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Celebrate Veterans Day in West Sacramento



Mayor Martha Guerrero stands with Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 members at a previous Veterans Day Parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762

By Annie Kerr

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - It is crucial to honor and remember those who have served their country and to keep their legacy and memories alive.

That is why every Nov. 11, Americans celebrate Veterans Day, a holiday dedicated to the 19.5 million American heroes who have served in the U.S. military, according to the United Service Organization. The holiday is celebrated on the 11th day of the 11th month to commemorate the moment the armistice ending World War I was signed.

In honor of Veterans Day, the West

Sacramento Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 8762 invites all residents to honor those who have served at its annual Veterans Day Parade.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Commander of Post 8762 Leo Alatorre emphasized the importance of the event and what it means to the community.

"This event is to showcase our local veterans and let the community honor those who have given so much to our country," Alatorre said. "It's a great way for the community to honor, respect and highlight those who have made the ultimate sacrifice."

The parade will begin at 11 a.m.

on Nov. 11 at 1100 Clarendon St. The route will veer toward Westacre Road, going down Park Boulevard and ending at the corner of Stone and Deerwood streets.

Preceding the parade will be a pancake breakfast held by the Boy Scouts of America Troop 49 at 8:30 a.m. at the parade staging area at 1100 Clarendon St. The breakfast is offered to parade participants and onlookers.

Brian Stiger, Jr., a Veterans Day Parade Committee member, said there were at least 550 spectators at 2023's parade, and they expect no less this year. There were 100

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Manual Tally and Unofficial Election Results Schedule

Yolo County Assessor News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Elections Office will select the voting precincts to be included in the one percent manual tally for the Nov. 5 General Election in accordance with the California Elections Code.

The manual tally process validates the totaling of ballots generated by the electronic voting equipment before certifying election results. For each race not included in the one-percent manual tally, an additional voting precinct with that contest will be tallied.

The public and media are invited to observe the voting precinct selection and the manual tally. Due to the spacing in the Yolo County Elections Office, the number of members of the public who would like to observe the manual tally was limited.

The selection of the precincts will take place after press time on Nov. 7 at 3 p.m. at the Yolo County Elections Office (625 Court St., Room B05, Woodland). The manual tally will begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12.

The following schedule for upcoming unofficial election results for the Nov. 5 General Election are as follows:

- Until Certification**
- Friday, Nov. 8 by 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 12 by 4 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 15 by 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 19 by 4 p.m.
- Friday, Nov. 22 by 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 26 by 4 p.m.

Due to the requirements outlined in Assembly Bill 3184 (signed into law on 9/22/24), election results cannot be certified in California until Tuesday, Dec. 3, at the earliest. Assembly Bill 3184 establishes specific timelines and procedures for certifying election results in California. Under this law, Yolo County Elections Office will certify the Nov. 5 General Election and provide final official results on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

The Yolo County Elections Office encourages residents to connect with Yolo County ACE

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Single-Parent Student Housing Completed

City of West Sacramento News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The City of West Sacramento, Raise the Barr, Brinshore Development, Operative Office and Yolo County Housing Authority celebrated the grand opening of The Huddle on 5th, an 18-unit apartment complex located at 221 5th St. in West Sacramento on Oct. 25.

The development is designed to provide essential supportive services and affordable housing to eligible single parents enrolled in higher education.

The Huddle on 5th, which broke ground in October 2023, caters specifically to single parents enrolled in local colleges,



Vice-Mayor Dawnte Early cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of The Huddle on 5th. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

offering them a path to achieving a college degree and securing a family-sustaining wage. To achieve this, residents who remain

enrolled in local post-secondary institutions, trade, or technical programs will benefit from income-based housing, alongside

a comprehensive program crafted around Raise the Barr's whole-family model.

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Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Tours Available

California Department of Fish and Wildlife News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

-Tour the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area with an experienced field trip leader!

Tours are held on the third Sunday of each month and are a fantastic opportunity to explore local wetlands, learn about wildlife and native plants and interact with other community members who share similar interests. View flooded seasonal and permanent wetlands, native grasslands and young riparian forests. Depending on the season, look for migrating and resident waterfowl, shorebirds, songbirds, raptors, and wading birds.

Tours run rain or shine from 9 a.m. to noon, on the third Sunday of each month, except in instances of flooding. Tours do not run in July, August, and September. Tours meet at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters (45211 County Road 32B). Registration required.

For more information or to register visit yolobasin.org/wetlands-tours or contact volunteer@yolobasin.org via email. ★



Tour group learning about the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area.

Scholarship Awarded for Black Nurses in Sacramento

Sierra Donor Services News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

Sierra Donor Services, a leading nonprofit organization dedicated to saving and enhancing lives through organ and tissue donation, is proud to announce the inaugural Sierra Donor Services Lifesaver Nursing Scholarship for the Capitol City Black Nurses Association (CCBNA). Sierra Donor Services has committed to fund the scholarship annually through 2028.

Sheree Criner, Capitol City Black Nurses Association President, shared news of this collaboration with the Capitol City Black Nurses Association Executive Board, expressing excitement and gratitude.

“We are grateful to partner with Sierra Donor Services in supporting underserved nursing students from black and brown communities,” said DaJanae Gresham-Ryder, Capitol City Black Nurses Association vice-president and scholarship committee chair. “Together, CCBNA and Sierra Donor Services are making significant strides toward closing the diversity gap in the nursing workforce.”

in West Sacramento.

Last month, the scholarship program awarded a total of \$6,000 to two outstanding nursing students, Cayla Cook and Mariah Wolfe.

Cook is pursuing the University of the Pacific’s Entry Level Master of Science in Nursing (ELMSN) degree. As a woman of color who has navigated numerous challenges, she is committed to delivering compassionate, patient-centered care to diverse populations.

“I am deeply honored to be a recipient of the Sierra Donor Services Lifesaver Nursing Scholarship,” said Cook. “This recognition not only supports my educational goals but also strengthens my resolve to make a meaningful impact in the nursing field.”

Wolfe is currently in the Master of Science in Nursing – Family Nurse Practitioner degree program at Samuel Merritt University. As a member of both the Bay Area Black Nurses Association and Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc., she is dedicated to supporting and uplifting her community.

“I am so grateful that this scholarship will allow me to focus more fully on my studies, engage in research opportunities,

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and actively contribute to community health initiatives without the added stress of financial uncertainty,” said Wolfe. “Although this scholarship holds significant importance to me, it represents more than just financial support. It is a validation of my academic achievements and dedication to the nursing profession.”

The awardees were announced at Capitol City Black Nurses Association’s Annual Scholarship Gala in September. The recipients were selected based on their personal statements, academic achievements and dedication to the nursing profession.

“We are honored to partner with the Capitol City Black Nurses Association to support and invest in the next generation of nurses,” said Sean Van Slyck, executive director of Sierra Donor Services. “These scholarships recognize the exceptional dedication and determination

of Cayla and Mariah, and we’re very proud of them for their academic achievements. We are confident that they and future scholarship recipients will make significant contributions to the nursing profession and the communities they serve.”

The Sierra Donor Services Lifesavers Nursing Scholarship is part of Sierra Donor Services’ ongoing commitment to supporting diversity and inclusion in the healthcare field. Sierra Donor Services supports Scholarship Awarded for Black Nurses in Sacramento’s work in advocating for the needs of nurses and optimizing health outcomes in communities where health disparities persist by promoting recruitment, retention, and enhancing the nursing education pipeline.

About Sierra Donor Services
Sierra Donor Services is a federally designated, mission-driven nonprofit organ procurement

organization dedicated to saving and improving more lives by connecting organ and tissue donations to the patients who need them. Sierra Donor Services serves more than 2.7 million people across 13 counties in Northern California and Nevada and is a part of a larger organization that serves Tennessee and New Mexico. For more information, visit SierraDonor.org.

About the Capitol City Black Nurses Association

The Capitol City Black Nurses Association (CCBNA) is the Sacramento chapter of the National Black Nurses Association nonprofit organization. CCBNA aims to advocate for the needs of nurses and optimize health outcomes in communities where health disparities persist by promoting recruitment, retention and enhancing the nursing education pipeline. To learn more, visit ccbna.org. ★

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ACE, TikTok: @yolocoace and X:@YoloCoACE to receive the most up-to-date information. Or go to its website at ace.yolocounty.gov/35/Elections or call 530-666-8133. ★

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Single-Parent Student Housing Completed

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This model places significant emphasis on coaching, peer-to-peer support, mental health and family wellness, job training, career development, and financial empowerment. Its central focus is alleviating financial burdens, stabilizing expenses and fostering self-sufficiency. Since 2016, Raise the Barr's methodology and leadership in the Student Basic Needs Movement has produced a 96% success rate in keeping its members enrolled through graduation.

Work on this project began in June 2020, when Operative Office first acquired the quarter-acre site, which was previously a single-family home.

Emily Ware, Director of Development of Operative Office detailed the formula that enabled the groundbreaking.

"Our success in turning this small site into such a

dense and impactful project is largely attributable to the City of West Sacramento's development-friendly zoning, their willingness to co-invest in nearby infrastructure, and their best-in-class approach to both housing and economic development. The project also owes a great deal to Yolo County Housing's willingness to contribute project-based vouchers, which are crucial for the execution of Raise the Barr's model," Ware said. "The project benefits as well from a steady effort by many staff members at the California Department of Housing & Community Development, whose combined efforts resulted in an Infill Infrastructure Grant to the project. And finally, thanks to creative and thoughtful work by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee, and



The Huddle on 5th has 18 units meant for single parents enrolled in higher education. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

their respective staff, the project also received an allocation of 4% federal tax credits, state

tax credits, and multifamily revenue bonds, each of which serve as foundational building blocks for the project's financing. R4 is serving as both lender and tax credit investor to the project."

Said Lori Barr, co-founder and CEO of Raise the Barr, "Access to affordable housing is one the biggest barriers to college completion for single parents and their children. Completion of The Huddle on 5th will bring the dreams of many to life. These dreams of earning a degree, securing a career with a family sustaining wage, and having access to opportunities for economic mobility will create a positive change within families and communities for generations. We hope this space serves as a model for more housing of this kind across the state of California. We have only just begun."

Said West Sacramento Mayor Martha Guerrero, "The city is excited for this very unique

affordable housing option that will support multiple generations for years to come. We're grateful for this partnership and look forward to welcoming these new residents to our community."

Said Richard Sciortino, co-founder and principal of Brinshore Development, "Opening The Huddle on 5th will make a significant impact on the lives of parent scholars and their children in Yolo County."

Said Ian Evans, executive director of Yolo County Housing, "Yolo County Housing strives to make affordable housing available for all populations in need throughout Yolo County. We're incredibly proud to provide rent vouchers to residents of this meaningful project, and very grateful to Brinshore Development, Operative Office, and Raise the Barr for bringing this project to West Sacramento." ★



Speakers addressed the attendees at the grand opening of The Huddle on 5th. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

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Doctors Say Bacterial Pneumonia Increasing, Especially Among Children

UC Davis Health News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Cases of pneumonia caused by the bacteria *Mycoplasma*, also known as “walking pneumonia,” have been on the rise this year in the United States, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The agency reports an increase among all age groups across the United States from March 31 to Oct. 5 of this year, with the peak in August, and levels remaining high. The data come from the National Syndromic Surveillance Program and bioMérieux BIOFIRE Syndromic Trends.

Young children, particularly those ages 2 to 4, have been most affected this year, with an increase from 1% to 7.2% among children ages 2 to 4. Children ages 5 to 17 also saw an increase from 3.6% to 7.4%.

Dean Blumberg, chief of pediatric infectious diseases at UC Davis Children’s Hospital, answered some questions about walking pneumonia and what parents and families can do to keep their children healthy. His comments follow below.

What is Mycoplasma Pneumonia?

“Pneumonia from *Mycoplasma*, also known by the nonmedical term ‘walking pneumonia,’ is caused by the bacteria *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*, which causes a respiratory tract infection. These can be mild infections which, most often, do not require hospitalization, but for some, they can be severe and



Do you have fever, sore throat and cough? It could be “walking pneumonia, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which is on the rise. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Health

require antibiotics to get better. Both children and adults can get pneumonia from *Mycoplasma*.”

What are the Common Symptoms of Pneumonia Caused by Mycoplasma?

“Common symptoms can include fever, cough, sore throat, headache and feeling tired.

It’s often called ‘walking pneumonia’ since some people don’t feel sick enough to stay home but they are still contagious and can spread the disease to others. Complications can occur that require hospital care, including new or worsening asthma, severe pneumonia and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain).

Children under 5 often have different symptoms, including diarrhea, sneezing, sore throat, stuffy or runny nose, vomiting, watery eyes and wheezing

Symptoms typically last for several weeks.

Some infected people may have no symptoms but it can still damage the lining of the respiratory tract, including the throat, windpipe and lungs.”

How is it Spread?

“It can spread person-to-person through the respiratory route, particularly when people are coughing or sneezing. People who live or work in crowded settings are at an increased risk for outbreaks.

It can take one to four weeks for symptoms to appear after someone has been exposed to the bacteria.”

Who is at Highest Risk for This?

“Anyone is susceptible but those recovering from a respiratory illness are at an increased risk for serious infection. Anyone with a weakened immune system or with preexisting lung conditions such as asthma or reactive airway disease are also at greater risk for serious infection.”

Is there a Vaccine Available for Mycoplasma Pneumoniae?

“No, unfortunately there is no vaccine.”

How is it Diagnosed?
“Testing is available through a nose or throat swab PCR test at your doctor’s office.”

How is this Treated?
“Macrolides (such as azithromycin) are a class of antibiotics used commonly to treat bacterial pneumonia including infections caused by *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*. Make sure to take the full course of antibiotics and don’t stop when you start feeling better.”

What are some ways to keep Families Safe?

“I think a lot of families may not have heard of *Mycoplasma pneumoniae* or know that it is going around. I would advise families to follow these common-sense strategies:

Stay home when you are feeling sick. Keep your children away from others if they are not feeling well.

Cover your cough and sneeze and teach your kids to use their batwing to cover their cough or sneeze.

Wear a well-fitted KN95 or N95 mask if you feel sick and need to be out in public or if you are in crowded settings with others. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, children ages 2 and older can safely wear a mask. But the exception is for anyone who cannot easily remove their own mask or who has trouble breathing.

Those who get worsening symptoms, have difficulty breathing or are unable to keep liquids down, should seek medical attention immediately.” ★

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Crime Reports WEST SACRAMENTO



ARREST REPORTS

- Lemar Lacey**, 36, was arrested Saturday, Oct. 26 at Auburn Boulevard and Palm Avenue, Sacramento, by Sacramento County Sheriff for DUI alcohol / drugs and DUI with blood alcohol concentration >.08.
- James Dean Lutz**, 23, was arrested Sunday, Oct. 27 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for vandalism of \$400 or more. He is accused of punching and damaging both rear view mirrors on the victim’s vehicle and jumping on the windshield, causing it to shatter. Victim wants to press charges and positively identified him on scene. Suspect declined to provide a statement and was placed under arrest and transported to Yolo County Jail.
- Jamila Naiima Haqq**, 35, was arrested Sunday, Oct. 27 at C Street and 3rd Street by West Sacramento Police for a bench warrant / failure to appear on a felony charge. A registered check during a traffic enforcement stop by the Officer revealed the suspect vehicle was an embezzled vehicle out of Sacramento County. The suspect was positively identified and placed under arrest and transported to Yolo County Jail for booking without incident.
- Matthew Colby Perez**, 42, was arrested Monday, Oct. 28 in West Sacramento by West Sacramento Police for vandalism of \$400 or more. The victim stated that the suspect was on her property, was intoxicated and was being verbally aggressive. Victim stated she saw him punch the rear passenger-side window of her vehicle with his right fist, causing the window to shatter. Victim wants to press charges, and suspect was arrested without incident and transported to Yolo County Jail.
- Carlos Tacdol**, 60, was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 29 on Calvine Road in Sacramento by Sacramento County Sheriff on warrants or holds only.
- Sulman Hafeez**, 40, was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 29 in West Sacramento by West Sacramento Police for vandalism: damaging property, trespassing: occupying property without consent, probation violation: rearrest / revoke and possession of burglary tools. Victim reported that suspect had broken into the residence without permission. Victim showed the Officer the door damaged to gain entry, where pry marks were seen on the door lock, damage to the door and frame. Several tools were lying on the ground next to the door that the Victim stated were not his. Victim stated that he wanted to press charges and signed a Citizen’s Arrest form. Suspect was transported to Yolo County Jail for booking.
- Malakhi Lamare Beard**, 23, was arrested Thursday, Oct. 31 in Sacramento County by Sacramento County Sheriff on warrants or holds only.
- Brandi G. Bryant**, 45, was arrested on Thursday, Oct. 31 in Sacramento County by Sacramento County Sheriff for grand theft: animal carcass.
- Brandon Crossley**, 33, was arrested on Thursday, Oct. 31 on Richards Boulevard, Sacramento, by Sacramento County Sheriff for possession of controlled substance, receiving stolen property – motor vehicle and taking vehicle without owner’s consent.

INCIDENT/CRIME REPORTS

- Tuesday, Oct. 1** – an unknown suspect is accused of exhibiting a firearm in a threatening manner at a gas station on Harbor Boulevard. Video footage did not show any subject brandishing a firearm.
- Wednesday, Oct. 9** – unknown suspects pried open storage units and stole three bicycles from a residential facility on 5th Street. Loss valued at \$6,542.
- Friday, Oct. 11** – unknown suspects broke a window and stole merchandise from a business on Merkley Avenue. Loss valued at \$2,700.
- Monday, Oct. 21** – unknown suspects broke down a fence and stole aluminum at an industrial site on Ramco Street. The suspects were caught on video. Loss valued at \$6,216.
- Saturday, Oct. 26** – an unknown suspect stole a vehicle parked in a city parking lot on Bridge Street. The vehicle was later used in an armed carjacking out of Berkeley. Loss valued at \$40,000.
- Sunday, Oct. 27** – victim stated an ex-girlfriend broke into his home on Elm Street, vandalized his house and took approximately \$9,000 in cash.
- Sunday, Oct. 27** – two individuals stole three tires and attempted to steal a fourth tire from a parking lot / garage on Channel Drive. Loss valued at \$3,610.
- Monday, Oct. 28** – the water pipe to a commercial / office building on Commerce Drive was cut and taken from outside the property by an unknown male. Loss valued at \$6,475.

LOCAL ARREST RECORDS

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ARREST LOGS UPDATED DAILY



Community Calendar

November

Friday, Nov. 8: West Sacramento "Kids Night Out" 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Avenue. Kids in grade Kindergarten through 5th grade enjoy 3 hours of games and activities like crafts and dancing, along with dinner and a movie. Parents are encouraged to send a blanket and pillow along with their child for comfort during movie time. \$15 per child, tickets only available for purchase online at https://westsacfun.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t2.wcs/. For more information, contact Recreation Coordinator Lucy Ramos at LucyR@cityofwestsacramento.org.

Monday, Nov. 11: Veterans Day Parade is at 11 a.m. in West Sacramento, sponsored by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762, at 1100 Clarendon Street, to Westacre Road., ending at Park and Stone Boulevards. Call 916-371-7245 for additional information.

Thursday, Nov. 14: Active Aging annual Thanksgiving luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the West Sacramento Senior Center, 1075 West Capitol Avenue. Cost is \$25 for members and \$33 for non-members. Enjoy a delicious catered lunch, entertainment and prizes. Register early, as seats are limited. Contact 916-617-5320 for more information.

Saturday, Nov. 16: Plant Clearance Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at UC Davis Arboretum. Shop their one-acre nursery for an incredible selection of attractive, low water plants perfect for this region. Credit cards, cash and checks accepted. See their website for more information: <https://arboretum.ucdavis.edu/plant-sales>.

Tuesday, Nov. 19: Yolo Community Foundation Philanthropy Awards, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at California Agricultural Museum, 1958 Hays Lane, Woodland. Tickets are available online at: [YCF.betterworld.org/events/philanthropy-awards](https://yolo.com/foundation/philanthropy-awards).

Saturday, Nov. 23: Yolo County Children's Alliance (YCCA) Community Giveaway Day will be held from 8 a.m. to noon at Riverbank Elementary School, 1100 Carrie St., West Sacramento. First come, first served for kids coats and blankets, essential resources and referrals, and more. Bring proof of Yolo County residency. For more information, please call 916-572-0560.

Saturday, Nov. 30: Join the "Turkey Tri" from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., presented by the West Sacramento Recreation Center. This popular annual sprint triathlon is a festive, family-friendly event that welcomes athletes of all levels to participate in various race formats designed to offer something for everyone, including a Fun Run, a Kids Bike-Run and a Team Relay. Contact Recreation Supervisor Jake Konkell, at JakeK@cityofwestsacramento.org for more information, or sign up at https://westsacfun.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t2.wcs/.

Woodland Volunteer Bureau Food Closet "Season of Caring" November through January 2025. Donations may be made by check mailed to Woodland Food Closet, PO Box 803 Woodland, CA 95776 or via QR-code available for online subscribers to the Daily Democrat newspaper. Call 530-662-7020 for more information.

Saturday, Nov. 2 West Sacramento Tree Lighting, Friday Dec. 6, 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Avenue.

"Dickens in the Valley" Home Tour, sponsored by Friends of Meals on Wheels Yolo. Usually held on the first Saturday in December, this annual tradition features docent-led tours and open houses at five local residences uniquely adorned for the holidays, featuring seasonal treats and experiences. Tickets go on sale in early November and often sell out. Watch this space for the link to this year's tickets. More information at the website: <https://friendsofmowoyo.org>.

Auxiliary Children's Christmas Party at West Sacramento VFW Post 8762. More information at the website: <https://westsacvfw.com/upcoming-events>.

Saturday, Dec. 14: Family Holiday Festival sponsored by Winters Friends of the Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Winters Community Center, 201 Railroad Avenue. Enjoy musical performances, crafts to make and buy, visits with Santa, delicious food from Mrs. Claus' kitchen and quality used adult and children's books for sale. Information available at: <https://wfol.org/what-we-do/cultural-community/family-holiday-festival>.

Ongoing Activities (Current as of publication, please verify schedule with the organization):

Café Yolo Social Dining meets on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the West Sacramento Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Avenue. Seniors over 60 are invited to mingle and dine for free, sponsored by Meals on Wheels. Reservations required 24 hours in advance at 530-662-7035 or email welcome@mowoyo.org.

Cub Scout Pack 0049 – Meets first Monday of each month at Our Lady of Grace School, 1990 Linden Road, West Sacramento. For more information, including how to become a Cub Scout, contact: westsacmentopack49@gmail.com.

Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento meets on Fridays at noon at Jackrabbit Brewing Company, 1323 Terminal Street, West Sacramento. See <https://rotaryclubofwestsacramento.org/> for more information, including how to join the Rotary.

West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce holds an Economic and Government Affairs Forum on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:30 a.m. via Zoom. This is a benefit for Chamber members. Contact <https://www.westsacramento-chamber.com/> for more information including membership. Next Forum will be on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

West Sacramento City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, second floor, also viewable on Astound Cable channel 20 and AT&T channel 99. More information, including how to participate and Committee meeting schedules, can be found at: <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/city-council/city-council-meetings-agendas>. The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday, Nov. 6.

Social Security Matters

Why Does the Government Raid Social Security?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: The Social Security program is funded by employees and their employers. The federal government does not contribute to the program, right? So why does the federal government feel they have the right to raid the fund? All the money sent to Ukraine and other unnecessary programs could have been used to pay back what they owe to Social Security. **Signed: Disgruntled Senior**

Dear Disgruntled Senior: You are correct that the Social Security program is mainly funded by payroll taxes on employee earnings and by employers who match those employee contributions. FYI, some additional SS revenue is received from income tax on Social Security benefits, as well as from interest on the special issue government bonds held in the Social Security Trust Fund. But the assertion that the Federal Government used (raided) the Social Security Trust Fund for any other purpose is a myth. All Social Security revenue received since the program began in 1937 has been accounted for, and all excess funds are contained in a special Trust Fund in the form of interest-bearing government bonds, reserved to

pay future benefits. FYI, the interest on those bonds contributed about \$67 billion to the Trust Fund reserves in 2023.

Social Security revenue, today, is not adequate to pay all benefit obligations, and the extra money needed to pay full SS benefits for everyone is obtained by redeeming Trust Fund reserves. Redemption of those Trust Fund bonds is how the federal government "pays back" the cash loaned to it by Social Security. The excess SS money received from contributions was loaned to the Federal Treasury by the SS Trust Funds, interest-bearing bonds were issued by the government in return for the cash received, and the bonds issued are redeemable as needed by Social Security to pay benefits. FYI, the average interest on the 2023 bonds in the Trust Funds was about 4.125%, whereas the average rate of return on all bonds held in reserve was about 2.387%. This transaction is the same as for any other investment vehicle, except the bonds in the Trust Funds are redeemable at any time without penalty. Said another way, all excess money ever received by Social Security is/was invested in special-issue government bonds, and resides in reserve to pay future benefits, as needed.

"Paying back" the money represented by bonds held in the Trust Funds would not be a wise financial move because it would eliminate all future interest earned by those bonds (again, that interest was about \$67 billion in 2023). Federal money spent for other purposes

(e.g., Ukraine) is from the general U.S. Treasury and not from the Social Security Trust Fund, which is held totally separate from the U.S. Treasury. Since inception, all money ever contributed to Social Security has been (and is) used for one purpose (and one purpose only) – to pay Social Security benefits to those eligible (which, by the way, does not include "illegal aliens" or anyone else who is not a legal resident of the United States).

For clarity, Social Security does have a future financial issue because annual benefit obligations are now greater than annual Social Security revenue, and money from the SS Trust Fund is now used to make up the difference. Unless the program is reformed soon, the Trust Fund reserves (about \$2.8 trillion as of 2023) will be depleted and benefits for all Social Security recipients will be cut by about 23% starting in 2033 or 2034 (according to the Trustees of Social Security and the Congressional Budget Office).

Congress needs to act soon to enact Social Security reform to restore the program to fiscal solvency. The Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) is steadfastly lobbying Congress to enact the needed Social Security reform as soon as possible.

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A Third Straight Year with No California Salmon Fishing?

Early Fish Counts Suggest It Could Happen

By Alastair Bland

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Farmers can estimate the size of a harvest months in advance by counting the blossoms on their trees. Similarly, salmon fishers can cast an eye into the future by counting spawning fish in a river. Fishery managers are doing that now in the Sacramento River and its tributaries, and what they're seeing could be a bad sign for next year.

The low count of returning adult salmon, made by the federally operated Coleman National Fish Hatchery, is preliminary, with several weeks left in the natural spawning period for the Sacramento Valley's fall-run Chinook, backbone of the state's salmon fishing economy.

There is even some possible good news in the numbers — a large percentage of immature Chinook, called "jacks." This demographic slice of the salmon population can be a predictive indicator of ocean abundance for the coming season, and it could be a sign there are more fish in the ocean than many expected — though officials say it's too early to tell.

Overall, the unwelcome numbers, mirroring similar figures from last year, are alarming to people who fish, for they portend the possible continuation of the two-year-and-counting statewide ban on salmon fishing, imposed in 2023 following a weak spawning season.

Already, the loss of revenue from the fishery shutdown has devastated the coastal fishing fleet, which is still waiting for \$20 million in federal funds allocated for disaster relief early this year.

R.J. Waldron, who took recreational anglers salmon fishing on his Emeryville charter boat Sundance for more than a decade, recently sold his vessel. The reduced income was too skimpy to pay the overhead costs of owning a boat and renting a slip. He said relief funds, had they been portioned out, would have kept him afloat.

"That would have helped me maintain my boat and basically ride the storm out



Adult fall-run Chinook salmon congregate near the Nimbus Hatchery Fish Ladder on the American River in Sacramento County on Oct. 15, 2012. Photo by Carl Costas, California Department of Water

until we get salmon fishing back — if we get salmon fishing back," he said.

Sarah Bates, owner of the San Francisco-based commercial vessel The Bounty, said she drew about 90% of her income from Chinook salmon sales prior to the closure and has helped make ends meet by fishing for other species, like black cod, shrimp and rockfish. Others, she said, have been targeting halibut.

Bates said the uncertain outlook has been disorienting for the men and women who shape their lives around a calendar year of fishing seasons and regulations.

"A lot of us feel a little untethered," she said.

At least six more months may pass before financial relief arrives. Barry Thom, executive director of the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission — which has helped facilitate the grant application process — said in an email that the federal funds could be distributed sometime in May and June of 2025.

The odds of whether fishers will be returning

to work by then still looks like a tossup. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Brett Galyean, project leader at the Coleman hatchery, described "really low" numbers of 3- and 4-year-old adult Chinook. As of Oct. 29, his staff had collected 4 million eggs from female fish — less than one-third the hatchery's target of 14 to 15 million eggs.

The spawning run is drawing toward the end, with new arrivals at the hatchery now "slowing down," according to Galyean.

At several other Central Valley hatcheries operated by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, facility managers have only just started counting salmon, an official said. This means overall numbers could still mount to promising levels.

The low returns to Coleman, the state's largest fish hatchery, reflect a long-term decline in Chinook salmon numbers regionwide. As many as 2 million adult Chinook historically spawned in the Central Valley's rivers,

and the fish were a keystone feature of marine and inland ecosystems.

The industrialization of the landscape to produce gold, water, cities, and crops has sent salmon runs tumbling. While the Central Valley's fish hatcheries — built last century to augment the wild stocks — release millions of baby Chinook each year, populations have dropped below fishable levels.

In 2022 officials counted just 69,000 adult fall-run Chinook in the entire Sacramento Valley, with a moderate improvement last year. In the mainstream of the Sacramento River alone, a key spawning destination, annual returns have dropped below 4,000 adults — down from an average of almost 60,000 each year from 1990 to 2009.

What ails California's salmon is perennially debated. Water users lean on explanations such as invasive species, reduced floodplain habitat, and climate change. Fishery advocates often stress the importance of water, especially quantity and

temperature.

Bates said the Central Valley needs more aggressive floodplain restoration to provide feeding and refuge habitat for small fish, but that sufficient water is the key.

"It's the water — there's no way around it," Bates said. "The water conditions in the Sacramento River and the Delta no longer support juvenile salmon migrating downstream."

Sometimes, the outflow from Lake Shasta and into the Sacramento River during the spawning season is just a few degrees too warm — conditions that can abort millions of eggs and newly born fish and has become a recurring problem in recent years. Hot weather has played a role, though environmentalists say negligent management of the reservoir — especially failure to keep its water sufficiently deep into the late summer — is just as problematic.

As the young salmon migrate downstream, they face such perils as low flows, high temperatures, water pumps and predators. Thiamine

deficiency, a relatively new and emerging ecological hiccup connected to the marine food web, has also impacted Chinook salmon. Climate change is a long-term threat.

Barry Nelson, policy representative for the Golden State Salmon Association, believes the main reason for the Sacramento's salmon collapse has been inadequate river conditions downstream of Shasta, and low smolt survival.

"We sterilized the Sacramento River," he said. "We killed almost all the fish, and rule number one in fisheries management is, if you kill all the baby salmon, three years later you don't have adult salmon."

Alastair Bland lives in Sonoma County, California. He writes about water, climate, marine research, agriculture and the environment, and his work has appeared at NPR, Time, East Bay Express, Audubon, Hakai, Slate, Smithsonian and other news outlets. ★

Salmon Have Returned to Nimbus Fish Hatchery

By MPG Staff

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Attendees will enjoy

staff-led book readings about salmon, learn about their life-cycle and make some cool fish prints and other fun salmon crafts. The event is recommended for children ages 2 to 7 years, with parent/guardian supervision. There is no cost for this event and registration is not required. For more information, email julia.sisneros@wildlife.ca.gov.

The Nimbus fish hatchery visitor center is located at 2001 Nimbus Road, Gold River. ★



An adult salmon is harvested for eggs or roe as a tour-group watches at the Nimbus fish hatchery.



Nimbus fish hatchery staff lead youngsters in exploration of the salmon life-cycle.



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Sen. Dodd Returns from Ukraine, Urges Action

Office of Senator Bill Dodd
News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, recently returned from a weeklong diplomatic trip to Lviv, Ukraine.

He met with Lviv officials about the ongoing struggle against Russian aggression and toured key facilities, including a military hospital and the Superhuman Center, which provides prosthetic limbs to many of the tens of thousands of military veterans and civilians injured in the war.

“The resilience, determination and resolve of the Ukrainian people is incredible,” Dodd said. “We have so much in common, especially our love of freedom and democracy, so it is essential that we stand with them as they fight for their continued independence. I come away from my visit with a renewed sense of urgency to help Ukraine as it recovers from the destructive violence, as well as admiration for their strength and ingenuity. California can play a big role in the healing, and I urge friends and colleagues to consider how they might pitch in.”

Dodd traveled to Lviv in western Ukraine during the week of Oct. 14, meeting with Lviv Gov. Maksym Kozzytsky, who is an appointee of Ukraine’s President Volodymyr Zelensky. Together, they spoke with representatives from the Lviv legislature and education leaders about forging cultural and economic ties between California

and the region.

Their meeting came in advance of the Rebuild Ukraine trade summit set for Nov. 11 to Nov. 15 in Poland. The California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development will lead a delegation of the state’s public and private sector groups working to support economic recovery. Economic and business-to-business relationships will boost both economies.

“We must take concrete steps such as investing in and supporting Ukrainian business and technology that will sustain the country’s recovery,” Dodd said. “We must also strengthen partnerships between our universities and research institutions. There’s so much we can do to help and doing so will also enrich our state as well, so it is a win-win.”

Dodd toured numerous Lviv facilities, including a military hospital, where he talked to wounded veterans and a military cemetery opened in 2022 where more than 800 soldiers from Lviv have been buried. He was especially moved during a tour of the Superhuman Center, which is helping meet the needs of the 50,000 Ukrainians facing amputations due to the war.

“It’s a stark reminder of the tragedy that has unfolded here over the past few years,” Dodd said. “In an otherwise beautiful country, there are literally daily funerals for those killed in the war.”

In addition, Dodd visited Lviv region infrastructure that was hit by Russian missiles earlier this



Sen. Bill Hurtado and Sen. Bill Dodd honor those whose lives were lost to the war at a Lviv cemetery. Photo courtesy of the Office of Senator Bill Dodd

year, as well as the Ukrainian Catholic University, where he spoke with the country’s emerging leaders in a graduate-level public administration seminar. Dodd also watched demonstrations of cutting-edge technology, including the use of drones.

Now, Dodd is urging Californians to get involved by supporting a Ukraine charity of their choice. A link to the non-profit Superhuman Center is superhumans.com/en.

Dodd’s trip followed his own Ukraine-related initiative, Senate Concurrent Resolution 96, unanimously approved by the Legislature in April, establishing a sister-state relationship with the Lviv region. Following its passage, Dodd honored a delegation of Ukrainian government officials on the Senate floor. In Dodd’s district, the Sonoma Sister City Association has long been a sister city with Kaniv, Ukraine, and since the

outbreak of war has raised nearly \$200,000 and sent a fully stocked ambulance to support Kaniv.

Dodd’s trip was funded without the use of taxpayer dollars.

Senator Bill Dodd represents the 3rd Senate District, which includes all or portions of Napa, Yolo, Sonoma, Solano, Sacramento and Contra Costa counties. More information on Dodd can be found at www.senate.ca.gov/dodd. ★

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 last 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,” 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, Dodd had 13 bills signed into law, including his Generative AI Accountability Act, which helps regulate the emergence of AI (artificial intelligence), and his new law standardizing the defensible space creation to protect structures from wildfire.

Other new laws from 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 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:

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

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.

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SB 958 County of Napa surplus property: Authorizes the sale of 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.

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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 or menu.

Sen. 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.ca.gov/dodd. ★

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 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 STAR-certified heat pump water heater, \$840 for an ENERGY STAR-certified electric stove, cooktop, range, or oven and \$840 for an ENERGY STAR-certified electric heat pump clothes dryer.

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\$8,000 for low-income households (i.e., those earning less than 80% of their area’s median income) and \$4,000 for middle-income households (i.e., those earning between 80-150% of their area’s median income).

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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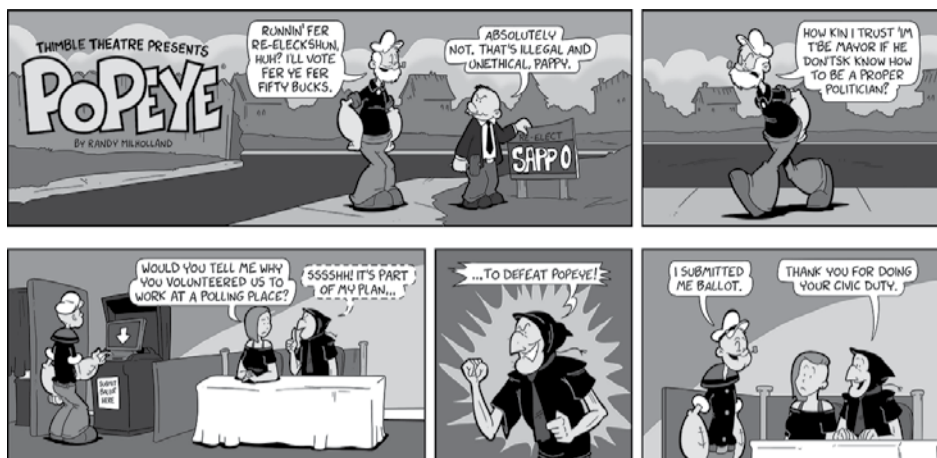
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 - Common fairway club
 - Brewed beverage
 - **Red" Redding and Nelson Mandela
 - *Ricky Bobby and Buddy
 - Beat the Joneses
 - Outrage
 - Adjust, as laces
 - Tears violently
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 - a.k.a. Operation Neptune
 - "Just kidding!"
 - Billy Joel's "Always a Woman"
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 - Boot-wearing feline
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 - Insult
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 - Bundle of wheat
 - Like certain libraries
 - Pup
 - Hemingway's "The Man and the Sea"
 - Railyard worker
 - *Forrest Gump and Jimmy Dugan
 - Offer two cents
 - Doctrine
 - New Mexico town
 - Deep pile carpet
 - Atlantic Ocean/Pacific Ocean waterway, e.g.
 - Ostium, pl.
 - *Violet Crawley and Minerva McGonagall
 - Center of authority
 - "The New Look" main character
 - September stone
 - Phobos' brother, Greek mythology
 - Time period
 - *Catwoman and "Jinx" Johnson
 - Vidalia one
 - Regions
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Vince's Ristorante, 840 Harbor Boulevard, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Robert Jude Rossi, 2121 Bradburn Drive, Sacramento, CA 95835. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

StorQuest Express Self Storage/Ramco St. of West Sacramento, will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property Edward L. Hernandez, Kenneth Smith, Caitlyn Marion, Jose Luis Garcia, Samantha Hutson, Michelle Green. Property to be sold: Misc. Items.

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 persons 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.

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

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 cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

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

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 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.)

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: December 5, 2024, 9:00 a.m. in Dept TBD. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

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.

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.

LIEN SALE

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE Notice is hereby given pursuant to California Business and Professional Codes #21700-21716, Section 2328 of the UCC of the Penal Code, Section 535 the undersigned, StorQuest Express Self Storage/Ramco St. of West Sacramento, will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property Edward L. Hernandez, Kenneth Smith, Caitlyn Marion, Jose Luis Garcia, Samantha Hutson, Michelle Green. Property to be sold: Misc. Items.

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APN: 045-053-010-000 TS No: CA07000570-24-1 TO No: 240307315-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PEIGUI YIN CASE NO. PR2024-0256

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and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right.

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.

Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 800-758-8052, or visit this internet website www.Xome.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA07000570-24-1 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO RESOLUTION NO. 24-86, WHICH IS ENTITLED "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE AND SALE OF INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICT NO. 1 (BRIDGE DISTRICT AREA) BONDS IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$233,000,000; AUTHORIZING VALIDATION PROCEEDINGS; AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH."

Plaintiffs City of West Sacramento ("City") and City of West Sacramento Infrastructure Financing District No. 1 ("IFD") seek a judicial decree, pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure section 860, et seq., and California Government Code sections 53511, 53395.6 and 53395.7 determining the matters in the Complaint filed in connection with the above cited case.

All persons interested in the matter may contest the legality or validity of the matter by appearing and filing a written answer to the Complaint not later than November 25, 2024. Unless you respond timely, a default will be entered upon application by the Plaintiffs, and the Plaintiffs may apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

The City authorized and established the IFD to finance the construction and/or acquisition of public capital facilities of communitywide significance, which provide significant benefits to an area larger than the area of the IFD, and the City authorized and approved in the IFD's Infrastructure Financing Plan ("IFP").

To facilitate these efforts, and as authorized by Resolution No. 24-86, Plaintiffs filed this validation action seeking a judicial decree confirming and validating that all proceedings by and for the City and the IFD, as set forth in Resolution No. 24-86, were, and are, in the best interests of the City, the IFD and all other interested parties, and were, and are, valid and in conformity with the provisions of all controlling laws and enactments including provisions of IFD Law.

Thompson Hosts USDA Rural Development Roundtable for Solano County



Rep. Mike Thompson stands with USDA Rural Development and Solano County representatives. Photo courtesy of the Office of Rep. Mike Thompson

Office of Rep. Mike Thompson News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Rep. Mike Thompson (CA-04) recently partnered with leadership from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (USDA RD) to host a roundtable with leaders from across Solano County.

During the session, Rep. Thompson and USDA Rural Development State Director, Maria Gallegos-Herrera, presented leaders from across Solano County with information on Rural Development programs and services that are available to qualified rural Solano County communities.

“Rural communities are the backbone of California and our country,” said Thompson. “Thank you to the USDA Rural Development team for partnering with me to bring local leaders from across Solano County together to discuss our community’s needs and connect leaders with USDA RD programs that can help address those needs. Already, Solano County has received over \$13.1 million in support from USDA RD programs and I look forward to continuing to support our community’s development.”

USDA Rural Development provides more than 70 programs to help improve

the economy and quality of life in rural communities that meet program requirements. U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development programs help rural communities build infrastructure like hospitals and community centers and help rural communities increase access to utilities, affordable housing, and homeownership opportunities. These programs come in various forms including loans, grants, loan guarantees, and partnerships with local leaders.

Thompson’s session in Dixon was the second of five Rural Development roundtables the Congressman hosted in each of the five counties that make up the 4th Congressional district: Lake, Napa, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo.

Congressman Mike Thompson is proud to represent California’s 4th Congressional District, which includes all or part of Lake, Napa, Solano, Sonoma and Yolo Counties. He is a senior member of the House Committee on Ways and Means. Rep. Thompson is Chairman of the House Gun Violence Prevention Task Force. He is also Co-Chair of the bipartisan, bicameral Congressional Wine Caucus and a member of the fiscally-responsible Blue Dog Coalition. ★

Republic FC and Mark Briggs Mutually Agree to Part Ways

Sacramento Republic Football Club News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Republic FC and Mark Briggs have mutually agreed to part ways after the conclusion of the 2024 season. The club will begin a search for a new head coach immediately.

“As always these are tough decisions. I can’t say enough about Mark, both in his coaching and his desire to win,” said Republic FC Chairman and Owner Kevin Nagle. “I wish him nothing but the best in his future endeavors”

“Mark will always have a special place in Republic history, and in particular, by leading our team to unprecedented heights for the 2022 US Open Cup final,” said Republic FC General Manager & President Todd Duniivant. “We wish Mark and his family well in his next chapter. We will now turn our attention toward a comprehensive head coaching search and building a championship roster for 2025 and beyond.”

“Sacramento is a very special place, with a one-of-a-kind club and incredible fans. I’d like to thank the players who’ve been a part of the past five years, the front office who’ve been incredibly supportive, and the fans who welcomed me into the club with tremendous passion and vigor,” said Mark Briggs. “I’m grateful for my time here and it has been an honor to be a part of this

community.”

After serving as the club’s academy director, Briggs was hired at the conclusion of the 2019 season as the fourth head coach in club history. Through five seasons, the club finished 74-49-47 through 170 matches with postseason appearances in four of five years. Republic FC would reach the Western Conference Finals in 2023, Conference Semifinals in 2022, and the opening round in 2020 and 2024. During his tenure as head coach, Republic FC made American soccer history as a U.S. Open Cup finalist in 2022 -- the first time for a second-division club in nearly two decades would reach the national championship match. He is currently the longest tenured coach in club history and finishes his time in Sacramento with a 44%-win percentage.

In the coming weeks, Republic FC will announce its preliminary roster transactions for the 2025 season, as well as new player acquisitions. Early next year, the club will host its annual open tryout for the region’s best players looking for an opportunity to play professional soccer in Sacramento. Registration will open early December.

Season ticket memberships for Republic FC’s 2025 season are now on sale. To learn more about membership benefits – including how to secure the best seats at the lowest price per match – visit SacRepublicFC.com/memberships. ★

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In the Superior Court of the State of California in and for the County of Yolo
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF (AVISO PARA TODAS PERSONAS INTERESADAS EN EL ASUNTO DE): CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION NO. 24-4, WHICH IS ENTITLED “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICT NO. 1 PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF BONDS OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICT NO. 1 IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$686,100,000; AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION HERewith” AND THE PRO-

CEEDINGS TAKEN BY THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AS TO THESE MATTERS.
Plaintiffs City of West Sacramento to Public Financing Authority (“Authority”), City of West Sacramento Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District No. 1 (“EIFD”) and the City of West Sacramento (“City”) seek a judicial decree, pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure section 860, et seq., and Government Code sections 53511, 53398.57 and 53398.58 determining the matters in the Complaint filed in connection with the-above cited case. Copies of the Complaint are available as provided below. All persons interested in the matter may contest the legality or validity of the matter by appearing and filing a written answer to the Complaint not later than November 22, 2024. Unless you respond timely, a default will be entered upon application by the Plaintiffs, and the Plaintiffs may apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. Persons who contest the legality or validity of the matter will not be subject to punitive action, such as wage garnishment or seizure

of their real or personal property. You may seek the advice of an attorney in any matter connected with the Complaint or this Summons. Such attorney should be consulted promptly so that your pleading may be filed or entered within the time required by this Summons.
DETAILED SUMMARY OF THE MATTER THAT PLAINTIFFS SEEK TO VALIDATE:
Government Code section 53398.50, et seq. (“EIFD Law”) authorizes cities and counties to establish “enhanced infrastructure financing districts” to finance public capital facilities and other projects of community-wide significance that provide significant benefits to the district or the surrounding communities. EIFD Law further authorizes the allocation by certain participating taxing entities of all or a portion of the share of the property tax increment revenues generated from within the boundaries of the district that those participating taxing entities would otherwise receive to the district, and that such property tax increment revenues may be pledged to payment of bonds issued by the district.
Both the City and the Authority authorized and established the EIFD to finance certain public and other specific facilities that both agencies authorized and approved in the EIFD’s Infrastructure Financing Plan (“IFP”). Pursuant to EIFD Law, the Authority, as the designated governing body of the EIFD, adopted Resolution No. 24-4 authorizing, in part, the issuance of bonds by the EIFD, secured by a pledge of property tax increment revenue generated within the EIFD and allocated by the City to the EIFD, to finance the vital community facilities and projects identified in the IFP. Through Resolution No. 24-4, the Authority, in part: (a) authorized the EIFD to issue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$686,180,000 (being an amount equal to the value of \$535,000,000 in 2017 dollars, the amount authorized in the IFP, adjusted for inflation to July of 2024 (the “Bonds”); (b) approved the Fiscal Agent Agreement, between a fiscal agent and the EIFD (or by the Authority on behalf of the EIFD), pursuant to which the Bonds will be issued; (c) prescribed the terms and provisions of the Bonds, the application of the proceeds of the Bonds, and the pledge and use of property tax increment revenues to the repayment of the Bonds; and (d) authorized the execution and delivery of the Fiscal Agent Agreement.

To facilitate these efforts, and as authorized by Resolution No. 24-4, Plaintiffs filed this validation action seeking a judicial decree confirming and validating that all proceedings by and for the Authority, EIFD and City, as set forth in Resolution No. 24-4, were, and are, in the best interests of the Authority, the EIFD, the City and all other interested parties, and were, and are, valid and in conformity with the provisions of all controlling laws and enactments including provisions of EIFD Law.
The proposed judgment would decree that Resolution No. 24-4, its provisions, the issuance of the Bonds as contemplated thereby, and the City’s pledge of property tax increment revenues to repayment of the Bonds, were and are valid and authorized by law. Such judgment would be binding on the respective parties and would enjoin future challenges to the validity of the issues as to which the judgment is binding. The specific terms of the proposed judgment are set forth in the Complaint.
Copies of the City of West Sacramento Financing Authority Resolution No. 24-4 and Plaintiffs’ Complaint may be obtained upon request by telephoning the Plaintiffs’ counsel at (916) 321-4500 and may also be viewed on the City’s website www.cityofwestsacramento.org.
The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es) Yolo County Superior Court
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Woodland, California 95695
The name, address and telephone number of Plaintiffs’ attorney is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante es)
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NEWMAN, individually; CARMAX AUTO SUPERSTORES, INC, a Delaware corporation d/b/a CARMAX; DOES I–X, and ROE CORPORATIONS I–X, inclusive, Defendants.
SUMMONS NOTICE! YOU HAVE BEEN SUED, THE COURT MAY DECIDE AGAINST YOU WITHOUT YOUR BEING HEARD UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 21 DAYS, READ THE INFORMATION BELOW. TO THE DEFENDANT: ANDREW NEWMAN. A civil Complaint has been filed by the Plaintiff(s) against you for the relief set forth in the Complaint.
1. If you intend to defend this lawsuit, within 21 days after this Summons is served on you, exclusive of the day of service, you must do the following: a. File with the Clerk of this Court, whose address is shown below, a formal written response to the Complaint in accordance with the rules of the Court, with the appropriate filing fee. b. Serve a copy of your response upon the attorney whose name and address is shown below. 2. Unless you respond, your default will be entered upon application of the Plaintiff(s) and this Court may enter a judgment against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint, which could result in the taking of money or property or other relief requested in the Complaint. 3. If you intend to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your response may be filed on time.
4. The State of Nevada, its political subdivisions, agencies, officers, employees, board members, commission members and legislators, each have 45 days after service of this summons within which to file an answer or other responsive pleading to the complaint.
CLERK OF THE COURT, /s/ Demond Palmer, Deputy Clerk, date 6/11/2024, 200 Lewis Avenue, 5th floor, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-1601, issued at the direction of Joseph F. Schmitt, Esq., Nevada Bar No. 9681, Lerner & Rowe Injury Attorneys, 4795 S. Durango Dr., Las Vegas, Nevada 89147, (702) 877-1500, jschmitt@lernerandrowe.com, Attorneys for Plaintiff.
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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

November 20, 2024

Pursuant to Government Code Section 66018, the West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at West Sacramento Civic Center, City Council Chambers, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California, at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the item(s) listed below.

Members of the public are welcome to watch the meeting Livestream (<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/city-council/city-council-meetings-agendas>), or via Astound Broadband Channel 20 or the City’s YouTube channel and to submit comments in writing by 4:00 PM on November 20, 2024.

Any interested person or authorized agent may appear and be heard. To submit a comment in writing, please email jenniferc@cityofwestsacramento.org and write “Public Comment” in the subject line. In the body of the email, include the item number and/or title of the item as well as your comments. All comments received by 4:00 PM will be provided to the City Council and posted on the City’s website. The comments submitted shall become part of the record of the meeting.

7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing and Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance 24-15 Regarding Proposed Amendment to Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning) For Housing Element Implementation

The purpose of this item is to request the Council’s consideration of an amendment to Municipal Code Title 17 (Zoning) to achieve compliance with Government Code § 65583.2 and Housing Element Program HE-PR-1.14 regarding by-right approval of projects with ≥ 20 percent affordable units. This action falls under the Class 5 Categorical Exemption and the common-sense exemption according to Section(s) 15305 and 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. Class 5 consist of minor alterations in land use limitations in areas with an average slope of less than 20% which do not result in any changes in land use or density (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations, Section 15305, CEQA Guidelines). The common-sense exemption applies to projects that do not involve any physical changes with potential to create an adverse effect on the environment (Review for Exemption, Section 15601, CEQA Guidelines).

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DISTRICT COURT
CLARK COUNTY, NEVADA
CASE NO.: A-24-894928-C
DEPT NO.: 29

MICHELLE OSTER, individually, Plaintiff, vs. KILEIGH RAELYNN EMERY, individually; ANDREW

Riley Reviews

LEGAL DRAMA "THE LINCOLN LAWYER"
GETS BETTER IN THIRD SEASON



A Film and TV Review
by Tim Riley

"THE LINCOLN LAWYER: Season 3" on NETFLIX

Michael Connelly, the prolific author of crime fiction and detective novels, is arguably at the top ranks of writers whose books are worthy of being adapted as screenplays for television or movies.

His most notable characters are LAPD detective Hieronymus "Harry" Bosch and criminal defense attorney Mickey Haller, the central persons, respectively, for the Amazon series "Bosch" and the Netflix incipient franchise "The Lincoln Lawyer," now streaming for its third season.

Before Netflix launched "The Lincoln Lawyer" series in 2022, Connelly's eponymous 2005 novel was first made into the 2011 film of the same title, starring Matthew McConaughey as the Los Angeles defense lawyer who operates out of the back seat of a Lincoln Town Car.

The Ford Motor Company's Lincoln division produced the 1986 Town Car that was featured in the McConaughey film, whereas the streaming series on Netflix features a classic 1963 four-door Lincoln Convertible as the lawyer's car of choice when he's mostly driving for leisure.

The third season picks up where the previous one left off with Mickey Haller (Manuel Garcia-Rulfo) showing up at the West Hollywood jail for Julian LaCosse (Devon Graye), arrested as the suspect in the murder of sex worker Gloria Dayton (Fiona Rene).

Julian has only known Gloria as Giselle Dallinger, who operates under multiple aliases and could not be identified at the County morgue until Haller showed up, noting that she mostly went by Glory Days.

The evidence against Julian, as happens to be the case for many that Haller represents, may be circumstantial but enough threads connect to his culpability with at least a degree of credibility.

On the night of the homicide, Julian is found on a surveillance camera to have arrived and departed from Gloria's apartment building within the timeframe of the murder and the testimony of a neighbor that a loud argument had ensued gave credence to foul play.

It turns out that Gloria was being serviced by Julian's website that allowed sex workers to have prospective clients vetted for safety reasons, leading to Julian insisting that he's not a pimp but acknowledging that he takes twenty percent off the top as commission.

While a few side issues intrude, the ten-episode season is primarily focused on a single compelling case even though a budding odd couple romance blossoms when Haller gets involved with prosecutor Andrea Freeman (Yaya DaCosta), a frequent adversary in the courtroom.

In the second episode, Haller is representing a Hispanic male with shaved head and several face tattoos on an armed robbery charge. After testimony proves to be damning, the defendant viciously assaults Haller.

The prosecutor and Haller approach the bench when requested by the judge, who believes the attack has prejudiced the case in the eyes of the jury. The prosecutor asserts that the assault was staged so Haller could manipulate the court to declare a mistrial.

Detractors of the defense attorney, and there are many who pop up here, including the District Attorney's investigator and former LAPD detective Neil Bishop (Holt McCallany) holding a grudge for being destroyed as a witness, would perhaps justifiably take the view that Haller is calculating.

Those who work for Haller are faithfully loyal. His second ex-wife Lorna Crane (Becki Newton), a hard-working assistant, is preparing for the bar exam which understandably causes anxiety at work.

Lorna is now married to former motorcycle gang member Cisco (Angus Sampson), who now works for Haller as an intrepid investigator willing to ride his bike all the way to Las Vegas to track down a potential witness.

Office worker Izzy Letts (Jazz Raycole), who previously chauffeured Haller in his Lincoln Navigator, is busy on the side trying to make a go of her own dance studio that's suddenly threatened by a competitor.

One new member of Haller & Associates is Eddie Rojas (Allyn Moriyan), taking over driving for the boss, after the attorney defended him at trial on a charge of joyriding in an expensive sports car.

On the other side of the ledger, Haller must deal with plenty of unsavory characters. Prison inmate Sly Funaro Sr. (Paul Ben-Victor), a disgraced attorney, and his moron son (Christian Antidormi), are key to Haller connecting with an imprisoned cartel leader (Arturo Del Puerto).

Even sleazier is how shady DEA agent James de Marco (Michael Irby), who has ties to former police officer Neil Bishop, possibly figures into the death of prostitute Glory Days.

For anyone who enjoyed the first two seasons of "The Lincoln Lawyer," the third season exceeds expectations such that the cliffhanger at the last episode will have you hoping no time is wasted for production to start on the next installment.

Without giving away anything that is shocking about the finale, it would be a disservice to the fan base to not have a new chapter, but given the popularity of the series so far, we should feel confident that Mickey Haller is not hanging up his shingle. ★

Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



What a difference a week makes. Entering last week, the Sacramento Kings had lost all of their preseason games, and the first two games of the regular season.

Enter the Portland Trailblazers on Oct. 28 and the home crowd was treated to what everyone had envisioned the new and improved Sacramento Kings would look like.

DeMar DeRozan carved up the defensive of the Trailblazers along with point guard DeAaron Fox for 23 and 24 points respectively, but the real key was the way DeRozan got to his spots and made his mid-range game look easy.

Combined with the lightning quickness of Fox, this tandem poses a threat to opposing defenses every night, and other teams had better bring their "A" game when they come to Sac Town.

Finally breaking into the win column and lighting the beam for the first time in the 2024/2025 campaign, lifted a heavy weight off the shoulders of the Kings players and fans alike, but the week was not over. Convincing victories on the road over Utah and the Atlanta Hawks gave the Kings a three-game winning streak and lifted the team over 500.

DeRozan looked like a natural fit as the Kings made victories over the Jazz and Hawks look pedestrian, and had the Kings been able to shoot a little better from the charity stripe, it's entirely possible the overtime loss to the Toronto Raptors could have been the Kings 4th win in a row.

Sacramento will wrap up their road trip Monday night against the formidable Miami Heat (after press time), but it's obvious that some of the swagger has returned to the team.

I'm impressed with DeMar DeRozan in nearly every facet of his game, and like Malik Monk, DeRozan will be an asset and a role model as it relates to free throw shooting. An 84% career free throw shooter, DeMar has proven his reliability at the charity strip, and with the Kings coming off the 2023/2024 campaign in the cellar of the NBA in free throw shooting, adding a 6-time all-star that can shoot free throws at a consistently high level, is just

what the doctor ordered for the Kings.

Big man and double-double king Domantas Sabonis, like Fox, has struggled in the past from the free throw line, but has looked better so far this season, and has raised his average. It's still early, but if both Fox and Sabonis can get to 80% or better at the line consistently, look for Sacramento to be lighting the beam with increased regularity.

At 3-3 the Kings may not have a gawdy win-loss record, but the last four games have given all the fans a positive look at what the season can look like.

Although DeRozan has already shown he can connect from long range when called upon, he consistently passes up 3-point opportunities for mid-range looks, and he is deadly from the 10 to 15-foot range. DeMar looks so comfortable in mid-range, his stroke is almost effortless, and with that kind of confidence, he poses a serious late game option to go along with Fox and Sabonis.

Shout out to Kevin Huerter who after a subpar start in game one, has returned to what fans have expected to see, and once again, Huerter has shown his acumen both beyond the 3-point line, and driving to the hoop.

Huerter's defense has taken a step forward as well, so we'll give some atta-boys to coach Brown for putting Huerter back in the starting lineup and sticking with him. If we can keep Kevin off the injury list, the 2024/2025 season could be a breakout year for a popular player with a big upside.

More than anything, the recent wins, particularly on the road, are spurring a higher volume of optimism, and look for an already loud arena to get even louder.

For any naysayers that felt it would take a long time for newcomer DeMar DeRozan to fit in, he is well ahead of schedule, and the way he and Fox are sharing the ball is a pleasure to watch.

Stay tuned Kings fans. This is what you've been waiting for, and the best is yet to come!

All the best!

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

Dave Ramsey Says

They Handle It?

Hang Around for Benefits?



Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

My husband and I began your plan a few months ago. We love the process of living on a budget, and how it has helped us gain control of our finances. Our kids are 14 and 13 now. Do you think it's a good idea to include teenagers in budget meetings and financial discussions?

– Paula

Dear Paula,

This is a great question! As long as you're not in an extreme situation, like you're looking at foreclosure or bankruptcy, or you're on the opposite end of the spectrum sitting on a pile of wealth, I think it's a wonderful idea. Teaching kids about money with a standard, regular, monthly budget is one thing. But as a parent, you don't want to put your kids into situations they aren't emotionally equipped to handle.

As long as mom and dad are having a discussion and making decisions—not fighting—it's good for kids to hear the give and take where handling money is concerned. Parents who never let their kids handle money, and never teach them proper money management techniques, run a high risk of turning financially irresponsible adults loose in the world.

And that's no good for anyone.

But walking through a typical, normal budget will show them how much money is coming in and how much things cost. They'll see on paper exactly how much groceries or the electric bill costs. Then, when it's right there in front of their eyes, they'll begin to realize why mom and dad always tell them not to waste food, and to turn off the lights when they leave a room!

– Dave

Hang Around for Benefits?

Dear Dave,

I am currently serving in the military, and I'm not sure I like the life, or what I'm doing, as much as I did a few years ago. Recently, I was approached with some exciting opportunities outside the military in a different field. I'm not sure what to do. Do you think I should make plans to take advantage of these new opportunities, or should I stick with the military and receive full benefits when I'm eligible to retire in 10 years?

– William

Dear William,

There are people who absolutely love the military. It makes a great career for some folks, and I think that's awesome. God

bless them—and you—for serving their country that way. But whether you're in the military or a civilian, I think you should do what you love doing.

If you were just a few months away from retirement, I'd probably tell you to bear down and tough it out. That way, it wouldn't be too long before you could explore the new opportunities and have a nice pension coming in. But 10 years is a long time to do anything when your heart's not in it.

Long story short? If you love it, stay. If you don't, get out. Serving in the armed forces is voluntary, and in a sense, that makes it a little like other jobs. Regardless, hanging around for a decade in a job where you're miserable just to collect benefits? That's not a good plan.

– Dave

Dave Ramsey is a national best-selling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show, heard by more than 20 million listeners each week. He has appeared on Good Mornings America, CBS Mornings, Today Show, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business, and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people regain control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for the company, Ramsey Solutions. ★



California Student Elected to National FFA Leadership Position

A Sacramento County student was among six student members selected to guide the National FFA Organization for the coming year. Abigale Jacobsen, a former member of the Elk Grove FFA Chapter, was elected western region vice president. She was elected last week during the 97th National FFA Convention and Expo in Indianapolis. Each year, FFA delegates elect a president, a secretary and four vice presidents who will help set policies to guide the future of the youth leadership development organization, which has more than 1 million members.

Livestock Producers React to Wildfire Losses, Impacts

Wildfire is a year-round concern in California. For livestock producers, the threats extend beyond the displacement of people and animals. Tracy Schohr, a University of California Cooperative Extension livestock and natural resources advisor for Butte, Plumas and Sierra counties, highlights several critical issues: burned forage, lost livestock, damaged water systems, pneumonia in sheep and cattle due to smoke inhalation, and extensive loss of fencing.

Program Seeks to Boost Consumption of Organic Dairy Products

To boost access to organic dairy products in schools and youth programs, the U.S. Department of Agriculture has allocated \$15 million to launch the Organic Dairy Product Promotion Program. The initiative is aimed at increasing consumption of organic dairy products among children and young adults while creating new opportunities for small and mid-sized organic dairy farmers. Through the program, USDA will enter into cooperative agreements with four lead organizations, including California State University, Fresno.

Podcast Explores How Farmers are Adopting Automation and Robotics

The latest episode of the Voice of California Agriculture podcast highlights key moments from FIRA USA, a three-day showcase of agricultural technology held last week in Woodland. Produced by the California Farm Bureau, this episode explores the adoption of farm automation and robotics. Additionally, it discusses the impacts of Hurricane Milton on Florida agriculture, the ongoing bird flu situation affecting California dairies and the challenges posed by mountain lions to farmers and ranchers. ★

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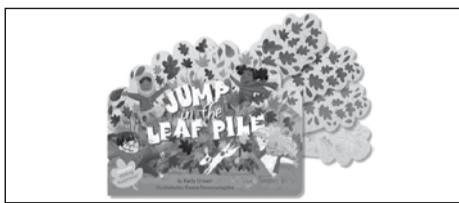


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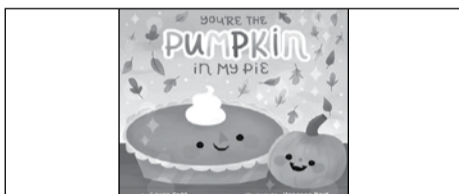
Fall for Some Great New Reads



Jump In the Leaf Pile
by Kelly Green, illustrations
Kasia Nowowiejska, Little Simon.

It's Fall, which means leaves are falling all around in a rainbow of colors. It's time to scrape and rake the leaves, then run through the pile "crackle, crackle, zap." Then it's time for the best part of all: jumping into the pile of leaves.

Little ones will enjoy looking for all the fall colors while celebrating all the joys of Fall, with sliding surprises hidden within each page. Sturdy board book design sized for small hands, also makes this a great book for little ones.



You're the Pumpkin in my Pie
by Laura Gehl, illustrations
Vanessa Port, Little Simon

Fall for this adorable board book, highlighting the perfect pairings and adorable illustrations. From donuts to pumpkins to honey on a tree, each treat has its ideal match, just like you.



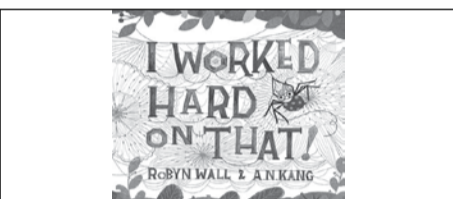
Pasta Pasta Lotsa Pasta
by Aimee Lucido, Mavisu Demirag

November means Thanksgiving, and the holidays are coming soon. However,

family dinners can be tricky when they are picky. As each family rings the doorbell, they arrive with a new pasta request. From lasagna for Nonna to spaghetti for Nonno Titi, but that is not all; Zia Trini Houdini only eats rotini, and Zio Tony only eats ravioli. With all the pasta, how will it ever get done? Follow one giant family and all their pasta drama in this silly rhyming pasta spectacular.

Break out the rolling pin, the flour, and the eggs. It's time to make a whole lot of pasta.

Pasta Pasta Lotsa Pasta will be an instant favorite for any large family that knows how hard it is to cook for everyone, especially pasta.



I Worked Hard on That
by Robyn Wall & A.N. Kang

Kiara used to make her webs to catch food, but one day, she saw a beautiful web and was inspired to make one of her own. At first, they weren't what she expected, but with a bit of work, she started to create beautiful masterpieces. But even though she worked very hard on each piece of artwork, they ended up being destroyed. The harder Kiara worked, the more frustrated she became when each piece fell to ruins. Until the day she meets a new friend who changes the way she views her art.

With gentle echoes of Charlotte's web, *I Worked Hard On That*, shares the beautiful works of art that a spider web can be. This charming book celebrates artists, the beauty of hard work, and the importance of the creative journey. Beautiful, fun illustrations grace each page, highlighting how intricate and spectacular spider webs can be. The perfect Fall read for budding artists and young nature explorers who would love to either search for the perfect web or create their own. ★

California's Transition Off Carbon Fuels Could Upset Gasoline Supply, Prices



By Dan Walters,
CALMatters.org

California motorists buy and consume a billion gallons of gasoline each month and are very sensitive about pump prices, which are markedly higher than those in other states. Naturally, they are a political football.

Gov. Gavin Newsom has repeatedly characterized refiners as price gougers, even though most of the differences are caused by taxes, fees and regulatory mandates. Recently, he persuaded the Legislature to pass a watered-down version of his proposal requiring refiners to maintain higher reserves to avoid price spikes.

However the gasoline situation is far more complicated than Newsom's approach, and California may be facing a period of volatility on both supply and price as it attempts to wean itself from combustion-powered transportation, its largest single source of greenhouse gas emissions.

The California Air Resources Board is on the verge of expanding its program of reducing the amount of carbon in the current gasoline recipe, regarded as an interim step before completely converting vehicles to electricity or some other non-polluting power.

Last year, CARB published an analysis of the proposed Low Carbon Fuel

Standard to provide "the economic incentives to produce cleaner fuels like electricity, hydrogen and biofuels that are needed to displace fossil fuels and reduce transportation sector emissions."

The report estimated that adoption could immediately increase gas prices by 47 cents a gallon and then, "on average, from 2031 through 2046 the proposed amendments are projected to potentially increase the price of gasoline by \$1.15 per gallon, the price of diesel by \$1.50 per gallon and fossil jet fuel by \$1.21 per gallon."

The cost estimate generated a storm of media and political attention and CARB backed off, continuing the adoption process but refusing to put a number on the potential pump price. Last week, the board's top official conducted an electronic press conference in which he stressed positive impacts, but continued to sidestep questions about consumer impacts.

"It's a win-win," executive officer Steven Cliff insisted. "We get public health benefits, we reduce health costs, we see lower costs of driving and we help turbocharge those investments in clean energy infrastructure that helps drive our zero emissions future."

CARB now intends to act on the policy three days after Election Day, without offering any estimate of consumer costs — a potential signal that those costs will be hefty.

While Newsom wants to be remembered as someone who tried to reduce gasoline prices, his governorship probably will be one that substantially increased them.

The other uncertainty is whether California will have

enough gasoline, even a variety with less carbon, over the next two decades as it transitions away from carbon fuels altogether.

California once had dozens of refineries producing the state's unique fuel blend, but in recent years just nine. After the Legislature gave Newsom the new laws on gasoline reserves, one refiner, Phillips 66, announced that it would shutter its plant in Southern California that's no longer profitable. The company said the closure had nothing to do with politics.

Very quickly, Valero, which has two refineries in the state, hinted that it may follow suit. CEO Lane Riggs said during a conference call that "all options are on the table" for the company's two California refineries, one in Benicia and the other in Wilmington, because of increasing state regulation of operations.

"Clearly the California regulatory environment is putting pressure on operators out there and how they might think about going forward with their operations," Riggs said.

Transitioning transportation to non-carbon power — while maintaining sufficient and reasonably priced supplies for gas-powered cars until they're replaced — was destined to be a fraught process.

If poorly managed, it could be a monumental disaster.

Dan Walters is one of most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. ★

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Celebrate Veterans Day in West Sacramento



The River City High School Marching Band plays in a previous parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762

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 vehicles in the parade, ranging from vehicles, trucks, boats, floats and more, Stiger said.

“Residents of all ages tend to enjoy the event,” Stiger said. “Lots of parade watchers bring their kids and candy gets thrown out.” Stiger mentioned that

midway through the parade, there will be a vendor area at Trinity Presbyterian Church at 1500 Park Blvd., where church staff will sell coffee, hot chocolate, muffins and cookies to parade-goers. Speakers from various local organizations will pay their respects, as well.

According to Alatorre, the parade will feature motorcycle clubs, the Police Department, the Sheriff’s Office and veterans from World War I, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

Following the parade will be a Heroes Lunch at Veterans of Foreign

Wars Post 8762, located at 905 Drever St. in West Sacramento. Post 8762 will charge \$12 per plate but it’s free for veterans. The Veterans of Foreign Wars requests IDs be brought. The Heroes Lunch will feature jazz music and a bar opening at noon, which will serve until sold out. All are

welcome at the lunch.

“The VFW is a non-profit dedicated to helping Veterans and their families. We feature a venue for booking private events, bar, kitchen, and we regularly host public events like karaoke, trivia and more. All proceeds go to helping Veterans in need,” the

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 website reads.

For more information or to contact Post 8762, visit <https://westsacvfw.com> or email marketing@westsacvfw.com. The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 accepts donations to support local veterans through Venmo @vfwpost8762. ★



At Trinity Presbyterian Church, there will be coffee and cookies served. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



Mayor Martha Guerrero and VFW Post 8762 members ride in a patriotic float. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



Law enforcement officers ride the parade on horseback. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



Mayor Martha Guerrero sports a Jeep and American flags at a previous Veterans Day Parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



Bill Steffey and Mike McGowan, who are Vietnam veterans, brought this patriotic vehicle to a previous parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



People bring all sorts of vehicles to the Veterans Day Parade, including this boat. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



A previous parade-goer brings a boat to the parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762



Parade-goers can expect to see vintage cars such as this at the parade. Photo courtesy of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762