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Bigs and Littles' at the Ballet

SAFE Credit Union News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Matches from Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Sacramento Area experienced the magic of Sacramento Ballet's Nutcracker by invitation of SAFE Credit Union this holiday season.

Continuing in its efforts to support nonprofits and the vibrancy of the downtown area, the credit union sponsored a group of Big Brothers Big Sisters to attend a matinee performance. For many it was the first time attending the ballet including Little A'Royal Keys, 10.

"I thought it was very great. I liked the candy part," says Keys, adding the best part was the dance of Mother Ginger and Her Polichinelles. "It's very awesome and you should really go. (And) there was a lot of dancing and there were surprising parts."

Bigs and Littles in attendance were treated to a special reception with lunch and treats as well as memorabilia before meeting Sacramento Ballet Second Company Dancer Abby Burnette.

"I really appreciated how generous SAFE Credit Union was with the seats and the donor's box and all of the extras," says Big Brother and Orangevale resident Steven Herrera, who thought it was important for his Little, A'Royal Keys, to see a performance live and "in-person"



with Little Sister Amaiyah Taylor and Big Sister Megan Lyons of Orangevale during the Nutcracker's intermission. Right: Little Rose Shatara poses with Sacramento **Ballet Second Company Dancer** Abby Burnette. Photos by Robyn Eifertsen, SAFE Credit Union

instead of just on a video screen. "That was such a great opportunity for RoRo to experience something like that."

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Increases to \$1,000



Contractors State License Board News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) -

A new law will raise the threshold for work requiring a contractor's license from \$500 to \$1,000.

Assembly Bill 2622 (Carrillo, Chapter 240, Statutes of 2024), effective Jan. 1, allows an unlicensed person to complete small projects up to \$1,000 without obtaining a contractor's license if they do not hire workers and no building permits are needed. If a onsumer's project under \$1,000 requires workers or permits, a contractor's license in the appropriate license classification is required.

The new law states that a person who is not licensed can advertise for construction work if the total contract price for labor, materials and all other items on a project is less than \$1,000. The \$1,000 includes all costs associated with the project. The advertisement must state that the person is not licensed.

As with any home-improvement construction project, Contractors State License Board cautions that a down payment should not exceed 10 percent of the contract price and any subsequent payments should not exceed the value of the work completed or the materials delivered.

If an unlicensed person provides a bid greater than \$1,000, performs work requiring a permit or employs any workers, that person is subject to legal action. Penalties for unlicensed contracting include administrative fines of up to \$15,000, jail sentences of up to six months and fines up to \$5,000. Repeat offenders can face a mandatory 90-day jail sentence and a fine of \$5,000 or 20 percent of the contract price, whichever is greater. Contractors State License

Board operates under the Department of Consumer Affairs' umbrella and licenses and regulates about 285,000 contractors in California.

Rusch Park Public Bathrooms Reopen

by Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)

- Rusch Park's outside public bathrooms officially "flushed" in the year, reopening after being closed since last February due to repeated vandalism incidents.

Sunrise Parks and Recreation District (SRPD) Parks and Facilities Superintendent Wayne Edmundson announced the facility's reopening, saying he "greatly appreciated" the public's patience and understanding during the nearly year-long closure due to the failure of a pair of sewer ejector discharge pumps.

Three temporary portable toilets in front of the restroom facility since last February have been removed.

"We'll be ready for a more frequent number of park visitors this spring

and summer who have had



to adjust to this temporary upgraded to much larger

closure," Edmundson said. A full system analysis at

the time of the restroom's closure last February found that the sewer ejector discharge system needed an upgraded power supply and the pumps needed to be replaced and upgraded to higher horsepower and capabilities.

"The sewer ejector discharge pumps were

capacity to avoid clogging in the future when things toilets," Edmundson said.

like clothes and other foreign objects are flushed down men's and women's Estimated yearly repair and replacement costs previously incurred by

the Sunrise Parks and

Recreation District

caused by vandalism to

the bathroom facilities

aged approximately \$5,000 a year before the recent repairs were completed, Edmundson added. The outdoor public

restrooms, which opened in August 2002, are located adjacent to the craft program building directly behind its administration building parking lot.

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Sacramento Perch Returned to Namesake City, County

California Department of Fish and Wildlife News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has returned California's only native sunfish, the Sacramento perch, to its namesake city and county, recently stocking 3,000 mostly juvenile fish into a pond at Granite Regional Park to create a unique urban fishing opportunity.

Granite Regional Park is already part of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Fishing in the City Program and receives regular stockings of rainbow trout in the winter and channel catfish in the summer to provide fishing opportunities for urban and suburban residents.

While those stockings will continue, Sacramento perch could complement those offerings with a year-round fishery at the small, former quarry pond surrounded by office buildings, soccer fields and parking lots.

"It's an experimental, pilot effort," said Max Fish, a senior environmental scientist within the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Fisheries Branch. "We're trying to assess whether the fish do well in the pond first and foremost and, if so, whether anglers enjoy this unique experience to interact with a heritage fish being brought back to the Sacramento area for the first time in many decades."

Once found in abundance within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and Clear Lake in Northern California, Sacramento perch have been displaced from their historical range as the result of habitat modification and competition from non-native sunfish. including bluegill and green sunfish, that were widely introduced into California in the early 20th century.

Today, Sacramento perch are a 'Species of Special Concern" in California and are found in only



California's only native sunfish, the Sacramento perch, has been returned to Granite Regional Park. Photo courtesy of



A California Department of Fish and Wildlife employee shows off a **Sacramento perch**. Photo courtesy of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife

about two dozen isolated waters mostly in remote parts of northern California and along the Eastern Sierra. Where they exist in abundance, notably at Crowley Lake and Bridgeport Reservoir in Mono County, Sacramento perch support popular sport fisheries and are especially prized for the table. The state record Sacramento perch was caught at Crowley Lake in 1979 weighing 3 pounds, 10 ounces.

Prior to the December stocking at Granite Regional Park in Sacramento, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife



recently. Photo courtesy of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife

fisheries biologists surveyed the pond and found only small numbers of non-native sunfish to compete with the perch. Although Sacramento Perch struggle to reproduce in the presence of non-native sunfish, California Department of Fish and Wildlife is experimentally stocking older juvenile and adult fish, which have shown to coexist more successfully.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife acquired the Sacramento perch from Livermore-based M4 Aquatics.

While the majority of stocked fish were juveniles about six months old and 2 to 4 inches in length, about 150 of the perch were over a year old and of "catchable size" of six inches in length or more.

"These fish are special for a number of reasons," said Richard Muñoz, Fishing in the City coordinator for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's North Central Region. "These are warmwater fish we can plant pretty much year-round. And they represent

an opportunity to provide more equitable access to fishing opportunities for folks who may not have had access to these fish before."

Sacramento Perch can tolerate a wide range of environmental conditions, including waters with high alkalinity, salinity, cold temperatures and warm temperatures, which make Sacramento perch a good candidate to establish sport fisheries in some urban park ponds and communities historically underserved by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's fish planting efforts.

The stocking of Sacramento perch into Granite Regional Park is part of a comprehensive effort by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to strengthen existing populations, expand its range and introduce the native species to more anglers statewide.

Other actions within this effort include: the translocation of Sacramento perch between Biscar Reservoir in Lassen County and Bridgeport Reservoir to increase the genetic diversity of both populations; reestablishing source populations of Sacramento perch within its historic range in the Sacramento Valley. Refuge populations recently have been established at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area and at the Woodland Regional Park Preserve, both in Yolo County. While these new populations are closed to recreational fishing, they might provide fish for future stocking opportunities elsewhere and future translocations; and the stocking of Sacramento perch into the recently renovated Lindo Lake, San Diego County, to establish the first population in Southern California and create another unique urban fishing opportunity. That effort has been complicated by the illegal introduction of black bass and other non-native sunfish into Lindo Lake.



JANUARY 17, **2025** CITRUS HEIGHTS **MESSENGER • 3**

City Council Honors Work of Neighborhood Areas

By Shaunna Boyd

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights City Council at its Jan. 8 meeting declared January as Neighborhood Area Awareness Month.

Councilmember Kelsey Nelson read the proclamation, recognizing "strong, engaged, and vibrant neighborhoods as the foundation of a thriving and connected community." The Neighborhood Area network provides opportunities for residents to collaborate on projects that enhance community pride, improve safety and increase neighborhood communication.

The Neighborhood Area Awareness Month goal is to "bring to light the great work that they're doing" so other residents are encouraged to join, according to Citrus Heights communications officer Marisa Brown. A campaign is underway through mailers, yard signs and social media to highlight the various Neighborhood Areas and how to become involved.

"The work is being done; the foundation is set," Brown said. "All you need to do is participate."

General Services Director Regina Cave presented a proposed addendum to the Multi-Modal Impact Fees, which are assessed on new developments to help mitigate the impact on city infrastructure relating to roadways. The city adopted various updates to the impact fees in 2022 but a Supreme Court decision last year (Sheetz versus County of El Dorado) clarified that the fees charged by local governments must be roughly proportional to the impact a development can create.

The city's impact fees were levied based on broad land-use categories that will not always comply with the Supreme Court decision. To ensure compliance, the city needs to approve an amendment allowing for site-specific analysis of developments



The Citrus Heights City Council issued a proclamation recognizing January as Neighborhood Area Awareness Month, highlighting the Neighborhood Areas' work to improve community engagement and enhance the quality of life within the city. Members of various Neighborhood Areas accepted the proclamation. Photo courtesy of the City of Citrus Heights

that do not fit into the existing categories. That analysis would look at land-use growth assumptions and capital improvement plans to determine the necessary cost to support new growth.

City Council voted unanimously to approve the Multi-Modal Impact Fees amendments.

The council then considered appointments to open seats on the Planning Commission and the Construction Board of Appeals. Before considering the applications, however, Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa asked whether the city needs a Construction Board of Appeals. She said that a Construction Board of Appeals meeting had never been convened.

"Is there something we can do to get rid of it?" Karpinski-Costa asked.

City Manager Ashley Feeney agreed that it is not an active board but is referenced in the City Code. Feeney said that City Council could table the item for now and consider an amendment to dissolve that board. If it was needed in the future, City Council could assemble an ad hoc appeal board of local experts in the field.

For the Planning Commission, the city received 17 applications for four open seats. Two seats were district specific, and Councilmember Tim Schaefer appointed Oleg Shishko and Councilmember Kelsey Nelson appointed Al Hakam Al Rawi. Each will serve four-year terms. For the two at-large seats, City Council appointed Scott Kinderwater and Thomas Scheeler, who will each serve two-year terms.

The Citrus Heights Police Department Animal Services Unit provided an update about recent service enhancements. Police Services supervisor Debra Miller said the recent contract with Bradshaw Animal Shelter provides access to a shelter with a 24-hour call center, two dedicated veterinarians, an onsite hospital and more.

Accomplishments in the last 12 months include a free microchipping program that was donated by Mayor Karpinski-Costa and a local kennel that allows staff to keep animals in the city for reunification with their owners. The unit partnered with a nonprofit organization on a Trap, Neuter, Release (TNR) program for 40 feral cats. And a new intake system and online reporting have improved response times and efficiency.

Residents can also complete pet licensing online. Police Services Manager Tiffany Campbell said licensing and microchipping are the best ways to ensure your pet is quickly returned, while also reducing operational costs and the number of animals that end up in the shelter.

Plans for 2025 include drivethru microchipping clinics, low-cost or free vaccination clinics, mobile spay/neuter clinics, and mobile clinic services for pets of unhoused residents.

The Animal Services Unit is working "to ensure that our services are readily available to our citizens," Campbell said.

Councilmember Schaefer said, "It sounds like we're making some real progress."

Citrus Heights Police Department Chief Alex Turcotte presented a report on the enforcement against illegal fireworks, which he said are "a serious concern to the community" and throughout the region, causing structure fires, injuries and noise pollution.

Citrus Heights Police Department has been working to reduce illegal firework usage as well as increase enforcement. An online reporting system in the city now allows residents to quickly report illegal firework activity. A social host ordinance imposes fines against homeowners for illegal fireworks on their property but that still requires an officer close enough to the site to see where it came from and issue the citation, which Turcotte said can be very difficult. So the city implemented a Citizen Attestation test program, which allows residents who see illegal firework usage to sign a citizen's arrest form and act as a legal witness. The report can be completed online, so it doesn't require officers to leave their patrol.

Chief Turcotte said the city had a significant increase in firework complaints this year compared to last New Year's Eve: a total of 62, up from 37 last year. However, Turcotte said, it seemed like there was less illegal firework activity and an increase in reports due to the ease of reporting and increased public awareness of how to report.

"It was significantly quieter in my neighborhood," said Vice-Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff, agreeing that the increase in complaints reflects the improved ease of reporting.

Councilmember Schaefer clarified that the city did not make these fireworks illegal but established methods of reporting and enforcement. He said those types of fireworks are illegal under state law because they are explosives being handled by unlicensed people.

"That makes it really dangerous," so the enforcement measures are "about safety and it's about the quality of life," Schaefer said.

Councilmember Porsche Middleton said to the Citrus Heights Police Department, "I appreciate all the hard work you guys are doing to make a difference here."

The next Citrus Heights
City Council meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Jan. 22 at
Citrus Heights City Hall, 6360
Fountain Square. ★

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Rosario Rodriguez Sworn in as Sacramento County Supervisor



Rosario Rodriguez is sworn in by family members on Jan. 7. Photo courtesy of the Office of County

Office of County Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Jan. 7, Rosario Rodriguez took the oath of office, officially beginning her tenure as the Sacramento County Supervisor for District 4.

During the Board of Supervisors' organizational meeting, Rodriguez was also unanimously selected to serve as Vice Chair for the upcoming term. She was sworn in by her mother, Concepcion "Connie" Rodriguez, in Spanish, and by her son, Yovanny Chamberlain, and grandson, Antonio Velasquez, in English.

"I am deeply honored to take the oath of office and officially begin serving as a member of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors. Being chosen by my colleagues to serve as Vice Chair adds to this privilege, and I am committed to helping lead efforts to address the challenges facing our county," said Rodriguez. "This is a pivotal opportunity to work collaboratively to take real action to reduce the impact of homelessness, keep our neighborhoods safe, and focus on repairs and improvements to our roads. I look forward to the work ahead and the positive impacts that can be achieved."

Rodriguez's election marks a new chapter for District 4, which encompasses Citrus Heights, Folsom, Orangevale, Antelope, Rio Linda, Elverta, Gold River, Rancho Murieta, North Highlands, Carmichael, Foothill Farms and Fair Oaks. A longtime public servant, Rodriguez previously served on the Folsom City Council

As Supervisor, Rodriguez aims to bring her results-driven leadership to Sacramento County by prioritizing key issues such as homelessness, public safety, and infrastructure improvements. Her collaborative approach emphasizes working with community members, local governments, and stakeholders to create meaningful and lasting change.

Rosario Rodriguez represents Sacramento County Supervisorial District 4, which includes the cities of Citrus Heights and Folsom, and the unincorporated communities of Orangevale, Antelope, North Highlands, Rio Linda, Elverta and Rancho Murieta.

'Bigs and Littles' at the Ballet



Big Sister Stephanie Allen of Penryn and Little Sister Saliyah Keefer visit with Sacramento Ballet Second Company Ballet Dancer Abby Burnette before showtime.

Continued from page 1 A not-for-profit credit union, SAFE shares in the credit union cooperative principle of "people helping people" through community initiatives. Building upon its 25-year, \$23 million naming rights commitment and investment in the SAFE Credit Union Convention & Performing Arts District in Sacramento, the event highlights the credit union's investment in Sacramento's economy.

"SAFE was delighted to bring this special matinee performance of the Nutcracker to Bigs and Littles from our communities," says SAFE Credit Union Community Impact Manager Lauren LeBov. "We hope experiencing the show together added to the magic and the memories of attending the Nutcracker and the ballet."

Before the performance and on stage, Sacramento Ballet Artistic/Executive Director Anthony Krutzkamp welcomed and recognized the Bigs and Littles attending the

performance. "Sharing the magic of ment from the dancers.



Nareiah Dillon prepare for the ballet's matinee Nutcracker

this holiday tradition with the youth of Sacramento is an incredible opportunity to inspire and ignite a love for the arts," Krutzkamp says. "I can't say thank you enough to SAFE, to buy those tickets. Those were amazing, authentic, wonderful, tickets. I can't say thank you enough."

Big Sister Stephanie Allen of Penryn thought it was wonderful for her Little Sister Saliyah to watch the story of the Nutcracker unfold with no dialogue and through music and move-

"This was Saliyah's first ballet, and I was so grateful for the chance to introduce her to a totally new art form and experience it together," says Allen. "I think meeting the dancer Abby and learning what it takes to be a professional ballerina was the highlight for her." For more informa-

tion about Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Sacramento Area, contact the nonprofit's Advancement Director Madeline Lee madeline@bbbs-sac.org or 916-274-7391

Visions In Education Charter School's Renewal Vote Unanimous

Visions In Education News Release

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - Visions In Education, a free public charter school serving more than 7.500 students throughout Northern California, is proud to announce that its charter renewal petition was unanimously approved by the San Juan Unified School District (SJUSD) Board of Education at their meeting on Dec. 17.

This milestone not only ensures Visions' continued ability to provide high-quality, personalized educational options but also coincides with the school's 25th anniversary, marking a quarter-century of innovation and academic excellence.

California's education landscape has evolved significantly since Visions' last charter renewal in 2017 and Visions has evolved with it to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing world. The renewal petition submission, a comprehensive document nearly 1,000 pages long, detailed every facet of school operations—from fiscal management and governance to curriculum, student outcomes, and more. In addition, Visions is the first charter school to submit a renewal and receive approval from San Juan Unified School District since the pandemic.

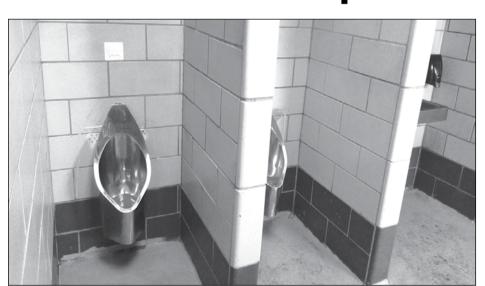
"This is truly a proud moment for all of us," said Dr. Steve Olmos, superintendent of Visions In Education. "The unanimous renewal approval is a testament to our exceptional educators, staff, families, and community partners who have worked tirelessly to meet the evolving needs of our students. As we celebrate our 25th anniversary, we remain committed to preparing students for success in a rapidly changing world.'

The renewed charter term will begin on July 1, 2025, and run through June 30, 2030. Visions In Education appreciates more than 25 years of partnership with San Juan Unified School District and looks forward to continuing to serve its community with innovative, student-centered education programs. As the school enters its next chapter, it reaffirms its mission to inspire and equip all learners to strive for excellence, embrace new challenges, and become active contributors to our diverse and dynamic world.

About Visions In Education

Visions In Education is a free public charter school that serves students in Amador, Contra Costa, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, Sutter and Yolo counties. Visions offers personalized and at-home learning options in their home school, independent study, online middle school and university prep programs. Learn more at viedu.org.

Rusch Park Public Bathrooms Reopen



Restroom interiors at Rusch Park have been retrofitted by replacing all of the porcelain fixtures

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specifically used inside the gated pool "refined the scope" of the restroom repair area, there is only one public restroom facility on the east side of the park, where a basketball court, two playgrounds and a covered picnic area are located.

During weekday hours, park users could also use the public restrooms in the main administration building when it was open.

The electrical contractor, Garrahan Electric Inc. of Rancho Cordova, which had accepted the bid to complete the project, converted the upgraded pumps from single phase to three-phase electrical power for better efficiency.

Sunrise Parks and Recreation District had previously retrofitted the restroom interiors by replacing all the porcelain fixtures (sinks and toilets) with stainless-steel models at a renovation cost of more than

Sunrise Parks and Recreation District opened the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the project out for bid last April but the district initially received no qualifying

bids. Edmundson said he and his staff then project. Garrahan Electric Inc. of Rancho Cordova was the winning bidder.

Because of the required timeline of the contract bidding process, which included pre-bid walk-throughs by contractors, a review of submitted contract bids, among other steps, the temporary outside bathroom closure stretched to the end of 2024, Edmundson said.

The restroom building has been a frequent target of vandalism, and in the past few years, the park district has spent "a small fortune" trying to keep the facility operational, he said.

"The cost of a single "service call" can cost as much as \$2,500 or more, and depending on reoccurrence," Edmundson said in an earlier interview.

"We are hoping the public will continue to do their part in helping to keep our public bathrooms in Rusch Park clean and report incidents of vandalism to us promptly," Edmundson said.

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Kings Korner By V.G. Harris

A team in search of an identity. That's all we've heard from the pundits all year. The Kings don't have an identity. They can't figure out who they are.

A six-game losing streak and falling six games below 500 cost coach Mike Brown his job.

Monte McNair and Vivek Ranadive were roundly criticized and vociferously so from columnists and even talk show hosts from Kings radio station 1140 AM.

Even the hiring of Doug Christie was met with raised eyebrows as he leap frogged over other assistant coaches with more experience.

Winners of seven out of eight games since Christie took over, including an eye popping seven straight wins, has fans and pundits singing an entirely different tune.

Winning five straight home games was amazing to be sure, but we were all prepared for what the inevitable would be when the Kings entered the Boston Garden. World Champs from last year and playing some of the best basketball in the NBA, the Celtics take no prisoners on their

All that the Kings did was hand Boston their worst defeat of the season and win by an overwhelming 17 points! Platitudes alone don't tell the story. This was the Sacramento Kings at their finest hour, playing frenetic and inspired defense that Sactown fans had been dreaming of. Oh, did I mention that Kings leading scorer and point guard DeAaron Fox sat this one out with a hip injury?

It's time to get on your feet Sacramento and put your hands together, because this unit of basketball players deserves a standing ovation.

Sunday, DeMar DeRozan went into Chicago with his teammates riding a 6-game winning streak, and the game was a see-saw event with a total of 28 lead changes. Zach LaVine looked as though he was a one-man wrecking crew, and regardless of who the Kings put on him, LaVine did pretty much what he wanted. Add to that an inspired game by Lonzo Ball and this contest had all the makings of a game where winning streaks die.

The Kings played a style of defense once again that we have rarely seen, and at crunch time took care of the ball, all the while making timely baskets. DeRozan was there to remind his former teammates why he was a 6-time all-star, and his 21 points were crucial to the Kings victory.

Domantas Sabonis continued his torrid streak with another stellar game, scoring 22 and adding 15 huge boards. His eight assists were only eclipsed only by Malik Monks nine, but in this victory, everyone played

Admittedly the Kings are on a roll, and this team is fun to watch.

So, what's changed? If you ask the players, they will say that since Doug Chrisie took over, they are playing loose and having fun. The results don't lie, but why couldn't former coach Mike Brown achieve the same results.

Part of the answer lies in his desire to experiment with his bench on a constant basis, to the point that no one knew from game-to-game whether they would get significant minutes or no playing time at all. This type of coaching smacks a player's confidence, and it showed in bench players and starters alike.

There is no question that being a former NBA player brings a different perspective to a basketball team, and Doug Christie has their attention in a very positive way.

At this point, fans are taking a completely different attitude, and after giving the Celtics their worst defeat of the season and being only one of two teams to hold the world champs to under 100 points, anything looks possible.

So, how has this affected the Kings and their organization? Well, it quells crazy trade rumors and puts Sacramento in a much better bargaining position as it relates to players that might bolster the front court and give Sabonis some support.

The desultory play of the past is just that, past. This team is bent on showing DeAaron Fox why being a King for life is the ticket to happiness, and nothing would make me happier than to see DeAaron Fox in a Kings uniform for the next 10 years!

Stay tuned Kings fans because this is just heating up, and the best is yet to come!

All be best!

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

Social Security Matters

About Investing Social Security Money in the Stock Market

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By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: For most folks collecting Social Security, you get back what you put in within 3-5 years, so for those that scream - "SS is not an entitlement, it is my money"- that is not entirely accurate beyond 3-5 years. For me personally 4.4 years is the number. But had I been able to invest that money over the 43 years I worked at a modest 6% interest, I expect the amount would have been a lot more. And of course, the stock market averaged 9.5% over that time. Perhaps Social Security should invest in the stock market instead of U.S. Government treasury bonds. Signed: Interested

Observer Dear Observer: You bring up a point we frequently hear - that if, instead of paying into Social Security, I had invested the same money in the stock market I would have gotten more. That, of course, might be the case if you had the unwavering discipline to religiously invest the equivalent amount in the market, avoiding the temptation to use that reason. And life is full of good reasons - financial emergencies, for example, or the simple temptation to buy something desperately needed, or just occasionally skipping a month to pay bills. Also, the stock market is notoriously volatile, which can create substantial angst for investors who are faint of heart. The fact is that Social Security provides guaranteed financial growth from the age of eligibility (normally 62), up to age 70 when the maximum benefit is attained. Benefits claimed at one's full retirement age are about 24% - 32% more than if taken at age 62 (depending on full retirement age), and benefits taken at age 70 are about 75% more than benefits taken at age 62. And that is guaranteed growth for those with the patience to

wait longer to claim. You may recall that the idea of investing Social Security reserves in the stock market has been floated a few times in previous years, but accompanying risks made Congress essentially unwilling to even entertain the idea. It has always been a political "hot potato" and those who suggest it are usually castigated for wanting to "give SS money to Wall Street," so I expect it is unlikely to happen. Guess we'll need to be satisfied with the interest on those Special Issue Government Bonds (which, by the way, returned about \$67 billion to the Social Security Trust Fund in 2023). FYI, average interest rate for new deposits to the Trust Fund in 2023 was 4.1%, and the overall effective rate of return on all Trust Fund assets was

Social Security has some issues and will face some financial difficulty in less than a decade unless Congress enacts program reform soon. But it is a program which most seniors rely on for a major part of their retirement income and one which keeps over 22 million Americans out of poverty. Here at the AMAC Foundation, we strongly advocate for sensible Social Security reform and we're very optimistic about the program's future. But Congress needs to act soon to avoid a cut to everyone's Social Security amount in about 2033.

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Newsom and California Museum Induct 18th Class of California Hall of Fame

Office of Governor Gavin Newsom News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Dec. 19. Governor Gavin Newsom, First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom and the California Museum inducted the 18th class of the California Hall of Fame, consisting of trailblazers in athletics, civil rights, culinary arts, entertainment and more.

For the first time in the history of the California Hall of Fame, this class is entirely comprised of women in a meaningful recognition of women's achievements, which have historically been underrepresented in California's history. The posthumous class was inducted on Thursday, Dec. 19 in a virtual ceremony.

The California Hall of Fame 18th Class inductees are Julia Child, a cook, author, television personality; Ina Donna Coolbrith, California's first poet laureate; Vicki Manalo Draves, an Olympic gold medalist; Mitsuye Endo, a civil rights activist; Dian Fossey, a primatologist, gorilla conservationist; Alice Piper, a civil rights hero; and Tina Turner, a singer and performer.

"We are very proud to induct the California Hall of Fame's 18th class. This all-female cohort consists of powerful women who remain beloved cultural icons and civil rights luminaries today, truly embodying the California spirit," said Governor Gavin Newsom.

"We are thrilled to announce the induction of the first all-women class of honorees into the California Hall of Fame. These trailblazing women have shattered barriers, challenged societal norms, and driven progress that has transformed California and the world. By celebrating their extraordinary and lasting accomplishments, we are moving closer to truly honoring the rich diversity that defines our great state," said First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom.

"The California Museum is honored to be the home of the California Hall of Fame, celebrating remarkable individuals who have shaped our state and nation," said Anne Marie Petrie, Chair of the California Museum Board of Trustees. "The 18th class highlights the inspirational achievements of women who overcame obstacles, making indelible contributions to our culture and influencing the path of history. We are proud to play a part in recognizing their enduring legacies."

Launched in 2006, the California Hall of Fame honors history-making Californians who embody the state's spirit of innovation and have changed the state, the nation, and the world. Inductees are selected annually by the Governor and First Partner for achievements in arts, business and labor, entertainment, food and wine, literature, music, public service, science and sports.

Los Angeles County Wildfires Underscore California's Growing Threat of Disaster



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Hollywood thrives on depictions of desperate battles against overwhelming forces of destruction.

A real life version, the equal of any cinematic disaster film, is raging today. Wildfires, driven by fierce Santa Ana winds blowing off the desert, are sweeping through Los Angeles County neighborhoods, most prominently and destructively in Pacific Palisades, home to many film industry stars.

Thousands of residents have fled as thousands of acres of lavish, multimillion-dollar homes and lush foliage have been scorched. with at least five deaths reported so far.

As of noon, the fires were uncontrolled and firefighters were reporting that many water hydrants were unusable due to a shortage of water. "We woke up to a dark

cloud over all of Los Angeles, but it is darkest for those who are most intimately impacted by these fires," said LA Horvath.

County Supervisor Lindsey No one knows how far the fires will reach before being controlled. Movies come to

a climactic end, but the outcome of this catastrophe is as dark as the Southland skies. Just a few days earlier, Gov. Gavin Newsom released

But today he was on scene neighborhoods in the middle in Southern California, praising outgoing President Joe Biden for immediately offering aid with "no politics, no

handwringing." However, Biden's successor, Donald Trump, who will take office in less than a fortnight, didn't sympathize with California, Instead, he issued another blast at Newsom, one of his fiercest critics and a potential 2028 presidential candidate.

"Governor Gavin Newscum refused to sign the water restoration declaration put before him that would have allowed millions of gallons of water, from excess rain and snow melt from the north to flow daily into many parts of California, including the areas that are currently burning in a virtually apocalyptic way," Trump posted on his Truth Social website, mentioning a declaration that apparently doesn't exist. "He wanted to protect an essentially worthless fish called a smelt, by giving it less water (it didn't work), but didn't care about the people of

California." Will a President Trump be as generous with firefighting and reconstruction aid as Biden? He was quite helpful — and drew praise from Newsom — when the Camp Fire destroyed the town of Paradise in 2018. But that was before Newsom began building a national political image as a harsh critic.

Politics aside, Southern California's disaster again demonstrates that while wildfires were once mostly confined to rural timbered areas during summer and fall months, a warming climate means they can and do strike anywhere and any-

time, including residential

of winter.

While Northern California has experienced strong winter rain and snow storms of late, Southern California has been bone dry, making it extremely vulnerable when Santa Ana winds stream from the region's deserts during winter months. Local authorities had warned that the lack of rain and the onset of Santa Anas posed a particularly high threat of disaster and their

There is one more aspect of the catastrophe that will be persist long after the fires are extinguished — whenever that happens.

nightmares became reality.

Fire insurance payouts will be particularly heavy due to the value of the homes being consumed, bolstering the insurance industry's growing unwillingness to write policies in California under the current regulatory system. Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara, with support from Newsom, has proposed a major overhaul that would allow insurers to include projections of future losses and the cost of reinsurance in their premiums if they agree to continue writing policies in fire-prone areas.

If implemented, the new regulations would very likely lead to premium increases, which draws the ire of some consumer activists. But having such insurance is not optional in the real world, and without it, the residential real estate market could be doomed.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-00112 PCW Ventures, LLC, 9506 Lake Natoma Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pacific Custom Woodworks" 9506 Lake Natoma Drive, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 8, 2025 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 **PACIFIC** 2-7-25 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-09471 Golden State Price Inc, 5825 Boulevard, Auburn Suite 3B, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the **Fictitious** Business Name(s) "Sacramento Mattress Store/ Mattress Stores Near Me" 5825 Auburn Boulevard, Suite 3B. Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 19, 2024 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 MATTRESS 2-7-25 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FBNF2024-08866 Vedaa Inc, 281 Catterline Way, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "American Veterans Communitý Foundation (AVCF)" 281 Catterline Way, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 **AVCF** 2-7-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-00027 Scott Charles Taylor, 6047 Woodminster Circle, Unit 11, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SacPrints" 1912 O Street, Sacramento, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 2, 2025 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-09301 Short Sale Cooperative 1800 Camden Road, Suite 107-141, Charlotte, NC 28203 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Lowell Firm" 2108 N Street, Suite N Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2024 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-00034 Jamal Strawder and Jessenia Morales-Strawder, 9273 Deddington Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "IT Support Group" 9273 Deddington Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 3, 2025 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 SUPPORT FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

Ruben Gallardo, 3760 N Country Drive, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Flawless Finish Mobile Auto Detailing" 3760 N Country Drive, Antelope CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 FLAWLESS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2024-09154

STATEMENT FBNF2024-08418

Whitney Harman, Drew Ravenstone Wav Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "iFixPools - Sacramento" 4748 Ravenstone Way, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 6.2024 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 IFIXPOOLS ____ FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-00152 Elite Product LLC,

Manzanita Avenue, Apt 89, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Boogeyman" 5625 Manzanita Avenue, Apt 89 Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2025 Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

Bates have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Myah Beatrice Bates to Aquarius Beatrice Bates.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 10, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 9, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 3, 10, 17, 24, 2025

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV024603

1-24-25

BATES

Leilani Bailey and Parambir Singh have filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Zara Dove Singh to Zara Dove Bailey.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 8, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 4, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 3, 10, 17, 24, 2025 BAILEY 1-24-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV026271 Christopher Alan Glaubig has

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filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Christopher Alan Glaubig to Christopher Alan Gray and Arianne Michelle Ortegaray to

Arianne Michelle Gray.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 29, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 24, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court

Publish: January 3, 10, 17, 24, 2025 GLAUBIG 1-24-: SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#24CV026597

Fatemeh Mohammadi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Muhammed Ahmadi to Mahdi Ahmadi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 13, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 27, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 3, 10, 17, 24, 2025 MOHAMMADI 1-24-25

CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#24CV026708
Karina M Herrera has filed a

SUPERIOR COURT OF

Rarina M Herrera has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Citrus Heights Water District ("District") will receive sealed bids for the Highland Ave Well at the

Citrus Heights Water District (CHWD) Office, located at 6230 Sylvan Rd, Citrus Heights, CA no

later than Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 2:00 P.M. at which time or thereafter said bids

may be read aloud. The District will not accept late bids. Bids shall be valid for 60 calendar days

after the bid opening date. The Project must be completed within 180 calendar days, beginning

ten (10) calendar days after the date on which the notice to proceed ("Notice to Proceed") is

sent by the District to the contractor that is awarded a bid for this Project ("Contractor"). In

accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Water Systems Consultants Inc., the Work

includes the furnishing of all labor, materials, tax, equipment, and services for the construction

and completion of the following work all within the existing District's property at 7725 Highland

Ave, Citrus Heights, 95610. The Project consists of drilling, installing, developing, and testing

of one 20-inch diameter aquifer storage and recovery well to an approximate depth of 445 feet

below ground surface (bgs). Contract Documents, Plans, and Specifications are now posted on

the District's website http://chwd.org/about/bid-opportunities. Addendums or changes to the

Contract Documents, Plans, and Specifications prior to the date and time specified of the opening

of bids will be performed and validated in writing and posted to the District's website. Complete

sets of the Bid Forms must be used in preparing bids. The District does not assume responsibility

for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Contract Documents.

Modifications to or withdrawal of bids may be made by the bidder prior to the bid closing deadline

Bids must be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier's check, or a Bid Bond in favor of

the District in an amount not less than (10%) of the submitted Total Bid Price. Bids will be read

aloud. However, bid results will automatically made public by posting to the District's website at

www.chwd.org/about/bid-opporunities. The District reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and

to waive any informality or irregularity in any Bid. An OPTIONAL Pre-Bid site visit will be held at 7725

Highland Ave, Citrus Heights, 95610 on the following date and time: Monday, January 20, 2025, at

9:00 A.M. Other than Public Right of Way, Prospective bidders MAY NOT visit the Project

Site without making arrangements through the District. Each bid shall be accompanied by the

security referred to in the Contract Documents, the non-collusion affidavit, the list of proposed

subcontractors, and all additional documentation required by the Instructions to Bidders. The

successful bidder will be required to furnish the District with a Performance Bond equal to 100%

of the successful bid, and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, prior to execution

of the Contract. All bonds are to be secured from a surety that meets all of the State of California

bonding requirements, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, and is admitted by

the State of California. Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, the successful bidder

may substitute certain securities for funds withheld by District to ensure his performance under

the Contract. The Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per

diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker

needed to execute the Contract which will be awarded to the successful bidder, copies of which

are on file and will be made available to any interested party upon request at the District's offices

6230 Sylvan Rd., Citrus Heights, CA 95610 or online at http://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr. A copy of these rates shall be posted by the successful bidder at the job site. The successful bidder and all subcontractor(s) under him, shall comply with all applicable Labor Code provisions, which include,

but are not limited to the payment of not less than the required prevailing rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the Contract, the employment of apprentices, the hours of

labor and the debarment of contractors and subcontractors. If the Work involves federal funds or otherwise requires compliance with the Davis-Bacon Fair Labor Standards Act, therefore, the

Contractor and all its subcontractors shall pay the higher of the state or federal prevailing wage

rates, or as otherwise required by law. All contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be

listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. No bid will be accepted nor any contract entered into without

proof of the contractor's and subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial

Relations to perform public work. This Project will be subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor

pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and shall be licensed in the following appropriate

classification(s) of contractor's license(s), for the work bid upon, and must maintain the license(s)

This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations In bidding on this project, it shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to evaluate and

include the cost of complying with all labor compliance requirements under this contract and

applicable law in its bid. Award of Contract: The District shall award the Contract for the Project

to the lowest responsible bidder as determined from the Base Bid by the District. The District

reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids

throughout the duration of the Contract: California Class 57 Well Drilling Contractor

For further information, contact: Brian Hensley - bhensley@chwd.org

Armani Jordan Pablo Espinoza to Armani Jordan Pablo Herrera.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 30, 2024 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #24CV025998

Stepan Gorodnyy has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stepan Gorodnyy to Stepan Kovalchuk.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 6, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: December 20, 2024 Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025 STEPAN 1, 31, 205

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV000170

Deyanira Nava Nixon has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Deyanira Nava Nixon to Deyanira Nava.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this

court on May 15, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 3, 2025

Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: January 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025 NIXON 1-31-25

> SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV000430

Joshua Kenneth Kent has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Joshua Kenneth Kent aka Joshua Kenneth Blackwell aka Joshua Kenneth Beachem to Jai Edwards.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 7, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 7, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV000215 avid Vahdat has filed a petit

Javid Vahdat has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Javid Vahdat to Yaqob Naseri and Nahideh Vahdat to Wahideh Naseri and Masihullah Vahdat to Masihullah Naseri and Manewereh Vahdat to Manewereh Vahdat to Manewereh Vahdat to Manewereh Naseri

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 18, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 3, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of

the Superior Court
Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025
NASERI 2-7-28

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV000578

Diego Antonio Cruz-Ramos has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Diego Antonio Cruz-Ramos to Diego Antonio Cruz.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 8, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025

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

2-7-25

CRUZ

CHANGE OF NAME #25CV000785 Linda Michelle Francis has filed

a petition with this court for a

decree changing the name(s) of

Linda Michelle Francis to Linda Michelle Babski.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 15, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 10, 2025 Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of

the Superior Court Publish: Jan 17, 24, 31, Feb 7, 2025 BABSKI 2-7-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF KATHY JEANNE ROGERS CASE NO. 24PR003733

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of Kathy Jeanne Rogers. A Petition for Probate has been filed by William Rogers Jr., in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, requesting William Rogers Jr. be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows April 2, 2025, 9:00 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826. IF YOU OBJECT to the grant-

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

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

California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may

file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Douglas Broomell, Esq., 108 Main Street, Roseville,

Publish: Jan 3, 10, 17, 2025
ROGERS 1-17-25
STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

CA 95678; 916-899-1716

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2023-04052

The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Citrus Heights Car Wash, 7742 Auburn Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Berg Properties Inc., 6504 Aspen

Gardens Way, Citrus Heights, Ca 95621. The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed

Name Statement was filed on 5/25/2023 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento

County: 12/10/2024.
Publish: Dec 27, Jan 3, 10, 17, 2025
CITRUS 1-17-25
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT

FILE NO. FBNF2020-06725
The following person(s) has/
have abandoned the use of the
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
of: Fenton Consulting, 2641

OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

Riverpine Court, Carmichael, CA 95608. Fenton Baker Inc, 2641 Riverpine Court, Carmichael, CA 95608

The Fictitious Business
Name Statement was filed
on 9/23/2020 in the County of
Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of

Sacramento County: 9/23/2020.
Publish: January 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025
FENTON 1-31-25

REQUEST TO CONTINUE COURT HEARING

REQUEST TO CONTINUE COURT HEARING (TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER) (CLETS-TRO) CASE NUMBER: S-DR-0066245 Filed January 6, 2025, in the Superior Court of California.

County of Placer Hon. Howard

G. Gibson Courthouse 10820
Justice Center Drive Roseville,
CA 95678
Protected Party: Keana Artero
Restrained Party: Andrew

Restrained Party: Andrew Wooster
The request to reschedule the

court date is granted. The new court date February 10, 2025, at 8:30 am, at 101 Maple Street, Auburn, CA 95603 Dept. 2

Option to Attend Court Hearing by Phone or

Hearing by Phone or Videoconference
You may attend the Court date remotely, such as by phone or

remotely, such as by phone or videoconference. For more information go to the court's website for the County listed above.

A Temporary Restraining

A Temporary Restraining Order (TRO) is in full force and effect because: The court extends the TRO pre-

01/31/2025, 02/07/2025 WOOSTER 2-7-2025

CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-008

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS AMENDING CHAPTER 42 "FLOODS" OF THE CITRUS HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CODE

The foregoing is a summary of an ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights at its meeting of **January 8, 2025**.

The City is in-process of applying for a citywide flood insurance discount, through FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS). As a prerequisite to joining the program, updates to Chapter 42 of the City's Municipal Code are required to meet prerequisites for a higher level of discount through the CRS program.

AYES: Council Members: Middleton, Nelson, Schaefer, Lopez-Taff, Karpinski-Costa

NOES: Council Members: None ABSENT: Council Members: None ABSTAIN: Council Members: None

The full text of the adopted ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office, 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621, (916) 727-4704 or **www.citrusheights.net**.

Amy Van City Clerk

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Donate Formalwear to Library's Volunteer Award Nominations **Annual Prom Drive**



In 2024, more than 900 teens shopped free Prom Giveaway events at the Sacramento Public Library locations. Photos courtesy of Sacramento Public Library

Sacramento Public Library News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Ready to retire formal wear collecting dust in your closet? Give your glam a new home. Starting Jan. 21, Sacramento Public Library will accept donations of jackets, ties, dresses, shoes and accessories for its annual Prom Drive. Visit www.saclibrary. org/prom for full details.

Drop off gently-used formalwear from Jan. 21 through Feb. 1, at any library location during regular hours of operations. Donated clothing, shoes, jewelry and accessories should be free of holes, stains, rips and tears. A variety of styles and sizes including extended and plus are needed.

The library will host a series of Prom Giveaway events in the spring. Teens can browse the free collection and take home the perfect outfit for their special night. Last year, more than 900 teens shopped free Prom Giveaway events at the library.



"Prom should be a celebration, not a financial burden. Our Prom Drive ensures that every teen has the chance to shine without worrying about the cost," said Christie Hamm, Sacramento Public Library Youth Services manager. "This initiative, created by teens for teens, allows them to express themselves through the perfect outfit and make lasting memories."

Sacramento Public Library is committed to removing barriers and expanding access for all in our community. From free access to information and technology to a range of learning opportunities and experiences, the Sacramento Public Library strives to meet the community's needs.

The Prom Drive is one of many programs for vouth. Teens are invited to a free night of fun at the Tsakopoulos Library Galleria from 8 to 11 p.m. Jan. 25. Library After Hours: Teen Takeover will feature video games, a deejay, board games, food and drinks.

The Sacramento Public Library is accepting gently used formalwear from Jan. 21 through Feb. 1 at any library location during regular hours of operations. Photos courtesy of Sacramento

News Release SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA

Sacramento County

(MPG) - The Sacramento County Adult and Aging Commission is now taking applications for its "5 Over 50" Volunteer Award.

If you know someone who makes Sacramento County a better place to live and is 50 years old or older, now is your chance to celebrate them. Each year, the "5 Over 50" Volunteer Award recognizes outstanding members of our community.

The "5 Over 50" Awards will be presented during a Sacramento County Board of Supervisors meeting in May. The award is presented in May to coincide with Older Americans Month. Five nominees will receive the award, with one person selected from each district within Sacramento County.



The Sacramento County Adult and Aging Commission is accepting applications for its "5 Over 50" Volunteer Award **through Feb. 7.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Nominees must be 50 years old or older, actively involved in volunteer work, and residents of Sacramento County. Two letters of reference are required as part of the application. Applications are due Friday, Feb. 7.

Now Open

If you know someone who meets the criteria and has made an impact in Sacramento County, nominate them for the "5 Over 50" Volunteer Award. Learn more about the application process and access the form by visiting the Adult and Aging Commission website at, www.dcfas.saccounty.net/ SAS/Pages/Adult-and-Aging-Commission.aspx.

Sacramento County's Adult and Aging Commission members look forward to celebrating the winners. Winners will also be featured on Sacramento County's website and YouTube channel.

Supporting Dry January Goals

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - As the new year begins, Sacramento County is highlighting the importance of a healthy start by recognizing January as Substance Use Disorder Treatment Month. Many might unknowingly celebrate this month with positive "new year, new me" changes such as "Dry January," which encourages individuals to limit or eliminate their consumption of alcohol and drugs to promote physical and mental well-being. This is also a great opportunity to evaluate your relationship with drugs and alcohol and seek treatment if needed.

Substance use disrder affects countless individuals and families, often showing signs that can be easily overlooked. These warning signs include drastic changes in mood or behavior, such as irritability, impulsivity or depression, as well as shifts in eating or sleeping habits, memory blackouts and neglect of home or work



Sacramento County is highlighting the importance of a **healthy start to the new year.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

responsibilities.

Arguments about alcohol or drug use, strong cravings and risky behaviors such as driving under the influence are also key indicators.

For those struggling with substance use. Sacramento County offers comprehensive prevention and treatment services for youth and adults. The Behavioral Health Services, Screening and Coordination team is available 24/7 for screenings and referrals to appropriate treatment providers.

Individuals seeking help

can call 916-875-1055, CA Relay 711 or toll-free at 888-881-4881 to take the first step toward recovery.

By promoting awareness and access to treatment, Sacramento County representatives hope to encourage residents to reflect on their relationship with alcohol and drugs, take steps to improve their health and support loved ones who might be in need. Remember, recovery is possible and resources are available every day of the year to assist those on their journey.

Shape Sac County's Economic **Future Together**



Three meetings in January will be to go over Sacramento County's updated Economic **Development Strategic Plan.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) -Sacramento County's Office of Economic Development (OED) invites residents, business owners and stakeholders to participate in shaping the county's updated Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP). Three community meetings, two in-person and one virtual, will provide opportunities for the public to share

Sacramento County's economic future. These meetings are part of the county's ongoing effort to create a comprehensive roadmap that supports equitable economic growth, job creation and resource prioritization.

insights and help craft a shared vision for

The first in-person community meeting will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan. 22 at the North Highlands Recreation and Park District at 6040 Watt Ave. in North Highlands. Residents can register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/

sac-county-economic-development-strategic-plan-update-community-meeting-tickets-1115898826429?aff=oddtdtcreator. The second in-person meeting will be from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Jan. 22 at the Sacramento County Health Department at 7001 East Parkway,

Suite A, Sacramento. Residents can

register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ sac-county-economic-development-strategic-plan-update-community-meeting-tickets-1115903650859? aff=oddtdtcreator.

The third meeting is a virtual meeting from 12:30 to 2 p.m. Jan. 30 on Zoom. To register, visit https://www.eventbrite.com/e/

sac-county-economic-development-strategic-plan-update-community-meeting-tickets-1115904563589?aff=oddtdtcreator.

Meeting objectives are to hear from community members about economic development priorities; collaborate on a shared vision that reflects collective goals for Sacramento County; and inform the development of an inclusive economic development strategy.

These events are open to all Sacramento County residents, workers and business owners, and focus on addressing the needs of unincorporated areas. Your participation is vital to ensure the updated strategy reflects the diverse perspectives and prior-

ities of our community. For additional details on the Economic Development Strategic Plan process and to stay updated on progress, visit the Economic Development Strategic Plan

webpage at economic.saccounty.gov. For

any questions, email Jean Coleman at

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2024 Seventh-Best Year for Region's New Home Sales

North State Building Industry Association News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Well above-average new home sales in December pushed sales for the year to just under 7,000, making 2024 the seventh-best year for sales in the Sacramento region since the North State Building Industry Association (BIA) began keeping records.

The Building Industry Association announced Jan. 7 that its members reported selling 398 new homes in December, bringing the yearly total to 6,993. That figure is up 8% from 2023 and is 35% higher than the average year since records began being kept in 1997.

Building Industry Association President and CEO Tim Murphy said area builders are optimistic that the market for new homes will remain robust in 2025.

"While mortgage interest rates remain higher than expected, there is still high demand for new homes, and we are optimistic that trend will continue into 2025," Murphy said. "Many builders are able to offer incentives that make new homes more affordable, and the advantages of buying new are clearly a major selling

point as well." December's sales total was down

24% from November, which is normal

as December is historically the slowest

month for builders. Sales for the month



Jan. 7 that its members reported selling 398 new homes in December. MPG file photo

were even with December 2023 and were 24% above the monthly average. As with sales for the year, it was the seventh-best December on record.

For the year, Rancho Cordova nosed out Roseville for the most sales with 620, five sales more than the usual leader. Sacramento was third with 431, followed by Elk Grove (428) and Folsom (331.) Note that total sales for 2024 have been trued up by including statistics for a handful of builders who do not report on a monthly basis. Thus, the monthly figures and the annual total for 2024 are different.

Building Industry Association statistics include sales by members in Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba

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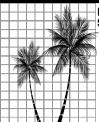
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Dear Dave,

I can't afford my student loan payments. Is the best approach to send them what I can afford, even if it's not the minimum payment, or not send anything at all until I'm in a better financial position?

- Sydney

Dear Sydney,

Here's the deal. Those guys aren't going to stop calling and bugging you, no matter which of those options you choose. But then, you probably already know that. The benefit, however, of sending them \$20 or \$25—if the minimum payment is \$50—is you're forcing yourself to start thinking in terms of planning and living on a budget. My advice? Do everything you can to honor your commitments. That's the moral, legal and spiritual thing to do in these kinds

Dave Ramsey Says

Honor Your Obligations

of situations.

You know, lots of times when people say they can't afford something, what they're really saying is they don't want to give up fun stuff in order to honor their obligations. If that's the case, I'm not the guy you need to be talking to or want on your team. You accepted the responsibilities that came with borrowing money. That means if you don't get to eat in restaurants, go on vacation or buy cool new gadgets until you repay the debt, that that's how

However, if you're already living on a crazy-tight, rice and beans budget, and \$20 is literally all you can squeeze out, then give them \$20 a month. That way, at the very least, you're trying to honor your obligation. And you can tell them with a clean conscience it really is all you can af-

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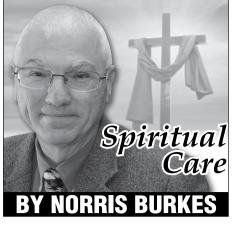
already scrimping and saving and paying all the money you havefirst toward running your household, then secondly to your creditors—you'll find an amazing thing starts to happen. Your dollars start to stretch a little bit further. This will help vou clean up vour student loan mess and enable you to have a little better life in the process.

Good luck, Sydney. You can do this!

- Dave

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

A Misspelling Affirms Best Spiritual Care



Lisa Nordlander was really the best boss I ever had. When she hired me from the activeduty Air Force, she encouraged me to put aside my Baptist identity and focus on affirming the unique spiritual needs of each patient.

I was so thrilled to go to work for her at Sutter Medical Center in Sacramento that I failed to notice the typo printed on my Spiritual Care ID badge.

It took more than a year, but in 2003, a patient noticed that the word Spiritual was missing two letters – "R-I."

The patient cupped a hand over her mouth and nose and said, "I probably shouldn't get any closer if you're from the "SPIT-ual Care Department.' After we shared a good laugh, I skedaddled

downstairs to have HR (Human Resources) correct the badge. Little did I know that twelve years later, the

identifier "Spit-ual Care" might be appropriate for my new position as a staff chaplain at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Stockton CA. One summer day I entered the room of a

patient recovering from minor surgery. The man didn't speak English, but his wife and granddaughter did. After introductions, I learned that the wife was also a shaman. Shamans are spiritual leaders and healers in

the earth-based spirituality of southeast Asia. So, with careful exploration, I asked what I might do to facilitate their faith traditions. "My grandmother wants to conduct a

Hmong ritual."

"Can you say more?" I asked. "The rite involves my grandmother putting water in her mouth and spewing it on my

grandfather's surgical site," the granddaughter said with little emotion. "Excuse me for a moment," I said. "Let me

ask the nurse how we can do that."

I dismissed myself and ducked into the nurses' break room to Google some understanding of the request.

My search told me that the patient's wife was likely blaming "misplaced energy" for precipitating her husband's illness. She needed the water to perform an "extraction" that would remove the displaced energy that had invaded his body.

I slid my phone back in my pocket and stopped at the nurses' station for a consult.

"Can she spit water on the wound without risking an infection?" I asked the startled charge nurse.

She thought for a minute and replied, "Yes. The surgical site is stitched and closed. Just use bottled water." With that permission, I returned to the

room and handed over the sterile water I'd picked up from the nurse. The patient's wife opened the bottle, held it to her lips and sloshed the water around in

her mouth. Then she tilted her head and -"Plah!" – she spat a mouthful on her husband. I tried hard not to show scepticism by allowing my "inner Baptist preacher" to

run amuck. I mean, what just happened? I saw no evil spirits come out of the man and there was no instant healing of the wound. I felt uneasy that this family was relying on such archaic

As simply as the shaman had begun, she concluded. I was thanked for intervening with nursing staff and given a dismissive

beliefs amidst such modern medicine.

I returned to my office cubicle where I sat wondering what I would write in this patient's chart. I wasn't entirely sure what I'd

However, as much as anything, good spiritual care had been merged into the Hippocratic Oath - "First, do no harm." I had not ridiculed the woman or passed judgment on her request. I had not put up barriers or implied that she was inconveniencing the staff.

But more concretely, I noted an observable change in contentedness within the family. Reverence for their request had helped build a sacred, nonjudgmental space for worship.

Amid medical uncertainty, the family rekindled and celebrated their own truths. The ritual helped them navigate the harsh maze of medicine and restored meaning to their world.

And that's what I charted.

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Dr. James L. Snyder

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While enjoying my coffee for a moment, I watched people as they walked by. It took me a while, but I began noticing the people walking by me.

One person was walking toward me, and I almost fainted. I have seen ugly people before, but this one baked the cake.

Then, another person was coming my way who looked as ugly as the first person I saw. I begin to see ugly people all over the place.

The longer I sat there, the uglier people were as they walked by. But I got to thinking—maybe they were looking at me and thinking I was the ugliest person they'd seen all day. At that moment, whenever anybody walked by and looked at me, I smiled just in case.

When I got home that night, I hung up my new shirt and went into the living room, where The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was setting.

said very sarcastically.

"I did," I said with a smile.

Then I sat down, looked at her, and said, "Do you think I should go and get a facelift? And if so, where do you recommend I ought to go?"

As soon as she calmed down from laughing, she said, "The recommendation I would give you is that antique store just around the block." Then she laughed some more.

Around our living room are pictures of our children, grandchildren, and even great-grandchildren. Looking at them, I responded, "Aren't those children cute? They look so lovely, don't they?"

Of course, The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage was on my side with that and agreed that our grandkids were all very cute. I then got serious and

asked her, "What if some of them grow up to be as ugly as me?" I heard a loud gasp from

her side of the room, and when it quieted down, she said, "That's not possible!"

I then went to my computer, where I had a bunch of photographs. I pulled up one and showed it to her. "What do you think of

"Did you get the dress that picture?"

said, "That's a very cute young boy."

"That picture is of me when I was young. Now look at me."

I brought up another cute picture and showed it to her. "Do you know who

this is? She smiled and said, "That's a picture of me

when I was young." "I wonder," I said sarcastically, "if ugly runs

only in my family." All I heard from her side

of the room was snickering, and I wasn't going to ask any more questions. "Whose adorning let it

not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel; But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price" (1 Peter 3:3-4).

My heart is more important than my face.

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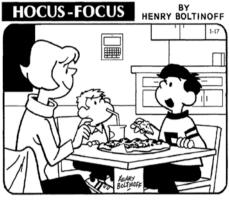


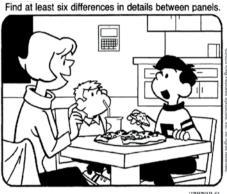












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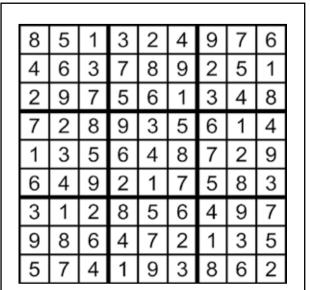
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Athletics Make Themselves at Home

By Martín Gallegos, MLB.com

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- As Major League Baseball's Athletics prepare to begin their temporary relocation to Sutter Health Park in West Sacramento for at least the next three seasons, manager Mark Kotsay and some of the club's top players spent some time getting to know their new community.

The intermingling began on Sunday, Jan. 5, when outfielders Brent Rooker, Lawrence Butler, JJ Bleday and left-hander JP Sears enjoyed a private dinner at Mulvaney's B&L, a Michelinrecommended restaurant located near downtown Sacramento. In addition to being treated to a five-course meal, the players encountered plenty of friendly welcomes from locals who are excited about the opportunity to watch Major League Baseball in their hometown.

"The number one thing that stood out to us was that everybody was super nice and smiling," Sears said on Jan. 6 from the Kimpton Sawyer Hotel in Sacramento. "They're super excited to have us here. It seems like everybody around here is going to be supporting us.

"I've played in so many different cities over the years that, as long as you have good people supporting you, that's all you really ask for as a player from a



playing their 2025 home games. Photo by MLB.com

fan base or city. Just people supporting you and uplifting the team. I think this is a place for that, for sure."

Monday, Jan. 6 also brought some NBA action, as all four players along with Kotsay were invited to sit courtside at Golden 1 Center for a matchup between the Sacramento Kings and Miami Heat. Earlier in the day, they received a tour of Sutter Health Park, which is undergoing major renovations in anticipation of the A's arrival.

Among the ongoing construction to get the ballpark – which will be shared with the Sacramento River Cats, Triple-A

affiliate of the Giants - up to Major League standards is the addition of extra lighting structures around the field, upgraded dugouts and bullpens, and a brand new two-story home clubhouse designed specifically for the A's during their stint.

"It looks good," Rooker said. "We were all very encouraged with the things we saw as far as the amenities and facilities that are important to us as players that we use extensively on a daily basis. The plans look great, and the execution looks great. As a whole, we came away from the tour more optimistic and more excited than we were beforehand."

On Tuesday, Jan. 7, Rooker, Butler, Sears, Bleday and Kotsay visited Mariemont Elementary school in Sacramento and interacted with the students as part of a recess takeover. Also on the agenda for the group was breakfast and lunch at different food spots around the area, including The Sandwich Spot, which features a sandwich named after current A's radio broadcaster and longtime River Cats broadcaster Johnny Doskow that is fittingly named 'The Dosky.'

"It's very important," Butler said of showing their faces around town. "When you're a new team coming into a new city, you want to draw fans in. Us going out there signing some hats and giving some hats away, throwing some balls out and taking pictures, that'll be a cool way to get the fans involved and let them know what they're getting."

There already appears to be plenty of local interest drumming up for this young Athletics squad on the rise based on season ticket sales. According to the club, there have already been close to 6,300 seats sold for the season, which leaves only about 3,700 season tickets remaining for Sutter Health Park, which of its total capacity of 14,014 includes 10,624 permanent fixed seats. By the time Opening Day rolls around in March, the Athletics expect a complete sellout for the majority of their home games in 2025, beginning with their home opener against the Cubs on March 31.

"We are expecting to sell out a lot of games, which is exciting for us," Rooker said. "I think the atmosphere is going to be great. ... We're building excitement by just getting out here and meeting people. Developing relationships and getting people excited that we're going to be here and that they get to come to Major League baseball games in their backyard. Adding on to an already existing incredible fan base is what we're trying to do."

Sac Republic FC Names New Coach



Former English Premiere League player Neill Collins has been named as Sacramento Republic FC's new head coach. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

By Grace Ogata-Beutler, Sacramento Republic FC

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) -Sacramento Republic Football Club (FC) announced that Neill Collins has been named as the Indomitable Club's fifth head coach and is set to lead the club beginning with the 2025 season. Per club policy, the terms of the contract were not disclosed.

"Neill is a tremendous addition to our club and his past successes speak for themselves," said Republic FC Managing Partner Kevin Nagle. "I'm excited for our fans and city to get to know Neill and support him as we all look to win a championship."

"We are delighted to welcome Neill and his family to Sacramento," said Republic FC President and General Manager Todd Dunivant. "His history of success in USL, combined with a steady demeanor and well-respected reputation, align with our pursuit of championship hardware. Neill is a proven winner, a fantastic leader, and we have no doubts he is the right man to lead our club forward."

"I first of all would like to thank Todd and Kevin for this fantastic opportunity to join Sacramento Republic. I aim to repay that faith by working hard every day to bring success to everyone associated with the club," said newly appointed Head Coach Neill Collins. "Sacramento have been one of the most consistently successful teams in the USL for the past few years and I can't wait to help build on that platform. I am well aware that Sacramento Republic is more than just what happens on the pitch and I look forward to being part of the community and creating special memories for our fans."

Collins is one of the all-time winningest head coaches in USL Championship history, fifth overall with a record of 94 wins, 42 losses, and 34 draws in six seasons with the Tampa Bay Rowdies. After ending his playing career in Tampa, Neill began his coaching career immediately for the Floridian club and quickly found an upward trajectory.

After reaching the playoffs in 2019,

the Rowdies would go on a dominant multi-season run, reaching three straight Eastern Conference Finals and claiming the Eastern Conference title in 2020 and 2021. He was awarded the 2021 USL

Championship Coach of the Year after leading Tampa Bay to the best regular-season record with 23 wins and 71 points, one of the best single-season performances in league history. During the Players' Shield Campaign, the Rowdies posted a ninegame win streak and had held opponents scoreless for 891 consecutive minutes, the longest-ever shutout stretch in USL Championship. They would go on to reach the playoffs for a fifth straight year in 2022 after a 73-goal regular season campaign.

During his time in Tampa Bay, players under the direction of Collins experienced tremendous success. The team accolades would include 6 All-League First Team Selections, 3 All-League Second Team Selections, the 2022 USL Championship Player of the Year, a two-time Defender of the Year, as well as the Goalkeeper of the Year and Golden Glove winner. In four separate seasons, Collins' side finished the season with a goal differential of 20 or more, including a +40 goal differential in 2022, the third largest in league history.

After going undefeated in 15 of the first 20 games of the 2023 USL Championship season, Collins departed Tampa Bay to return to the United Kingdom as the Manager for EFL League One side Barnsley FC (24-15-13). Earlier this year, he made the move to the Scottish Championship to lead Raith Rovers FC.

As a player, Collins amassed 598 appearances, with 35 goals and seven assists. He featured for some of the biggest clubs in Europe, with stints in Premier League, EFL Championship, and EFL League One for Sunderland AFC (2004-2005), Wolves (2006-2008), Leeds United (2009-2010), and Sheffield United (2011-2016). He won three EFL Championship titles and in the 2009-2010 season helped Leeds earn promotion from League One to Championship. He made the jump across the pond to play for Tampa Bay Rowdies in 2016, then playing in the NASL, and made the move to USL Championship with the club in 2017.

Season ticket memberships are now on sale for the 2025 season, offering a range of benefits including discounts on merchandise and access to exclusive fan experiences, as well as priority seats in the new Republic Stadium at The Railyards. For more information, or to purchase a membership today,

visit SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships. ★

Hornet Jaiteh Comes **Up Roses in Portland**

Sacramento State Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento State junior forward Fatoumata Jaiteh parlayed a career afternoon against Portland State in the team's Big Sky Conference opener into league co-player of the week honors on Tuesday, Jan. 4, the conference office announced.

It is Jaiteh's first career player of the week award and the second for a Hornet women's basketball student-athlete after teammate Jaydia Martin picked up honors back on Dec. 10.

In the team's first game in over two weeks, the junior from Lynnwood, Wash., helped power Sacramento State to a victory in its league opener, outlasting the Vikings for a 76-74 overtime win on the road. Jaiteh finished with a collegiate-high 28 points to go with four rebounds, a block and two steals, hitting a near-perfect 6-of-7 from the field and 16-of-19 from the free throw line.



forward Fatoumata Jaiteh points against Portland State in the Hornet's Big Sky Conference opener on Jan. 4. Courtesy photo

Of her 28 points, 24 of those came in the second half and overtime, including 13 of those in the fourth quarter, as the Hornets erased an 11-point fourth-quarter deficit to force the extra period. Jaiteh hit all six of her field goals after the break and finished 12-of-13 at the line in the final 25 minutes, including 6-for-6 in the overtime period alone.

Her shooting performance from the field fell

just one make shy of tying the school's Division I era single-game record of 7-for-7 set by Isnelle Natabou against Fresno State in 2022, while her 16 makes from the line were the most by a Hornet since All-American Kristy Ryan made 17 at UC Irvine on Dec. 4, 1993, and were just two shy of Ryan's school single-game record of 18 against Alaska Fairbanks on Jan. 8, 1994.

Jaiteh's 28-point explosion double-up her previous collegiate high of 14 points set at Montana while playing with Northern Arizona on Jan. 5, 2023, and demolished her Sacramento State career high of 10 points set against Cal State Fullerton and matches against UC Davis earlier this season.

It was the second-highest point total by a Hornet this season behind only Martin's 31 points against Kansas City on Dec. 4, while the 16 makes from the free throw line entered the week tied for the fourth-most in a single game in the nation this season.

ARC's Cleland Named Cross Country Coach of the Year

American River College Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The California Community College Athletic Association announced their selections for this year's 2025 Head Cross Country Coaches of the Year and American River College's own Melanie Cleland was named the Head Women's Coach of the Year.

Coach Melanie Cleland is responsible for reviving the American River College women's cross country team in just three seasons at the helm. In fall 2024, the American River College women's cross From once struggling country team placed fourth



American River College's Cross County Coach Melanie Cleland was named the 2025 Head Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year by the California Community College Athletic Association. Photo courtesy of American River College Athletics

at the state championship led by the All-American finish of freshman Alejandra Magana-Ramirez in seventh place and All-State finish by Alanna Laverty in 24th place.

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College women rose up in 2024 and placed second at the NorCal Championship and won the Big 8 conference title. Way to go Beavers and Coach Cleland.

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