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Elk Grove Community Band conductor Christopher Tootle introduces the next music piece at the band's October performance. Local players in the band include Galt clarinetist Wendy Underwood. Photo by Matthew Malone

**By Matthew Malone
News Editor**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Elk Grove Community Concert Band gave a moving performance on Oct. 28 at Joseph Kerr Middle School, with a program based on various kinds of travel or movement.

With the theme "Planes, Trains and Automobiles," the band started the evening with a soaring number called "In Flight" by Samuel R. Hazo. Other pieces included "The Headless Horseman" by Timothy Broege, the "Pirates of the Caribbean" theme, and Johann Strauss II's "Perpetuum

Mobile," a musical term meaning "perpetual motion."

The band and attendees celebrated Halloween early with lots of fun costumes. Among the musicians were pirates, ballerinas and ghosts, while everyone from the Joker and Thor to a plague doctor and a peacock sat in the audience. Kids in costume got a chance to parade around the auditorium with live accompaniment.

In a multimedia flourish, the band played "The Great Locomotive Chase" by Robert W. Smith while the Buster Keaton silent film "The General" was projected above the stage.

Both works are inspired by a true event during the Civil War, when a group of Union Army volunteers commandeered a locomotive and used it to damage a railroad line vital to the Confederacy.

"You know, we only did that one rehearsal with the video, and then we practiced it this afternoon, and we got it," conductor Christopher Tootle told the audience after the performance.

Tootle said the band's performances draw people from across the Sacramento area, as well as people of all ages. He noted that the band members range from high schoolers to

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CALIFORNIA (MPG) - Due to the requirements outlined in Assembly Bill 3184, the Nov. 5 General Election results cannot be certified in California until Dec. 3, at the earliest. AB 3184 establishes specific time-lines and procedures for certifying election results in California.

Certification for the Nov. 5 general election is expected to be completed Dec. 3.

While the first release of results happened just after 8 p.m. Nov. 5 (Election Day), those results are in no way final.

The county Elections Office has been tabulating ballots since two weeks ago and the first release of results will only be inclusive of Vote by Mail and Vote Center ballots that are returned and processed through Nov. 4.

The second report includes results from the Vote Centers on Election Day and is issued shortly after 10 p.m. Nov. 5, after press time, with subsequent updates approximately every two hours, if needed, until all Vote Centers have reported.

California allows for 28 days after elections to certify the election, in addition to seven days after Election Day to receive a mail ballot postmarked by Nov. 5.

The second report on Nov. 5 will include results from the Vote Centers on Election Day and will be issued by 10 p.m., with subsequent updates approximately every two hours, if needed, until all Vote Centers have reported (Elections Code 15151(b)).

The first interim report will be posted by 4:15 p.m. on Nov. 8 and will contain results from Vote by Mail ballots and provisional ballots received timely.

Subsequent reports will be updated every Tuesday and Friday until certification is complete, which is expected to be Dec. 3.

The Election Results Schedule is provided pursuant to Elections Code 15306(a)((3)).

For more information, visit online elections. sacounty.gov or call 916-875-6451. ★

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FPPC Fines Shawn Farmer for Conflict of Interest



Shawn Farmer was elected to Galt City Council in 2018. Herald file photo

**By Matthew Malone
News Editor**

GALT, CA (MPG) - The state's political ethics watchdog has fined Galt City Councilmember Shawn Farmer \$3,000 for violating conflict-of-interest rules early in his City Council tenure.

Filed in March this year, the decision by the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) said that, in 2019, Farmer improperly voted on a sale of city land near his own property.

Farmer criticized the size of the



The FPPC said Galt City Council Member Shawn Farmer violated conflict-of-interest rules by voting on a sale of land for the Fairway Oaks subdivision, shown in this map. The filled-in area is the city-owned parcel. Map by Matthew Malone

fine, saying it was too harsh, given his inexperience on City Council at the time and his lack of other violations. He also said city staff at the

time should have noticed the conflict.

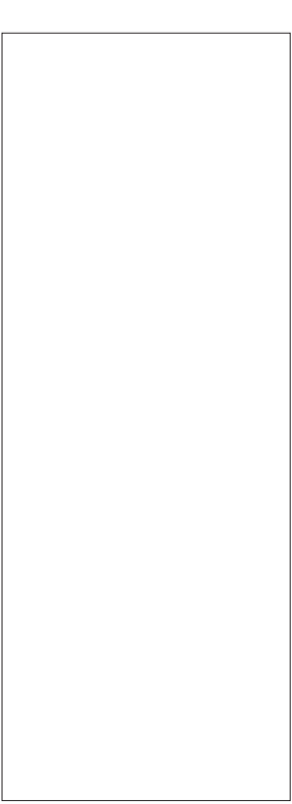
The case relates to a vote at the regular City Council meeting on

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GLANCE BACK

80 Years Ago Nov. 10, 1944

Art Dowdell and Jack LeTourneau have purchased the McFarland property on the corner of A Street and Old Highway 99 and have been busy for several weeks installing up to date welding equipment. The blacksmithing department will still be conducted by Mr. I.C. McFarland until such time as the new owners are able to leave their present war work.

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On Oct. 27 a group of sportsmen of the Alta Mesa, Clay, Wilton, Herald and Galt districts met at the Alta Mesa Farm Bureau hall and organized the Alta Mesa Rifle & Gun Club, affiliated with the National Rifle Association. The club is now composed of 27 charter members.

70 Years Ago Nov. 18, 1954

Galt voters, in one of the biggest and most overwhelming school elections ever

held in the area, passed two propositions Wednesday that will pave the way for up to \$400,000 in new construction of elementary school facilities.

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A special election to consolidate the Herald, Arno and Colony schools unanimously carried, and it now converts the three schools into a union school district. The election, held last Tuesday resulted in a more than 5-1 majority in favor of consolidation at all three schools.

60 Years Ago Nov. 12, 1964

The officers of the Galt Warriors Boosters Club met Monday night with the board of trustees of Galt High School and informed the board that the first goal of the club is to buy lights and bleachers for the high school so the school can have its first home game in September in Galt, instead of having to go to Lodi for home games. Al Wharton is club president with Robert

Johnson vice president, Bea Strange secretary-treasurer, Ruth Roza reporter, Gordon Williams, Bill Mori, Bill Sartini, Bill Ward and Gerald Nelson, area directors.

50 Years Ago Nov. 14, 1974

An Air Force Senior Master Sergeant from Thornton was decorated with the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal in recent ceremonies at McChord Air Force Base, Washington. Sgt. Aleck E. Dambacher III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aleck E. Dambacher II of Thornton, is a weather forecaster and was cited for meritorious service at Ramstein Air Force Base, Germany. He graduated from Galt High School in 1954.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ron Pruitt, Galt, are the proud parents of a baby girl born Nov. 6 in Lodi Memorial Hospital. The young lady weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces and is named Julie Dawn ... Mr. and Mrs. Robert Erman, Galt, are the proud parents of a baby son

born Oct. 16 in Lodi Community Hospital. The young man weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and is named Matthew Edwin.

40 Years Ago Nov. 8, 1984

Class sizes at Galt High School are up by about 1.7 students per class this year reflecting the impact of the switch from three 90-minute periods per day to six 53-minute periods for each student. The district hired four new teachers before the school year to help offset larger class sizes.

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On Oct. 28, the 15th Annual International Senior Olympics cycling road race and time trials took place in Wilton. The Saturday event included entrants whose ages range from 21 to 79. One of the two eldest, Ed "Foxy Grandpa" Delano, 79, started serious cycling at 58 and has become evangelical about the activity. ★

—Herald archives

Blanket, Sock Drive Calls for Donations

By Matthew Malone
News Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Galt Commission on Aging is calling on the community to help it provide warm blankets and socks for local older adults.

The commission is looking to collect 350 blankets and 350 pairs of socks, which it plans to distribute

to residents of nursing homes and senior apartments around the city. It is requesting new blankets and socks.

Blankets can be either hand-made or store-bought.

Barrels for donations are at four locations: Stratton's Pizzeria (330 S. Lincoln Way), The Coffee Shop Bakery (239 Fourth St.),

Fitness Pro (550 Industrial Drive) and Chabolla Community Center (600 Chabolla Ave.) The donation deadline is Dec. 2.

Commissioner Libby Robinson said the blanket drive is about more than the blankets and socks themselves.

"It's making people warm, I suppose, but it's also just having a gift and

somebody to deliver it to them because our goal for most of the homes is to deliver it directly to the residents, to have a visit from somebody and companionship for each resident. Some have family close by; some don't," Robinson said.

Robinson has fond memories of the last time she helped with the blanket

drive.

"The town came out and really donated quite a few (blankets)," Robinson said. "We ended up with extra blankets. ... And it was very rewarding to see people be so happy about a blanket."

The Valhalla Club, a recently founded charitable organization, is chipping in this year by donating

activity books and magnifying glasses.

The Galt Youth Commission will assist with the distribution, which Robinson said gives youth and older adults a chance to spend time together.

For more information, contact the Galt Senior Resource Center at 209-294-3308 or galtsrc@gmail.com. ★



Elk Grove Community Band plays along to a projection of the Buster Keaton silent film "The General." Photos by Matthew Malone



Children who attended the band performance show off their Halloween costumes.

Community Band on the Move

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octogenarians.

The musicians volunteer their time at weekly

rehearsals "for the sake of the music, for the love of playing," Tootle said.

Galt resident Wendy

Underwood, who played clarinet in a butterfly queen costume, spoke about why she participates.

"It's my breath. It's the thing that I can come on Monday nights and the music is just amazing. It's amazing to be able to do this," Underwood said. She noted that 10 of her grandchildren joined in the

costume parade.

The band's next performance is its Holiday Concert on Monday, Dec. 16. Tootle said it would feature "A Christmas Festival" by Leroy Anderson as well as

"The Nightmare Before Christmas" by Danny Elfman.

To learn more about Elk Grove Community Band, follow it on Facebook or visit its website, elkgrovecommunityband.org. ★

FPPC Fines Shawn Farmer for Conflict of Interest

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March 19, 2019, when staff recommended selling city-owned land on Cornell Road to expand the planned Fairway Oaks subdivision. Farmer had taken office in December 2018.

The city had purchased the roughly 6-acre parcel as a possible parking space for the Galt Market but that did not materialize. With the land's initial cost of nearly \$400,000, plus ongoing maintenance, and the low chance that the parcel would support a stand-alone development, staff proposed selling the land to Fairway Oaks developer Arcadia Development Co. This would allow Arcadia to expand the subdivision.

Farmer voted with three other councilmembers to approve the sale.

A Fair Political Practices Commission spokesperson told the Herald that the agency started its investigation based on an anonymous complaint received in 2020.

by the commission's Enforcement Division, the Cornell property was within 500 feet of a property that Farmer declared on financial-interest paperwork when he took office.

Farmer told the Herald that this was his father's house; the councilmember said he added his own name to the deed during his father's illness.

Fairway Oaks got its initial approval in 2002. Arcadia originally planned to build 100 single-family units, with the additional acreage, it has since raised that number to 173 units.

Under California's Political Reform Act, the Fair Political Practices Commission said, a conflict of interest exists when an official participates in a government decision that has a "reasonably foreseeable" financial effect on a location within 500 feet of the official's property. The commission said a financial impact could be anticipated from the land sale.

"It is reasonably

foreseeable that the sale of undeveloped property to a developer would have a financial effect on the surrounding properties such as raising property values or changing the character of the neighborhood," the Fair Political Practices Commission wrote.

The commission cited comments Farmer made to the Herald after the vote: "What we're getting is fair. I look at this as infill. It will help property values in the area and money to our Parks and Rec. For these reasons, I support it."

The maximum fine for a conflict-of-interest violation is \$5,000 per count; the Fair Political Practices Commission chose a lower amount, \$3,000, in Farmer's case, saying that "there was no evidence to support an intent to conceal, deceive or mislead the public as to Farmer's financial interests." He disclosed the property in a financial-interest form filed with the Fair Political Practices Commission upon assuming office.

"Instead, the evidence suggests that Farmer was inexperienced with the Act's conflict of interest provisions as a newly elected public official and negligently voted on the governmental decision at issue here," the Fair Political Practices Commission's decision read.

Farmer said the item first came before City Council at a closed session on Feb. 19, the first closed meeting he attended after taking office. He said that the location of the city land was not well explained during the Feb. 19 meeting.

"We were never shown maps or anything. They were just like, 'Here's where it is.' There was just a parcel number. Even on the agenda for the closed session, there was just a parcel number. There was no map or anything," Farmer said.

The Fair Political Practices Commission said it found nothing to contradict this but noted that the agenda for the March 19

vote in open session said the parcel is "located on Cornell Road."

Farmer pointed out that he has since recused himself from several votes when they related to areas near his property, including the one central to the Fair Political Practices Commission case.

In August 2020, when City Council approved the Fairway Oaks subdivision map and the annexation of an "island" of Sacramento County land within city limits, Farmer and then-Councilmember Paige Lampson recused themselves, both noting that they lived nearby. Farmer spoke in a personal capacity during public comment on the item.

The Fair Political Practices Commission report said Farmer "does not have a prior history of violating" the Political Reform Act.

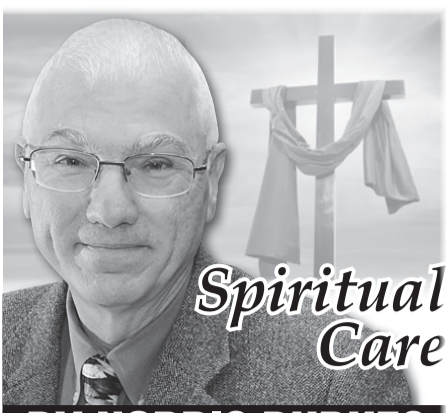
Farmer also disputed the idea that the sale would have a foreseeable effect on his property because the action was an expansion

of an already-approved development.

Farmer said the investigation, which lasted several years, and the fine have been "stressful." While he praised the work of the city's current legal counsel, Farmer said the city's attorney at the time failed him by not flagging the conflict.

"(It is) just a really sore subject of mine because, you know, you go to bat for the city, you try to do the right thing for the people, and here I am thinking I'm doing a good thing," Farmer said. "We got all this money for Parks and Rec from selling the property, and then somebody comes along, anonymous ... and just accuses me of maliciously trying to pad my own pockets and it costs me thousands of dollars."

The Fair Political Practices Commission report can be viewed on the agency's website at bit.ly/4fvXprC (case sensitive). ★



BY NORRIS BURKES

Say More Than 'Thank You for Your Service'

This Veterans Day, I want you to do more than just thank a veteran for his or her service.

As a veteran of 28 years, I want to challenge you to go beyond patriotic rhetoric by asking some specific questions of the veterans you encounter.

First, ask us what we did in military service. Don't worry; our stories aren't just about bombs and bullets and boats.

For instance, most of us would love to tell you about how we deployed on more than a few humanitarian missions.

If you ask, we'll tell about operations like "New Horizon," where we built schools, clinics and playgrounds all over South America.

Some of us can tell you about cleaning up New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina, while others will tell you about flying into countries devastated by earthquakes or

tsunamis. Ask us what we did, and we might recollect building runways in the desert, pitching tents in the jungle, hot-loading a plane, setting up communications links in the Australian outback and launching a satellite that gave you the cable TV you enjoy.

Get us talking and we'll tell you about fixing planes, loading planes, flying planes, jumping from planes, fueling planes in flight.

As a chaplain, I can tell you about the blessings I prayed over planes as well as the blessing I had of walking away from a plane crash.

This generation of service members might lose you in their technical talk, but I assure you they are proud to talk about the satellites they control, the drones they fly and the cyber warfare they engage.

After you ask them about what they did, ask them where they've been.

They'll likely share their version of Johnny Cash's song, "I've Been Everywhere."

They've filled passports doing

temporary duty in places like Antigua, Ukraine and Djibouti on the Horn of Africa.

They've flown planes over the North Pole, landed them on the South Pole and navigated submarines under both.

And yes, they've even spent some time in "dark sites" that don't exist.

They shivered with their families on assignment in Minot, N.D., and spent a few sweltering years in Fort Huachuca, AZ.

My family loved the two years they spent in Izmir, Turkey, while other military families enjoyed the island seclusion of Guam or the Azores.

A few lucky ducks will regale you with stories of embassy duty in Paris, London or Madrid.

But if you want to go deep, ask them what it means to have served.

If you listen well and they think you're interested, they just might tell you.

But it's just as likely they won't be able to tell you. It's just as likely that there will be a hitch in their voice, a mist will form in their eyes and they'll turn away from

that question.

Don't get me wrong. They're proud of the things they've done and they want to share them with you.

But I caution you: There are some things they won't share.

Taking an oath to obey the legal orders of those appointed over them meant that they also did the unimaginable and for some the unspeakable.

I know because they told their chaplain.

They told me about the lives they couldn't save and the lives they had to take. They've shown me their physical wounds and they've bared their moral wounds.

Thankfully, the stories of most service-members run the course of everyday life; albeit a life of transfers every two or three years, endless inspections and exercises, family separations and making ends meet on military pay.

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Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous (Nar-Anon) family group meetings for friends and family members who are dealing with drug addiction are held locally from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt.

Sunshine Food Pantry Donations

Sunshine Food Pantry is a food closet that helps provide for residents. Collections of canned food and dry good nonperishable items are received at United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt; call to make an appointment for donations at 209-745-4133.

The food closet is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the United Methodist Church.

Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

Meals on Wheels is accepting new participants in its Galt All

Seasons Café located in the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older. Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533.

Senior Bingo Weekly at Chabolla

The Galt Commission on Aging is hosting free Senior Bingo games at the Chabolla Community Center at 600 Chabolla Ave. from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays (except holidays and when required by the city). Seniors of Galt and its immediate vicinity are invited to have fun and play bingo together and socialize.

Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center

The Commission on Aging is looking for volunteers to operate a computer and are willing to answer questions from seniors in person, over the phone, on social media and by

email at the Galt Senior Resource Center. Volunteer slots are available in two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays. Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members if questions arise.

The resource center is at the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. If interested in helping, call 209-294-3308 and leave a message or inquire in person.

Cosumnes DAR Chapter Accepting New Members

The Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) recently started its Rio Cosumnes Chapter in the Elk Grove/Galt community and is accepting new members.

The nonprofit, non-political volunteer women's service organization is dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education for children.

Members are all lineal descendants of those who supported the cause of independence in the Revolutionary War.

For more information on the Rio Cosumnes Chapter's monthly meetings or membership, contact Registrar Paula Schroeder at egdarregistrar@gmail.com.

City After-Hours Assistance

After-hours assistance is available at the Galt Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments. For Public Works concerns, call the Galt Police Department nonemergency line at 209-366-7000. The Parks Maintenance Division is available for scheduled field or facility use assistance only from 10 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Call 209-810-0293.

Office Hours With Mayor Sandhu

Galt Mayor Paul Sandhu meets one-on-one with Galt residents on the first

and second Thursday of each month to discuss issues important to them at Galt City Hall, 380 Civic Drive. Schedule the 30-minute meetings by contacting the City Clerk's office at 209-366-7130, ext. 7, or clerk@cityofgalt.org.

Library Offers Older Adults Computer Time

In cooperation with the Galt Commission on Aging, the Galt-Marian O. Lawrence Library will schedule a set time for older adults to use its computers, upon request. Those 65 and older who want computer time can call the library at 916-264-2920. Staff will help set up the computer or tablet. The library is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at 1000 Caroline Ave.

Recycle Household Batteries

City of Galt residents can recycle their household batteries in one of two green household-battery recycling bins: on the west

side at the front entrance to the Galt Police Department or on the east side at Galt Community Park, just west of the fire station. The green bin is only for dry-cell household batteries.

For additional information, contact the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

Square Dance Classes on Mondays

The Diamond Dancers Square Dance Club hosts social square-dancing classes in Galt. The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall. The classes are formatted for flexibility and students can learn numerous square dance calls in about three months. The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St. For more information, call Sue Regadanz at 916-835-8916.

AA 24-Hour Hotline

For help with an alcohol-related problem, call the Alcoholics Anonymous 24-hour hotline at 209-745-1525. ★

MEMORIAL


RICHARD FARHAT • 8/10/1963-10/20/2024

It is with great sadness that the family of Richard Earl Farhat announces his passing on October 20, 2024. Richard always enjoyed a good laugh and had a witty sense of humor that will be missed.

Richard grew up in Galt, California. He was interested in all sports. He received a scholarship from the University of Pacific where he played football. He also attended Delta College and graduated from San Diego State. He was a teacher, writer, artist and mobile home/land salesman.

Richard was a member of Galt United Methodist Church and volunteered at the Galt Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center, Inc.

Richard is survived by his mother Dottie Farhat, sisters Christine Curlee and Kimberly Farhat; nieces Abigail Curlee and Sabrina Curlee; Aunts Geraldine Perry and Rasheeda Blawson (Elmer), Uncles



Bill Martin (Rosa), David Martin (Gina), Claude Wooten (Joann), Roger Wooten (Norma), Randy Wooten (Mary), and numerous cousins and many friends. Richard was preceded in death by his father Marshood Farhat, Jr., Grandparents Marshood and Sarah Farhat, Opal Martin, Earl Wooten.

Special thanks to Aunt Gina Martin, cousins Maria Molina and Susie Mendoza for attending to Richard in his final days. They are our special angels.

Donations may be made to the Galt Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center, Inc.

Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, November 16, 2024, 12 Noon, at Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C Street, Galt, CA 95632.

Though Richard is no longer with us, his spirit lives on in every act of kindness we do in his name.

MEMORIAL


ROSA ANNA DENIER • 12/19/1928-10/27/2024

Rosa Anna Denier passed away peacefully in her home on October 27, 2024, surrounded by love and family.

Born on December 19, 1928, in San Joaquin, CA, Rosa was the beloved daughter of Swiss immigrants Louis and Rosa Blattler. She was raised on her parents' dairy farm in Manteca and graduated from Manteca High School in 1947.

Rosa was known for her radiant beauty and kindness. In 1938, she was crowned queen of the 4H float at the Livermore parade. Her warm personality and youthful appearance were so striking that, later in life, she was once mistaken for her son Richard's wife!

In 1945, Rosa met Alfred, the love of her life, at the Swiss Hall in Ripon, California. They shared a deep connection, both being children of Swiss immigrants. Together, they attended Swiss gatherings, and over the years, they made cherished trips to Switzerland, honoring their shared heritage. Rosa was a proud member of the Sacramento Helvetia Verein and the San Joaquin Valley Swiss Club in Ripon, and St. Christopher's Catholic Church in



Galt.

Family and friends will remember Rosa as a devoted mother, a loving wife, and an incredibly meticulous record-keeper, especially with the family's and dairy's financials. Her attention to detail was remarkable—she even recorded all expenses from her and Alfred's five-day honeymoon trip to Los Angeles and Imperial Valley in 1947, which came to a total of \$158.43!

Rosa is survived by her three sons: Larry (Betty Ann), Richard (Kathy), and Fred (Cathy); seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her beloved husband of 60 years, Alfred, her cherished daughter Rosemary, and her granddaughter Lindsay Rose.

A Rosary and Mass will be held on Tuesday, November 12, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at St. Christopher's Catholic Church, 950 S. Lincoln Way, Galt, CA. Graveside services will follow at Galt Cemetery, 14180 Joy Dr., Galt, CA.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to United Cerebral Palsy (You can donate at the website "ucp.org" in memory of Rosemary).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-07681
Fijians Angels In Home Care LLC, 8784 Twinberry Way, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pacific Family Homecare" 695 Summit Lakes Way, Galt, CA 95632. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 7, 2024
Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024
PACIFIC 11-8-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-07707
Shivkam George Claire, 3329 Brolio Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AVINIA Consulting Group" 3329 Brolio Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 8, 2024
Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024
AVINIA 11-8-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-07665
Valley Pharmacy Express, LLC, 835 C street, #180, Galt, CA 95632 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Valley Pharmacy Express" 835 C street, #180, Galt, CA 95632. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 7, 2024
Publish: Oct 25, Nov 1, 8, 15, 2024
VALLEY 11-15-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-07993
Salty Vibes Inc, 12921 Cherokee Lane, Galt, CA 95632 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Salty Vibes" 12921 Cherokee Lane, Galt, CA 95632. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 18, 2024
Publish: November 1, 8, 15, 22, 2024
SALTY 11-22-24

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-08154
Robert Kenneth Lane and Cara Jo Lane, 11545 Badger Colony

Court, Wilton, CA 95693 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Lane Company" 11545 Badger Colony Court, Wilton, CA 95693. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 25, 2024
Publish: November 8, 15, 22, 29, 2024
LANE 11-29-24

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#24CV019480

Ana Jollett Olivares Rodales has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ana Jollett Olivares Rodales to Ana Jollett Rodales.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 23, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street,

Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 26, 2024
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024
RODALES 11-8-24

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2022-03738
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME OF: Beacon Property Management Services, 545 Industrial Way, Suite #105, Galt, CA 95632.
Carolyn Morris, 155 Sterling Grove Drive, Galt, CA 95632. The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on 5/12/2022 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: 10/4/2024.
Publish: Oct 18, 25, Nov 1, 8, 2024
BEACON 11-8-24

filed by Maria Teresa Garcia, in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, the Petition for Probate requests Maria Teresa Garcia be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows November 21, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the

hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are 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: Robert O. Hardwick, 115 W Walnut Street, Suite 2, Lodi, CA 95240; (209) 333-8511
Publish: November 1, 11, 15, 2024
HARO 11-15-24

CITY OF GALT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 6:00 pm, or soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the City Council of the City of Galt will hold a Public Hearing at Galt City Hall, 380 Civic Drive, Galt, CA, to consider the following:

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE INPUT ON COMPOSITION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS FOR TRANSITIONING TO DISTRICT BASED COUNCIL ELECTIONS CONSISTENT WITH ELECTIONS CODE 10010

The purpose of this public hearing is: To receive presentation and provide input to staff regarding the composition of voting districts and number of districts.

The City of Galt encourages interested parties to attend public meetings and comment on the issues being discussed. If you wish to provide public comment and are unable to attend the meeting, written comments can be submitted to pubcom@cityofgalt.org by 4:00 pm on the day of the meeting. Comments will be distributed to City Council, made part of the official minutes, and posted on the City's website prior to the meeting. Email/written comments will not be read out loud during the meeting.

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Sections 65009, 66020, and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

Dated: October 24, 2024 \s Tina Hubert
Tina Hubert, City Clerk

The Galt Herald 11-1, 11-8-2024

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF SOFIA HARO
CASE NO. 24PR003058
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Sofia Haro.
A Petition for Probate has been

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Galt Joint Union High School District, California, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as the District is requesting proposals, for the award of E-Rate contracts for the following:

FY25, Form 470 #250001744
Category 2: Internal Connections/Network Electronics/BMIC

Electronic proposals will be accepted up to but not later than 10:00 AM 12/2/2024. The RFP and all addendum(s), questions and answers will be posted to the E-Rate EPC website at <https://data.usac.org/publicreports/Forms/Form470Rfp/Index>

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive informality in any proposals received, even with SLD funding approval.

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POLICE LOGS

During the time period of Oct. 25 to Oct. 31, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in 10 arrests.

Friday, Oct. 25

1:37 a.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested at Galt Cemetery on Joy Drive.
 3:00 a.m., domestic violence reported at The Galt Place on D Street.
 2:17 p.m., fraud reported at Galt Police Department on Industrial Drive.
 2:28 p.m., attempt to serve warrant/adult arrested at South Lincoln Way/Chabolla Avenue.
 4:45 p.m., hit-and-run/non-injury at Twin Cities Road/East Stockton Boulevard.

Saturday, Oct. 26

5:10 a.m., DUI/adult arrested on Twin Cities Road.
 10:41 p.m., DUI/adult arrested at West Stockton Boulevard/Walnut Avenue.

Sunday, Oct. 27

1:38 a.m., DUI/adult arrested at Third Street/E Street.
 2:18 a.m., hit-and-run/non-injury at Second Street/E Street.
 3:24 a.m., DUI/adult arrested at North Lincoln Way/A Street.
 6:04 a.m., domestic violence reported on Second Street.
 2:06 p.m., fraud reported on Elk Hills Drive.
 2:11 p.m., narcotics violation/adult arrested at Comfort Inn & Suites on Twin

Cities Road.
 5:15 p.m., theft reported at Trailridge Apartments on North Lincoln Way.
 7:59 p.m., auto burglary reported at Denny's on C Street.

Monday, Oct. 28

4:15 p.m., domestic violence/adult arrested at Palm Garden Apartments on A Street.
 5:56 p.m., trespassing reported at Palm Garden Apartments on A Street.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

12:22 p.m., trespassing reported at Galt Market on Meladee Lane; vendor selling outside of grounds.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

3:05 p.m., fraud reported on Ewell Court.
 4:45 p.m., theft reported on Lake Canyon Avenue; bike stolen from porch, now located.
 5:13 p.m., theft reported at The Galt Place on D Street; backpack stolen from FedEx delivery truck.
 5:33 p.m., trespassing reported at The Rustic Grace Salon on North Lincoln Way.
 7:28 p.m., hit-and-run/non-injury on Pestana Drive.

Thursday, Oct. 31

5:10 p.m., vehicle accident/injury at East Stockton Boulevard/Ashboro Lane.
 8:56 p.m., DUI/adult arrested at Raley's on Twin Cities Road. ★

ABOUT TOWN

Wilton Bingo Games Monthly

November bingo will be on Saturday Nov. 9. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m. in the Wilton Community Center (9717 Colony Road, at Dillard Road).

All proceeds go to two non-profits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group.

The next bingo will be on Jan. 4. Questions, call Lorraine Robinson at 916-212-8896

3 Palms Craft Show Nov. 9

Community members are invited to a craft show at Three Palms Mobile Estates (604 N. Lincoln Way) on Nov. 9.

Running from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., the show will feature holiday decor, including discounted Halloween items, as well as ceramics, jewelry, jellies, baked goods, crocheted and knitted items, artwork, lighted vases, aprons and adult bibs.

Historical Tours Offered Monthly

The Galt Area Historical Society will offer tours at McFarland Living History Ranch (8898 Orr Road) and the Rae House Museum (204 Oak Ave.), 1-4 p.m., on these Sundays: Nov. 3 and Dec. 1.

Parking is free and donations are accepted. For more information, call 209-730-3127.

American Legion Post 233

The Elk Grove American Legion Post 233, established in 1994, invites veterans to our monthly meetings every fourth Thursday of the month at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. We have a change in our general meeting date in November due to the 4th Thursday being Thanksgiving. We will meet on Nov. 21. There will be no scheduled general meeting in December.

Post 233 invites veterans and their spouses to a dinner/social hour from 6-7

pm. The veterans' general meeting starts at 7 pm.

Veterans' spouses are welcome to join the Elk Grove American Legion Auxiliary Unit 233 that meets in another room from 7-8 pm.

For questions, please contact Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128. We hope to see you there.

Other Veterans Meetings Listed

American Legion Post 55, Veterans & Auxiliary Units: 4th Wednesday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. Breakfast: 2nd Saturday, 8-10 am. 8830 Sharkey Ave., Elk Grove.

Marine Corps League: 1st Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting, 7p.m., Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive Elk Grove.

VFW Post 2073: 2nd Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. ★

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By Jerry Westerman

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and hopefully longevity. Becoming a member of a club or organization is often just the thing to get us out and enjoy some activities with other men in our age group. I joined one such group eight years ago. There are several branches in the Sacramento area called SIR (formerly Sons in Retirement).

SIR's mission is to enhance the lives of its members through fun activities and events while making friends for

life. SIR has over 100 branches in California from Bakersfield to the Oregon border. The branch I belong to, SIR Branch 23, has nearly 200 members and meets monthly at the Dante Event Center on Fair Oaks Boulevard just past Howe Avenue behind Pavilions Car Wash.

Members of the branch reside in surrounding neighborhoods such as River Park, East Sacramento, Arden Arcade, Carmichael and Fair Oaks,

although many live in farther-flung parts of the Sacramento region.

Our monthly luncheons provide an opportunity for members to socialize, enjoy a great meal and hear from interesting speakers from our community on a variety of subjects.

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spring, summer and fall); bowling at Country Club Lanes (weekly league play fall and winter); bocce ball at Carmichael Park, hiking, fishing trips, a free library, a book club, poker and bridge. Annual events include the "Ladies Day" luncheon during the holiday season and the Spring Family Picnic, also at Carmichael Park.

While membership in most SIR branches is limited to men, spouses/partners are welcome to participate in many activities.

Our branch is always looking for new members. Many new members were

friends, family, neighbors or former co-workers of our current members. But many joined after hearing about our great program and activities.

Annual dues are very low (currently \$25), since SIR is a nonprofit social organization, and joining is easy.

If you are interested, call our friendly Branch 23 membership chairman, Ray Zelinski, at 916-961-4222, and for more information, visit SIR at <https://sir-inc2.org/branch23>. Or call me, Jerry Westerman, at 916-801-7879. I would be happy to share more information with you. ★

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Wednesday, Nov. 13

Galt Parks and Recreation Commission, 6 p.m. every other month, Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

Thursday, Nov. 14

Galt Planning Commission, 6 p.m.,

Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

GHS/LRHS Ag Boosters, 6:30 p.m., Estrellita High School, 12935 Marengo Road, galtagboosters@gmail.com.

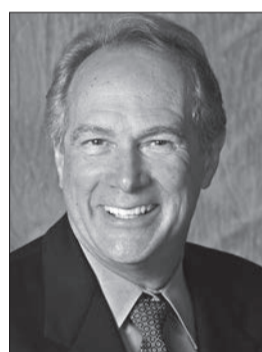
Lions Club, 6:30 p.m. social and 7 p.m. meeting, Galt Place, 400 D St., 209-745-5921.

Friday, Nov. 15

Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Comfort Inn & Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617. ★



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If you have questions or need additional information, please contact:

Questions regarding the application/renewal process: Finance 209-366-7150 or finance@cityofgalt.org

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Thank **A Veteran Today**

The History of Habit-Forming Cappuccino

According to National Day Calendar, today, Nov. 8, is National Cappuccino Day. Named for the habits of Italian friars, it's a perfect drink on a frosty morning, meeting with friends or just to enjoy a cup at home by the fireplace. Traditionally prepared with espresso, hot milk and steamed milk foam, a cappuccino is an Italian coffee drink.

A little history: The word "cappuccino" comes from the Capuchin friars and is the diminutive form of "cappuccio" in Italian, meaning hood or something that covers the head. This popular coffee beverage got its name not from the hood on their habits but from the color of the hooded robes that the friars wore.

A little more history: In 1945, Achille Gaggia invented the modern espresso machine which further popularized the cappuccino. In the late 1900s, cappuccino was made more widely available to North Americans as upscale coffee houses sprang up.

In the late 1990s to early 2000s, cappuccinos became popular in the United States concurrent with the boom in the American coffee industry. At the start of



the 21st century, a modified, shortcut version of the cappuccino being served at fast-food chains.

While steaming the milk, you must pay close attention to attain the correct ratio of foam, thus making cappuccino one of the most difficult espresso-based beverages to make properly.

And, yes, this is the coffee on which a skilled barista will create artistic shapes while pouring the milk on top of the espresso. Cappuccino can have flavoring added, but why mess with perfection? Enjoy!

The election is over. I am so thankful I don't have to see any more campaign materials or television political ads. Most of the ads were rude, tacky and

misleading. What happened to candidates using their words to tell their story, their story only, and what they will do for our country?

We need civility back in politics, at our workplaces, in our schools, and in our everyday life. I believe "manners matter," and it starts with us — each one of us — to be positive and civil. Now I will step down from my soapbox.

A continuation of Thanksgiving preparation from last week: Now that you have finished packing away Halloween and added Pilgrims and turkeys to your home decor, the silver is polished (who am I kidding; I use stainless steel flatware), the linens are refreshed (however, I do use cloth napkins and tablecloths and real dinnerware, not paper plates), and while you are adding and deleting from your lists daily, be sure to check your guests' responses and if your family is like my family, what they are bringing.

Most of your grocery shopping should be done. Take advantage of the three-day Veterans Day weekend to wrap up the inside work, and, weather permitting, work on the outside of your home. If you

have trees, their fallen leaves must be up to your knees. Enlist help from the family to get rid of them and anything else that needs to be removed, straightened, or cleaned. Check the outside furniture availability because inevitably someone will want to be outside if the weather is good.

Speaking of Veterans Day, be sure to hang your flag out in celebration of those who served our country and join me in thanking them for their service. We need our military and need to honor our veterans. Let them know we appreciate them and they are not forgotten. Listen to their stories, maybe ask them to join you for a cup of coffee; add breakfast or lunch to that. And what also goes well with coffee? A piece of pie. Yes, OK, with ice cream.

And speaking of Veterans Day, there are 29 days until Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, along with 47 shopping days until Christmas. Don't even get me started on those lists. And 54 days until New Year's Day 2025.

Until next week - Be strong, be courageous, make a memory, and use your manners. ★

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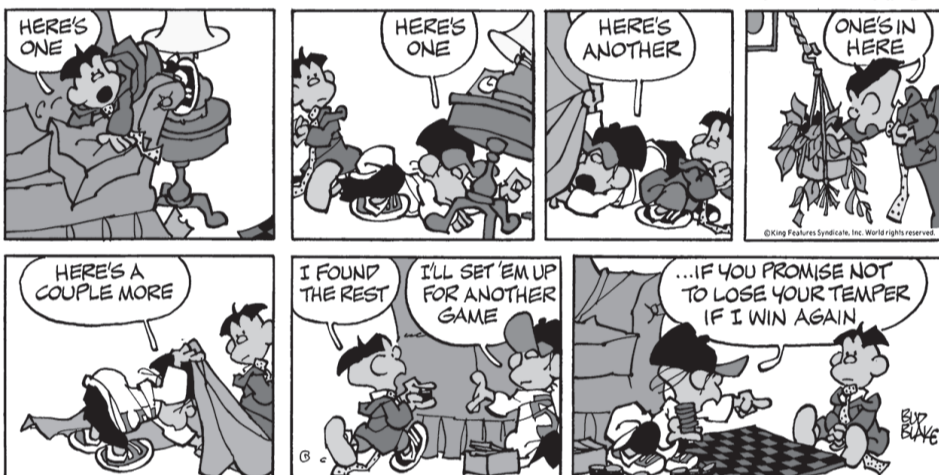
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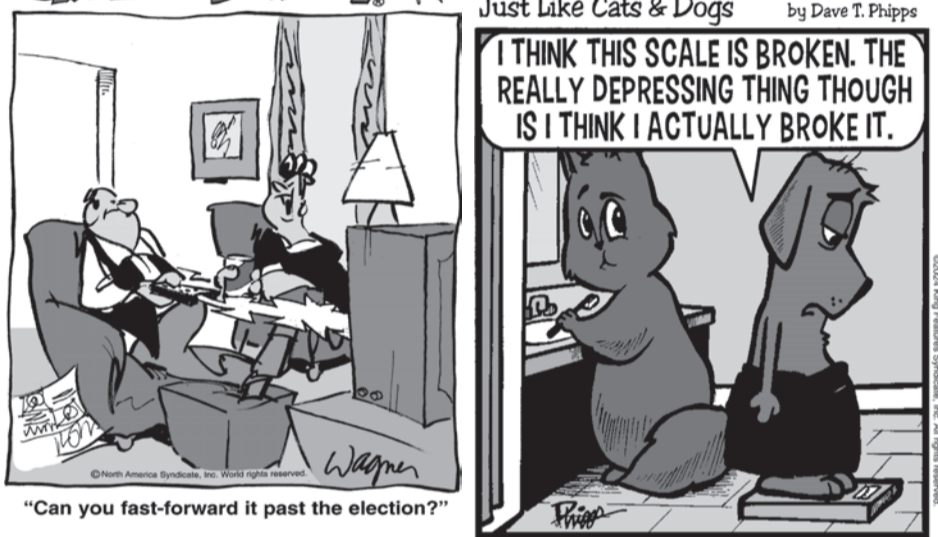
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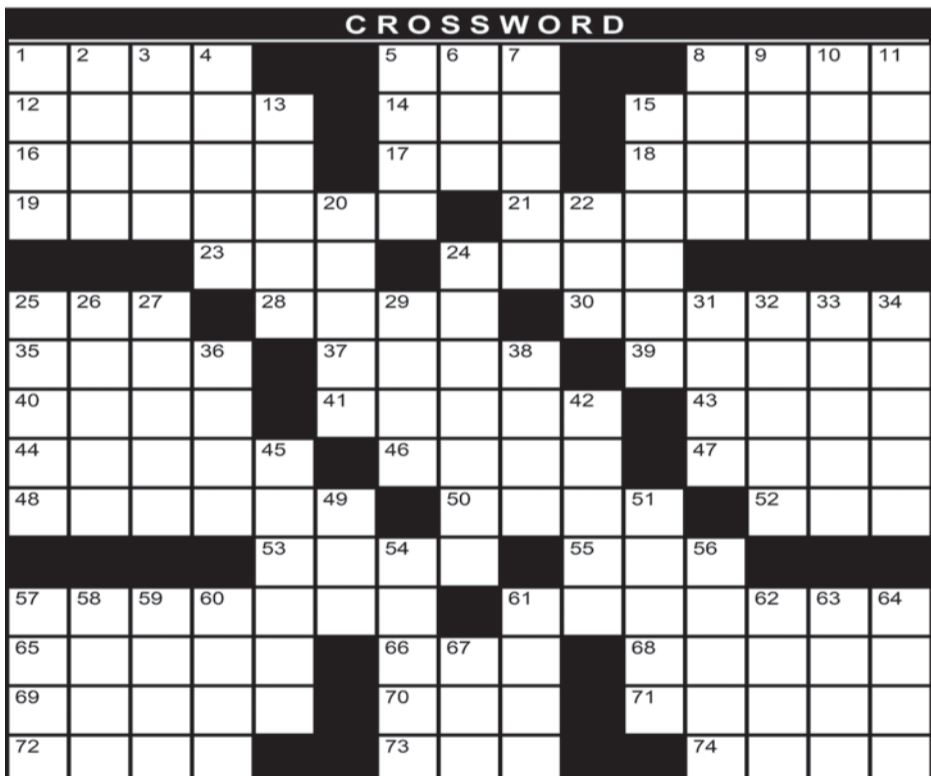
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LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE



Hawks Win 13th Straight Dairy Bowl

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - On Friday, Nov. 1, the last football game of the regular season was played between cross-town rivals Liberty Ranch and Galt High School, better known as the Dairy Bowl.

The Hawks shut out the Warriors 49-0 before the clock ran down to zero at Galt High stadium.

The game began with the Hawks receiving the kick-off. They moved downfield until quarterback Wyatt Blevins was able to finish the drive, scoring a touchdown with 6:13 left in the first quarter.

When the Warriors got the ball on offense, they began to make some progress when Hawk Kyle Quaresma pancake-tackled Galt quarterback Robert Rubio for a large loss. The Warriors had to punt.

Blevins completed a pass to Andrew Quinn, who scored on a 42-yard reception, making the score 14-0 with 3:38 left in the first quarter.

At the start of the second quarter, Blevins couldn't find any open receivers, so he ran almost 60 yards and scored again.

Galt turned the ball over once again and Joseph Brown scored for the Hawks. At the halftime buzzer the score was 28-0.

The rain started at half-time, and that made for a lot of fumbles and recoveries with a slippery ball.

The Hawks finished the season third place in league and will begin playoffs Friday, Nov. 8 at home (after press time).

Hawk head coach Warren Schroeder has been preparing the team for the



Liberty's Kobe Aguillen snatches a pass out of Galt's James Gilbert's hands for an interception.



The slippery pigskin is fumbled in the rain.

playoffs all season. "The Dairy Bowl was a great experience for our players as they take great pride in keeping the Dairy Bowl trophy at LRHS," said Schroeder. "We had many players perform well, including Wyatt Blevins who made some good decisions at quarterback."

"We now have the opportunity to play a very tough opponent in Ripon, who has already beaten

some of the highest-ranked division teams this year. I know the players and coaches will do their best to prepare mentally and physically to rise to the challenge."

Warrior new head coach Mark Walden says he is optimistic about the foundations they are beginning to build.

"This year has been a roller-coaster ride full of ups and downs with a



The Hawk defense faces off against the Warrior offense in the 2024 Dairy Bowl.

ton of lessons learned," explained Walden. "Regardless of the record, relationships were built, and a foundation began to take form."

Blevins and Quinn each scored two touchdowns, while Brown, Camren Hudson and Michael Schroeder each scored one. James Rangel made seven out of seven extra-point kicks.

Blevins completed two out of six throws and with his runs had a total of 177 yards. Brown added 123 to his record, Quinn 112, Hudson 100, Brodey Johnston five, and Schroeder scored from the 1-yard line.

The top tackle stats belong to Sean O'Brien and Easton Tucker with six tackles. Hudson-5, Axel Torres-5, Michael Lamson-3, Quinn-3, Cesar Becerra-3, Johnston-2, Landon Peterson-2, Aguille-1, Rangel-1, and Xavier Davis-1.

The Warriors did not have any stats posted by press time. ★



Galt's James Gilbert goes up for a catch.



Hawk quarterback Wyatt Blevins runs almost 70 yards for a touchdown. ★



Top rusher Joseph Brown heads toward the goal.



Liberty Ranch football players celebrate their win with the milk can for the 13th year in a row.



Galt's Mark Grammer tackles Liberty's Jose Lara.

Hawk JV Football Remains Undefeated

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Junior Varsity Hawks finished off their season by defeating the Galt Warriors 49-0 at the 14th annual

Dairy Bowl. The Hawks had a perfect 10-0 season record and 7-0 league record season and now hold the League Champion title.

Many JV players will move up to varsity for the playoffs that start Friday, Nov. 8 at Hawk Stadium (after press time). ★



Warrior quarterback Quinten Rodriguez tries to get past the Hawk defense.

LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE

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Hawk Volleyball Headed to Section Finals

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - For the first time in history, the Liberty Ranch girls volleyball team has qualified for the Sac-Joaquin section finals.

The team had a perfect run of 14 wins and zero losses to win league for the second time in a row.

They have won all three of their playoff games 3-0, but that doesn't mean it was easy.

In the first round they took care of Orestimba 25-14, 25-16, 25-15. In the quarterfinals Hughson proved to be tougher and the Hawks came from behind in the first set to win 25-21, then 25-15 and the last set was nose to nose and went into overtime, but the Hawks finished with the win, 26-24.

No Liberty Ranch volleyball team had ever made it past the quarterfinals.

The No. 2-ranked Hawks faced No. 3-ranked Hilmar on Tuesday, Nov. 5 in the semifinals.

Every player seemed to be on their "A-game," and the team never let Hilmar get the lead and won all three sets 25-19, 25-18 and 25-17.

Head coach Mark Snow has been coaching Liberty volleyball for 14 years and varsity for nine. He has a 165-104 win-loss record and has coached two of the winningest seasons in Hawk history, last year with their first league win 24-8 and this year 34-4 overall with their second league win.

"This is the first time any volleyball team has made it this far," said Snow. "I am just really excited for the girls because they have been working really hard to get where they are. We have played really well together as a unit. If we play good defense, we are very hard to beat because of the big three offensive weapons we have in Paityn Snow, Rachel Smith and Haley Smith."

Senior Paityn Snow, who was voted league MVP last year and the year before, had 13 kills, four blocks, four digs and received the ball 11 times in the Hilmar game.

Senior Rachel Smith had nine kills, six blocks, five digs, and received the ball nine times.

Junior Haley Smith had 10 kills, two blocks, six digs, and received the ball nine times.

Senior libero Taryn Cooley had four digs and received the ball 15 times.

The Hawks face Ripon Saturday, Nov. 9 at 1 p.m. at Cosumnes River College. ★



Vivian Frame taps the ball over the net.



Rachel Smith on the attack.



Gaby Arevalo serves.



Paityn Snow digs deep and saves the ball.



Taryn Cooley bumps a serve.



The Hawks celebrate their win over Hilmar on Nov. 5.

Galt Cross Country Excels at League Championships

By Bruce Peterson

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Galt Cross Country team participated in the SVC League Championships held at Folsom Lake College on Wednesday, Oct. 30.

The runners delivered outstanding performances in the challenging Sierra Valley Conference, achieving eight new personal records, two season records and earning four all-league honors. Notably, Kitto Gonzalez received the MVP first place honor in the Sierra Valley Conference.

Senior Emilyann Sheldon earned all-league honors with a sixth-place finish in the varsity girls. Seniors Kitto Gonzalez and Logan Rose took first and second in the varsity boys race, with Alejandro Herrera finishing 10th and also earning all-league honors.

Head coach Bruce Peterson said the team has faced challenges this season.

"It's been a long, challenging season and this was one of the few difficult courses we faced, but I'm thrilled with the team's performances," said Peterson. "The boys varsity and girls varsity teams finished third in the Sierra Valley Conference Championships behind

El Dorado and Union Mine. The Sierra Valley Conference is among the best Division 4 conferences in the San Joaquin Section in Cross Country. Last year both El Dorado and Union Mine reached the California State Championships. For our athletes to be this competitive is a tribute to their dedication."

Among Warrior runners, three completed their first 5k race: sophomore Rylan Graviette and freshmen Daniel Crownover and Aiden Bowles.

In the girls frosh-soph 2-mile race, freshman Danielle Aragon secured eighth place and earned a medal with a time of 16:48.81, while sophomore Morgan Jones finished in 11th place with a time of 17:35.01.

Boys frosh-soph 2-mile race results: Julian Alvarado finished in 25th place with a time of 15:00.35; Mateo Mejia secured 28th place with 15:19.76; and freshman Noah Dean achieved a new personal record, placing 32nd at 17:10.88.

Girls varsity 5K race results: Senior Emilyann Sheldon placed sixth with a season-best time of 21:16.68 and earned all-league honors. Sophomore Emily Razo took 13th at 22:29.95, a new personal

best. Junior Nora Werdon finished 18th in 24:17.47; junior Elia Rodriguez came in 22nd at 25:23.74; senior Alanna Juarez was 23rd at 25:38.03; seniors Ella Ipson placed 25th with a new personal record (PR) of 27:24.72, and Mae Trull's time was 27:38.42.

Boys varsity 5k race results: Seniors: Kitto Gonzalez finished first with a time of 16:34:27; Logan Rose took second at 16:36.19, achieving a PR. Juniors: Alejandro Herrera placed 10th in 17:43.36, setting a new PR; and Aiden Bowles completed the race in 20:00.18. Sophomores: Elliott Kramer finished 35th with a time of 20:15.99, a new PR, and Garrett Rose came in 38th at 20:41.69. Freshmen: David Espinoza Terrones was 42nd with a time of 20:42.19; Daniel Crownover achieved a PR with a time of 21:27.66, and Aiden Bowles finished 48th in 23:05.81. Additionally, sophomore Rylan Graviette marked a PR with 23:25.55, followed by senior Jonathon Power at 23:26.49.

The San Joaquin sub-section meet is scheduled for Nov. 9 at Frogtown in Angels Camp. The Warriors anticipate that some of their runners and teams will qualify for the section meet. ★



Kitto Gonzalez and Logan Rose head to wins in the SVC League Championships held at Folsom Lake College. Courtesy photos



Emily Razo and Emilyann Sheldon run the course.



Elliott Kramer competes in the 5K.



The Cross Country League Champions include on left Kitto Gonzalez and Logan Rose, 4th Kyle Oltmans from Liberty Ranch and 10th Alejandro Herrera.

The Capital SouthEast Connector: A Lifeline for Public Safety and Emergency Response

By Derek Minnema, Executive Director Capital Southeast Connector JPA



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Sheriff Jim Cooper emphasized the critical need for quicker response times in emergencies: “It’s a safety issue for our motoring public and also for your first responders. We’ve got to get there to service those people, and those minutes are critical. Time is of the essence.”

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District Assistant Chief John Rudnicki echoed this concern, noting the importance of the Connector’s Grant Line Road improvements: “When we look at the number of fatalities and incidents that have affected this roadway, we can clearly see why it is so crucial to make this improvement an engineered solution to prevent future problems.”

Every second counts in an emergency. Whether it is a medical crisis, a fire, or a flood, first responders need reliable, safe,

and efficient routes to reach people in need. The Capital SouthEast Connector will be a crucial thoroughfare for emergency vehicles, reducing response times and ensuring that help arrives as quickly as possible.

“When we look at the number of fatalities and incidents that have affected this roadway, we can clearly see why it is so crucial to make this improvement an engineered solution to prevent future problems.”

Beyond day-to-day emergencies, the Connector will play a pivotal role in regional emergency preparedness. During disasters like wildfires, its wide lanes and better access will allow

for smoother evacuations and faster movement of emergency personnel and heavy equipment. Rudnicki recalled the devastating Camp Fire in Paradise, where poor road access severely hindered evacuation efforts. “On a roadway, we’re worried about the smoke, we’re worried about the shoulder. How do you turn your vehicle around if the road is narrowing from four lanes down to two and there’s nowhere to go?” he asked.

Winter brings its own set of challenges, with flooding posing a significant danger to residents and first responders in southern Sacramento County. As Cooper noted, drivers often misjudge the depth of floodwaters or fail to see warning signs, trapping themselves in dangerous situations. The Connector’s design will address these issues with improved drainage systems and clearer signage, ensuring that emergency vehicles can navigate the region safely, regardless

of weather conditions.

This project has been a long time coming, but it is now gaining real momentum thanks to recent federal support. “It’s been going on for a long time... trickle here, trickle there, and never a lot of money.”

Cooper reflected, adding, “Finally, we get a lot of money.” This much-needed funding will allow us to address the most dangerous stretches of road and create a safer, more resilient network for all.

The Capital SouthEast Connector is not just a transportation project; it is a lifeline for our community. By building a roadway that can withstand the challenges of flooding and wildfires, we are ensuring that our residents remain safe and connected—no matter what challenges lie ahead.

Derek Minnema is a civil engineer, and the chief executive leading the Capital SouthEast Connector Joint Powers Authority. ★

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The Capital SouthEast Connector is the largest and most significant road project in Sacramento and El Dorado Counties, but its value to the region is often unknown to residents. We hope to change that through a series of ads. The ads explore the Connector’s history and future, its financing, its challenges, and its successes.

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Q What is the Capital SouthEast Connector Expressway?

A The planned Connector is an expressway that will link Interstate 5 and Highway 99 near Elk Grove to Highway 50 in El Dorado County. The new expressway will relieve congestion by directing commuter and commercial traffic around the city on a safe expressway. Travelers to and from areas south of Sacramento will no longer need to go through the city to get to their destinations. The Capital SouthEast Connector Expressway also features a parallel bike and pedestrian trail.

Q Who will benefit from the SouthEast Connector Expressway when completed?

A The entire region will benefit from reduced congestion on area highways, particularly Hwy 50, and from fewer toxic fumes spewing from thousands of vehicles stuck in traffic. Southeastern Sacramento County residents will have a safe new route to avoid Hwy 50 congestion and bypass downtown traffic. Businesses, companies, farmers, and ranchers will also be able to receive supplies and send products to market

more safely and quickly. Most importantly, the modernized roadway will be safe to travel, unlike current conditions that endanger lives.

Q Who approved building the SouthEast Connector Expressway?

A In 2004, by a 3-1 margin, voters agreed to tax themselves for 30 years for transportation maintenance, road improvements, mass transit, mobility for seniors and people with disabilities, and specifically to construct a new expressway connecting I-5 and Hwy 99 in the Elk Grove area to Hwy 50 in El Dorado County, now known as the Capital SouthEast Connector. Since the vote, the tax has generated about \$2 billion. To date, the Capital SouthEast Connector has received about \$58 million of those funds, which were paired with federal and state funds to complete 11 miles of the 34-mile project.

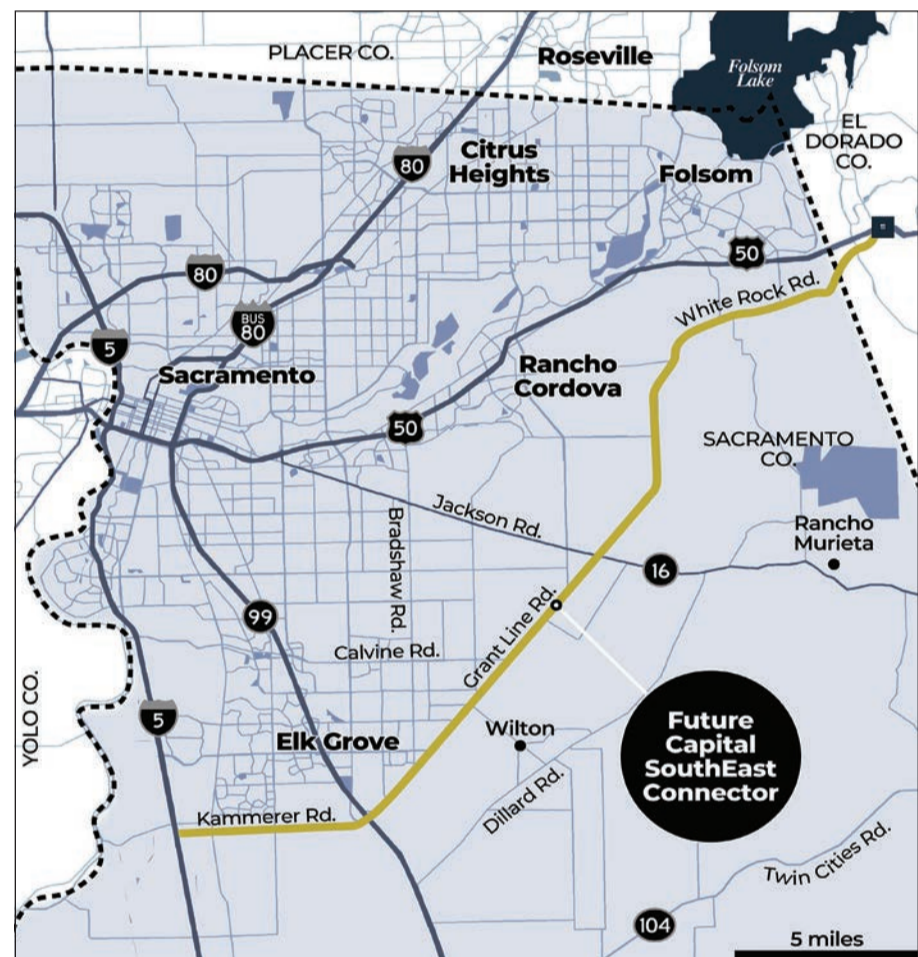
Q Where have the transportation tax funds not allocated to the Capital SouthEast Connector been used?

A The transportation sales tax funds are allocated according to a formula voters approved when they approved the tax. The largest single

recipient of the funds since the tax began is the Regional Transit Authority (38%, amounting to \$709 million) for operating and maintaining light rail and bus services; and providing transportation options to seniors and individuals with disabilities. Street and road maintenance projects have received 29.4%, amounting to \$545.5 million. Overall, capital improvement projects have received 20.4%, amounting to \$377.4 million. The rest of the funds went to smaller projects, and less than ¼ of one percent is spent on program administration.

Q What has the Sacramento Area Council of Governments’ role been in the Capital SouthEast Connector’s construction.

A The Capital SouthEast Connector is part of the “Sacramento Blueprint,” adopted over 20 years ago by SACOG’s board of directors and still consulted today. The Blueprint’s goal is to integrate land use and transportation planning to improve the region’s quality of life. It was SACOG’s idea to create the Capital SouthEast Connector Joint Powers Authority to manage the design and construction of the expressway. Over the years, SACOG



Map showing the location of the future Capital SouthEast Connector

has been mostly supportive of efforts to advance the project, but in 2016 the organization decided to remove a portion of the Connector in its MTP update, introducing notable funding challenges for the project. More recently, SACOG determined that constructing a segment of the project was the region’s number one transportation priority, greatly enhancing a successful project application for federal funding.

Q What environmental impacts will the SouthEast Connector Expressway create, and how will they be mitigated?

A Like any road project, the Capital SouthEast Connector will affect the environment during and after construction, but all federal, state, and local regulations to protect the environment are being followed. After construction, the environment will be greatly enhanced due to a design that controls and channels damaging groundwater that currently floods the roadway and adjacent lands. The Connector Joint Powers Authority is a member of the South Sacramento Conservation Agency (SCCA) that oversees compliance with the South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan and its rules for road construction. The Connector project has obtained environmental permits and has also agreed

to purchase lands to replace impacted agricultural land or vernal pools in accordance with the conservation plan’s vision.

Q How will the Capital SouthEast Connector affect bike and pedestrian traffic in the area?

A Bicyclists and pedestrians who currently face grave danger will be able to avoid traffic entirely by using a paved, Class 1 bike trail that will be built separate from the expressway along its entire length. The bike trail is designed to enable residents to walk or ride their bikes to visit friends in neighboring communities; or peddle to work, local restaurants, stores, parks, and entertainment venues; or simply to exercise and enjoy the outdoors.

Q How can residents support construction of the Capital SouthEast Connector?

A Your support is vital to our successfully applying for funds to complete the project. Telling your local, state, and federal elected representatives that you support the project is very helpful. You can also learn more about the project or sign up for our newsletter on our website at www.connectorjpa.com. Alternatively, you can use the QR code on this page, visit our Instagram page at www.instagram.com/connectorjpa or our YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/@SouthEastconnectorexpressway Please send questions or comments to ConnectorSupport@sacounty.gov.

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