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Gridley Student Actors Showcased



The Gridley High School Drama Club will present three short plays on March 7 and March 8. In the back, from left, are Owen Stewart, Melody Thompson, William Yost, Christian Harshbarger, McKenna Swanson, Kaiza Quist and Clair Robertson. In the front, from left, are Yaritza Perez Yahuaca, Ruby Rosas and Asia Clark. Photo by Cindy Scott

By Cindy Scott

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Ten Gridley High School drama students are preparing to entertain audiences next week with three short comedy plays in the return of the One Act Plays.

In “Cinderella Wears Combat Boots,” the classic fairytale is retold in modern terms. The stepsisters are more boy crazy than ugly, their mother more silly than cruel and the prince is so bashful and tongue-tied that he hides whenever a girl comes into view. Connie Quist, who participated in the One Act Plays as a student, directs this play.

Also directed by Quist is “Paper or Plastic,” which follows a teenager and the hazards of employment on her first job. She and a fellow employee even try to be rude to customers, only to get promoted.

In “Louder, I Can’t Hear You,” audiences will see a family that lives together but each member lives entirely in his or her own world. The mother anxiously tries to reach her distracted children, with hilarious results. Ethan Jacobsen directs this play, with help from student director McKenna Swanson.

Some cast members perform in

one play, others are in two plays and some are in all three plays. The One Act Plays have been a tradition at Gridley High School for 35 years, alternating years with the Gridley High School Musical. The community is invited to attend and enjoy these dedicated student actors.

Performances are at 7 p.m. Friday, March 7; and at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, March 8 at the Gridley Community Center, 200 E Spruce St.

Tickets, sold at the door, are \$5 for students and \$7 for adults. Cash or checks only, and not credit cards, will be accepted. ★

Council Reviews Gridley Budget

By Connie Voss

**GRIDLEY (MPG)** - The Gridley City Council gave approval to City Administrator Elisa Arteaga to renew a contract with RSG Solutions, a consulting firm for community development, at the Feb. 18 council meeting.

Next, a new maintenance district was established for Parkland Estates. This subject was discussed at the last council meeting.

Financial Director Martin Pineda presented a mid-year budget review. He requested an adjustment to the budget in the amount of \$961,273.72 for the Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL) payment (the difference between the estimated cost of future retirement benefits and the assets that have been set aside to pay for those benefits). It was further noted by Pineda, that without the unfunded accrued liability payment, the budget would decrease by \$288,000.

Pineda responded to questions by the council about election costs from the county (\$9,500) and



the allocation of \$40,000 to different league accounts for soccer, basketball, seniors and recreation. This was a suggestion given by the auditor to more effectively track the amounts used by each program. The budget modifications were unanimously approved.

For Council Committee reports, Councilmember J. Angel Calderon met with several agencies that have committed to participate in the Healthy Alternatives to Fentanyl and Drug Use program. Calderon noted that there is not currently an active substance abuse policy in the county.

Councilmember Jim Roberts attended the Gridley Chamber of Commerce meeting where preparations for Red Suspenders Day were discussed.

Vice-Mayor Bruce Johnson met with Sutter Butte Flood Control Agency. Task orders have been approved for engineering the Feather River West Levee project and the Oroville Wildlife Area. Johnson also attended the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) meeting concerning the public notice for the annexation of Lake Oroville

Public Utility District.

Johnson said that one of the two new planes ordered for the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District came in under-budget. The plane should arrive in time for mosquito season this spring, summer and fall. Johnson also referred to compliance with state regulations for storage tank cleanup.

City Administrator Arteaga reported on the county Building Inspection, Building and Planning Department’s quarterly meeting to discuss the need for master fee schedule updates, as other cities have done, as well as obtain local access to the county software system. Code enforcement was also discussed and a code enforcement officer will be hired.

Arteaga, along with city engineer Dave Harden and Fire Chief Chip Fowler, attended a Safety Action Plan meeting in Butte County concerning how to make the area’s corridor safer,

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Live Oak  
Hopes to  
Find Source  
of PFAs in  
Water



Story  
by Shaunna Boyd

**LIVE OAK, CA (MPG)** - At the Feb. 19 meeting of the Live Oak City Council, Interim Public Works Director Jeff Nelson presented an update about the levels of PFAs (forever chemicals) in the city wells.

The first detection showed 3.3 parts per trillion in Well 2 and a recent re-test showed levels of 3.4.

Nelson clarified that a level of more than 3 requires public notification but no action is required until a level of 20 parts per trillion is detected. One recommendation at that level is to blend the water with other sources and Nelson said Well 2 is already blended before distribution, bringing the level down to 2.1.

Councilmember Nancy Santana asked for details about the levels in other city wells.

Nelson said that Well 1 had levels at 1.8 and Well 4 had 2.1. No PFAs were detected in Wells 3 and 5. Nelson said all the wells where PFAs were detected (Wells 1, 2, and 4) are west of Highway 99.

Nelson said city staff plan to monitor the issue by testing the wells twice each year.

“We’re also going to try and figure out if we can determine what the source of the PFAs is,” Nelson said, and to determine if it’s some sort of sample contamination or if it can be attributed to the groundwater flow.

Some “detective work” over the next few months will be done, Nelson said, looking at nearby industrial sites or manufacturing businesses that could be the cause.

While “no one wants chemicals in their water,” Nelson said, the current levels “are very low.”

Vice-Mayor Aaron Pamma asked staff “to be proactive and try to tackle this problem and try to find a solution to what causes this contamination, sooner rather than later.”

Councilmember Bob Woten asked if there is a pattern in the levels of contamination in the surrounding areas.

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# The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

Pasted below is the recent editorial of Ariel Roblin, the president and general manager of KCRA 3 Television. The foundation for local news is trust. We strive to be the source you trust with impartial reporting. More and more, our society is losing its grip on the meaning and value of impartiality. Our process begins and ends with evaluating a multitude of headlines and tips to present what's important to you and what we can verify. We don't serve a murky social media algorithm, we serve our community. No, this doesn't make us popular with those in power— on any side of the aisle, but in a world where more

and more people are relying on a commentator or influencer to deliver their version of the news – it's increasing the necessity for impartial, well-researched, local news. We'll continue to ask tough questions, hold leaders accountable for their actions, provide well-sourced investigations, and verify claims so our viewers can make more informed decisions. You may not agree with every story you hear on the news on any given day. But that doesn't mean it's not worth hearing. Our job is to present the facts, giving the news consumer the power to develop their own opinion. Understanding and accepting the complexity of our issues is the first step to finding solutions for a stronger society. So always ask, "What's your source on that?" And make sure it's a source that isn't always telling you only what you want to hear.

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She makes some salient points in her editorial. More and more the algorithms of electronic media put in front of us things the algorithm knows we want to read

or hear. News is supposed to be a venue by which other perspectives are presented, with the individual then making meaning of the information and becoming better informed. The recent increase in the rejection of the idea that a workplace in which you are exposed to ideas different than your own is “unsafe” is a great step in the right direction. An unsafe workplace, and indeed, an unsafe society is one in which people create a bubble in which they never have to hear or consider viewpoints contrary to their own. Religious freedom and freedom of expression are not something you want taken away from you and without “different” ideas there is a loss of freedom. Newspapers and local news sources like this paper and KCRA 3 are vital to the continuation of personal liberty. You don't want to live in a world in which only one side gets to be heard.

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Josh F.W. Cook's Pi-Line honors the legacy of the Burleson family who owned and wrote for the Gridley Herald for decades. ★

# Manzanita 4-H Serves Up Beans



4-H'ers Naryah Warfield, Naomi Grover, Aeris Lair, and Niellie Warfield served the food.

Story and photos by Connie Voss

**GRIDLEY (MPG)** - Before the dinner was even over, 451 meals had been served through the drive-thru option during the 66th annual Bean Feed and Silent Auction for Manzanita 4-H on Feb. 22 at the Guardian Building. Guests were served both indoors and from the drive thru. About 75% of the attendees used the drive-thru option.

Dinner consisted of tri-tip, chili, salad, and garlic bread. Desserts were brought to the tables by eager 4-H'ers.

Manzanita 4-H has 40 to 50 members, ages 5 to 18, and most were busy at the dinner serving, bussing tables or assisting with the raffle and Silent Auction of donated items.

Jenna Elrich, the coordinator for the event, indicated that the proceeds of the dinner would not only go to the club in general but would fund scholarships and the 4-H Leadership Program in Washington D.C.

Live music was presented by Johnson Brass.

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Wearing a big smile, 4-H'er Hayden Brock helped serve dessert at the 4-H Bean Feed.



Joe Schohr announces winners of the 4-H raffle.

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# Live Oak Hopes to Find Source of PFAs in Water

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Nelson replied that various jurisdictions are dealing with much higher levels. He offered Marysville as an example, which had detections of PFAs above the action level.

Councilmember Santana suggested staff reach out to the City of Marysville as part of their research into causes and potential solutions.

Mayor Jeramy Chapdelaine said that when he spoke with representatives from the State Water Board, the Department of Drinking Water and the Office of Water Programs, they said the trend is to see higher levels near former industrial sites. Legislation to deal with this issue is still new, Chapdelaine said, and while current action is not required by the state, “it would serve us well to go ahead and continue the monitoring” to ensure levels don’t increase.

Mayor Chapdelaine added that any existing grants targeting this issue are going to focus on areas with action levels: “Those communities are going to take priority.”

City Council then discussed the possibility of establishing the position of a public information officer. Responsibilities could include informing the public about recreational opportunities, local events, new city policies and emergency updates.

Councilmember Woten said it would make sense to provide cross-training for an existing employee



At their Feb. 19 meeting, the Live Oak City Council discussed levels of PFAs (forever chemicals) in the city wells. Photo by PublicDomainPictures via Pixabay

to fulfill these tasks along with their current position.

Councilmember Santana said that if the city were to hire any new employees, it should be a School Resource Officer (SRO), so she asked if this item was recommending a new employee or promoting an existing employee.

Vice Mayor Pamma said that the most important role of a Public Information Officer is “to increase transparency from the city to the public, which we need.” Pamma said the city needs to ensure accurate information is consistently shared with residents, which is why an official position is necessary. But he supported the idea of training existing staff to handle the tasks, since he doesn’t think it would require a dedicated full-time position.

Mayor Chapdelaine said that an existing staff member could certainly handle the duties of updating the city’s website and social media pages to highlight events and important notices. He agreed that it would not require a full-time position, especially since the city has a contract with the Sheriff’s department, which already has a dedicated Public Information Officer to handle emergency notifications.

The Council consensus was to assign the City’s Public Information Officer role to existing staff, so Interim City Manager Rick Crabtree will make a recommendation at a future meeting about who should be designated to fill that position.

The next meeting of the Live Oak City Council is scheduled for March 5. ★

# Search and Rescue Visits Rotary



Kevin Soukup, Rotary President Jim Brown and Christina Skaggs talk after the Search and Rescue presentation.

## Story and photos by Connie Voss

**GRIDLEY (MPG)** - Gridley Rotarians learned some interesting facts about Butte County Sheriff’s Search and Rescue at the club’s weekly luncheon on Feb. 20.

The Butte County Sheriff’s Search and Rescue’s Christina Skaggs and Kevin Soukup gave the presentation.

The Search and Rescue team started after a 3-year-old went missing in Cohasset in 1961. The Sheriff’s bulletin went out over AM radio and hundreds of people responded resulting in “a hot mess,” according to Skaggs. The child was located safely, but the sheriff recognized the need to organize an official team.

Emergencies that Search and Rescue respond to include fire evacuations, missing persons, water rescues and drivers stuck in flooded road dips.

Part of Search and Rescue’s efforts is to facilitate the Special Needs Awareness Program (SNAP) evacuating persons who cannot get out on their own. Those with special needs can register in the program and will be evacuated first. A Special Needs Awareness Program packet is available online at [buttecounty.net/1790/Special-Needs-Awareness-Program](http://buttecounty.net/1790/Special-Needs-Awareness-Program) or by calling 530-538-7538.

Other specialty teams include K-9, helicopter, over-the-edge, swift water, marine, motorized and drone.

All the volunteers have full-time jobs and are on-call 24-7.

“We love what we do,” Skaggs said.

The team had more than 10,696 service hours to the county in 2024, all at no charge. This is equivalent to five full-time Sheriff’s deputies. More than 4,000 hours were spent helping evacuate residents during the Park Fire.

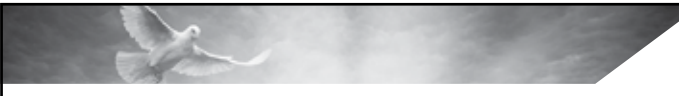
Skaggs and Soukup both underlined that Butte County Sheriff Kory Honea could not do everything he does without the help of Search and Rescue.

Water rescues are the most frequent need in Butte County, such as the two kayakers that went missing in December at Thermalito Afterbay. High winds and dense underwater vegetation made the effort extremely challenging.

With all the work that Search and Rescue has accomplished, the team has outgrown its current location on the Skyway and funds are desperately needed for a new facility. None of the Measure H or Proposition 36 funds go to Search and Rescue.


As a result, the team is launching Operation Rescue Ready, raising money for new property and a new building, preferably in south Chico. The goal is \$1.5 million.

A project fundraiser will be an April 5 black-tie gala at the Sierra Nevada Big Room in Chico, which includes food, live music, and both live and silent auctions. Sponsorships are available by calling 530-513-7231. Tickets are on sale at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com). ★



MEMORIAL

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Florinda was born on August 31, 1938 on a dairy ranch in district 10. She attended Central House school and then transferred to Sycamore before attending Notre Dame School in Marysville. While in School Florinda was the student council Vice President, editor of the year book, a member of the French Club, in Choir, the sacred heart club and on the volleyball team where she lettered. She graduated high school in 1956.

During her working years, Florinda worked at Libby’s cannery and the dried fruit association but her final and her most favorite job of all, was working at the fine jewelry counter at Gottschalks. She worked there until they closed. After retiring, she volunteered at Orchard Hospital and was a friend of the library.


Flo loved her family and loved spending time with them. She loved the coast and enjoyed traveling. She also greatly enjoyed crocheting, cooking and baking. In her later years, Flo enjoyed going to Festas and auctions. She loved collecting Hummel figurines.

Flo was an active member in many clubs, a proud member of the Portuguese Society of America (PFSA) and the Portuguese Fraternal society (UPPEC). She was also a senior Regent at the Moose and had the opportunity to travel to Mooseheart in Chicago. She was the founder of the Sunday Breakfasts and participated in many festas, from Fort Bragg to Princeton and Rio Vista. She took great pride in giving away her baked goods.

Flo lived a full life of traveling, family and friends. She was a smart, classy lady full of wit and she will be dearly missed.

Please join her family in celebrating her life on Saturday, March 1st at 12 Noon at the Moose Lodge 1533 Hwy 99, Gridley CA 95948

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# Biggs Seeking New City Administrator

By Carol Feineman  
and Paul Scholl

**BIGGS, CA (MPG)** - The September 2024 whistleblower complaint that former Biggs City Administrator Josh Cook made about allegations of retaliation toward him by former Councilmember Brian Bassett and current Mayor James (Bo) Sheppard had nothing to do with Cook's recent termination, according to Biggs Interim City Administrator Cliff Wagner. Wagner told The Gridley Herald that the Biggs City Council terminated Cook in a closed session meeting Jan. 31 for a breach of contract.

"No, the termination had nothing to do with the complaint," Wagner said. "The grounds for termination were unrelated to the findings in the complaint."

Wagner would not say what the breach of contract was because Cook filed a lawsuit with the City of Biggs for wrongful termination.

Cook, who was hired in March 2023 as the City of Biggs' city administrator, was out on medical leave in September through October 2024. Cook was placed on paid administration leave from November 2024 through January 2025 during the whistleblower complaint investigation.

When asked for comment from The Gridley Herald, Cook responded, "Three Biggs councilmembers have already resigned; one lost the last election and was put back on the council anyway. At last count, four investigations are ongoing. I will continue to cooperate fully. I cannot say more at this time."

The whistleblower complaint, based on alleged incidents between May 29, 2023 and Sept. 27, 2024 is currently attracting attention because the Biggs City Council on Feb. 11 decided to release report findings from an independent

investigation of the complaint. That report is on the City of Biggs website at biggs-ca.gov.

The City of Biggs hired Municipal Resource Group, LLC last Oct. 17 to conduct an independent investigation.

"The city has a duty to fully and fairly investigate all complaints by an employee and the city undertook that responsibility seriously by contracting with an HR investigator," Wagner said. "Her (Wilson's) findings stand on its own."

On page 19 of the independent investigation report, Municipal Resource Group's investigator Martha K. Wilson, JD, wrote, "Every allegation Cook raised in his Complaint were raised prior to his invoking whistleblower status and were issues previously raised with the City Council without any adverse employment action or threat thereof against Cook."

Wagner, who retired as Gridley city administrator in December 2023, is contracted as Biggs interim city administrator from the first week of November 2024 to the last week of June 2025.

"The council is committed to doing a careful, thorough recruitment process to find an outstanding professional administrator for the long-term," Wagner said.

There is no timeline yet for when a new city administrator will be hired.

"The City of Biggs is aware that there are other retired public officials who can come here on an interim basis to purchase them more time," Wagner said. "The position is not being advertised yet because other priorities are in play. It would be a mistake to rush the process."

Those priorities include bringing the city's new accountant "up to speed,"

according to Wagner, and filling a City Council vacancy.

"As of right now, we've had three resignations from the council. The first was in November with Chuck Nuchols," Wagner said. "There was an enormous amount of concern from the community about decisions the city made and city policies and a lot of criticism frankly. Chuck decided he has a career to focus on, a family to focus on. It's a hard, thankless job."

"In December, Michael Buck resigned because he was unhappy of being accused of ethics violations and last week, Brian Bassett resigned," Wagner said. "I think like Chuck, from what I've heard Brian express, he was frustrated with the sum total of the allegations and criticisms from the community. We've had a very active social media engagement from the community."

The first two City Council resignations were replaced with City Council appointments who are former councilmembers. Doug Arnold replaced Nuchols and Jerome Squires replaced Buck.

The third vacancy, under state law, according to Wagner, must be filled in a special election and not by appointment.

"The dates for those elections are dictated by state code. The next election is November 2025 or council could wait until November 2026," Wagner said. "That will be outlined to City Council and the public at the next Biggs City Council by the city attorney. It's up to council to decide whether to proceed with calling the election in November 2025 or November 2026."

The next Biggs City Council meeting, which is open to the public, is at 5 p.m. March 11 at Biggs City Hall, 3016 Sixth St., Biggs. ★

# Council Reviews Gridley Budget

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especially on Highway 99. Recommendations were made to improve crosswalks and traffic signage for speed limits. Arteaga indicated having the plan would help in applying for grants. At the League of Cities meeting, there was discussion about sales tax, increased electrical sales, and reduced fuel sales because of more electric vehicles. Some insights were presented for inter-departmental training and how to build a strong team.

Fire Chief Fowler said that the department rescued 23 people and nine dogs during January's flooding. Fowler is part of the steering committee

for the county to establish a Virtual Emergency Operations Center accessible by all communities countywide. Department heads throughout the county will be able to see where emergencies are happening and what is needed.

"Hopefully it's going to be a good tool. So far, it looks like it will be," Fowler said.

Fowler outlined goals for the county Community Wildfire Protection Plan, including collaboration among county agencies, identifying and prioritizing hazardous fuel reduction and reducing structure vulnerability by teaching residents to maintain

proper clearance around their homes.

Comments were made by the council and Fire Chief about flooding incidents and that it is a violation of law to go past flood warning signs.

Public Works Director Ross Pippitt reported that the boat ramp would be reopened. In addition, the new water main on Highway 99 has been completed and the old main will now be torn out.

The meeting turned to closed session to discuss the properties at 110 and 390 Virginia St., as well as the Alvarez v. City of Gridley, and Jesse Meza v. City of Gridley lawsuits. ★

# Moose Lodge Crabby for Scholarships



About 170 diners attended the Gridley Moose Lodge's annual Crab Feed and Dessert Auction on Feb. 22.

Story and photos by Connie Voss

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Gridley Moose Lodge had its annual Crab Feed and Dessert Auction on Saturday, Feb. 22 for about 170 attendees.

Cost for the event was \$85 per person or \$800 for a table. There was spaghetti and pizza for those not partial to crab and of course, the tantalizing desserts for sale.

Gridley City Councilmember Jim Roberts, his wife, Pam, and bartender Lisa Jones were in charge of the event.

"We're trying to raise money for our scholarships and bring the community the money," Jones said.

The scholarships are available for children and grandchildren of Moose members: two each from Live Oak, Gridley and Biggs. About 20 applications are usually received. Students interested in applying can contact the Moose Lodge at 530-846-4610.

The Loyal Order of Moose is a service and fraternal organization that began in 1888 when Dr. Henry Wilson established the first lodge in Louisville, Kentucky. The motto is "A burden heavy to one is borne lightly by many." Membership has grown to about 900,000, spread over 1,300 lodges in 49 states.

Moose members conduct \$50 million

to \$70 million dollars' worth of service each year, providing for the needs of children, seniors and the community. The fraternity supports Mooseheart City and School, a 1,000-acre community west of Chicago that assists children and teens in need. Another service is giving Tommy Moose plush dolls to law enforcement, firefighters and other emergency workers for comforting children in traumatic situations. In addition, Moosehaven is a 63-acre, five-star retirement community for Moose seniors in Jacksonville, Florida. ★



The Moose Lodge had a number of tables with baked items available for auction on Feb. 22. Courtesy photo



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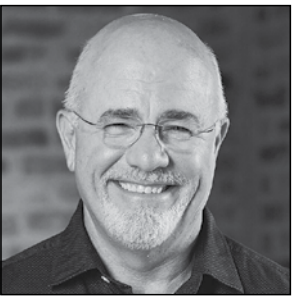
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# Dave Ramsey Says *It's Not the Answer*

Dear Dave,

I just finished paying off my credit card bills from last Christmas, and I've made a resolution that it's the last time I'm going into debt for the holidays. With that in mind, how do you feel about using layaway programs when it comes to buying Christmas gifts, instead of putting purchases on credit cards?

— Marty

Dear Marty,

Here's a good rule of thumb for pretty much all spending, not just Christmas gifts. If you can't buy it with cash up front, you can't afford it. The only thing I generally give folks a little wiggle room on is when it comes to buying a house. Very few people have enough money set aside to write a check for a home.

Now, sometimes there might be cases when certain popular items are on sale, and you can set them

aside through layaway if you don't have cash at the moment. I don't have a huge problem with this sort of thing, as long as it's not habitual behavior. But in general, I'm not a big fan of layaway programs. I know they seem harmless to most folks, but some stores attach hidden fees and other "gotchas" to their layaway programs. On top of that, they're not the best answer to the problem of running up a mountain of debt at Christmas.

Think about it. Christmas comes at the same time every year, right? I mean, it's not like it sneaks up on you. So, wouldn't it be a better to start living on a written budget, and saving up money for Christmas ahead of time? Set aside a little bit each month leading up to December, and by the time Christmas 2025 rolls around, you'll have a big pile of cash just waiting to be turned into Christmas gifts. And the best part? No financial hangover in January and

February from all the debt you piled up.

So, if you're not already doing this, Marty, I want you to start living on a budget. Give every dollar you bring in a job to do, on paper, before the upcoming month begins. Include Christmas spending in your budget, too.

And always remember, Christmas is about God's love for us. Not about impressing people by spending money you don't have!

— 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, Ramsey Solutions.* ★

# Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

One warmer day I saw my first snail trail for the 2025 gardening year. I felt very happy when I saw that shiny slime trail. It was going across the back door rug. Probably going under warm flower pots on the patio. No sign of toads yet. I did see a ladybug on a peach tree trunk. It's overall warm enough for buggie things to be

coming out. The other animals I'm observing are the rabbits who slither under the gate then jump around the yard. They eat a lot of grass and some greens in the garden. They are quite polite and do not wipe anything out. My dog loves to chase them. Then, there are the hawks that come back every year to a large tree a couple of blocks away. Their nest is very obvious this time of year while the tree is leafless. They have been diligently repairing their nest. I'm guessing eggs will be laid soon. Once it is warm they will swoop and squawk around the neighborhood. Maybe one will come hunting sparrows in the jasmine.

The freesias are ready to

pop. I've been adding more of these delightful bulbs. They are so sweet smelling and come in bright spring-like colors. A couple of bulbs escaped from a large pot in the back yard and planted themselves next to that pot. Quite wonderful when they move themselves around.

I've been potting up houseplants cuttings and little plants I find growing here and there, including succulents. These are for the Green Thumb Garden Club plant sale on Red Suspenders Day. Come by and get great and rare plants for wonderful prices. We'll have the tried and true also. We are three weeks away from the Spring Equinox, I am counting down. ★

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### Podcast Discusses Building Relationships with New Lawmakers

On the Voice of California Agriculture podcast, California Farm Bureau Director of Policy Advocacy Matthew Viohl spoke with host Gary Sack about developing relationships with new federal lawmakers. For example, Viohl said, Sen. Adam Schiff, D-CA, shares an interest in immigration and insurance issues with California farmers. "Those are good areas to open a conversation, sharing that these are important issues to us as well," Viohl said. The podcast episode also discusses new Workplace Violence Prevention standards on California farms and the inspiring work of state FFA leaders.

### Broadcast Journalist Talks About Covering Central Valley Agriculture

Revered TV reporter Dale Yurong has worked for ABC30 in Fresno, where he is now an anchor, since his college graduation in 1983. Yurong covers Central Valley agriculture in regular segments called "Ag Watch." He also hosts "Valley Grown," a 30-minute agriculture-focused special that runs quarterly, and a weekly "Dine and Dish" segment about local restaurants. Yurong spoke with California Bountiful Magazine, which is published by California Farm Bureau, about covering

food and farming in the Central Valley.

### California Bountiful TV Explores the Flavors of the State's Agriculture

In its latest episode, California Bountiful TV explores agricultural and culinary landmarks across the state. Host Aubrey Aquino visits a mandarin farm in Placer County, a citrus fruit upcycling facility in Tulare County and the Mezzetta food processing company's headquarters in Napa County. Aquino also enjoys tuna pizza and salmon from Morimoto restaurant in Napa. The show is produced by California Farm Bureau.

### ICYMI: State to Revisit Ban on Driverless Tractors

During the past half-century, the emergence of new agricultural technology such as aerial drones, autonomous tractors and other equipment has changed the way crops around the world are planted, cared for and harvested. But in California, a regulation from the state's Division of Occupational Safety and Health, or Cal/OSHA, dating to 1977, has prohibited the use of autonomous agricultural equipment without a driver at the helm. After years of advocacy from farm groups, the agency's standards board has empaneled an advisory committee to examine the regulation, signaling it may consider revising it. ★

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**Date/Time:** Tuesdays, March 4, 11, 18, & 25, 2025; 9:00am – 11:00am  
**Cost/Location:** Free; 1566 Huntoon St., Oroville

### Effectively Using Your QuickBooks System to Manage Your Business (Colusa)

QuickBooks is an effective accounting system when used to financially manage your business. To ensure success, you must understand how to effectively enter, use, and run reports. This 2-hour intensive workshop will show you how the QuickBooks system can go from just a recording system for taxes to a management tool to help direct and monitor your business to meet your goals. Training includes: the review process to ensure data is entered correctly, monthly accuracy check and key issues, exporting and comparing your reports to budgets and forecasts, and additional resources you can tap into if/when you get stuck.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, March 6, 2025; 9:00am – 11:00am  
**Cost/Location:** Free; 425 Webster St., Colusa

### Financial Management Series for Existing Businesses (Chico)

This 4-weeks, 2 hours per week series is designed to teach you how to utilize your financial statements to better manage and understand your business operations, cash flow, and profitability. Focus includes: Interpreting and understanding your financial statements (Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet) hands-on exercise and case study; Identifying cash flow cycle and how it impacts your business; Learning how to calculate and use financial ratios to troubleshoot fiscal dangers, and analyzing trends to improve business performance; Using financial tools to make good business decisions for effective spending and break-even analysis; Knowing how to think critically when looking at pricing and costs; and Developing forecasts and budgetary tools and techniques to improve profit.

**Date/Time:** Fridays, March 7, 14, 21, & 28, 2025; 8:30am – 10:30am  
**Cost/Location:** Free; Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

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**Date/Time:** Thursday, March 20, 2025; 9:00am – 5:00pm  
**Cost:** \$120 per person (includes book); \$80 per person (book not included)  
**Location:** Butte College SBDC, 2480 Notre Dame Blvd., Chico

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1458 Gilstrap Avenue, Gridley,  
CA 95948  
Maria Ursula Quist, 1458 Gilstrap  
Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948  
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PRESTIGE 2-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000049  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Brimstone  
Landscaping, 12565 Rim Road,  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Jeremiah E Daniel, PO Box  
4163, Oroville, CA 95965  
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BRIMSTONE 2-28-25

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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000074  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Pam's Sweet  
Mountain Bakery, 13768 Sugar  
Pine Drive, Magalia, CA 95956  
Pamela Suzzan Muckenthaler,  
PO Box 1162, Paradise, CA  
95967  
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SWEET 2-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000046  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: The Fun  
Fishery, 1700 Feather River  
Boulevard, Oroville, CA 95965  
Ka Thao, 3141 Claremont  
Drive, Oroville, CA 95965  
Date filed in Butte County:  
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FUN 2-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000055  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Elite Trash Can  
Cleaning Inc, 710 Luds Way,  
Oroville, CA 95965  
Elite Trash Can Cleaning Inc,  
710 Luds Way, Oroville, CA  
95965  
Date filed in Butte County:  
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ELITE 2-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000082  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Paradise Hair  
Company, 5923 Clark Road,  
Suite J, Paradise, CA 95969  
Sarah M Bates, 6649 Callitris  
Court, Magalia, CA 95954  
Date filed in Butte County:  
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PARADISE 2-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000108  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: CindysBohoWest,  
807 Gilstrap Avenue, Gridley,  
CA 95948  
Cindy Stowe, 807 Gilstrap  
Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948  
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BOHO 3-7-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000062  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Annikasage.  
Beauty, 568 Manzanita Avenue,  
Suite #3, Chico, CA 95926  
Annika S Powell, 1285 Filbert  
Avenue, Chico, CA 95926  
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ANNIKA 3-7-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000103  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Nicks Custom  
Golf Cars, 2990 Esplanade,  
Chico, CA 95973  
S and S Investment Club, 5340  
Gateway Plaza Drive, Benicia,  
CA 94510  
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NICKS 3-14-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000107  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Mirrorcraft,  
2610 Highway 32, Unit J, Chico,  
CA 95973  
Robret B Orear, 2610 Highway  
32, Unit J, Chico, CA 95973  
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MIRROR 3-14-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000065  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Timely  
Expressions, 6350 Lower  
Wyandotte Road, Oroville, CA  
95966  
Timothy J Byler and Ida M Byler,  
6350 Lower Wyandotte Road,  
Oroville, CA 95966  
Date filed in Butte County:  
January 23, 2025. The  
Registrant commenced to trans-  
act business under the above  
business name on: N/A  
This Business is conducted by:  
A Married Couple. NOTICE: This  
fictitious name statement expires  
five years from the date it was  
filed in the office of the County  
Clerk. A new fictitious business  
statement must be filed before  
that time. The filing of this state-  
ment does not of itself authorize  
the use in this state of a fic-  
titious business name in violation  
of the rights of another under

the rights of another under

federal, state, or common law  
(see Section 14400, ET SEQ.,  
Business and Professions Code.  
Publish: Feb 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2025  
TIMELY 3-14-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000144  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Fabians Auto  
Repair, 570 East Gridley Road,  
Gridley, CA 95948  
Fabian Auto Repair, 277 Nevada  
Street, Gridley, CA 95948  
Date filed in Butte County:  
February 18, 2025. The  
Registrant commenced to trans-  
act business under the above  
business name on: February 14,  
2025  
This Business is conducted by:  
Corporation. NOTICE: This fic-  
titious name statement expires  
five years from the date it was  
filed in the office of the County  
Clerk. A new fictitious business  
statement must be filed before  
that time. The filing of this state-  
ment does not of itself authorize  
the use in this state of a fic-  
titious business name in violation  
of the rights of another under  
federal, state, or common law  
(see Section 14400, ET SEQ.,  
Business and Professions Code.  
Publish: Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2025  
FABIAN 3-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME  
STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000098  
The following person(s) are  
doing business as: Broadway Skin  
Studio, 242 Broadway Street,  
Suite 12, Chico, CA 95928  
Macey Glyn Hart, 242 Broadway  
Street, Suite 12, Chico, CA  
95928  
Date filed in Butte County:  
February 3, 2025. The Registrant  
commenced to transact busi-  
ness under the above business  
name on: N/A  
This Business is conducted by:  
An Individual. NOTICE: This fic-  
titious name statement expires  
five years from the date it was  
filed in the office of the County  
Clerk. A new fictitious business  
statement must be filed before  
that time. The filing of this state-  
ment does not of itself authorize  
the use in this state of a fic-  
titious business name in violation  
of the rights of another under  
federal, state, or common law  
(see Section 14400, ET SEQ.,  
Business and Professions Code.  
Publish: Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2025  
STUDIO 3-21-25

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE  
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #25CV00240  
Petitioner Anthony Paul Franco  
filed a petition with this court for  
a decree changing names as  
follows: Anthony Paul Franco to  
Anthony Paul Murphy.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing March 19, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on January 28, 2025  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: February 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025  
ANTHONY 2-28-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #24-CV04510  
Petitioner Tova Jones filed a  
petition with this court for a de-  
cree changing names as follows:  
ABlessing Cavell Boissiere-  
Jones to ABlessing D'Foreign  
Donald Jones.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing March 5, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department TBA, Room TBA, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on January 21, 2025  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: February 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025  
ANTHONY 2-28-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #24CV03266  
Petitioner Sharon Bridgett  
Cooper filed a petition with  
this court for a decree chang-  
ing names as follows: Sharon  
Bridgett Cooper to Sharon  
Bridgett Wagner.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing March 26, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department 01, Room TBA, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on January 22, 2025  
Tamara L. Mosbarger, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: Feb 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2025  
SHARON 3-7-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #25CV00316  
Petitioner Whitney Ann Wolff  
filed a petition with this court  
for a decree changing names  
as follows: Whitney Ann  
Wolff to Whitney Wolff Park.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing March 19, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department 6, Room TBA, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on February 3, 2025  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: Feb 14, 21, 28, March 7, 2025  
WOLFF 3-7-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #25CV00336  
Petitioner Nino Pinocchio filed  
a petition with this court for a de-  
cree changing names as follows:  
Anthony James Pinocchio III to  
Nino Anthony James Pinocchio  
III.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing April 2, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department 6, Room TBD, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on February 4, 2025  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: Feb 21, 28, March 7, 14, 2025  
NINO 3-14-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF BUTTE  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE  
OF NAME  
CASE #25CV00523  
Petitioner Stephanie Martindale  
filed a petition with this court for  
a decree changing names as  
follows: Hunter Grace Farley to  
Adalynn Grace Martindale.  
THE COURT ORDERS that all per-  
sons interested in this matter shall  
appear before this court at the hearing  
indicated below to show cause, if any,  
why the petition for change of name  
should not be granted. Any person ob-  
jecting to the name changes described  
above must file written objection that  
includes the reasons for the objection at  
least two court days before the matter is  
scheduled to be heard and must appear  
at the hearing April 16, 2025, 9:00 a.m.  
Department TBA, Room TBA, Superior  
Court of California, County of Butte,  
North County Courthouse 1775 Concord  
Avenue Chico, CA 95928  
Filed on February 20, 2025  
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the  
Superior Court  
Publish: Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2025  
MARTINDALE 3-21-25

SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)  
CASE NUMBER: 24CV00225  
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:  
Michelle Parkinson, an individ-  
ual; and Does 1 through 10, inclu-  
sive  
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY  
PLAINTIFF: Elite Acceptance  
Corporation, a California corpo-  
ration.  
NOTICE! You have been sued.  
The court may decide against you  
without your being heard un-  
less you respond within 30 days.  
Read the information below.  
You have 30 CALENDAR  
DAYS after this summons and  
legal papers are served on you  
to file a written response at this  
court and have a copy served on  
the plaintiff. A letter or phone call  
will not protect you. Your written  
response must be in proper legal  
form if you want the court to hear  
your case. There may be a court  
form that you can use for your re-  
sponse. You can find these court  
forms and more information at  
the California Courts Online Self-  
Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), your county law  
library, or the courthouse nearest  
you. If you cannot pay the filing  
fee, ask the court clerk for a fee  
waiver form. If you do not file  
your response on time, you may  
lose the case by default, and  
your wages, money, and prop-  
erty may be taken without further  
warning from the court.  
There are other legal require-  
ments. You may want to call an  
attorney right away. If you do not  
know an attorney, you may want  
to call an attorney referral ser-  
vice. If you cannot afford an attor-  
ney, you may be eligible for free  
legal services from a nonprofit  
legal services program. You can  
locate these nonprofit groups at  
the California Legal Services  
Web site ([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), the California Courts Online  
Self-Help Center ([www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp](http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp)), or by contacting  
your local court or county bar as-  
sociation. NOTE: The court has  
a statutory lien for waived fees  
and costs on any settlement or  
arbitration award of \$10,000 or  
more in a civil case. The court's  
lien must be paid before the court  
will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo  
han demandado. Si no responde  
dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede  
decidir en su contra sin escuchar  
su version. Lea la informacion a  
continuacion.  
Tiene 30 DIAS DE  
CALENDARIO despues de que le  
entreguen esta citacion y pa-

peles legales para presentar una  
respuesta por escrito en esta  
corte y hacer que se entregue  
una copia al demandante. Una  
carta o una llamada telefonica  
no lo protegen. Su respuesta por  
escrito tiene que estar en forma-  
to legal correcto si desea que  
procesen su caso en la corte. Es  
posible que haya un formulario  
que usted pueda usar para su re-  
suesta. Puede encontrar estos  
formularios de la corte y mas in-  
formacion en el Centro de Ayuda  
de las Cortes de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)) en la biblioteca  
de leyes de su condado o en la  
corte que le quede mas cerca. Si  
no puede pagar la cuota de pre-  
sentacion, pida al secretario de  
la corte que le de un formulario  
de exencion de pago de cuotas.  
Si no presenta su respuesta a  
tiempo, puede perder el caso  
por incumplimiento y la corte le  
podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y  
bienes sin mas advertencia.  
Hay otros requisitos legales.  
Es recomendable que llame a  
un abogado inmediatamente. Si  
no conoce a un abogado, puede  
llamar a un servicio de remision  
a abogados. Si no puede pagar  
a un abogado, es posible que  
cumpla con los requisitos para  
obtener servicios legales gra-  
tuitos de un programa de ser-  
vicios legales sin fines de lucro.  
Puede encontrar estos grupos  
sin fines de lucro en el sitio web  
de California Legal Services  
([www.lawhelpcalifornia.org](http://www.lawhelpcalifornia.org)), en  
el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes  
de California ([www.sucorte.ca.gov](http://www.sucorte.ca.gov)), o poniéndose en con-  
tacto con la corte o el colegio de  
abogados locales. AVISO: Por  
ley, la corte tiene derecho a recla-  
mar las cuotas y los costos exen-  
tos por imponer un gravamen  
sobre cualquier recuperacion de  
\$10,000 o mas de valor recibida  
mediante un acuerdo o una con-  
cesion de arbitraje en un caso de  
derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el  
gravamen de la corte antes de  
que la corte pueda desechar el  
caso.  
The name and address of  
the court is: (El nombre y direc-  
cion de la corte es): Superior  
Court County of Butte, North  
Butte County Courthouse, 1775  
Concord Avenue, Chico, Ca  
95928  
The name, address and tele-  
phone number of plaintiff's at-  
torney is: (El nombre, la di-  
reccion y el numero de telefono  
del abogado del demandante,  
o del demandante que no tiene  
abogado, es): Alexis A. Jugan,  
Esq., Madison Law, APC, 17702  
Mitchell North, Irvine, CA 92614;  
949-756-9050.  
Date: (Fecha) 1/19/2024  
Clerk (Secretario) Sharif  
Elmallah, Deputy (Adjunto)  
January Feb 28, March 7, 14, 21, 2025  
PARKINSON 3-21-25


TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No.: 2024-01204-CA-REV  
A.P.N.: 001-055-008-000  
Property Address: 420 C  
STREET, BIGGS, CA 95917  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S  
SALEPURSUANT TO  
CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a)  
and (d), THE SUMMARY  
OF INFORMATION  
REFERRED TO BELOW IS  
NOT ATTACHED TO THE  
RECORDED COPY OF THIS  
DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO  
THE COPIES PROVIDED  
TO THE TRUSTOR.  
IMPORTANT NOTICE TO  
PROPERTY OWNER: YOU  
ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER  
A DEED OF TRUST DATED  
05/22/2006. UNLESS YOU  
TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT  
YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY  
BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC  
SALE. IF YOU NEED  
AN EXPLANATION OF  
THE NATURE OF THE  
PROCEEDING AGAINST  
YOU, YOU SHOULD  
CONTACT A LAWYER.  
Trustor: JERI M CUMMINGS,  
A UNMARRIED WOMAN  
Appointed Trustee: Western  
Progressive, LLC  
Deed of Trust Recorded 05/30/2006  
as Instrument No. 2006-  
0027462 in book ---, page--  
and of Official Records in  
the office of the Recorder of  
Butte County, California, Date  
of Sale: 03/10/2025 at 03:30  
PM  
Place of Sale: ON THE  
STEPS OF THE COUNTY  
COURTHOUSE NUMBER 1  
COURT STREET, OROVILLE,  
CA 95965  
Estimated amount of  
unpaid balance, reasonably  
estimated costs and other  
charges: \$ 261,448.30  
THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT  
PUBLIC AUCTION TO  
HIGHEST BIDDER FOR  
CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK  
DRAWN ON A STATE OR  
NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK  
DRAWN BY A STATE  
OR FEDERAL CREDIT  
UNION, OR A CHECK  
DRAWN BY A STATE OR  
FEDERAL SAVINGS AND  
LOAN ASSOCIATION, A  
SAVINGS ASSOCIATION  
OR SAVINGS BANK  
SPECIFIED IN SECTION  
5102 OF THE FINANCIAL  
CODE AND AUTHORIZED  
TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS  
STATE: All right, title, and  
interest conveyed to and now  
held by the trustee in the  
hereinafter described property  
under and pursuant to a Deed  
of Trust described as:  
More fully described in said  
Deed of Trust. Street Address  
or other common designation of  
real property: 420 C STREET,  
BIGGS, CA 95917  
A.P.N.: 001-  
055-008-000  
The undersigned  
Trustee disclaims any liability  
for any incorrectness of  
the street address or other  
common designation, if any,  
shown above. The sale will be  
made, but without covenant  
or warranty, expressed

or implied, regarding title,  
possession, or encumbrances,  
to pay the remaining principal  
sum of the note(s) secured  
by the Deed of Trust with  
interest thereon, as provided  
in said note(s), advances,  
under the terms of said Deed  
of Trust, fees, charges and  
expenses of the Trustee and  
of the trusts created by  
said Deed of Trust. The total  
amount of the unpaid balance  
of the obligation secured by  
the property to be sold and  
reasonable estimated costs,  
expenses and advances at the  
time of the initial publication  
of the Notice of Sale is: \$  
261,448.30. Note: Because the  
Beneficiary reserves the right  
to bid less than the total debt  
owed, it is possible that at the  
time of the sale the opening  
bid may be less than the total  
debt. If the Trustee is unable to  
convey title for any reason, the  
successful bidder's sole and  
exclusive remedy shall be the  
return of monies paid to the  
Trustee, and the successful  
bidder shall have no further  
recourse. The beneficiary  
of the Deed of Trust has  
executed and delivered to the  
undersigned a written request  
to commence foreclosure,  
and the undersigned caused  
a Notice of Default and  
Election to Sell to be recorded  
in the county where the real  
property is located. NOTICE  
TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If  
you are considering bidding on  
this property lien, you should  
understand that there are risks  
involved in bidding at a trustee  
auction. You will be bidding  
on a lien, not on the property  
itself. Placing the highest bid  
at a trustee auction does not  
automatically entitle you to  
free and clear ownership of  
the property. You should also  
be aware that the lien being  
auctioned off may be a junior  
lien. If you are the highest  
bidder at the auction, you are  
or may be responsible for  
paying off all liens senior to  
the lien being auctioned off,  
before you can receive clear  
title to the property. You are  
encouraged to investigate  
the existence, priority, and  
size of outstanding liens that  
may exist on this property  
by contacting the county  
recorder's office or a title  
insurance company, either of  
which may charge you a fee for  
this information. If you consult  
either of these resources,  
you should be aware that the  
same lender may hold more  
than one mortgage or deed of  
trust on this property. NOTICE  
TO PROPERTY OWNER: The  
sale date shown on this  
notice of sale may be  
postponed one or more times  
by the mortgagee, beneficiary,  
trustee, or a court, pursuant to  
Section 2924g of the California  
Civil Code. The law requires  
that information about trustee  
sale postponements be made  
available to you and to the  
public, as a courtesy to those  
not present at the sale. If you  
wish to learn whether your sale  
date has been postponed, and,  
if applicable, the rescheduled  
time and date for the sale of  
this property, you may call  
(866)-960-8299 or visit this  
Internet Web site <https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx>  
using the file number assigned  
to this case 2024-01204-CA-  
REV. Information about  
postponements that are very  
short in duration or that occur  
close in time to the scheduled  
sale may not immediately  
be reflected in the telephone  
information or on the Internet  
Web site. The best way to  
verify postponement  
information is to attend the  
scheduled sale. NOTICE TO  
TENANT: You may have a  
right to purchase this property  
after the trustee auction, if  
conducted after January 1,  
2021, pursuant to Section  
2924m of the California Civil  
Code. If you are an "eligible  
tenant buyer," you can  
purchase the property if you  
match the last and highest bid  
placed at the trustee auction.  
If you are an "eligible bidder,"  
you may be able to purchase  
the property if you exceed the  
last and highest bid placed  
at the trustee auction. There  
are three steps to exercising  
this right of purchase. First,  
48 hours after the date of the  
trustee sale, you can call  
(855)-976-3916, or visit this  
internet website <https://tracker.auction.com/sb1079>,  
using the file number assigned to  
this case 2024-01204-CA-  
REV to find the date on which  
the trustee's sale was held,  
the amount of the last and  
highest bid, and the address  
of the trustee. Second, you  
must send a written notice of  
intent to place a bid so that  
the trustee receives it no more  
than 15 days after the trustee's  
sale. Third, you must submit a  
bid, by remitting the funds and  
affidavit described in Section  
2924m(c) of the Civil Code,  
so that the trustee receives it  
no more than 45 days after  
the trustee's sale. If you think  
you may qualify as an "eligible  
tenant buyer" or "eligible  
bidder," you should consider  
contacting an attorney or  
appropriate real estate  
professional immediately for  
advice regarding this potential  
right to purchase. Western  
Progressive, LLC, as Trustee  
for beneficiary C/o 1500 Palma  
Drive, Suite 238 Ventura, CA  
93003  
Sale Information Line:  
(866) 960-8299  
<https://www.altisource.com/loginpage.aspx>  
Trustee Sale Assistant Date:  
February 7, 2025  
\*\*This address must be used  
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## TRUSTEE SALE

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GRIDLEY HERALD 2-28-25

TS No: CA07001041-24-1  
APN: 110-420-003-000 FKA 110-420-003 TO No: 3259035  
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED September 21, 2020. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On March 25, 2025 at 11:00 AM, at the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on October 5, 2020 as Instrument No. 2020-0006126, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Plumas County, California, executed by GORDON O. BACK, JR. SURVIVING SPOUSE, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for AMERICAN ADVISORS GROUP as

Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 554 CRESCENT ST, GREENVILLE, CA 95947 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$33,829.74 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a

state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office

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of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: January 21, 2025 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA07001041-24-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 By: Loan Quema, Authorized Signatory  
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## CITY OF BIGGS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Biggs will hold a public hearing on **Tuesday, March 11, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.** in the City of Biggs City Council Chambers, 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs, CA 95917, at which time and place interested persons may either attend and be heard thereon or submit in writing comments prior to the conclusion of the hearing.

The proposed action for which a public hearing will be conducted is as follows:

**General Plan Amendment 2025-01 (City of Biggs)** – A General Plan text amendment is proposed by the City of Biggs to incorporate the 2024 Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) into the Public Health and Safety Element of the Biggs General Plan in compliance with current state law. The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed General Plan text amendments would have a significant effect on the environment.

As a courtesy to the public, the meeting will be broadcast free via the internet - no comments will be allowed remotely. The zoom link to watch the meeting is <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5308680100>.

Public comments on agenda items are welcomed and encouraged in advance and will be accepted until 4 p.m. on March 11, 2025, by emailing the City Clerk at [cityclerk@biggs-ca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@biggs-ca.gov) or via the drop box at 465 C Street. Comments will be conveyed to the Council for consideration.

If any person(s) challenges the action of the City on the above-described project in court, said person(s) may be limited to raising only those issues that were raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written comments delivered to the City of Biggs, 465 C Street, either at the public hearing or prior to the public hearing.

If you have any questions, comments, or wish to review the project file, please contact Roben Benish, City Clerk, Biggs City Hall, 465 C Street, Biggs, CA 95917, (530) 868-5493, or email comments to planning staff at: [Planning@Biggs-ca.gov](mailto:Planning@Biggs-ca.gov).

Gridley Herald, publish by Friday February 28, 2025  
Roben Benish, City Clerk, City of Biggs

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## CITY OF GRIDLEY SEEKING APPLICANTS FOR PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

The City of Gridley is currently accepting applications to fill a vacant seat on the Gridley Planning Commission. The City invites interested residents to submit a Letter of Interest for consideration.

The Planning Commission plays a vital role in shaping the future of Gridley by reviewing land use proposals, zoning regulations, and development plans to ensure responsible growth and adherence to the City's General Plan. Commissioners serve as an advisory body to the City Council, helping to guide decisions that impact the community's long-term development.

Residents who are passionate about community planning, land use, and responsible development are encouraged to apply. Applicants must reside within the City of Gridley and be available to attend regular Planning Commission meetings. The appointed commissioner will serve a term ending on January 1, 2028.

Letters of Interest should include the applicant's name, address, contact information, and a brief statement outlining their qualifications and reasons for wanting to serve on the Planning Commission.

Deadline for Submission: Letters of Interest must be submitted by March 21, 2025 to the City Clerk's Office.

Submission Information:  
Carmen Santana, City Clerk Office  
City of Gridley  
685 Kentucky St.  
Gridley, CA 95948

For more information, please contact the City Clerk's Office at [csantana@gridley.ca.us](mailto:csantana@gridley.ca.us)

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BUTTE COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP TPM24-0005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Butte County Zoning Administrator will hold a public hearing at 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA., on **March 26, 2024, at 10:00 am.** Public comments will be accepted in-person at the meeting or may be submitted prior to the meeting. Use the following information to remotely view the Zoning Administrator meeting. (Pursuant to recent changes to the Brown Act Teleconferencing Rules, no online public comments will be taken):

Link: [https://bccdds.net/DS\\_ZA](https://bccdds.net/DS_ZA)

Event Password: Zoning

Phone number: United States Toll-Free: 1-408 418-9388

Event (Meeting) Number: 2556 943 7030

**Project Description:** The project consists of subdividing a 5.67-acre property located in the VLDR zone into two parcels. Parcels 1 & 2 would be 3.59 acres and 2.08 acres respectively. The parcel is currently developed with a residence and two accessory structures. No development on Parcels 1 or 2 is proposed as a part of this application; however, future single-family development consistent with the VLDR zoning designation is anticipated. Water and wastewater disposal would be provided via individual on-site well & septic systems. Each parcel would obtain access through their respective driveways through Macedo Rd.

The project site is located on the privately maintained portion of Macedo Rd in unincorporated Butte County, 2000ft west of the City of Gridley. APN: 009-340-168.

Butte County is recommending that this project be found exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061 (Common Sense Exemption) of the CEQA Guidelines.

The application is on file and available for public review at the office of Butte County Department of Development Services, Planning Division, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965.

Comments regarding the application may be submitted in writing at any time prior to the hearing or orally at the scheduled hearing listed above or as may be continued to a later date. If you challenge the above application in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Administrator at, or prior to, the public hearing.

For information or to submit comments, please contact Assistant Planner Tristan White, Butte County Department of Development Services, 7 County Center Drive, Oroville, CA 95965. Phone: 530. 552.3687 or email: [twwhite@buttecounty.net](mailto:twwhite@buttecounty.net).

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the hearing, please contact us at 530.552.3662. Notification at least 72 hours prior to the hearing will enable staff to make reasonable arrangements.

BUTTE COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

PAULA M. DANELUK, AICP, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



The stretch drive has begun in earnest and the new version of the Sacramento Kings is front and center. Take a long look, because what you see assembled is largely what you'll see for the remainder of the season.

The question on the minds of every fan is whether we are better or worse after the consummation of the DeAaron Fox trade.

Many fans and pundits have focused on DeAaron's attributes as a scorer and distributor, but many never gave him credit for being the defender that he is. Already the Kings are having difficulty replacing Fox on the offensive end, and turnovers are markedly up since his departure.

This is partly due to players taking on new roles, and Malik Monk has struggled to some degree moving from his natural position as a 2-guard to running the point. Part of the problem is the increased energy it takes to be the primary ball handler and distributor on offense. Malik is capable of running the point, but with the addition of Markelle Fultz, and rookie Devin Carter coming off the bench, it may be possible for Malik to assume his natural place as the 2-guard.

Without question Fultz is a mystery, but a fully healthy Markelle Fultz may surprise Kings fans, and perhaps make people remember that he was the overall No.1 pick in the 2017 draft. Yes, the very same draft in which the Sacramento Kings drafted DeAaron Fox in the fifth spot.

No one wants to hear that this new assembly needs time to gel, but in reality, it will take several games before coach Christie will have a better understanding of his new talent.

So, with less than 30 games to go, and every game becoming more and more meaningful, what are the keys to Kings making the playoffs this year.

No. 1, know the talent on your team. Sounds simple, but are the right players coming off the bench every game?

Newcomer Jake LaRavia has been eating up minutes but has had little to show. In the game against the Warriors LaRavia clocked 16 minutes and scored

0 points and 0 assists. That simply can't happen. At 6'7" Jake is another tweener, and what the Kings need is someone to compliment Domantas Sabonis with post defense and rebounding help.

Sitting idly on the bench is 6'9" Isaac Jones, who at 245 pounds has a wing span of 7'3". Just in his rookie season, the Kings have yet to fully see what Jones can bring to the table. When sent to G-league he played like a man among boys, but coach Christie has been reluctant to give this big man any meaningful minutes.

This writer would much rather see an athletic Isaac Jones logging minutes than Jake LaRavia, who is largely just taking up space.

It's time to stop experimenting and stick with a rotation that can produce on both ends of the floor.

Although it's early, I believe newcomer Markelle Fultz can run the point and allow Malik to fill the 2-guard spot where he's more comfortable.

The 2nd key to making the playoffs is that individual players need to step up and play the way they can play. We have yet to see the best of Zach LaVine, and not to be left out, Keegan Murray simply needs to shoot the ball better. We know he's capable, but his lack of consistent offense leaves us wondering what's wrong. Murray needs to look for his shot and not fear shooting it.

Monday night's game against the Charlotte Hornets will give fans a better barometer as to where the Kings are, but without a doubt, LaVine and Murray are key players that can make an appreciable difference, and I want to see both of these players step up and make a statement.

Keep your eye on bench rotations, and especially who is bringing the ball downcourt. I'm a huge fan of Malik Monk, but I want to see him used where he benefits the team the most.

Stay tuned Kings fans. A lot can happen in a ten-game stretch, so let's see where we are after the next 10 games.

All the best!  
*Your thoughts are always welcome at*  
*vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com.* ★

# Social Security Matters

## Can I Get Extra Social Security for my Military Service?



By Russell Gloor,  
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** Please help. I served from 1964 to 1966 in the US Army. I have been trying to contact Social Security in order to request extra benefits for veterans. The telephone is a recording, and you never get to speak to anyone. The web site at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov) is useless to me. I went to the SS office and there was a huge line outdoors in the freezing cold. I am disabled and cannot stand on a line in this cold. Please advise me about my options. Financially, is it worth the trouble? **Signed: Disabled American Veteran**

**Dear Disabled Veteran:** My profound thanks for your service to our country. FYI, the "special extra credit for military service" you refer to does not provide an incremental Social Security benefit amount for military veterans. Rather, it adds an additional amount to your recording earnings for the years you served, which may - or may not - affect your Social Security benefit. FYI, I've written numerous articles on this topic, one of which you can read at this link: [www.socialsecurityreport.org/ask-rusty-older-veteran-asks-about-special-social-security-credit-for-military-service/](http://www.socialsecurityreport.org/ask-rusty-older-veteran-asks-about-special-social-security-credit-for-military-service/).

In your case (serving between 1964 and 1966), if you told Social Security of

your military service when you applied for benefits (or gave them a copy of your DD-214), they would have added up to \$1,200 per year to your recorded military pay record (FYI, those who served after 1967 were automatically given earnings credit for their military service years). However, whether those special extra credits would affect your SS benefit depends on what your lifetime earnings record was when you later claimed SS. When you applied for benefits, Social Security reviewed your lifetime earnings record and used the highest earning 35 years of earnings over your lifetime (adjusted for inflation) to calculate your "Primary Insurance Amount" (or "PIA," which is what you get if you claim benefits to start at your SS full retirement age. If, after your military service, you had 35 or more years of earnings which were higher than what you earned while serving, Social Security would have used those later higher earnings to calculate your benefit, and your military earnings wouldn't affect your benefit. If, however, any of your military earnings (including the "special extra credits") were among the highest over your lifetime, then those higher military earnings would be included when calculating your benefit.

So, whether you will benefit from these "special extra credits for military service" depends largely on your post-service earnings history. If your military earnings were among the highest earning years over your lifetime, and you provided SSA with a copy of your DD-214 when you applied for Social Security, then your current SS

benefit already includes consideration of your military service. Social Security should have asked about your military service when you applied. If you didn't advise SS of your military service when you applied for Social Security, or if you aren't sure, you should contact the SSA at 1.800.772.1213 and ask if you were given those "special extra credits for military service" when you applied. However, if you had at least 35 years of higher earnings after you left military service, your current SS benefit is already based on those later higher earning years, and you will not get anything additional from those "special extra credits" for your military service years.

FYI, we know it is often difficult to contact the Social Security Administration by phone, as well as trying to visit SSA offices without an appointment (which is why our AMAC Foundation provides this free service). SSA is now allowing in-person visits "by appointment only" and you can call the above number to schedule an in-person appointment at your local SSA office. But before you do, please consider what I've said above. And remember that your SS benefit is based on the highest earning 35 years over your entire lifetime and each year represents only 1/35th of your benefit amount. So, is it worth the trouble? That depends on whether your military earnings, including the "special extra credits for military service," are among the highest over your entire lifetime. If the answer is "yes" then it is likely worth it; if "no" then perhaps not.

*This article is intended for information purposes only and does not represent legal or financial guidance.* ★

# Los Angeles Wildfires Intensify Political Jousting Over Home Insurance Premiums



By Dan Walters,  
CALMatters.org

The timing could not have been better — or worse.

The horrendously destructive and deadly Los Angeles wildfires erupted in January just as Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara's historic and very controversial overhaul of how insurers calculate premiums was taking effect.

On one hand, the disaster drove home the insurance industry's contention that California's propensity for such catastrophes creates immense potential losses that cannot be profitably insured without changes in the rate-making system.

However as fire victims inundated insurers with claims, Lara faced pressure to crack down on companies that minimized or delayed settlement payments. Meanwhile, his critics accuse him of being too cozy with the industry he regulates, as a Los Angeles Times article detailed this week.

It is, to put it mildly, a yeasty situation.

Lara, a former state legislator who was elected as insurance commissioner in 2018, began drafting his new regulatory plan in response to decisions by major insurers to cut back on policies in California — or even leave the state altogether — because of seemingly endless waves of destructive wildfires.

They contended that California's long-standing system for calculating premiums, basing them on past experiences, was inadequate. They wanted to include estimates of future exposure, and the costs of obtaining reinsurance to ease their losses, in the process.

Lara incorporated those changes in his plan, but only if insurers were more willing to write policies in fire-prone regions.

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

It drew sharp criticism from Consumer Watchdog, the Southern California organization that wrote the 1988 ballot measure making the insurance commissioner's position elective and increasing regulatory powers. The group had been sniping at Lara ever since his election, accusing him of taking campaign money from insurers and not aggressively overseeing their operations.

The group had benefited handsomely from "intervenor fees" in rate-making cases awarded by previous commissioners. Lara has been less generous, although the organization got \$643,530 in 2024, 100% of the year's awards.

The Los Angeles fires have forced Lara to juggle his long-term efforts to stabilize the insurance market with immediate responses to issues

arising from the disaster.

Lara authorized insurers to impose assessments on their policyholders to shore up the shaky finances of California's FAIR plan, a last-ditch system that covers property owners unable to get coverage from the regular market that has seen a huge increase in applications.

However, he refused to immediately approve a request by State Farm, California's largest insurer, for a 22% emergency rate hike, saying the company had to prove a need.

If nothing else, the Los Angeles fires underscored the absolutely vital role of a healthy insurance market — not only in protecting the investments that Californians have in their homes and businesses, but as a key component in buying and selling of real estate. Lenders simply will not issue mortgages for property that is uninsured.

The insurance commissioner must, of course, protect the interests of consumers, but one of those interests is a healthy insurance market, and a parallel duty is making insurance profitable enough to keep insurers willing to do business in California.

Whether Lara's rate-making overhaul will fulfill both of those imperatives remains uncertain. He at least deserves credit for trying to fix a dysfunctional system after the Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom bowed out and gave him the task.

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

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# Bulldogs Dominate in First Playoff Game

By Dillon Longmire

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - The Gridley Bulldog boys' basketball team put on a dominating show in their D4 Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation (NSCIF) Boys' Basketball playoff game against the Colusa RedHawks on Feb. 21.

The Bulldogs took control right from the opening tip as they displayed ferocity on defense and scored at will.

Throughout the entire game, the Bulldogs kept a tight grip on the RedHawks as they played tight, up-in-your-face defense and forced a plethora of turnovers and mistakes from the RedHawks. On offense, the Bulldogs scored with ease as they got to the basket consistently and had runouts leading to easy points.

After a lopsided score at halftime, the Bulldogs went on a 11-2 run to open the third quarter and made a mass substitution once the game was thoroughly in hand. In the end, the Bulldogs won with a final score of 63-31.

On Feb. 26, the Bulldogs hosted the West Valley Eagles, after press time, in a D4 NSCIF semifinal playoff matchup. ★



**Bulldog senior Luis Murillo (No. 3) laying the ball up against Colusa on Feb. 21.** Photo by Jennifer Corriea

# Bulldog Girls Season Ends

By Dillon Longmire

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - The Gridley Bulldog girls' basketball team traveled to Yreka to take on the Miners in their first 2025 D4 Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation (NSCIF) playoff game on Tuesday, Feb. 18.

The Bulldogs did not show fatigue from the long bus ride as they battled hard throughout the entire game. A back-and-forth balanced battle and the Bulldogs put up arguably their best fight of the season but it unfortunately was not enough to come out on top as the Bulldogs fell 60-53.

The Bulldogs ended the season with a 9-17 overall record and 5-5 in league. This was a step back from last season's success where they went 15-13 overall and 5-3 in league. With four of their players being seniors (Brook Marr, Reese Stevens, Alyssa Hubbard and Charity Archer), the Bulldogs will look to improve on this season with the juniors and sophomores from this season needing to step up.

Although this season might not have been what the players and coaches were hoping for, it is still important to celebrate the achievements of the team as they played hard every game. ★

# Gridley High School Wrestlers Place at Masters

By Arin Campos

**GRIDLEY, CA (MPG)** - Four Gridley High School student athletes stood on the podium at the Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation Masters Tournament over the weekend at Las Plumas High School. Their incredible talent and determination were showcased after qualifying at the Division 2 Wrestling Tournament held at Gridley High School on Feb.15.

In the girls' division, Gridley senior Guadalupe Tinoco clinched a spectacular third place at 132 pounds, while freshman sensation Malanya Ceballos also secured a third-place finish at 122 pounds. Sophomore Ava Campos put up an impressive fight, placing fifth at 125 pounds.

In the boys' division,



**Pictured from left Malanya Ceballos, Miguel Avina, Ava Campos and Guadalupe Tinoco.** Courtesy photo

sophomore Miguel Avina roared into the heavy-weight division, earning a hard-fought fourth place.

The Gridley High School wrestling coaches are pleased to witness the program's growth with a surge of talented wrestlers. The

remarkable achievements of these student athletes underscore the unwavering dedication and commitment of both the coaches and wrestlers, setting the stage for an exciting future for the Gridley High School wrestling team. ★

# Biggs Sets Scoring Season-High

By MaxPreps, Team Reports

**BIGGS, CA (MPG)** - It's D6 Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation (NSCIF) Basketball Tournament time, and the Biggs High School boys' basketball team had no trouble coming through when it counted. They managed an 89-85 win over the Los Molinos Bulldogs on Feb. 20. The Wolverines' offense stepped up their game, as that was the most points they've scored all season.

The Wolverines' win was the result of several impressive offensive performances. One of the most notable came from Brady Smith, who went 6-for-12 to rack up 23 points in addition to eight assists and six steals. That's the most steals Smith has posted since back in December of 2024. Skyler Long was another key player, dropping a double-double with 17 points and 17 boards.

Biggs has been performing well recently as they've won eight of their last 10 games. That's provided a nice bump to their 17-8 record this season. The wins came thanks in part to their offensive performance across that stretch, as they averaged 63.0 points over



**Biggs High School junior Hunter Seipert drives to the basket in the final minute of the Wolverines' playoff victory over Los Molinos on Feb. 20.** Photos by Yuba-Sutter High School Sports

those games. Los Molinos' loss ended a three-game streak of away wins and brought their season to an end.

The win over Los Molinos propelled the Wolverines into the second round of the 2025 D6 NSCIF Basketball Tournament and a home playoff game against Plumas Charter on Feb. 25. In the matchup against Plumas Charter, Biggs scored early and often, taking a 50-22 lead into

halftime. Plumas Charter put up an excellent fight outscoring the Wolverines in the second half, but it was not enough to overcome their halftime point deficit. The Wolverines won the playoff game 81-62.

The Wolverines are now set to play in the league championship game on March 1 against Redding Christian. The game is scheduled to be played at a neutral site, Shasta College and tipoff is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. ★

# Biggs Girls Advance to Semifinals

By MPG Staff

**BIGGS, CA (MPG)** - On Feb. 21, the Biggs High School girls' basketball team defeated Los Molinos 48-34 at home in the second round of the 2025 D6 Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation (NSCIF) Basketball Tournament. The victory sent the Wolverines into the tournament's semifinal round.

The Wolverines entered the tournament as the number one seed with an overall season record of 21 wins against five losses, and as such, had a bye in the first round.

The matchup against the No. 7 seeded Los Molinos Bulldogs on Feb. 21 was hard fought with Los Molinos outscoring the Wolverines 23-20 in the first half. The Wolverines' half-time adjustments were highly effective as the Wolverines came out firing in the second half and outscored Los Molinos by 11 points in the third quarter



**Biggs High School senior Josy Navarro takes a free throw in the Wolverines playoff victory over Los Molinos on Feb. 21.** Photo by Yuba Sutter High School Sports



**Biggs High School junior Emma Bermudez takes a jump shot against Los Molinos on Feb. 21.** Photo by Yuba Sutter High School Sports

and five points in the fourth quarter.

Next up for the Biggs High School girls' basketball team is a D6 NSCIF Basketball Tournament

semifinal matchup against Fall River High School. The semifinal matchup was scheduled at Biggs High on Feb. 26, after press time. ★

# Live Oak Girls Basketball Ousted from Playoffs



**Live Oak's Larysa Myers directs the offense in the Lions' first round playoff game against Pierce on Feb. 18.**

Story and photos by Jennifer Corriea

**ARBUCKLE, CA (MPG)** - Coming off its Valentine's Day victory over Corning in the regular season finale, the Live Oak girls' basketball team couldn't carry that momentum forward. As a result, the team fell 26-58 to No. 5 seeded Pierce High School in the first round of the Northern Section California Interscholastic Federation Division IV playoffs in a Feb. 18 game.

A squad of which half are underclassmen, the No. 12 seeded Lions put forth a spirited effort but simply lacked the experience of the Bears and as

a result saw their season come to an end.

Playing in her last game for the purple and gold, Sandra Janda scored a team-high eight points, while sophomore Rhyen Bidasha and freshman Meredith Bole dropped in seven apiece.

Live Oak finished the season as the sixth-place team in the Butte View League.

With the victory, the Pierce High School Bears moved on in the Northern Section CIF Division IV playoffs to face the West Valley High Eagles, in Cottonwood on Feb. 20. The Bears fell to the Eagles by a final score of 51-41, ending the Bear's season. ★



**Live Oak's Maneet Dosanja (2) and Jiya Rai (11) defend against Pierce's Magalli Jauregui in a NSCIF D4 playoff game played in Arbuckle on Feb. 18.**



**The Lions' Rhyen Bidasha drives past Pierce's Rylie Delepierre in No. 12 Live Oak's NSCIF D4 playoff loss to No. 5 Pierce.**