker, from the 2019 film in which his alter ego was the titular character who made it known that what he had were "negative thoughts."

"Joker" presented such a whole picture of Arthur Fleck's failed comedian, humiliated on a TV show run by Robert De Niro's host, and day job as a clown who felt marginalized by society, that his complete decline to psychosis and criminal mastermind wrapped up his story to a satisfactory conclusion.

The lure of creating a possible franchise (just ask the movers behind the James Bond films) is irresistible. After all, there is a connection, tangential or more, of Arthur Fleck's Joker to Batman, but drawing the linkage won't be attempted here in any significant way.

However, in Christopher Nolan's 2008 "The Dark Knight" a despicable criminal calling himself the Joker (Heath Ledger) turns Gotham City into such a chaotic mess that Christian Bale's Batman's efforts to clean up the city causes many to wonder if the caped crusader is more vigilante than hero.

Arguably, director Todd Phillips may have set out with "Joker" and now the "Folie A Deux" to build upon Nolan's darker vision of this comic book world where a criminal mastermind was known for terrorizing the citizens of Gotham City, and to that end he seems to succeed.

Arthur Fleck is now in Arkham Asylum where he is awaiting trial for his crimes for killing several people, while also struggling with his dual identity and stumbling upon what he believes is true love with Lady Gaga's Harley Quinn.

Even though he is a maximum-security prisoner, Arthur is allowed to join a music group in prison where he meets fellow inmate Lady Gaga's Lee Quinzel, who later becomes Harley Quinn (seems like everyone morphs into a dual personality).

Not surprisingly, with Joker made more complex with the notion that there's music coming from inside him, along with Lady Gaga's trailblazing musical career, it's no wonder that there are so many musical numbers, which ostensibly detract from what's really a horror show.

Enamored with the Joker's persona, Lee/ Harley and Arthur strike up a musical relationship as they sing duets in the prison harmonic group, at least until an incendiary event brings that to an end.

Once outside prison, Harley Quinn is the femme fatale for Joker that is almost a cinematic cliché, but she does go to bat for him in many ways, injecting herself into the legal proceedings. Lady Gaga is nicely compelling in a role casting her as a force of nature.

In the courtroom, young District Attorney Harvey Dent (Harry Lawtey) pushes for trying Arthur on five counts of first-degree murder, while defense attorney Maryanne Stewart (Catherine Keener) argues the shopworn insanity plea based on his split personality disorder.

Brendan Gleeson acquits himself effectively as nasty prison guard Jackie Sullivan, who oddly turns out to have a soft spot by allowing Arthur to join the prison's singing group. We have him to thank for a surfeit of unnecessary and intrusive musical numbers.

Both Joaquin Phoenix, as the Joker in

the 2019 film, and the late Heath Ledger, in the role of the Joker in 2008's "The Dark Knight," received Academy Awards for their roles, the former as Best Actor and the latter a posthumous Best Supporting Actor.

There is unlikely to be a second Academy Award, much less a nomination, in the offing for Joaquin Phoenix, even though he has been nominated in the past for other roles. "Joker: Folie A Deux" may prove to be such dead weight as to sink any consideration this time.

For director Todd Phillips, who was nominated for Best Director, the "Joker" marked a milestone in achievement for a film nominated in almost a dozen categories that raked in more than \$1 billion at the worldwide box office.

Given the pedigree of "Joker," where the audience rating on Rotten Tomatoes was so high that if it was graded like a term paper it was earning nothing less than an A-, you would think a second turn is going to be worth a look, and for some that may be the case.

Notwithstanding the plethora of withering negative reviews of this sequel, the urge to see the film, based on experience with the original, may outweigh any reservations. Admittedly, there are positive reviews, so it is up to the filmgoer to decide whether to trek to a theater or wait for streaming.

Analytically, one can look at the ending of "Joker: Folie A Deux" as closure for the story of a madman so unhinged and detached from reality that continuing his story would be an affront to the world of DC Comics and an annoyance to the legions of Batman fans.

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 DeRovan 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. ★



September New Home Sales Continue at Brisk Pace in Sacramento Region

North State Building Industry Association News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - New home sales in the greater Sacramento area continued at a brisk pace in September with the North State Building Industry Association reporting its members sold 530 homes in the seven-county region during the month.

That total was down 12% from August's 605 sales, but August was a five-week month. Year over year, sales climbed 9% from 485 in September 2023 and were 25% higher than the monthly average of 530.

North State President and CEO Tim Murphy said the much better-than-average sales figures reflect the continued strong demand for homes in the region.

"While existing-home listings in the region are creeping upward, they're still well below normal levels," Murphy said. "With more than 180 active new home communities in the region, buyers have a wide range of home styles, locations and pricing to choose from and builders ready and able to start construction on a buyer's new home."

Murphy added that while mortgage interest rates have leveled off and even ticked upward since the Federal Reserve reduced the Fed Funds rate last month, he pointed out that many builders are continuing to offer incentives that make purchasing a new home even more affordable.

Sales remain strongest in Sacramento County, driven by the fact that numerous new home communities have come online in recent months. Sales totaled 319 in Sacramento County and cities, followed by 127 in Placer County, 36 in Yuba County and 28 in Yolo County. (Note that not every builder reported sales by county this month, so total sales for the region were eight more than the number reported by county.)

Rancho Cordova again saw the most sales of any submarket with 91, followed by Roseville with 82, Sacramento with 78, Elk Grove with 57 and Folsom with 46.

BIA statistics include sales by members in Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties. ★

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.

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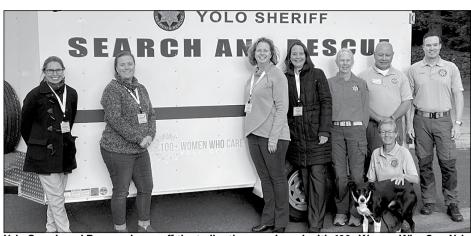
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100+ Women Who Care Yolo **County Hosts Giving Circle**



Yolo Search and Rescue shows off the trailer they purchased with 100+Women Who Care Yolo County's collective donation in May 2022. Photo courtesy of Teresa Steele of 100+ Women Who Care Yolo

100+ Women Who Care **Yolo County News** Release

DAVIS. CA (MPG) - 100+ Women Who Care Yolo County is a group of women making direct and positive impacts through collective giving. We meet, learn, vote, give, and repeat. 100 women x \$100 x^{-1} hour = \$10K Local Impact!

Event Description

100+ Women Who Care Yolo County is an extraordinary group of women who make an immediate, direct, and positive impact on Yolo County through collective giving. Our members commit to giving \$100 each quarter to a nonprofit serving Yolo County that is selected by the members. Since our first meeting in November 2016, 100+ Women Who Care Yolo County has made 30 collective donations totaling over \$350,000 to 25 unique nonprofits. We've made a big impact using our simple model of giving together.

We meet just four times a year (February, May, August, and November) and each meeting includes a half hour of socializing followed by a one-hour meeting. We hear short presentations from three nonprofits, we vote, then everyone donates to the selected organization. Just like that, your \$100 donation can turn into a \$10,000 collective donation and make a big impact!

On Nov. 7, we will consider Friends of Adult Day Health Care, True Connections Community Programs and Cancer Champions.

This year, we are pleased to be partnering with our local Sudwerk Brewing Company to make our meetings fun and festive as we come together to support nonprofits working in our local community. We'll start with time to mingle from 7 to 7:30 p.m. so you can connect with each other, meet representatives from the nonprofits, and ask any questions you may

The meetings begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. where we'll hear from three nonprofits and then vote to decide who will be the recipient of our collective gift. We'll also hear from previous recipients about the impact of our gifts and randomly select the nonprofits to invite to the next meeting.

Everyone is welcome! No RSVP or reservation is required to attend. Only members can vote, but you don't have to be a member to attend. New members are welcome anytime and commit to donating \$100 per quarter for at least one year.

The meeting will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7 at Sudwerk Brewing Company Event Room, 2001 2nd St., Davis.

If you are interested in joining as a member prior to the meeting, visit our website at https://www.100wwcy-

Matsui Applauds Launch of California Home Energy Rebate Program

Funded by the Inflation Reduction Act, Rebate Program Will Save Californians up to \$14,000

Office of Congresswoman Doris Matsui News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -

On Oct. 8, Congresswoman Doris Matsui (CA-07) released the following statement after California launched the first phase of its federal Home Energy Rebate programs to help lower families' utility bills. California is implementing the Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEAR) portion of the rebate program—enabling savings on energy efficiency improvements.

"The Inflation Reduction Act is a generational piece of legislation that is delivering on its promise to lower costs for everyday Americans while aggressively fighting the climate crisis. From clean manufacturing to more sustainable transportation, we're making huge investments in a greener, more resilient economy," said Congresswoman Matsui. "The Home Energy Rebate programs empower American families by putting money in people's pockets while also enabling them to lead the clean energy transition and fight the climate crisis."

On Aug. 16, 2022, President Biden signed the landmark Inflation Reduction Act, which provides nearly \$8.8 billion for Home Energy Rebate programs. California was



Congresswoman Doris Matsui. Courtesy photo

awarded \$292,738,760 of funding for their Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates rebate program that will be overseen by the California Energy Commission.

The first phase will be implemented by TECH Clean California, an existing state program that offers single-family and multifamily rebates on heat pumps for space heating and cooling (i.e., heat pump HVACs), heat pump water heaters, and more. TECH Clean California is launching its Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates program in phases, with the affordable multifamily program launching first. The single-family program will follow at a later date.

Eligible owners of multifamily buildings can save up to \$14,000 per dwelling unit, including up to \$8,000 for an ENERGY

STAR-certified heat pump HVAC, \$4,000 for an electrical panel, \$2,500 for electrical wiring, \$1,750 for an ENERGY STARcertified heat pump water heater, \$840 for an **ENERGY STAR-certified** electric stove, cooktop, range, or oven and \$840 for an ENERGY STARcertified electric heat pump clothes dryer.

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Congresswoman Doris Matsui has represented the city of Sacramento and its surrounding areas since 2005. She currently serves California's Seventh Congressional District, nestled between the Sierra Nevada Mountains and the Pacific Ocean, which is centered in Sacramento, and includes the communities of Elk Grove, Galt, West Sacramento, Wilton, Rancho Murieta, Vineyard, Isleton, Walnut Grove, Herald, Clay and the California Delta.



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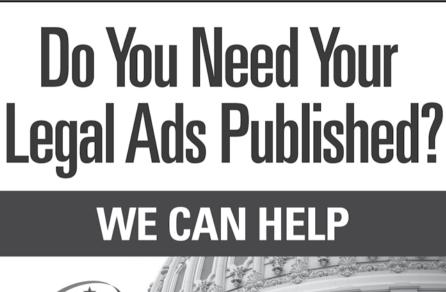


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Sen. Dodd Secures 'Most Prolific' **Honors in 10 Years in Office**

Office of Senator Bill **Dodd News Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, capped a productive decade in the Legislature this month when Gov. Gavin Newsom signed the senator's 126th bill into law, cementing his spot as the most prolific lawmaker during his tenure in either the Assembly or Senate.

"It's been a great honor to represent our region over these years and respond to the needs of our communities," Sen. Dodd said. "While there is still much that needs to happen, I'm happy to say we got a lot done. From enhancing wildfire safety to supporting education and protecting consumers, we've made meaningful differences in the lives of Californians. It's a team effort, and I'd like to thank my staff and my constituents for the opportunity to serve them over the last decade."

In his final year in the Legislature, Sen. Dodd had 13 bills signed into law including his Generative AI Accountability Act, which helps regulate the emergence of AI, and his new law standardizing the defensible space creation to protect structures from wildfire. Other new laws from Sen. Dodd this year improve sexual harassment reporting policies on California college campuses, improve transit and advance public safety, just to name a few laws.

'What one sees with Sen. Dodd -- from the latest legislative session to the totality of his distinguished legislative record -- are areas of critical need for legislation that solves problems and provides concrete solutions," said David McCuan, professor of political science at Sonoma State University. "This is why his record of accomplishment is noteworthy. He doesn't showboat or carry symbolic legislation. Sen. Dodd works on meaningful



California Senator Bill Dodd.

bills. One can't forget that he also works to amend and change problematic bills. He's a legislator's legislator, and that is part of his legacy as well."

This year's legislative package:

SB 263 Annuities: Adopts model on consumer protection for annuities, with enhanced duties to consumers.

SB 295 Bar Pilots: Authorizes increased investment in Bar Pilot operations to enhance commercial shipping safety.

SB 310 Cultural burns: Expands tribal sovereignty to streamline approvals and encourage cultural burning practices to reduce wildfire

SB 504 Defensible space: Advances defensible space standards from 0-30 feet and encourages local governments to assess defensible space through grant priority.

SB 896 Generative AI Accountability Act: The Generative Artificial Intelligence Accountability Act ensures state agencies advance safeguards and consumer protections around AI.

SB 904 SMART: Modernization of the SMART train's enabling legislation and adds voter initiative powers, supporting continued operation

and service expansion. SB 931 Tribal Compacts: Ratification or amendments of compacts and compact amendments with seven tribal governments.

SB 958 County of Napa surplus property: Authorizes the sale of ca.gov/dodd

Camp Coombs to the County of Napa for permanent use as a park or wilderness preserve.

SB 1166 Higher Ed data reporting: Extends existing reporting requirements mandating the California State University system to deliver detailed reports to the Legislature and public on sexual harassment and sex discrimination cases and extends these requirements to include both the California Community Colleges and the University of California systems.

SB 1243 Campaign contributions: Updates conflict of interest laws to ensure local governments and other parties can more effectively implement and follow the law to prevent corruption and the appearance of corruption, including by prohibiting agents of parties from contributing to local elected officials while a proceeding is pending before them.

SB 1379 Solano Sheriff: Allows retired annuitants working for the Solano County Sheriff to exceed the work limit to address a critical staffing need in the city of Vallejo through

SB 1384 Powered wheelchair repair: Establishes a comprehensive framework designed to empower powered wheelchair users and independent repair providers by facilitating access to crucial components, tools, and documentation necessary for the upkeep and repair of powered wheelchairs.

SB 1524 Hidden restaurant fees: Mandates that a fee or charge be clearly and conspicuously displayed with an explanation of its purpose on a caterer or restaurant's advertisements

Senator Bill Dodd represents California's 3rd Senate District, which includes all or portions of Solano, Napa, Sonoma, Yolo, Sacramento, and Contra Costa counties. You can learn more about Senator Dodd at www.sen.

Yolo Community Foundation Announces 2024 Yolo Philanthropy Awards Honorees

Yolo Community Foundation News

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo Community Foundation is pleased to announce the honorees for the annual Yolo Philanthropy Awards, recognizing the extraordinary individuals and organizations making a significant impact in Yolo County. This year, more than 50 local nonprofits are coming together to honor the volunteers and donors who generously contribute their time, talent, and resources to better our community. This is tremendous growth from last year, going from 32 honorees in 2023 to over 50 in 2024.

The Yolo Philanthropy Awards will take place on Tuesday, Nov. 19 at the California Agriculture Museum. Doors open at 4 p.m., followed by a celebration and reception. This event was made possible by title sponsor Nugget Markets, as well as supporting sponsors Recology, Sutter Health, Edward Jones Office of Matt Yancey, and Evelyn & Walter Haas Jr. Fund.

"We are incredibly inspired by the honorees of the Yolo Philanthropy Awards each year," said Jessica Hubbard, Executive Director of the Yolo Community Foundation. "Their dedication uplifts our community and enables nonprofit organizations to continue their impactful work for Yolo County. We are excited to celebrate these remarkable individuals who give so much to improve the lives of others."

2024 Yolo Philanthropy Awards

All Leaders Must Serve: Julie Webb Clarksburg Samaritans: Will Middleton Cool Davis Foundation: Lynne Nittler Davis Arts Center: Mylon Marshall Davis Community Meals and Housing:

Doug Buzbee Davis Farm to School: Randii MacNear Davis Robotics Foundation: Brook

Ostrom Davis Schools Foundation: Lori Duisenberg

Explorit Science Center: Susan Douglas

and Glen Lusebrink Fourth & Hope: Jeanette Berrong &

Holy Rosary Church Stone Soup Ministry Friends of Meals on Wheels: Debbie Singh Friends of the Yolo County Archives:

Bob Loessberg-Zahl

Historical Society of Winters: Winters Japantown Monument Committee

International House Davis: Victoria Whitworth & Chris Lujan

Meals on Wheels Yolo County: Sutter

Mercy Coalition of West Sacramento: Lee and Shellie Wallinder

NAMI Yolo County: Leona Satterburg Osher Lifelong Learning at UC Davis (OLLI): Larry Lobre

Pamela Trokanski Dance Theatre: PTDT Board of Directors Scholarship Committee

Pence Gallery: Wil Uecker

Putah Creek Council: Brian Bellamy Scouting Associates: Chris Jorgensen

Short Term Emergency Aid Committee (STEAC): Barbara Heinsch

Soroptimist International of Davis: Janice Labadie

Team Davis: Ann Reioux

The Davis Phoenix Coalition: Sandré The Friends of the 1883 Clarksburg

Schoolhouse: Will Middleton

Thriving Pink: Siv Winberg

Tree Davis: Dr. Greg McPherson Tuleyome: Glen Holstein

West Sacramento Foundation: Chris

Winters Community Corazón: Revalee

Hemken Winters Education Foundation: Jill

Winters Farm to School: Cathleen Olsen Winters Friends of the Library: Mary Lou Linvill

Winters Healthcare Foundation: Robert "Bob" Schultz

Winters Participation Gallery for the Arts: Valerie Whitworth

Winters Youth Day: Michael J. Sebastian

Woodland Food Closet: Romie Holland Woodland Opera House: Tom and Meg

Woodland Recreation Foundation + the City of Woodland: Carole Pirruccello Woodland Robotics Digital Minds:

Mark Barichievich Yolo Basin Foundation: Lindsay Weston

Yolo Community Foundation: Kate Yolo County CASA: Mary Patricia

Whelan-Miille Yolo County Children's Alliance:

Rotary Club of Davis Yolo County Historical Society: Kathy

Yolo Crisis Nursery: Bob Clark

Yolo Farm to Fork: Candice Stafford

Yolo Food Bank: Chuck Cunningham

Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance: Stephanie "Stevie" Scoles

Yolo Land Trust: Lynnel Pollock Yuba Community District Foundation/

Woodland Community College Foster Care Fund: Roxanne Roman These individuals and organizations

will be recognized for their exceptional contributions, and their efforts will be celebrated at the event. The community is invited to join us for an evening of celebration as we shine a light on those who make Yolo County a better place to live and work. Register at

https://ycf.betterworld.org/events/

philanthropy-awards.

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WHEN BRODERICK/BRYTE NEEDED SIDEWALKS NORMA ALCALA BROUGHT IN MILLIONS

RE-ELECT NORMA ALCALA TO CITY COUNCIL

Alcala succeeded bringing millions for sidewalks in Broderick and Byte. Sidewalks are necessary to protect our families with children on bicycles from traffic, our seniors from uneven ground where they could fall, and our disabled who need to live independently. Finally, we have someone looking out for Broderick and Bryte. That is why I am voting for Norma Alcala for City Council in District 1."

-Virginia Coffey, President of the Washington Unified School District Board.



Under Norma Alcala's leadership, Broderick/Bryte has seen substantial successful advancements. Norma Alcala has the ten years of experience in elected positions needed to represent Broderick/Bryte.

Proudly endorsed by:

Dolores Huerta, co-founder United Farm Workers; Lt. Governor Eleni Kounalakis; Assembly Majority Leader Eloise Reyes; Sente Majority Leader Richard Polanco (ret.); Yolo County Supervisor: Supervisor Mary Sandy, Supervisor Angel Barrajas, Supervisor Jim Provenza; Martha Guerrero, Mayor West Sacramento

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TOGETHER, WE CAN BUILD A SAFER, STRONGER, AND MORE VIBRANT CITY!

- Safety: Investments to improve road conditions, expand our trail network, and adequate staffing of first responders to ensure neighborhoods are safe for everyone.
- Accountability: Increased fiscal transparency and expanded efforts to create a more inclusive decision-making process that ensures the budget reflects the priorities of our community.
- Continued Expansion of the Social Safety Net: Increased access to mental health and substance-use treatment and transitional housing to decrease the number of unhoused residents in the city.
- **Economic Growth:** Increased support for local businesses, expanded job opportunities, and services for seniors to foster growth and prosperity for all.

West Sacramento continues to be an ideal city to grow roots, start a business, and raise a family. But we are a growing city, and with that, we have more to do to ensure a quality community experience for all.

Martha Guerrero is a mom, grandparent, legislative advocate, and licensed social worker who has 25 years of experience in public service. Martha understands what it takes to be an effective leader and get things done for West Sacramento. Her leadership has earned support from businesses, and public safety, labor, and community leaders.

VOTE MARTHA GUERRERO FOR WEST SACRAMENTO MAYOR BY NOVEMBER 5

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