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Key New Laws in 2025



Starting Jan. 1, 2025, many significant new laws will go into effect across California, impacting everything in daily life from traffic regulations, employment, housing to healthcare. Image by LuckyLife11 from Pixabay

By Ornella Rossi

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Starting Jan. 1, 2025, many significant new laws will go into effect across California, impacting everything in daily life from traffic regulations, employment, housing to healthcare.

TRAFFIC LAWS

Senate Bill 1107 will raise the minimum auto liability insurance requirements for California motorists. Currently, drivers must carry liability coverage of \$15,000 for injury or death of one person, \$30,000 for injury or death of multiple people, and \$5,000 for property damage. Beginning Jan. 1, these requirements will increase to \$30,000 for bodily injury or death of one person, \$60,000 for multiple persons and \$15,000 for property damage.

Assembly Bill 413, commonly known as the “Daylighting Law,” will take effect in 2025, banning

drivers from parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk. This law aims to improve pedestrian safety by providing clearer visibility at intersections. The law applies to both marked and unmarked crosswalks, and while cities are working to implement signage and curb markings, not all areas will have red-painted curbs in time for the new rule.

Senate Bill 905 closes the “locked door loophole” in California’s auto burglary laws. Under the new law, prosecutors no longer need to prove that a vehicle was locked in order to charge someone with burglary. Instead, they only need to show that forcible entry occurred. The change is expected to make it easier for victims of car break-ins to pursue legal action, with felony convictions carrying penalties ranging from 16 months to three years.

EMPLOYMENT LAWS

A statewide minimum wage increase will take effect on Jan. 1,

raising the rate to \$16.50 per hour for all employees, regardless of company size. This adjustment is based on a cost-of-living provision built into California’s minimum wage law.

Senate Bill 1100 prohibits employers from requiring a valid driver’s license for job applicants unless driving is a core function of the role. Employers must also demonstrate that using alternative transportation would not be comparable in travel time or cost.

HOUSING LAWS

Assembly Bill 2347 introduces stronger protections for renters by extending the timeline for tenants to respond to eviction notices. Under the new law, tenants will have 10 business days, up from the previous five-day deadline, to contest an eviction.

Starting in April, Senate Bill 611 will provide additional protections for renters in California by

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Council  
Approves  
Caltrans  
Settlement  
Agreement

By Shaunna Boyd

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - At the Nov. 17 meeting, the Marysville City Council issued a proclamation honoring Ric Lim for his volunteer work with Marysville Police Department.

Mayor Chris Branscum read the proclamation, stating that Lim had been volunteering since 2002 and recently “achieved the extraordinary milestone of contributing over 10,000 volunteer hours to the Marysville Police Department, an accomplishment that reflects his exceptional dedication and enduring spirit of service.”

Branscum said that Lim is “a trusted resource to provide information and guidance to the community... giving his time, energy and expertise to enhance public safety and improve the quality of life for all residents.”

City Council also welcomed new Police Officer Recruit Kelsie Beck, who took her oath of office. While attending Yuba City High School, she was hired by the Marysville Police Department in their cadet program, performing undercover operations at tobacco and alcohol retailers. After Beck graduated high school, the City of Marysville sponsored her enrollment in the Police Academy, and she graduated this July, now joining the ranks of the Marysville Police Department.

During consideration of the Consent Calendar, Item 9, the approval of a settlement agreement with California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), was removed for discussion at another meeting. On Dec. 19, City Council held a special closed session to discuss the item. After the closed session, it was reported that the City Council voted to approve the settlement agreement.

The staff report outlined the terms of the settlement, which relates to the Caltrans State Route 70 Binney Junction Roadway Rehabilitation and Complete Streets Project. The proposed project would rehabilitate Highway 70 from 0.1 mile south of 14th Street. in Marysville to north of Cemetery Road.

Caltrans certified an environmental impact report (EIR) and approved the project in December 2020. But the City of Marysville filed a lawsuit in January 2021, challenging the environmental impact report. In

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Bird Flu Update



Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) is actively monitoring the bird flu situation locally and coordinating with state and federal agencies. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

California Department  
of Public Health  
News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - On Dec. 18, Governor Newsom proclaimed a state of emergency regarding the bird

flu threat. The California Department of Public Health is providing an update on the bird flu situation. The current risk to the public remains low. No person-to-person spread of bird flu has been detected in California. People rarely

get bird flu, but those who interact with infected dairy cows, poultry, or wildlife have a greater risk of infection.

Pasteurized milk and dairy products are safe to consume. Pasteurization inactivates the bird

flu virus. California Department of Public Health is working to protect public health related to bird flu. We monitor infection data, evolving science, and the people affected. Our knowledge will

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# Annual Scholastic Art & Writing Awards Ceremony

## Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture News Release

MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG) - Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture puts arts in education and student achievement in the arts front and center in its programming each year. It will host a major regional event on Jan. 25 when it recognizes student artistic achievement at its annual Scholastic Art & Writing Awards ceremony. Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture is the Northern California Regional Affiliate for seven counties: Colusa, Nevada, Placer, Sierra, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties. It is the one program that it manages beyond its traditional two-county service area.

Now in its sixth year as the Northern California affiliate for the national Scholastic Art & Writing Awards program, this year Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture received more than 200 submissions in many categories covering every imaginable art form. And, yes, the program is sponsored by Scholastic, the publishing company, that puts on the book fairs at schools from which students get a bit of that old-time bookstore experience.



Shown are student honorees at the 2023 Scholastic Awards ceremony. Photo courtesy of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards ceremony will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25 at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas St. in Yuba City. Many of the art submissions will be on display and notebooks will be available with the printed writing submissions. There will be a few select readings by the writing award winners during the awards

ceremony in the Clark Family Theater. Refreshments will be served.

Since 1923, the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards have recognized the vision, ingenuity, and talent of our nation's youth. Join us as we celebrate the winners at this annual gathering of students, educators, supporters, and the general public. Scholastic Awards

alumni include Andy Warhol, Sylvia Plath, Truman Capote, Lena Dunham, Robert Redford and Joyce Carol Oates.

Earning a Scholastic art or writing award is often the first moment of validation for a young artist or writer and can function as a catalyst that leads to a lifelong commitment to develop and apply their creative gift, no matter

what career or path they choose. The program helps celebrate the accomplishments of creative students, extending opportunities for recognition, exhibition, publication and scholarships to teenagers who demonstrate exceptional aptitude in writing and art.

Join us as we honor the achievements of our creative teens. We feel that now, more than ever, it is important to recognize creative accomplishments and provide students with the support and resources they need to make creativity a lifelong pursuit. We hope you'll join us at the ceremony and help honor these remarkable young thinkers.

Yuba Sutter Arts is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide arts programming, education, advocacy, assistance and service to artists, organizations and residents of Yuba and Sutter counties. The local affiliate for Yuba and Sutter counties of the California Arts Council, its programs include Arts in Education, Veterans Initiatives in the Arts, Arts in Corrections, Yuba-Sutter Big Band, Center Stage Youth Performing Arts, Convergence Theater Co., the Yuba-Sutter Youth Choir and many more. ★

## Willard Asylum Suitcases Displayed



A variety of personal hygiene items from patients of the Willard Asylum, photographed by Jon Crispin. This new display at the Sutter County Museum encourages visitors to see and discuss how society has dealt with mental health issues historically and learn more about current approaches. Photo by Jon Crispin

## Sutter County Museum News Release

YUBA/SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sutter County Museum is inviting guests to view their newest exhibit, "The Willard Asylum Suitcases," currently on display until Feb.7.

In 1869, New York State opened the Willard Asylum for those in need of long-term psychiatric hospitalization. The Willard Asylum in rural upstate New York grew to hold several thousand patients, evolving in the 20th century into a modern psychiatric hospital.

Willard distinguished itself by having a particularly close relationship with the nearby communities. When it closed in 1995, an employee discovered more than 400 suitcases belonging to previous patients that were filled with objects from before and during their stays at Willard.

The collection of cases dates from 1910 into the 1970s.

Photographer Jon Crispin has been photographing at Willard regularly since the 1980s. His photographs of the Willard Asylum suitcases are an extremely rare and important look into the institutional lives of patients with mental illness. This exhibit presents visitors with the opportunity to see into the lives of the Willard residents, to discuss how our society historically dealt with mental health issues, and to learn about today's current approaches.

This exhibit was made possible by Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health. Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health (SYBH) provides services to individuals and families who are experiencing serious or ongoing mental health and/or substance use disorders in Yuba and Sutter Counties. ★

## Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers Release 2025 Game Schedule



United Way president and CEO Dr. Dawnté Early and board chair Dr. Richard Pan make phone calls to donors under a new mural that reflects United Way's refreshed brand. Photo courtesy of Kristin Thebaud Communications

## Kristin Thebaud Communications News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - United Way California Capital Region has joined United Way Worldwide in announcing a refreshed brand to reflect the organization's reach and impact in communities as one of the world's largest and oldest privately funded charities that helps more than 48 million people annually, including more than 12,000 in the greater Sacramento region. The brand refresh comes in time for year-end giving when many donors make their tax-deductible gifts for the year.

"As we embrace this new chapter with our refreshed brand, we are committed to addressing the unique challenges faced by our community," said Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region. "United Way's vision not only reflects our deep-rooted history but also our forward-thinking approach to creating lasting change. Together, we can inspire and empower every individual to thrive."

Underpinning the revitalized brand are four impact areas – youth opportunity, healthy community, financial security and community resiliency. The new brand includes the theme, United is the Way™, which activates the United Way name into a declarative statement of purpose to invite all people and communities to take action and make a bigger impact together. The brand also includes a revitalized visual identity, in which United Way's circle of hope logo has been unboxed to signify the dynamic nature of the nonprofit, which – through its deep roots in tens of thousands of communities around the world – listens and responds in real time to changing, pressing needs.

"The global brand refresh is a significant milestone in our organization's 137-year history and represents our commitment to evolve and innovate in order

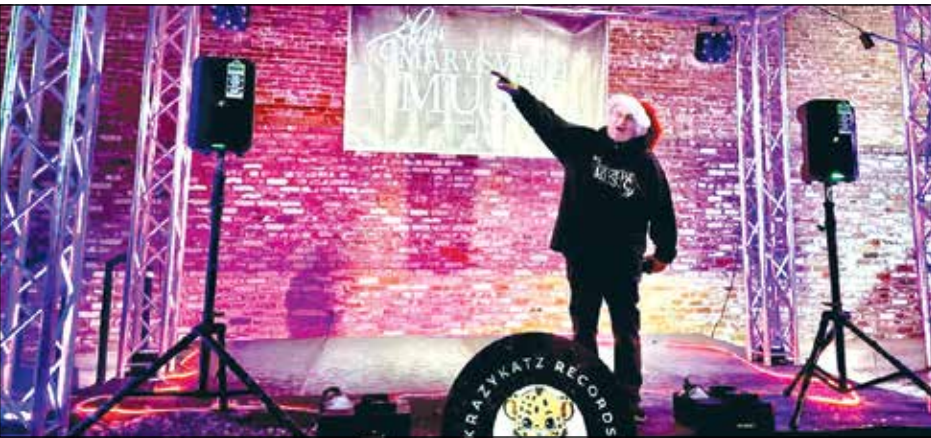
to meet the changing needs of our communities worldwide," said Angela F. Williams, president and CEO, United Way Worldwide. "It signifies our organization's longstanding journey, while also embodying our transformative approach to remain relevant, sustainable, impactful now and in the future."

The refresh was informed by a comprehensive and robust brand discovery process that included both qualitative and quantitative research at the local and global level reflecting the needs of communities. The effort comes at a time when a September 2024 Generosity Commission report reveals a decline in the proportion of Americans who volunteer or contribute to nonprofits. Through this renewed strategy, United Way aims to spur greater engagement and action among the public and reinforce what United Way stands for, how it is different and why audiences should be engaged with its work.

United Way California Capital Region has been a driving force across the region for more than 100 years, listening, responding and taking comprehensive action to meet local needs. From advancing youth opportunities and helping kids excel in school, to strengthening local communities and investing in families' financial security and health, United Way mobilizes communities to build a future where everyone can reach their full potential and thrive.

Working across Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo counties, the local United Way provides books and literacy tutoring, addresses housing and food security, leads the region's largest tax preparation initiative, launched Sacramento's first guaranteed income program, works with foster youth across school districts and leads the Community Schools initiative in West Sacramento. To make a donation, visit [www.YourLocalUnitedWay.org](http://www.YourLocalUnitedWay.org). ★

## Marysville Music Cafe Moves to Yuba City



Skip Bertsch plays on his portable stage during the Marysville Christmas Parade. Photo by Shamaya Sutton

## By Shamaya Sutton

YUBA CITY, CA (MPG) - Skip's Marysville Music Cafe has moved to Yuba City and will henceforth be known as Skip's Open Mic Music Cafe. Previously located in downtown Marysville for a number of years, owner Skip Bertsch

decided to relocate to a new venue that neighbors the Happy Viking on Plumas Street.

The new address is 787 Plumas St., Yuba City. Bertsch said he looks forward to being closer to students and continuing to be involved with both downtown districts in Yuba City and Marysville. ★



# Supervisor Fuhrer Given Censors and Stipulations

By Shamaya Sutton

**YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - A special meeting was held on Dec. 19 at the Yuba County Government center regarding Yuba County Supervisor Seth Fuhrer and the alleged workplace misconduct allegations brought against him.

“My understanding is that an initial complaint was received by the county in July of this year, which led to the retaining of Mr. Boucher,” said Gage Dungy from Liebert Cassidy Whitmore during the Dec. 19 special meeting. “As part of that investigation, other matters came to the attention of the county, including the CSAC (California State Association of Counties) and RCRC (Rural County Representatives of California) letter, which expanded the investigation and led to the findings of where we are today.”

The investigation performed by Boucher Law, PC included interviews with approximately nine individuals, a combination of current Yuba County employees, staff from partnering agencies, and other county supervisors. These accounts came from both professional and private interactions with Fuhrer over the past two years. The report listed findings such as touching someone on the nose, pulling a woman’s ponytail, poking another in the stomach, blocking the path of a female employee and making sexually suggestive comments such as “don’t flash me,” “you’re worth more than \$100” and “everyone in this room is a prostitute.” There were also stories of alleged discriminatory religious views expressed by Fuhrer, who identifies as Jewish. These stories involved him referring to Christian women as being “more pretty” and making what was described as a joke about other people looking Jewish during a conference.

Fuhrer maintains that the majority of these encounters were taken out of context and that the primary reason behind these allegations is in fact a “smear campaign” to prevent him from claiming the position of board chair in 2025. The chair is normally a rotational position in Yuba County and after winning his re-election in March, and as current vice-chair, Fuhrer was next in line.

In light of the findings of Boucher Law and letters issued by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and Rural County Representatives of



Yuba County Supervisor Seth Fuhrer shakes hands with members of the public who spoke in his defense during a special meeting hearing held on Dec. 29 regarding Fuhrer’s alleged workplace misconduct. Photo by Shamaya Sutton

California (RCRC), Yuba County Administrator Kevin Mallen presented nine points of recommendation to the Board of Supervisors as follows:

1. Receive and accept the Executive Summary of the investigative report.
2. Inform Supervisor Fuhrer that county policy prohibits him from harassing or retaliating against county employees and requires that he “treat all employees and non-employees with respect and consideration” and model appropriate behavior.
3. The Board of Supervisors direct staff to prepare a draft Code of Conduct for all Yuba County elected officials within 90 days for the board’s consideration.
4. Supervisor Fuhrer is ineligible for nomination to chair or vice-chair for a one-year period, beginning Jan 1.
5. Accept the Aug. 20, joint letter from California State Association of Counties and Rural County Representatives of California and acknowledge the suspension of Supervisor Fuhrer from attending California State Association of Counties or Rural County Representatives of California sponsored conferences, convenings or annual meetings at least until Dec. 31, 2026, as requested by both organizations.
6. Pursuant to the county’s travel policy, direct the chair of the Board of Supervisors not to authorize Supervisor Fuhrer to travel to an event for county business, except where otherwise required pursuant to his official duties, unless such event is also attended by another board member or the county administrator commencing immediately

through Dec. 31, 2025.

7. Inform Supervisor Fuhrer to direct all communications about county business to the county administrator or appropriate county department head in lieu of interacting directly with other county employees.

8. Inform Supervisor Fuhrer that his attendance at legally-mandated training sessions relating to standards of workplace conduct and harassment prevention be undertaken as determined by county management.

9. Censure and/or express disapproval regarding Supervisor Fuhrer’s sustained inappropriate conduct as found in the above-referenced investigation.

Mallen said that the board could opt to adopt all recommendations in one sweeping motion or approve each item individually. The meeting was then opened to public comment in which five members of the community stepped forward to voice their opinions, four in defense of Fuhrer and one against.

“It’s a sad day in Yuba County,” said Doug Lofton of Yuba County. “I’ve read the executive summary and staff recommendations and all I’m going to say to that is ‘wow’... I respectfully ask that you keep in mind your wives, your sisters and your daughters and the level of respect that you would require them to be shown.”

While it appears many of the complaints filed against Fuhrer were brought forward by women, three (Ruth Armstrong, Tina Hessong and Stephanie Ruscigno) out of the four voices supporting Fuhrer were also women.

Armstrong referred to the allegations as a “witch hunt,” adding that

she was aware of at least one other board member who has done something “way worse.”

Hessong echoed these sentiments, stating that “sex scandals seem to be the quickest way to cancel someone.”

Ruscigno identified herself as having Post Traumatic Stress Disorder from a sexual assault that occurred during military service.

“I’m also a mother and my late son was accused of sexual misconduct,” said Ruscigno. “The girl later recanted when the truth came out that my son couldn’t have done anything because he wasn’t even in the state. So I was lucky about that and I also know there are two sides to every story. Everything I’ve heard about Seth is positive.”

Following the public’s statements, Fuhrer was given an opportunity to respond and did so with a prepared statement that he also posted to social media. Fuhrer criticized the decision to host the meeting as an open session, a choice he described as “novel.”

“There has been egregious behavior committed by some of our other electees and it was not dealt with in open session,” said Fuhrer. “Publishing this report and making a public spectacle is harassment and abuse of power. The goal is to stop me from being chair and to defame me in the eyes of my constituents.”

Fuhrer also disagreed with the county’s “zero tolerance policy” when it came to sexual harassment and workplace violence, calling it “absurd” and too vague to be applied fairly. A comparison was drawn between the standards used in today’s courts to justify sexual harassment or workplace violence

and those currently used by the county.

“Weaponizing human resources to go after only certain individuals for their policy is where their problem is,” Fuhrer said.

After Fuhrer’s statements, the board was allowed time to ask questions or give their own statements. Only two supervisors, John Messick and Don Blaser, chose to speak. Messick maintained that he had developed a friendship with Fuhrer over the past couple years and understood his sense of humor. Messick also acknowledged how others might take offense to some of Fuhrer’s comments and wanted to take an active role in helping Fuhrer conduct himself better socially.

“I’d be more than willing to make sure I’m at events with Seth,” said Messick. “I really truly want to help him represent us better.”

Blaser, the board’s current chair, acknowledged that he himself had said “stupid stuff” when he was in his 20s and 30s but had reservations about this type of behavior as an elected public official.

“When something like this happens, it reflects badly not only on the board; it reflects badly on the employees of the county and it reflects badly on the (residents) we have in the county,” said Blaser. “I really feel badly that they got to the point where they felt they had to come forward and file these complaints. They were not coerced into doing that.”

At the conclusion of these statements, Yuba County Supervisor Andy Vasquez Jr. motioned to accept the executive summary and take all recommendations. Supervisor Gary Bradford seconded the motion, which brought it to a board vote. Vasquez, Blaser and Bradford voted yes, Fuhrer voted no, and Messick voted no adding that his only caveat would have been to accept the recommendations excluding blocking Fuhrer’s ability to exercise his impending position as chair.

With a 3-2 majority vote, all nine recommendations in regard to Fuhrer were passed. Fuhrer will remain in his elected position as District Three supervisor, however, he will have to abide by the list of censors and stipulations that were passed and will be ineligible for nomination to the position of chair or vice-chair for a year, beginning on Jan.1. ★

# Former Hotel Marysville Demolition Update

*Northbound State Route 70 Lanes will Reopen after Work is Completed*

Caltrans News Release

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Caltrans, in partnership with the City of Marysville, is providing an update to motorists regarding the progress of the Hotel Marysville demolition. Dec. 23 marks day 13 since the demolition work began and crews are continuing to make steady progress. Work continues as planned and the northbound lanes of State Route 70 (SR-70) are

scheduled to reopen by the end of January or early February.

Since the hotel was damaged by a fire in June, Caltrans and the city have worked to address public safety risks posed by the damage to the 100-year-old five-story structure. Engineering reports confirmed the building posed a risk of collapse and contained asbestos. Detours were put in place due to the closure of State Route 70 between 3rd and 6th streets and Caltrans



Since the hotel was damaged by a fire in June, Caltrans and the city have worked to address public safety risks posed by the damage to the 100-year-old five-story structure. Photo courtesy of Caltrans

set up a safety perimeter in front of the building, blocking the two northbound lanes of State Route 70 but allowing for the southbound lanes’ reopening.

Drivers are reminded to continue using detours until northbound State Route 70 reopens through downtown Marysville. Truck drivers should detour off northbound State Route 70 before entering Marysville and use Simpson Lane to bypass the closure. Detour signage

remains in place and travelers should allow for extra time to navigate the area or use State Route 99 as an alternate route.

Caltrans District 3 is responsible for maintaining and operating 4,385 lane miles in 11 Sacramento Valley and Northern Sierra counties. Caltrans reminds motorists to “Be Work Zone Alert” and slow in construction zones for the safety of travelers and crews performing these improvements. ★

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# This Month In Your Garden

by Jeff Rice

## BALD MOUNTAIN NURSERY

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The water year is starting off well this year. With the rain we have had in December, we are at 10.75 inches here at the nursery by my measuring. Comparing to last year at the same time, we were approaching 6 inches. So good start, and forecasts seem to be positive for at least an average rainfall year from what I’ve see. Hopefully that is the case. Time will tell. One thing to remember with winter storms if they are cold ones, when the storms clear out, pay attention for freezing weather. That is usually when the freeze happens. Clear cold nights.

Bare root season is the big thing happening in January at the nursery. Our bare root fruit trees will arrive on the 20th of December this year, and our bare root roses arrived today the 16th. We sell bare root fruit trees through January and February. We usually have some folks who are new to gardening and the term ”bare root” may not be familiar to them. It is simply what it says. The trees have been taken out of the ground and the roots are exposed, thus, “bare root”. We bury the roots in mix and then pull them when they are purchased and the customer takes them home and plants them right away. They are less expensive since the pot, soil, and time and effort to plant them into a container has been avoided. It does require that it must be planted right away, or otherwise stored in a way to protect the roots from drying out or freezing. We have availability lists at the nursery, and on our website, of all the varieties of fruit trees we carry during bare root season. Bare root season for fruit trees is usually considered very late December or early January to the end of February. By then the trees are beginning get too many new fragile roots and new leaves to handle them “bare root” without possible damage. There are advantages to planting your own fruit trees. You make the decisions of what fertilizers etc. are used and avoiding many of the unknowns of commercial grower’s methods. Allowing the fruit ripen on the tree allows much better flavor to develop as the fruit ripens than that picked early and ripened in cold storage. Often kids and adults are encouraged eat more fruit just because they like picking it themselves and it is close by.

When planting fruit trees, be sure to check if the tree you are buying needs a pollinizer. Some are self fruitful and don’t need a different pollinizer and

others do. Many of the peaches and nectarines are self-fruitful, but not all of them. Most of the cherries need a pollinizer, but again, not all of them, and so it is with apples, apricots, plums, pears. Most fruit trees have a tag giving some of that information.

Chill hours may be noted on the tag. That refers to the cumulative number of hours required under 45 degrees during the entire winter season to provide normal fruit production and is generally not a concern in our area. Some varieties may have high number of chill hours, and when there is a warm winter, the fruit production may go down.

Bare root roses are available during January and February, and have been pruned by the growers. If you have roses that are growing in your yard already, we suggest delaying the pruning until the danger of a heavy freeze is past. In our area roses usually don’t go completely dormant. What happens when you prune a rose? It starts putting out new growth at that point. That new growth is too tender to survive a hard freeze and dies back. We have lots of micro climates in the foothills, so consider the temperature range in your area and delay the pruning until freezing danger is past and do the pruning in early spring if it seems more appropriate. If by chance you do prune them and are then hit by freeze that damages new growth, no great harm has been done – the rose just has to expend more energy that might otherwise have been saved for its beautiful first bloom and has to start over again.

Some maintenance chores to be done in January – weather permitting –

Second dormant spray application on deciduous fruit trees. (If you didn’t get it done in December).

Annual pruning of dormant deciduous fruit trees.

Prune dormant vines, grapes and cane berries

Rake up heavy litter of leaves and apply pre-emergent if weeds were a problem last year

Shop early for the best selections in bare root fruit trees. They are in and available now at the nursery.

Jeff Rice is the owner of Bald Mountain Nursery on Bald Mountain Road in Browns Valley We are the “Unexpected Nursery on a Little Country Road.”

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# Five Vehicle Crash, Sutter County, Three Hospitalized

## California Highway Patrol News Release

**YUBA-SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - On Dec. 18 at approximately 3:13 p.m., an iPhone crash detection alerted CHP Chico Dispatch center of a vehicle crash on SR-99 south of Encinal Road (Lomo Crossing). Numerous other 911 calls began to come in to advise of a multi-vehicle crash in the northbound lanes of SR-99. Initial reports indicated the 50-year-old woman driving the Subaru was unconscious and needed CPR. CHP Yuba-Sutter officers were dispatched. Upon their arrival, they shut down the northbound lanes. An air ambulance was requested and officers began to shut down the southbound lanes of SR-99 to set up an air ambulance landing zone. Arriving emergency service personnel located the 50-year-old woman, who was conscious at the time and was bleeding from the head. Officers identified a total of five vehicles that were damaged in the crash.

Preliminary investigation indicates a

medium duty Tow Truck failed to slow for slowing traffic and crashed into the rear of the Subaru and sideswiped a Nissan pickup and a Hyundai SUV. A Mazda SUV also received damage. The air ambulance was canceled and the 50-year-old female, was transported to Adventist Health + Rideout Hospital with moderate injuries. A 43-year-old male and a 29-year-old pregnant female were also transported to Adventist Health + Rideout Hospital. Several other passengers and drivers complained of pain but refused transport. Sutter County Fire Department initiated mass casualty care with Bi-County medical personnel to triage and prioritize the injured parties.

After the air ambulance was canceled, the southbound lanes of SR-99 were reopened. The northbound lanes were closed for over an hour for emergency crews to investigate and remove the damaged vehicles. The Sutter County Sheriff’s Office deputies assisted with diverting traffic during the closure.

Drugs or alcohol were not a factor in this crash.

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# Can New State Regulations Resolve California’s Existential Insurance Crisis?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

There’s no law requiring California property owners to carry insurance, but the vast majority buy it to protect themselves from fire and other perils, or are required to do so by their mortgage lenders.

There’s also no law requiring insurance companies to offer coverage in California, but most would prefer to do so in the nation’s most immense concentration of property needing protection.

For decades, insuring California’s homes, farms and commercial properties was a hum-drum business of willing sellers and willing buyers. However, the former have become less willing as the state experiences an ever-increasing number of wildfires — even during winter months — that devastate homes and businesses in fire-prone areas.

Last Friday, as the latest of those fires was driving people from their homes in the quaint seaside village of Malibu, Ricardo Lara, the state’s elected insurance commissioner, formally unveiled a large chunk of his plan to stem the exodus of insurers from California.

It would allow insurers to use computer modeling of future exposure to set premiums, while requiring them to offer coverage in risky communities roughly in line with

their shares of the market. Until now, insurers set rates based on past losses.

“Giving people more choices to protect themselves is how we will solve California’s insurance crisis,” Lara said in a statement as he released details of the modeling plan. “For the first time in history we are requiring insurance companies to expand where people need help the most. With our changing climate we can no longer look to the past. We are being innovative and forward-looking to protect Californians’ access to insurance.”

He also noted that in setting rates, insurers will be required to consider hardening efforts by threatened communities and property owners to reduce potential losses.

Lara claims support from environmental groups, farmers and other stakeholders, in addition to insurers. But he’s drawing sharp criticism from Consumer Watchdog, an organization that has sponsored landmark changes in insurance regulation. The group has also received millions of dollars in fees from intervening in insurance rates cases, and has been a harsh critic of Lara throughout his time in office.

“Full transparency is what keeps insurance rates honest but Commissioner Lara’s rule does away with that protection,” Consumer Watchdog executive director Carmen Balber said in a statement. “The rule will let insurance companies raise rates based on secret algorithms but not expand coverage as promised.”

The new rules take effect in January. Farmers Insurance, California’s

second-largest property insurer, has already pledged to expand its coverage in response to Lara’s actions. The American Property Casualty Association, a trade group, also reacted positively.

“California will continue to have a robust regulatory and rate approval process that guarantees that rates reflect the actual cost of covering claims,” the association said.

While the rules unveiled last week are central to Lara’s plans, there are other elements that remain: shoring up the FAIR Plan, California’s last ditch insurer for property owners who cannot obtain coverage elsewhere, speeding up insurance rate case approvals, and allowing insurers to include costs of reinsurance — coverage of their potential losses — in setting rates.

Adoption of Lara’s plans may result in premium increases, but maintaining a viable insurance market is a vital factor in the state’s economy. The inability to buy insurance would devastate the residential and commercial real estate market and require property owners to pay for fire losses out of their own pockets.

Lara’s plans may not be perfect, but nobody — including Consumer Watchdog — has offered a better alternative. He should be credited with at least attempting to deal with one of California’s existential crises.

*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.* ★

# Ask DR. UNIVERSE

**Dr. Universe: Why are heart attacks so dangerous? – Jack, 8, England**

Dear Jack,

When I go to the veterinarian for a checkup, one of the first things they do is listen to my heart. They want to make sure it’s healthy because it pumps blood to my whole body.

I asked my friend Zhaokang Cheng about heart attacks. He’s a scientist at Washington State University. He works on new medicines to help people who have heart attacks or heart disease.

He told me that a heart attack happens when a big blood vessel that delivers blood to the heart gets blocked. Those blood vessels are called coronary arteries.

They get blocked when fatty gunk and other stuff build up on the walls of the arteries. Over time, the buildup can get thicker and harder. It can make the space inside the artery very narrow, so there isn’t much room for blood to get through. Or it can block the artery completely.

Sometimes a piece of the buildup can break off or a chunk of blood called a clot can clog up a narrow artery. It’s like how a pipe can get clogged with gunk so the water can’t get through.

A blocked coronary artery can stop the blood from getting to the heart. There’s just no way for it to get past the clog. That’s bad news because blood carries oxygen and nutrients that the heart needs to work.

The part of the heart that doesn’t get blood during a heart attack is called the ischemic region. “Depending on where the blood vessel is blocked, the region that does not have blood supply can be small or really big,” Cheng said. “If the ischemic region is very large, a lot of the heart muscle does

not have blood supply. That can be a critical situation because that means a lot of the heart muscle cells are dying.”

Most cells in the body die and get replaced by new ones all the time. But heart muscle cells are different. The heart muscle cells you have as a kid are the same ones you’ll have your whole life. If some of them die, the body has a very limited ability to make new ones.

“After a heart attack, that ischemic region is replaced by scars,” Cheng said. “That’s why large heart attacks are very dangerous. A major part of the heart is replaced by scars—and the scars cannot contract.”

When the veterinarian or doctor listens to your heart, the heartbeat they hear is caused by the heart muscle cells contracting. It pushes blood out of the heart to the other organs of the body. That’s how all those organs get the oxygen and nutrients they need to work.

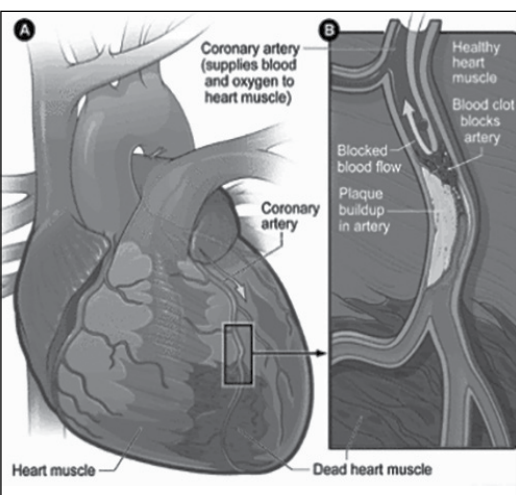
A large heart attack prevents the heart from getting enough blood. It also damages all the other organs that don’t get enough blood, too.

That’s why it’s super important for someone who’s having a heart attack to get to the hospital fast. If doctors can get blood flowing to the heart again right away, fewer heart muscle cells will die. That means blood will get to all the other organs more quickly, too.

Once the blood is flowing normally again, that’s A-positive situation for the whole body.

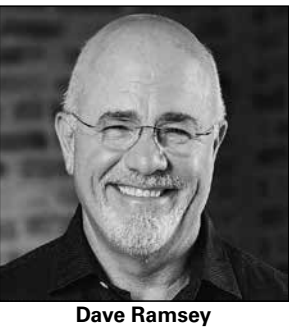
Sincerely,

Dr. Universe



**This is a drawing that shows a blocked coronary artery that caused a heart attack. You can see that the part of the heart muscle that gets oxygen from that artery died.** Image: NIH





# Dave Ramsey Says Compromises Are Part of Marriage

Dear Dave,

My wife and I have been married for two years, and we both have good jobs. Together, we bring home around \$190,000 combined. We also have \$100,000 in a savings account, and no debt except for our mortgage. A couple of weeks ago, I was contacted about an opportunity to take a job in commercial real estate in my hometown. To be honest, this kind of work has been a dream of mine for several years. The problem is my wife is upset by the idea of moving. She says it's because she doesn't want to be even further away from her family, but it seems like something else is bothering her. Do you have any advice?

– Freddie

Dear Freddie,

Anytime you're in a relationship and something like this happens, it's a little like making a sale in that you've got to dig out the

real reason for the objection. It could very well be that she doesn't want to be further away from her family, and that's natural—to an extent. But like you said, there could be other factors involved.

There might be something in your past that bothers her, or something she doesn't want you to revisit. There may even be feelings of discomfort with your family for things that have happened or been said. It could also be the insecurity that goes along with a move, a new home and a new job. I don't know how far away you're talking about moving, but it could also be she's worried about leaving her job.

From a relationship standpoint, you two each need to lay your cards on the table and be honest with each other. Open up, and really talk about it. Otherwise, it's going to become a sore spot and cause even more problems. Part of marriage is making compromises. Sometimes compromises must be made by one, or both, people in order to do what's best for the re-

lationship in the present and in the long run.

It could be that you just need an impartial referee. Would you both be willing to attend a few sessions with a good pastor or marriage counselor together? Talking to either one doesn't mean your marriage is on the rocks, but sometimes a compassionate and objective third party can help dig down below the surface to uncover issues and help find a reasonable solution to problems.

I hope this helps. God bless you both, Freddie.

– Dave

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### Farm Bureau Delegates Approve Policies

California Farm Bureau approved changes to the organization's policies last week during a House of Delegates session at the organization's 106th Annual Meeting in Monterey. Farm Bureau develops policy recommendations each year through its Commodity Advisory Committees, which are groups of members that meet regularly throughout the year. This year, delegates voted to approve proposed updates to policies related to wolf management, crop insurance and eminent domain.

### Increased Almond Shipments Signal Better Times Ahead

Despite economic challenges for those in the almond business, the Almond Board of California painted an optimistic outlook for the industry, emphasizing the organization's ongoing efforts to build demand for the nut by easing trade barriers and making new strides in marketing, innovation and research. Almond Board President and CEO Clarice Turner said the board is "confident that better days lie ahead." She noted "tangible signs" of robust demand for almonds, with the industry having shipped more than 200 million pounds of the nut for 11 straight months.

### Annual Meeting Workshop Takes on Navigating SGMA

Ten years into the state's Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, or SGMA, local agencies are implementing plans and projects to achieve long-term sustainability in aquifers by limiting overdraft, land subsidence and impacts to drinking water. Navigating SGMA challenges, including the probation process under the California State Water Resources Control Board and how to fund and implement groundwater sustainability plans, was discussed as part of an educational workshop for members at the California Farm Bureau's 106th Annual Meeting in Monterey last week.

### Startups Get Help to Speed New Tech to California Farmers

UCANR Innovate, the innovation arm of the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources, has opened applications for its VINE Connect program. California farmers are at the heart of global food production, but staying ahead requires constant innovation. To meet this challenge, VINE Connect bridges the gap between innovation and application by helping entrepreneurs tailor proven technologies for farmers to ease weed control, harvest and other farming tasks. Each year, the VINE Connect program runs three cohorts, each centered on different focus areas within California agriculture. ★



As I write this (in December) we wish you a Happy New Year. Actually Joyce and I plan to be in Washington, hoping to see grandson, Nicolai. He usually comes to us on Christmas, but that plan didn't work this year. So we are going to Washington to try to see him. He lives on Orcas Island in Puget sound; we will have to take a ferry to see him. The weather could be a problem, but we will give it a try. Books & More will be closed while we are gone, we plan to reopen January 8.

Stone Soup will reopen on January 9. This is a great spot to have some nice hot soup, a great salad and dessert every Thursday at noon. Many people come to sit and visit, too. If you would like to contribute a crockpot of soup, please let me know (675-3275). The next community breakfast will be put on by Yuba Feather Next Step on Sunday, January 12. Again, this is another opportunity to visit with friends and neighbors every second Sunday of the month from 8 – 11 at the community center in Brownsville. It also helps support projects of YF Next Step.

We hope to see an "Opening Soon" sign at the corner of Willow Glen and LaPorte Rd. The crew has been working hard to make it happen. They had a very successful Farmer's Market and a great turnout on Dec. 7. We wish them the best.

Look Back in Time – In 1926 W. H. Joy was building 25 cottages in Challenge for summer vacationers (are any cottages still around?).

*Hope to see you in Brownsville soon.*  
~ Yvonne



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# Finding the Handle to Inflation Reduction

Nine out of ten new businesses fail within the first two years of startup and of those businesses, the restaurant business can be one of the toughest.

I am always amazed at how some restaurant owners just don't get it as to how to best turn a profit and keep their customers happy.

I have never run a restaurant business but my wife's father had one for 40 years and I frequent dining establishments a lot because of my work and the travel it entails.

First off, it matters how good the food is of course, but I've been served cold soup, brown, wilted lettuce, broken eggs, toast coming late, meals served sporadically instead of all patrons getting their meals at the same time. You name it, it's all inexcusable.

But there are so many other things that can hurt a restaurant to the point where folding up shop eventually becomes necessary.

The face of the business are the staff out front, and needless to say if they are under trained, not trained at all, ornery, rude or just plain not likeable, the restaurant is off to a bad start.

Not having your ducks in a row on opening day is a killer. Sure, there are some people that will give you a break on this one, but not me and many others like me. You either have it together or don't open until you do. Either that or give a break on the price, but of course, that never happens.

New restaurants, by the fact that they are new, will usually garner lots of customers, but if someone has a bad experience, he or she will be sure to tell their friends and there goes a whole slew of people that might have come through the doors.

Restaurants live and die by word of mouth and owners have to be sure the word will be a glowing one.

Cleanliness is tantamount. I've been to a sandwich shop whose bathroom was disgusting. Another supposedly 5 star steak house in Portland had a cart of dirty dishes in the entrance way. A well-known eatery up near my house had an entrance area that smelled like soured fruit. Floors with left-over food from previous customers, dirty or greasy condiment containers on your table, crumbs on your seat or gum under that table all reek of poor management.

Paying attention to the details as to what is served and when, is also a way to maximize profits and might mean the difference between staying open or locking the doors somewhere down the line.

For example, a popular chain restaurant in the Carolinas I visited was

packed every night. When I asked the waitress, who was obviously very well trained what the secret was, she said she had a full week of training, both written, off duty and with a trainer in real time.

They had strict rules: Sit people at clean tables and floors always and each was checked prior to seating. Offer cocktails within 3 minutes of seating and get those to the table immediately along with menus. They knew that alcohol stimulates appetite, throws frugality out the window and that drinks are highly profitable. People with a bit of booze in them order more, are more patient and also order more drinks. They never brought breadsticks or whatever before people ordered their food as it fills them up and they order less. All meals were checked by the cook, a main cook or manager and the server as to temperature, accuracy and appearance and any one person in the loop could turn food back without fear of retribution.

"Brilliant" I thought. What a concept: Well trained, thoughtful service and timing, clean surroundings and attention to every detail.

In conclusion, a word about restaurant reviews. We have a few restaurant review social media sights and many are rife with positive reviews and positive reviews only. Post a bad review and some people even chastise the posting party for not being understanding when it comes to the difficulty of running such an establishment.

Excuse me, but reviews are supposed to be honest. Sure it might be harsh on the owners, but people work hard for their money and deserve to get their money's worth. Brain surgery is hard too but who is going to be "understanding" if they blow it because they are new or having a bad day. Honest reviews better both customers and restaurant owners. Customers get value and owners get to know what they're doing wrong so they can fix it and survive. And isn't both of these goals what we're all after?

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# That'll Leave a Mark . . .



**By Kathy Craig Harteis**

Well that's just dandy! Combine really icy streets with a 76 year old woman and what do you get? A fall resulting in a dislocated ankle.

My take charge personality has within just a second turned into one that must accept help with everything. Apparently I'm going to be laid up for the duration.

It takes a village.

I am building an army of people who helped and continue to help me.

So many people have helped me. Starting with Beach Public Works manager Randy Dietz who literally picked me up off of the ice and drove me to the clinic. The women at the clinic are rockstars, as are the Beach Ambulance crew. Thanks for the immediate care and smooth ride to Dickinson.

I'm forever thankful for my own guardian angel Scott Trotter who has continually stepped up to do whatever was needed. As always my own kids and the crew that showed up to get me in the house and to bring medical assistance devices. Thank you so much; Velvet, Tiffany, Becky and Val, Scott and Aaron Rojic, Tom and Pam Littlecreek, Jodi Ebel and Robin Richards. Of course my husband Tom continues to care for me.

As miserable as this is right now, I am feeling more than blessed by the outpouring of love and random kindness's.

There will be a surgery in the near future so my dependence on others is likely to continue for a while. Known to my friends as the director it's going to be hard not being in control.

There are moments when I feel sorry for myself. But there are far more people far worse off than me. God is good and I will survive.

Even as it is; Life is good today.

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## Death Notices

**SHIREY** – Terry Shirey, 71, of Yuba City, passed away December 17, 2024. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

**GOODMAN** – Donald Goodman, 60, of Yuba City, passed away December 18, 2024. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

**BOUNT** – Bonnie Bount, 72, of Yuba City, passed away December 19, 2024. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

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# Henderson Remembered as Electrifying Legend of the Game

## National Baseball Hall of Fame News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Rickey Henderson used the ultimate combination of power and speed to break numerous major league baseball records during his career.

But what solidified his place in baseball history was his love for the game.

Henderson died on Dec. 20, at the age of 65. His enthusiasm for the game manifested itself in 1,406 stolen bases – by far the best total in history.

“Rickey Henderson was not only the greatest base stealer of all-time, but one of the most memorable personalities of his generation,” said Jane Forbes Clark, Chairman of the Board of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. “The enthusiasm and energy he brought to Cooperstown each year will truly be missed. Our thoughts are with his wife, Pamela, and their family.”

Born on Dec. 25, 1958, in Chicago, Ill., Henderson spent most of his childhood in Oakland, Calif. An All-American running back in high school, Henderson turned down multiple football scholarships to sign with the Oakland Athletics in 1976.

In his first full major league season 1980, Henderson broke Hall of Famer Ty Cobb’s 65-year-old American League stolen base record of 96 with 100 swipes. In 1982, he stole 130 bases, breaking Hall of Famer Lou Brock’s modern era major league single-season record of 118.

“He’s the greatest leadoff hitter of all time, and I’m not sure there’s a close second,” said Billy Beane, senior advisor to the Athletics and the team’s former long-time general manager.

He played for nine teams over his

25-year career including the Athletics, Yankees, Padres, Mets, Red Sox, Dodgers, Angels, Mariners and Blue Jays. He led the American League in steals 12 times and went on to be the all-time record holder with 1,406 thefts, earning him the nickname “Man of Steal.”

“It wasn’t until I saw Rickey that I understood what baseball was about. Rickey Henderson is a run, man,” said Athletics teammate Mitchell Page. “That’s it. When you see Rickey

Henderson, I don’t care when, the score’s already 1-0. If he’s with you, that’s great. If he’s not, you won’t like it.”

His speed wasn’t his only skill. Henderson set all-time records for runs scored (2,295), unintentional walks (2,129) and leadoff home runs (81). The 10-time All-Star won the MVP Award in 1990, leading the

American League in runs scored, stolen bases and on-base percentage. He finished in the top ten in MVP voting five other times.

“He was one of the best players that I ever played with and obviously the best leadoff hitter in baseball,” said Hall of Famer Dave Winfield.

Henderson won two World Series during his career, in 1989 with Oakland and in 1993 with Toronto. He spent most of his career in left field and won a Gold Glove Award in 1981. He finished with a .279 batting average, 3,055 hits and 297 home runs. He electrified crowds with his flair and enthusiasm for the game.

Henderson was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 2009 on his first appearance on the Baseball Writers’ Association of America ballot.

“If my uniform doesn’t get dirty, I haven’t done anything in the baseball game,” said Henderson. ★



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APN: 014-550-002-000 TS No: CA05000387-24-1 TO No: 240443583-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 24, 2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On January 13, 2025 at 09:00 AM, The Fifth Street Entrance, Yuba County Courthouse, 215 Fifth St., Marysville, CA 95901, MTC

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF RITA JOAN BRENNER Case NO. PRPB23-00166

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

A **Petition for Probate** has been filed by: Renee R. Kowalik-Moss in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition requests that that Renee R. Kowalik-Moss be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: January 13, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.**

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

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

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

**Attorney for Petitioner:** ROBERT A. CLAVEL, ESQ.  
CLAVEL LAW, APLC  
5857 PINE AVENUE, STE. B  
CHINO HILLS, CA 91709  
**Phone No.:** 909-531-4800  
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**December 20, 27, 2024, January 3, 2025**

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers - Marysville - Hammonton located at 1597 Hammonton Smartsville Rd Marysville, CA 95901 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) on 1/16/2025 at 10:00AM. Sydney Anne Hammonds; Pattie Lee Jacobo; Avie Rose Woods; Tina Louise Thayer; Rashelle Jezarae Luther; Amarissa M Oldham (2 units); Dewayne Nelson II; Stacey Saxton. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. (TD) 12-27-24

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF YUBA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:  
SUNALINA GRACE DAYTON, PETITIONER(S)  
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 24-01676  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

HEARING DATE:  
2/3/2025  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Sunalina Grace Dayton, filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Sunalina Grace Dayton  
to: Sunavana Grace Diamond

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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

DATE: 12/12/2024  
Stephen W. Berrier  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT  
December 20, 2, 2024, January 3, 10, 2025

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2024F-304

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
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Olivehurst, CA 95961  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
California Security  
Services, Inc  
5548 Feather River Blvd.  
Olivehurst, CA 95961  
This business is conducted by a Corporation.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/Oct./2002.  
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).  
Signed:  
**Monty Duaine Hecker  
California, President**  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 16, 2024.  
(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).  
DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,  
Deputy Clerk  
Dec. 27, 2024, Jan. 3, 10, 17, 2025

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2024F-309

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:  
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MAILING ADDRESS:  
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Browns Valley, CA 95918  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
Wesley J. Appleton5548 P.O.  
Box 67  
Browns Valley, CA 95918  
This business is conducted by an Individual  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/20./2024  
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).  
Signed:  
**Wesley J. Appleton**  
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on December 20, 2024.  
(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).  
DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
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Deputy Clerk  
Dec. 27, 2024, Jan. 3, 10, 17, 2025

to this case, CA05000387-24-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Notice to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT  
File No. 2024F-294

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Marysville, CA 95901  
Mailing Address:  
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Live Oak, CA 95953  
County of YUBA  
Registered Owners:  
Michael J. Del Rio  
819 5th Street  
Marysville, CA 95901  
This business is conducted by an Individual.  
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/05/2024.  
(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).  
Signed:  
**Michael J. Del Rio**  
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DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,  
Deputy Clerk  
Dec. 20, 27, 2024,  
Jan. 3, 10, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER  
ESTATE OF HENDRIKA VANVLIET  
Case NO. PRPB24-00157

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

A **Petition for Probate** has been filed by: Bobbi Vanvliet in the Superior Court of California, County of: Yuba

The Petition requests that that Bobbi Vanvliet be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

**A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: January 13, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in Dept. 4 located at Superior Court of California, County of Yuba, 215 5th Street Ste. 200 Marysville, CA 95901.**

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

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**Attorney for Petitioner:** Smith and Johnson Law, APC  
115 W. Walnut Street, Suite 3  
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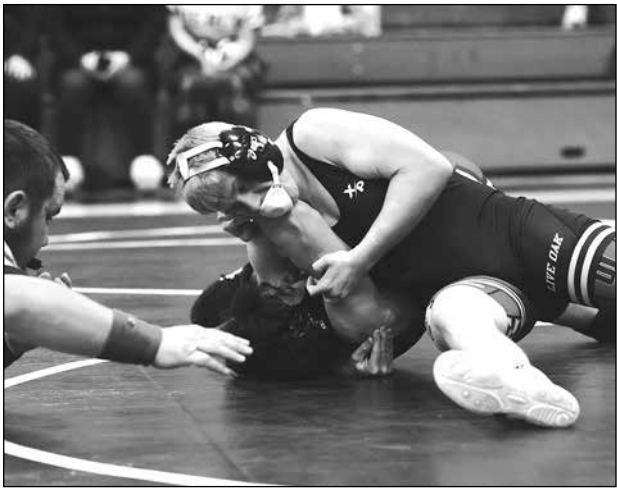




# Live Oak Wrestlers Compete at Pierce High Meet

By MPG Staff

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - Live Oak High School wrestlers, along with wrestlers from Esparto, Williams and Winters, traveled to Pierce High School in Arbuckle for a match night on Wednesday, Dec. 18. The meet, held at Pierce High School's Natalie Corona gymnasium, provided an excellent opportunity for the wrestlers to get some valuable mat time early in the 2024-25 wrestling season. ★



Live Oak's Lane Webb squares off against Winters' Cameron Del Rio at a match night in Arbuckle on Dec. 18. Photo by Jennifer Corriea

# Council Approves Caltrans Settlement Agreement

Continued from page 1

May 2024, the court ruled in favor of the City of Marysville, finding that the Caltrans environmental impact report did not comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The settlement requires Caltrans to rescind the environmental impact report and project approval, and to prepare a new CEQA-compliant environmental impact report. The agreement also guides issues surrounding the potential construction of the project, such as repair of city streets,

sewer and storm drain relocation, sidewalk replacement, landscape and hardscape maintenance, traffic management plan, etc. The court also awarded the city attorneys' fees (\$874,700) and costs of filing the lawsuit (\$2,947.13), to be paid by Caltrans. The city will also be reimbursed by Caltrans for the legal costs of drafting and negotiating the settlement agreement, not to exceed \$50,000. The next regular Marysville City Council meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Jan. 21 at Council Chambers, 526 C St. ★

# Key New Laws in 2025

Continued from page 1

prohibiting landlords from charging tenants a fee for paying their rent or security deposit by check. In addition, landlords will be required to provide a written statement to tenants if they charge a security deposit that exceeds the standard amount.

**CRIME**

Senate Bill 1414 introduces stricter penalties for individuals convicted of soliciting a minor for sex. The law raises the crime of soliciting or buying sex from minors under 16 from a misdemeanor to a felony, carrying more severe legal consequences. If the person solicited is under 16, or under 18 and a victim of human trafficking, the offense could be punishable by jail time of up to a year and a fine of up to \$10,000 or a prison sentence ranging from 16 months to three years. For repeat offenders, the penalties are harsher, with mandatory felony charges and a prison sentence of 16 months to three years.

**EDUCATION**

In the education sector, Assembly Bill 1780 prohibits private nonprofit universities in California from considering legacy status in admissions. The ban, effective in September 2025, means that ties to donors or alumni will no longer play a role in college admissions decisions

**CONSUMER PROTECTION**

In a move aimed at consumer protection, Assembly Bill 2863 will require companies offering auto-renewal services to provide customers with an easy option to cancel subscriptions. Starting July 1, 2025, consumers will be able to cancel their subscriptions by the same method they used to sign up

**HEALTH**

A major update in healthcare comes with Senate Bill 729, which mandates that health insurance plans cover the diagnosis and treatment of infertility, including in vitro fertilization (IVF), starting July 1, 2025.

Senate Bill 1061 will protect consumers by prohibiting credit reporting agencies from including medical debt on their credit reports, ensuring that such debt cannot negatively impact individuals' credit scores.

Assembly Bills 1817 and 2771 will ban the use of harmful chemicals known as PFAS (perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances) in clothing, textiles and cosmetics sold in California. These chemicals, which have been linked to serious health issues such as liver damage, thyroid disease, reproductive problems and cancer, will no longer be allowed in products. ★

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(TD) Dec 27, 2024

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN ADDENDUM TO MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT “LUSE-22-0013” (E Street MX Park) AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE YUBA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held before the Yuba County Planning Commission on February 19, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter, in the Board of Supervisors Chamber, Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street, Marysville, CA. The Planning Commission will consider the following:

**Conditional Use Permit “LUSE-22-0013” (E Street MX Park):** The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate an expanded motocross, authorizing activities such as motocross and 4-wheel motorsports training, practice sessions, competitive events, and overnight dry camping during weekend events across three parcels (APNs: 020-010-010, 020-020-099 & APN 020-020-005). The 53± acre site is located in the West Linda Community, southeast of the Yuba River and Marysville, north of Riverside Drive, and west of HWY 70 and Shad Road. Access is via Shad Road off HWY 70 near the E Street Bridge. The site is designated Natural Resources (NR) and Valley Neighborhood (VN) in the 2030 General Plan, with zoning as Exclusive Agricultural, 40-acre minimum (AE-40).

The **Planning Commission** will be considering adoption of an Addendum to the Marysville Wastewater Treatment Plant Pond Closure Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act. The public comment period for the Addendum to the Mitigated Negative Declaration is December 27, 2024 to January 19, 2025.

Any person wishing to testify on the above projects may submit written comments or objections to the Community Development and Services Agency at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901, prior to the hearing. Copies of the staff recommendations are available for inspection at the same address. If you have any questions for you may contact Ciara Fisher at (530)749-5463.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR VARIANCE “VAR-24-0003” (JOHNSON) AND NOTICE OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENT LACT-24-0004 (MINOR EDITS TO THE DEVELOPMENT CODE & ZONING MAP) BEFORE THE YUBA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held before the Yuba County Planning Commission on January 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter, in the Board of Supervisors Chamber, Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street, Marysville, CA. The Planning Commission will consider the following:

**Variance “VAR-24-0003” (Johnson):** The applicant is requesting a Variance to construct an accessory structure with a 5-foot rear setback, deviating from the standard 30-foot setback requirement. The property, identified as APN 018-310-002, is located at 2366 Kayla Court in Marysville. The 2030 General Plan designates the land use as “RC” Rural Community and the zoning as “RR-5” Rural Residential with a minimum lot size of 5 acres. A determination has been made that the above referenced project is categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15305(a) Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations.

**Ordinance Amendment “LACT-24-0004” (Minor edits to the Development Code & Zoning Map):** The applicant, Yuba County, is requesting a recommendation of an Ordinance Amendment to make minor amendments, modifications, and corrections to the County of Yuba's Development Code (DC), Official Zoning Map of the County of Yuba (Zoning Map), and associated land use regulations. The Project components are designed to implement the County's 2030 General Plan, limit uses in the Valley Growth Boundary, and enhance unclear language in the DC.

General Plan and Zoning designations affected by Ordinance Amendment LACT-24-0004: Countywide, applicable to all land within the unincorporated area of the County. Thus, the Project applies to the following General Plan designations: Valley Neighborhood, Rural Community, Natural Resources, Public/Quasi-Public, Commercial Mixed Use, Employment, Employment Village, and Planning Reserve. The DC and Zoning Map update will update existing zoning designations consistent with the 2030 General Plan; therefore LACT-24-0004 applies to all zoning designations within unincorporated Yuba County. The Project does not include any development proposal.

A determination has been made that the above referenced project is exempt or categorically exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15183. Projects consistent with the development density established by existing zoning, community plan, or general plan policies for which the 2030 County of Yuba's General Plan EIR was certified shall not require additional environmental review

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I JUST LEARNED HOW TO MAKE A BANANA SPLIT!!

WHERE DID YOU LEARN THAT?

SUNDAE SCHOOL!!

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THERE ARE MANY MAGICAL THINGS ABOUT THIS TIME OF YEAR...

... BUT IS ANYTHING AS SIGNIFICANT AND EMBLEMATIC OF THE HOLIDAYS THAN THE ACT OF FORGIVENESS?

HOLIDAY CHEER AIN'T GETTIN' YA OUTTA YOUR TAB WIMPY.

MY MISTAKE. I'D HEARD YOUR HEART GREW THREE SIZES.

**Amber Waves** by Dave T. Phipps

I HAVE A FEELING THIS IS GOING TO BE A LONG WINTER.

RIGHT ON CUE, HERE COMES THE WIND AND SNOW.

WOW, IT IS REALLY STARTING TO COME DOWN OUT HERE!

DAD, KEEP POSING FOR US. LAST TIME WE TRIED TO COPY YOU WE RAN OUT OF SNOW.

**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

T'WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS, THE SKY WAS DARK AS PITCH, AND THE ONLY CRITTER STIRRED WAS GRAYLA, A ROTTEN OL' WITCH.

SHE'D SNUCK INTO THE VILLAGE LIKE A SLICK OL' RAT TO STEAL AWAY ALL THE CHILDREN...

... TO FEED TO HER GIANT CAT!

**Out on a Limb** by Gary Kopervas

SO DENNIS, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT BEING IN OUR STORAGE WAREHOUSE?

I'M NOT A FAN.

**HOCUS-FOCUS** BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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# A California Child Tested Positive for Bird Flu



A flock of geese takes off on a flooded-out field at the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge on Nov. 1, 2023. A strain of bird flu circulating in California has infected thousands of cattle and several dozen people. Photo by Larry Valenzuela, CalMatters/CatchLight Local

By **Kristen Hwang**,  
**CALMatters.org**

An Alameda County child with mild upper respiratory symptoms tested positive for bird flu, state public health officials announced on Nov. 19. The potential infection is the first known case in California that does not appear to have originated from contact with infected cattle.

State health officials are waiting for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to confirm the test result, as of press time.

Public health investigators suspect the infection may have originated from wild birds, which are the main carriers of bird flu, according to a statement from the California Department of Public Health. The agency did not disclose information describing the child’s interactions with wildlife.

The child displayed mild respiratory symptoms and tested positive for multiple viruses, according to Austin Wingate, a spokesperson for the Alameda County health department.

Doctors did not initially suspect bird flu. Officials detected

it through routine influenza subtyping, Wingate said. Family members tested negative for bird flu, but they had other viruses.

Officials are working to notify and test close contacts of the child, which include individuals at a daycare the child attended.

“We want to reinforce for parents, caregivers and families that based on the information and data we have, we don’t think the child was infectious – and no human-to-human spread of bird flu has been documented in any country for more than 15 years,” said state Public Health Officer Dr. Tomás Aragón.

Aragón emphasized the risk to the general public remains low. People can become infected through close contact with infected animals, according to the Centers for Disease Control. Dairy and poultry workers and people who work with wildlife face the greatest risk of contracting the virus.

Some infectious disease experts are concerned about what this case could signal about the wider bird flu outbreak sweeping the country, which started in 2022.

“We’re seeing the numbers go up, the number of infected farms, the number of farm workers, we now have this child. All of these signs to me suggest that things are going in the wrong direction, not the right direction,” said Sam Scarpino, an epidemiologist with Northeastern University in Boston who is not involved in the California disease investigation.

**Cases spreading in Central Valley dairies**

The case comes as California grapples with the country’s largest bird flu outbreak among cattle and farmworkers. There are 26 confirmed human cases of bird flu primarily in the Central Valley where the virus has swept through 335 herds, according to state health and agriculture officials. Workers in the dairy industry have contracted the virus through close contact with infected cows.

The state health department has distributed more than 3 million pieces of personal protective equipment to farmworkers. It has also secured 5,000 doses of the seasonal flu vaccine for farmworkers from the Centers for

Disease Control and Prevention.

The federal government has a small stockpile of bird flu vaccines, but they have not been distributed. Instead, health officials encourage people to get vaccinated for influenza, COVID-19 and respiratory syncytial virus to help prevent co-infections like the child had.

“We want to make sure in general that we promote people getting up to date on vaccines and protecting themselves from seasonal illness, from seasonal flu,” said Dr. Erica Pan, the state’s top epidemiologist, in a previous interview with CalMatters.

Scarpino said California has done a good job of testing farmworkers compared to other states where sick cattle have infected humans, contributing to its relatively high number of confirmed cases, but surveillance efforts across the board need to be increased.

As seasonal flu rates increase, it will become harder for public health laboratories to detect rare viruses, such as H5N1, the bird flu, Scarpino said.

**Bird Flu Present in California Sewage**

The bird flu virus has appeared in 17 wastewater systems in California, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Positive detections appear primarily in Northern California, including in Alameda, San Francisco, Sonoma, Contra Costa and Sacramento. Wastewater surveillance cannot determine the source of the virus, but infections among wild waterfowl can contribute to its presence.

Maurice Pitesky, a researcher at UC Davis who studies bird flu in waterfowl, said it’s rare for the virus to jump from birds to humans but it has happened before. The virus is endemic among wild birds, Pitesky said, and has also been detected in other mammals in California, including bobcats, skunks and mountain lions.

“As the virus further evolves within a mammalian host — whether it’s dairy cows or felines or all the species that it has affected — it will continue to adapt,” Pitesky said. “As it adapts more and more, it has more potential to cause even more problems.” ★

## Bird Flu Update

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change as we learn more. We are committed to reducing the impact to those at highest risk.

**Confirmed Human Cases**

As of Dec. 20, there are 36 confirmed cases of bird flu in humans. In 35 of those cases, the exposure source was determined to be cattle.

**California’s Response**

On Dec. 18, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to strengthen California’s robust response to bird flu. California Department of Public Health is working with local, state and federal partners to monitor bird flu in farm animals and people who work closely with poultry and dairy cows.

California has distributed protective gear to dairy farms and workers. People who work with infected dairy cows or raw milk should use protective gear to reduce the risk of getting bird flu.

Public health leaders are helping ensure individuals with symptoms of bird flu have access to testing and treatment, if needed. California has received 5,000 additional seasonal flu vaccines for people who work with dairy cows in the Central Valley. The seasonal flu vaccine protects against serious illness from seasonal flu and may reduce the chance of human and bird flu viruses mixing and becoming more dangerous.

Updated flu and COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for everyone 6 months and older. Visit [www. https://myturn.ca.gov/](https://myturn.ca.gov/) to schedule your appointment today.

**What is Bird Flu?**

Bird flu, also known as avian influenza A (H5N1) or highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), is caused by a virus that can cause serious illness and death in birds and mammals.

Human infections with bird flu viruses are rare, but they can happen when the virus gets into a person’s eyes, nose, mouth, or when inhaled.

**What are the symptoms of bird flu in humans?**

Bird flu symptoms include eye redness or discharge, headaches, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, diarrhea, vomiting, muscle or body aches, fatigue, trouble breathing, fever (100 degrees F or higher), pneumonia and seizures. Symptoms can be serious and lead to death.

**Who is at higher risk of getting bird flu?**

You are at higher risk if you work with or are around poultry, dairy cows, alpacas, wildlife or raw (unpasteurized) milk. This includes any contact with animal fluids, feces, or feathers.

**How does bird flu spread?**

It spreads from sick cows, birds, or other infected

animals to people by breathing in dust or droplets with the virus. Splashing raw milk from an infected cow in your eyes, nose or mouth. Touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands after touching raw milk, cow or bird feces, or other contaminated items or surfaces. Handling sick or dead animals infected with the virus. Drinking raw milk.

**How do I avoid getting bird flu?**

Avoid contact with infected animals. Avoid direct contact with birds and other animals that could be infected with bird flu. Wild birds can be infected with bird flu even if they don’t look sick.

Get the seasonal flu vaccine. California Department of Public Health recommends that all Californians, especially workers at risk for exposure to bird flu, receive a seasonal flu vaccine. While the seasonal flu vaccine

will not protect against bird flu, getting vaccinated can lower the risk of being infected with both seasonal flu and bird flu at the same time. Getting vaccinated also reduces the chance of severe illness from seasonal flu.

Only consume pasteurized dairy products. The bird flu virus can be present in raw, unpasteurized milk. Unpasteurized milk may contain other germs that can make you sick. Do not touch or consume raw milk or raw milk products. Pasteurized milk and dairy foods are safe to eat.

**What if I get bird flu?**

Tell your employer right away. Contact your local public health department right away to arrange for testing and treatment. Tell them you may have been exposed to bird flu. Visit the California Department of Public Health website at, <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/> for additional information. ★



# Butte County Farmer Honored for Service



Jamie Johansson, shown with his family, receives the Distinguished Service Award from the California Farm Bureau officer team. From left, Second Vice-President Ron Peterson, First Vice-President Shaun Crook, Kate Johansson, Luke Johansson, President Shannon Douglass, Jamie Johansson, Jack Johansson and Nicole Johansson. Photo courtesy of California Farm Bureau

## California Farm Bureau News Release

**MONTEREY, CA (MPG)** - An olive and citrus fruit grower who served as president of the California Farm Bureau for six years is the recipient of the organization’s Distinguished Service Award for his life-long contributions to agriculture.

The award for Jamie Johansson of Butte County was announced during the 106th California Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Monterey.

In addition, Sandy Nixon of Tulare County was honored with the California Farm Bureau’s 2024 Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award.

Johansson is a first-generation farmer who grows olives and citrus fruit in Oroville and operates an olive oil company, Lodestar Farms.

Serving as a statewide California Farm Bureau officer for 14 years, Johansson was the 16th president from December 2017 to December 2023. He is a former chairman of the California Young Farmers & Ranchers State Committee and a former vice president of the Butte County Farm Bureau.

His other leadership roles include serving as an Oroville City Council member and vice mayor, co-founding the Sierra Oro Farm Trail Association and leading a Boy Scout troop.

Sandy Nixon is often called the “glue” of the Tulare County Farm Bureau. An employee for 53 years, Nixon currently

serves as the office manager, bookkeeper, archive manager, livestock yards secretary and historian.

She was hired in 1962 at age 19, left temporarily to raise a family and returned permanently in 1974. She’s worked under 29 county presidents and has directly worked with and mentored about two dozen other employees. Colleagues said her institutional knowledge has been invaluable in advising the executive directors, the board and the members.

The award Nixon received is named in honor of Helen Roberti, who served as secretary/manager of the Plumas-Sierra County Farm Bureau for nearly 70 years. Roberti was hired as secretary in 1956 for \$25 per month and retired in 2014 but continued to carry on most of her duties as a volunteer until her death at age 89 on July 8, 2024.

That legacy of service, plus Roberti’s dedication to agricultural education, led the California Farm Bureau to name her the first recipient of its Lifetime Service Award in 2013. Since then, the award has been known as the Helen Roberti Lifetime Service Award. It recognizes dedicated service by a staff member of a county Farm Bureau in California or of the California Farm Bureau.

The California Farm Bureau works to protect family farms and ranches on behalf of more than 26,000 members statewide and as part of a nationwide network of 5.8 million Farm Bureau members. ★

# County Farm Bureaus Honored for Growth, Outreach, Policy Influence



Butte County Farm Bureau, represented by Executive Director Colleen Cecil and Blain Moffitt, receives the Class C County of the Year Award from the California Farm Bureau officer team. From left, Second Vice President Ron Peterson, President Shannon Douglass, Cecil and Moffitt. Photo courtesy of California Farm Bureau

## California Farm Bureau News Release

**MONTEREY, CA (MPG)** - Three California county Farm Bureaus were honored for excelling in membership recruitment, influencing policy and community education.

The awards for the County of the Year were presented at the 106th California Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Monterey.

For county Farm Bureaus with up to 300 agricultural members, Lake County Farm Bureau earned the County of the Year Award for its strong efforts to increase and engage membership. In February, the board set a goal to recruit 60 new members; in October, the organization reached it.

The Farm Bureau used several means to achieve its goal. It added new discounts for propane and purchases at a local agriculture-supply store, launched a weekly e-newsletter, hosted member workshops and a supervisor candidate forum, gave presentations about Farm Bureau to social service clubs and hosted community events.

It also reached out to youths by getting involved in agricultural education and hosting events, such as the “Punkin’ Chunkin” in which high school students build contraptions to hurl pumpkins hundreds of feet into the air.

Monterey County Farm Bureau received the County of the Year Award for Farm Bureaus with 300 to 700 members for membership recruitment and retention and for being politically active in its region.

The Farm Bureau was recognized for fostering relationships with elected officials at all levels of government and working with regulatory agencies. Board members are engaged on several issues, including water, labor, land use and food safety.

The organization is involved in

consumer education and provides volunteer and financial support for three annual Farm Day events that educate 6,000 third graders about food production and processing. It also partners with the community on issues such as housing, homelessness and illegal dumping.

Monterey County Farm Bureau is often a source used by the local media and has an active social media presence. The e-newsletters target three audiences: agricultural members, Young Farmers & Ranchers, and community leaders and business partners.

The County of the Year Award for Farm Bureaus with 700 or more members went to Butte County, which has comprehensive programs in membership, policy implementation, leadership, agriculture education, public relations and Young Farmers & Ranchers.

One component of its marketing is “Membership March,” a membership drive that offers tangible incentives.

Butte County Farm Bureau was honored for excelling in communication, publishing a bimonthly newspaper and an electronic newsletter sent monthly to more than 3,100 people, and emailing updates as news breaks. It also has active relationships with radio, TV and newspaper journalists and is recognized as the go-to source for local farm stories.

Active in the community, Butte County Farm Bureau holds its annual Junior Farm Bureau program for children ages 7 to 15 at their Summer Barbecue Fundraiser and is involved in a Farm City Celebration and agricultural education.

The county’s Young Farmers & Ranchers members participated in the statewide YF&R Summer Leaders Meeting to further develop their skills.

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

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

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

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

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