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The right field gate of Sutter Health Park and the city of West Sacramento will soon welcome big league fans.

Story and photos by Daniel Canfield

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On March 31, little Sutter Health Park in West Sacramento is going to come alive with Major League Baseball action.

That is the day when months of anticipation will be capped off by Major League Baseball's Athletics (formerly of Oakland) taking the field against the Chicago Cubs.

The opening pitch of the game against the Cubs, scheduled for 7:05 p.m., will mark the historic debut of Major League Baseball in the capital region.

Sacramento has previously been the home to copious amounts of championship caliber minor league baseball with the Sacramento Solons playing during several periods of the 20th century and the Sacramento River Cats calling Sutter Health Park home since their inaugural season in 2000.

A big-league team calling Sutter Health Park home, albeit on a temporary basis, is something that seemed like a far-fetched canard just a year ago to many residents. But as the relationship between the Athletics and their former host city soured, The A's moving to Sacramento started to *Continued on page 3*

Property Tax Delinquent if Not Paid by April 10

MARCH 28, 2025

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Tax Collector's Office reminds taxpayers who own property in Yolo County that the second installment of 2023-24 Secured Property Tax, was due Feb. 1 and will be considered delinquent if not paid by April 10.

To avoid a penalty, property taxes must be paid by April 10 deadline. A 10-percent penalty will be applied to late payments.

Envelopes must be postmarked no later than April 10 if taxes are paid by mail. It is suggested that payments be mailed a few days before the April 10 deadline to ensure that the envelope will have the proper postmark. The only acceptable postmark for deadline payments is a U.S. Postal Service postmark.

Taxpayers have the option of paying property taxes by credit card (plus a 2.34 percent convenience fee) or electronic check (no charge). These payments can be made online at YoloCounty.gov (select Pay Property Tax icon) or by phone at 877-590-0714. Payments made using either of these two systems must be completed before midnight April 10 to avoid penalties. Note that it may take three to five business days for banking institutions to confirm that electronic check payment was successful. To ensure timely processing, electronic check payments should be made at least five business days prior to due date. Current law does not relieve property owners of payment responsibility or the imposition of penalties because of failure to receive a tax bill. If you own property in Yolo County and did not receive a tax bill or would like more information concerning tax bills and payments, call 530-666-8625 or email TaxInfo@YoloCounty.gov as soon as possible. You can contact the Yolo County Tax Collector's office during business hours from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Continued on page 3

Council Approves Courtyard Village Bond Extension

By John McCallum

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Bond extensions, project approval and mid-budget cycle financial amendments were some of the items reviewed at the West Sacramento City Council's March 19 meeting.

By a 4-0 vote, council approved the reissuance of exempt facility bonds for the 294-unit affordable housing project known as Courtyard Village. The bonds \$10 million in bonds were originally issued in 2009 to "assist with the acquisition and rehabilitation" of the project.

The bonds originally matured on Dec. 16, 2024. According to the staff report, the bond purchaser, Umpqua Bank, has requested an extension of the maturity date by six months to June 16.

The bonds were originally issued by the California Statewide Communities Development



Courtyard apartments: The maturity period of bonds for the 294-unit affordable housing project Courtyard Village were extended by the West Sacramento City Council at its March 19 meeting.

Authority (CSCDA) and will continue to be the sole responsibility of Evergreen Circle Investors. Evergreen Circle Investors is the special purpose entity that owns and manages Courtyard Village.

"The city of West Sacramento will have no financial, legal, moral obligation, liability or responsibility for the project or the repayment of the bonds," West Sacramento Housing Manager Raul Huerta told the council.

California Statewide Communities Development Authority was created in 1988 under California's Joint Exercise of Powers Act "to provide California's local governments with an effective toll for the timely financing of community-based public benefit projects" and is sponsored by the California State Association of Counties and the League of California Cities.

According to the website Lowincomehousing.us, Courtyard Village offers apartments to individuals and families with moderate

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Community Calendar

March

Turner Library, located at 1212 Merkley Ave. has the following events this week:

Friday, March 28: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. and retro family movie, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, March 29: Russian story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are highly encouraged, call 530-392-4182 or toll-free 855-866-1783.

Tuesday, April 1: Hug-a-Bye baby, 11 a.m. to noon.

Wednesday, April 2: Wiggle Wednesday, 11:15 a.m. to noon, and English conversation group, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 3: Tell me a story – bilingual Spanish story time and Loteria, 11:15 a.m. to noon, and yoga at the library, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday, April 4: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday April 5: Russian story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are highly encouraged, call 530-392-4182 or toll-free 855-866-1783. Library teen advisory board, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Call 530.666.8005 for more information on any of these events.

Friday, March 28: Parents Night Out, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the West Sacramento Recreation Center, 2801 Jefferson Blvd. Have a date night, go out with friends, get in a workout, or relax at home. Leave your kids with us for a night of fun! Snacks and a light dinner are provided. Register online at westsacfun.activityreg. com/clientpage_t2.wcs or contact Recreation Coordinator Claudia Salcedo at claudias@cityofwestsacramento.org for more information.

Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29: Spring Open in downtown Winters. Visit Historic Downtown Winters to celebrate the start of the Spring season with a two-day event for the whole family. Friday, March 28: 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Live music and family fun downtown including an egg hunt and the Easter Bunny. Saturday, March 29: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Explore unique finds by artisanal makers, a golden egg scavenger hunt, the Easter Bunny, live music and food trucks. Information available at: discoverwinters.com/events-calendar/ spring-open

Saturday, March 29: West Sac Repair Café, 9 a.m. to noon, Holy Cross Parish, 1321 Anna St. Our volunteers repair your broken stuff for free. This month: small appliances, jewelry, bicycles, knife & garden tool sharpening. For more information, message the Repair Café at 916-245-0338.

April

Saturday, April 5: Thriftathon at Drake's: The Barn, noon to 4 p.m., 985 Riverfront St. This urban reclaim market is the ultimate thrift swap and a perfect chance to clear out your closet, discover unique pieces and connect with the community. Bring clean, gently used items to trade, swap for pieces you love. Any leftover items will be donated. For more information, see: events.drinkdrakes.com/ event/thriftathon/ Friday, April 4: "Flourish" art reception, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Gallery 1075 at the Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Ave. Join us for this group exhibition featuring art by Megan Fong, Hannah Houston, Uli Smith, Renee Lopez, Void Fox and Maricelia Dominguez. Enjoy amazing multimedia works, enjoy light refreshments, and converse with passionate creators. Exhibition will be on display throughout April, ending Wednesday, April 30. For more information, contact Gallery Curator Evan Harte at evanh@cityofwestsacramento.org or call 916-617-5150. Sunday, April 6: UC Davis Arboretum and Public Garden "split" plant sale, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. members only, and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. open to all. Not a member? Join at this link: arboretum.ucdavis.edu/membership then shop early and save! For more information, call 530-752-4880. Monday, April 7: "Eat Smart, Live Strong" workshop, 11 a.m. to noon, Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Ave. This four-series workshop (also April 14, 21, and 28) is designed to encourage older adults to increase their fruit and vegetable consumption and to participate in at least 30 minutes of physical activity each day. Open to any seniors age 50 plus, members or non-members. Please register in advance by calling the Community Center at 916-617-5320 or register online at: westsacfun.org Saturday, April 12: Sierra Donor Dash 5k run/walk, 211 O Street, Sacramento, starts at 7 a.m. This family- and dogfriendly superhero-themed event honors donor heroes and the lives they save. This is a great way to honor and celebrate the gift of life while spreading awareness for the donor registry. For more information, or to register, contact: sierradonor.org/ events/2025-sierra-donor-dash-5k/ Sunday, April 13: "Eggstravaganza" Woodland, 10 a.m. to noon, Grace Hiddleson Park, 1310 College St.,

Woodland. This free event for families with toddlers to school-age children (1 to 12 years old). There will be fun games, community resources and an egg hunt at 11 a.m. Bring a bag for goodies and a chair or blanket to sit on. Call 844-410-4769 for more information.

Saturday, April 19: 3rd Annual Firefighters Burn Institute Charity Cornhole Tournament, at Drake's: The Barn, 985 Riverfront St., 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Two divisions of competition: backyard (more inexperienced) and competitive. This is a family- and dog-friendly event. Food and drinks available for purchase. Link to register: eventbrite.com/e/ firefighters-burn-institute-cornhole-tournament-tickets-1256888379979

Saturday, April 19: Earth Day & Spring Celebration, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Bryte Park, 425 Todhunter Ave. Learn, play, shop, eat, and have fun at this free community event. Easter egg hunts for the kids, ideas and resources for living more sustainably, unique craft items from local artisans, music and fun activities for all ages. Join us rain or shine. For more information, call 916-617-4590.

Ongoing Activities

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

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

Cub Scout Pack 0049 – Meets first Monday of each month (September through May) at Our Lady of Grace School, 1990 Linden Road, West Sacramento. For more information, including how to become a Cub Scout, contact: westsacramentopack49@gmail.com

Home Depot, 690 Riverpoint Court, offers free in-person Kids Workshops on the first Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon, while supplies last. The next class will be creating a globe planter on Saturday, April 5. Registration required by using the following link: homedepot.com/ workshops

Lowe's, 2250 Lake Washington Blvd., offers free in-person Kids Workshops each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The next workshop will be creating an herb greenhouse on Saturday, April 12. Registration required by using the following link: lowes. com/events/register/herb-greenhouse

Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento meets on Fridays at noon at Jackrabbit Brewing Company, 1323 Terminal St., West Sacramento. See rotaryclubofwestsacramento.org/ for more information, including how to join the Rotary. The Mobile Farmers Market is back on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. The truck brings fresh, culturally relevant produce to neighborhoods with little access, creating a win-win for both farmers and community members. To better serve low-income customers, the Market accepts SNAP benefits and provides a double-up bucks program through Market Match so that anyone who qualifies can get \$20 in produce for just \$10. See https://www.landbasedlearning. org/followthetomato/ for more information. You'll find the truck with the big tomato from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Bryte Park (1225 Carrie Street), and from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Margaret McDowell Manor (1525 Merkley Ave.) on Tuesday, April 8. The University of California **Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Master** Gardeners will be available to answer your gardening questions at their West Sacramento Gardening Q&A Desk. It will be open from 10 a.m. to noon at Lowe's, 2250 Lake Washington Blvd. This desk is held on the first and third Saturdays of every month, free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Jennifer Baumbach at jmbaumbach@ ucnar.edu or call the Yolo County Master Gardeners hotline at 530-666-8736. Next session will be Saturday, April 5. West Sacramento City Council meets at 7 p.m. generally on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Ave., second floor, also viewable on Astound Cable channel 20 and AT&T channel 99. More information, including how to participate and Committee meeting schedules, can be found at: cityofwestsacramento. org/government/city-council/city-council-meetings-agendas The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday, April 9. The West Sacramento Farmers' Market is now open every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at River Walk Park, 651 2nd St. We are committed to providing our community with fresh, locally sourced produce and supporting our local farmers. We believe in the importance of sustainable agriculture and strive to create a space where farmers and consumers can connect. For more information, contact westsacfarmersmarket@yahoo.com

Crime Reports WEST SACRAMENTO



ARREST REPORTS

- Leroye Eugene Meyers, 62, was arrested Saturday, Feb. 22 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.
- Jessica Ann Meyers, 29, was arrested Saturday, Feb. 22 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.
- Daniel Cruz Alarcon, 27, was arrested Friday, Feb. 28 on Andrew Street by West Sacramento Police for possession of unlawful paraphernalia.
- Moriaja Maurene Cook, 42, was arrested Saturday, March 1 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.
- Jason Leroy Bracy, Jr., 31, was arrested Monday, March 10 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.
- **Cesar Armando Sanchez**, 23, was arrested Tuesday, March 11 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.
- **Alexander Grant Gonzalez**, 26, was arrested Tuesday, March 11 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to a bank parking lot for report of a male subject possibly driving under the influence. Upon arrival, officer contacted Gonzalez to inform him why he was being stopped. During investigation, Gonzalez began to walk away from officer. Officer grabbed Gonzalez by the arm and attempted to detain him in handcuffs. Officer advised him he was under arrest, and Gonzalez began to struggle before officers were able to place him in handcuffs. When the officer began to conduct a search, Gonzalez broke free of the officer's grip. Officers had to place a spit mask over his head and Gonzalez appeared to prepare to kick officers, so he was placed in restraints to prevent injury. Gonzalez was transported to Yolo County Jail and charged with obstructing / resisting a peace officer.
- **Karlissa Angelique Wade,** 36, was arrested Thursday, March 13 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police. Officers were dispatched to location for a shoplifting in progress. Upon arrival, officers were informed by Loss Prevention that a female was seen concealing unpaid merchandise in her personal bags as well as wearing unpaid clothing. Wade was contacted once she was past all points of sale and advised that she was being detained. She refused to cooperate and go with officers to Loss Prevention office for a shoplifting citation. Wade was given multiple commands to comply and continued to resist. She was taken to the ground and handcuffed by officers without further incident. Wade has a history of shoplifting but no convictions at the time. She was charged with petty theft of retail merchandise and obstructing / resisting a peace officer and transported to Yolo County Jail.
- **Corey Ray Tidwell,** 39, was arrested Friday, March 14 at West Capitol Avenue and Maple Street by West Sacramento Police. Officer conducted a traffic enforcement stop on a bicyclist riding without lights after dark. A records check revealed an outstanding misdemeanor warrant and searchable probation. Officer located a plastic bag with a crystalline substance that later tested positive for methamphetamine. Tidwell was arrested on scene without incident for the outstanding warrant and possession of a hard drug with prior convictions. He was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Incidents / Crime Reports

- **Thursday, Feb. 27** victim reports her back windshield was vandalized with an object at a parking lot on West Capitol Ave. Suspect fled the scene prior to officer's arrival. Victim wants to seek prosecution, and a possible suspect was named. Loss value not estimated.
- **Monday, March 10** electrical business reports that a storage container at a construction site on Jefferson Boulevard was broken into. An Eco Bee thermostat and an AC condenser were stolen, valued at \$3,640.
- **Wednesday, March 12** victim at a motel on West Capitol Avenue reports a burglary with no forced entry. Victim advised that her door was locked and approximately \$300 of hygiene products were stolen from her room.
- Wednesday, March 12 retail store at Town Center Plaza reports shoplifting by an unidentified male. Loss estimated at \$499.
- Thursday, March 13 victim on Solano Street reports they were hit twice in the face with a bat by an unknown male suspect. Victim's wallet and digital watch were taken. Loss estimated at \$61.
- Thursday, March 13 multiple cluster mailboxes were broken into at Heron Court and Audubon Drive Unknown value of loss.
- Thursday, March 13 low voltage electrical wires were cut / damaged at a construction site on Delta Lane. Damage estimated at \$15,000.
- **Thursday, March 13** victim on Joan Street reports receiving text messages with criminal threats from an unknown suspect, related to an online purchase. No estimate of damage.
- Friday, March 14 a residential facility on 5th Street reports vandalism of an office window. Damage estimate of \$500.
- Friday, March 14 victim on 17th Street reports theft from his vehicles in a residential driveway. Various brands / types of tools, a fishing pole, a city-issued green waste bin and other miscellaneous items worth \$2,000 were stolen.
- Saturday, March 15 unknown suspect entered the victim's locked vehicle on Carrie Street and stole \$20. It's unknown how the suspect entered the vehicle.
- Sunday, March 16 victim at a commercial / office building on Drever Street reports vehicle mirrors, license plate and a gas cap were stolen. Loss estimated at \$440.
- Monday, March 17 unknown suspect(s) cut the fence into a property on Channel Drive Locks to vehicles' utility boxes were drilled and tools stolen. There is no suspect information or video. Stolen items include three gas Quickie saws, three battery-powered roto hammers, a SDS Max electric chipping hammer, a corded Bosch roto hammer, a 4 1/2" angle grinder and two 14" electric hand saws. Total property loss and damage: \$11,725.
- **Tuesday, March 18** retail store at Town Center Plaza reports shoplifting by an unidentified suspect. Loss estimated at \$44.
- **Tuesday, March 18** victim at a residential facility on Pecan Street reports that a client staying at the location for the night left with various items, including cleaning items, kitchen utensils, a PlayStation with controllers and games, a vacuum, and LED lights, valued at \$1,900.

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Restored Stream Supports New Wild Salmon Run

By Kat Kerlin, University of California, Davis

WEST SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Almost everywhere in California, salmon are on the decline. But in Putah Creek, a restored stream running through the University of California Davis campus, wild salmon are not only increasing, they also are completing their life cycle.

A University of California, Davis study, published in the journal "Ecosphere", is the first to document Putah Creek-origin salmon. Chinook salmon have been observed at the creek since 2014, but prior studies had shown them to be strays from hatcheries. This study now confirms that some salmon returning to Putah Creek in the fall to spawn are actually born there.

This should not be news. Salmon are famous for their simple life cycle: Hatch in a stream, migrate to the ocean, and return to the stream to spawn at their life's end. Yet salmon in 21st century California are sometimes trucked or flown to the ocean from hatcheries due to dams, habitat loss, warming streams, drought and other threats restricting their natural migration.

This study shows that at Putah Creek, and potentially other altered and dam-controlled streams worldwide, restored waterways can help restore and even create salmon runs.

"The fact that you have Putah Creek-origin fish is a big deal," said senior author Andrew Rypel, director of the University of California, Davis Center for Watershed Sciences at the time of the study. "To have a growing, stable population that's natal means it's a well-managed ecosystem. It means we're taking care of the water and the land the right way, and that there's a future for fish in that place. It also shows there's hope for other



Here are Jordan Colby, Mackenzie Miner and Sebastian Gonzales with a salmon carcass collection on Putah Creek. Photo by Dennis Cocherell, University of California, Davis

streams that are degraded."

Putah Creek is a tributary of the Sacramento River, flowing through the cities of Winters and Davis. It barely flowed at all after Monticello Dam was installed in the 1950s, which created Lake Berryessa and drastically reduced water to Putah Creek.

Then, in 2000, a lawsuit brought about the Putah Creek Accord, which mandated year-round flows to protect fish and habitat. Since then, local community members, nonprofits, state agencies and University of California, Davis researchers have worked to restore and study the creek. They've found that once water returned to the stream, so did insects, songbirds, and eventually, salmon.

Until this study, the hundreds of salmon in Putah Creek were all thought to be hatchery strays.

"People began speculating whether any of these Putah Creekspawning fish were returning to Putah Creek," said Rypel, a professor in the UC Davis Wildlife, Fish and Conservation Biology department. "It was a challenging scientific riddle to figure out."

First author Lauren Hitt, a graduate student in Rypel's lab during the study, used otoliths, or ear bones, from adult Chinook salmon carcasses recovered from Putah Creek between 2016 and 2021 to determine their origin.

No bigger than a thumbnail, otoliths carry within them the water chemistry of the streams they have traveled, allowing scientists to map their movements and migrations against the chemical tracers of individual streams. This powerful technique allowed Hitt to reconstruct each salmon's life history. She showed that while hatchery-origin fish were most abundant, a handful, 11 of 407, of returning salmon analyzed were born in Putah Creek, completing their full life cycle as wild salmon.

This new run of wild salmon



Juvenile salmon are measured from Putah Creek. Photo by Lauren Hitt, University of California, Davis

at Putah Creek descended from hatchery fish, a finding that could upend some long, held perspectives about the role of fish hatcheries in conservation. Hatcheries provide food and a fishing boost for anglers, yet they have often been criticized for impacts to wild fish genetics, health and habitat.

"The idea that hatcheries can be part of the solution might take people off guard," Rypel said. "But there may be positive effects so long as the salmon have a good place to go. There's a lot of potential to have more Putah Creeks out there."

Salmon born in Putah Creek face many challenges in completing their life cycle. They must leave Lower Putah Creek, enter the Yolo Bypass floodplain, travel to Liberty Island, down the Sacramento River and into the San Francisco Bay before emptying into the Pacific Ocean. At the end of their life, they get to do this in reverse. Along the way, restricted fish passage, reduced flows, too-warm, too little or too much water at the wrong time can be fatal.

In a sobering illustration of these risks, Putah Creek-origin salmon from 2021 died before being able to spawn because an atmospheric river sent debris and ammonia-saturated waters into Putah Creek just as spawning salmon were beginning to arrive. The authors say such setbacks are significant but not insurmountable provided collaborative management of Putah Creek in the future.

"There's so much local love for these fish," said Hitt, currently a Ph.D. student at University of Canterbury in New Zealand. "I hope people recognize that their caring about the system and advocating for the system are what made the changes possible. If not for local community engaged and supporting local streams, I don't think we'd have salmon in Putah Creek today of hatchery or Putah Creek origin. This is just so special."

As for University of California, Davis' salmon run? Scientists will continue to sample and monitor the fish as they come home. Visitors and community members may see salmon spawning each fall at the Putah Creek Riparian Reserve and throughout the creek.

The study's additional co-authors include Malte Willmes of Norwegian Institute for Nature Research; Rachel Johnson of National Marine Fisheries Service and University of California, Davis; and George Whitman, Mackenzie Miner, Carson Jeffres, Dennis Cocherell and Nann Fangue of University of California, Davis.

The study was funded by the Solano County Water Agency, Yolo Basin Foundation, University of California, Davis Agricultural Experiment Station, Peter B. Moyle and California Trout Endowment for Coldwater Fish Conservation, and University of California, Davis Erica Kelly Memorial Award and Jastro-Shields Research Award funds. ★

Athletics to Debut in West Sacramento

Council Approves Courtyard Village Bond Extension

Continued from page 1 on the Area Medium Income (AMI) and tenantbased utility allowances, with at least 20% of apartments providing low rates for low-income tenants. "I'm really glad that we had this opportunity for these bonds and taking a look at what we can achieve here locally is significant," West Sacramento Mayor Martha Guerrero said prior to the council's vote. Council unanimously approved eight items included on the meeting's consent agenda. Council typically does this without discussion unless a member requests a presentation on an item on the agenda. Many consent agenda projects involve construction projects, such as an item on the March

incomes under Section 42 awarding a contract for June 30, 2029. Verde was Low Income Tax Credit the emergency vehi- originally awarded the program. Rents are based cle preemption project. Emergency vehicle preemption systems are traffic control technology "that prioritizes emergency vehicles, such as fire trucks and police cars, by granting them a green light at intersections" through detecting the real-time approach of emergency vehicles and enabling them a clear path."

19 meeting agenda for term of the contract to \$1,859,545 project design contract in June 2023, with Amendment 1 of \$173,570 that included schematic designs and refinements of the pool and aquatic areas in August 2024. Amendment 2 brings the total contract with Verde for the Bryte Park Master Plant Implementation Project to just short of \$2.48 million. Finally, council voted 5-0 to approve a resolution adopting amendments to the city's Operations & Maintenance and Capital Improvement Program budgets for fiscal years 2024-2025. The resolution also calls for a \$15 million loan from the Measure V fund to the Measure O fund to "fund one-time projects and expenses" to be repaid over 10 years beginning in fiscal year 2026-2027. ★

sound plausible.

Now, West Sacramento will witness the big-league talents, such as the New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox, taking on the Athletics in 81 home games in 2025.

The Athletics made some big offseason moves to shore up the roster for the 2025 campaign, adding right-handed pitching ace Luis Severino and infielders, Gio Ursela and Luis Urias. The Athletics also secured the continued services of Brent Rooker and his bat through a five-year contract extension.

Sutter Health Park has

also undergone some big off-season moves to accommodate the addition of the Athletics. At the end of the 2024 River Cats season, the stadium sod was removed to make room for a planned install of artificial turf. That idea was scrapped after push-back from the players association that argued artificial turf would be a safety concern for players. New sod has now been installed, along with improved lighting, scoreboard, premium seating and a new clubhouse with big league amenities for the Athletics.

The Athletics have posted

a spring training record of 17 wins versus 13 losses in the cactus league. There is great anticipation in the Sacramento region to see how they perform on the big stage when the games count.

Soon, the restaurants, bars, parking lots and hotels in the vicinity of Sutter Health Park will teem with big league excitement, activity, and business.

For more information on tickets, game schedules, parking, tailgating and other game day needs, go to www.cityofwestsacramento.org/i-want/ game-day.

City Council approved an \$842,060 contract with Bear Electrical Solutions for installation of this system in West Sacramento.

Also approved on the March 19 consent agenda was a \$446,425 Amendment 2 of a professional services contract with Verde Design, Inc. for the Bryte Park Master Plan Implementation Project, along with extending the

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Property taxes are a critical funding source for local governments, including cities, school districts, local cemetery districts, community colleges, rural fire districts and other public services. More than half of the property tax revenue

goes to local school districts while rural fire districts rely on property taxes for more than 90% of their annual funding. Yolo County itself receives about 9% of property taxes collected, which equates to 9 cents of every dollar. \star



The front-page Feb. 28 "Westacre Park Renovation and Expansion Approved" story contained an incorrect spelling of another local park. The correct spelling is Bryte Park.



I made the mistake this morning of tuning into Kings radio station 1140 am and listened to the morning show hosts trashing the Kings coaching staff, general manager and the owner. All this while the hometown team is making a run at the play-in spot that could still lead to the playoffs.

Disappointing to say the least and considering two amazing wins over the Memphis Grizzlies and of all teams the Cleveland Cavaliers, the last thing I expected to hear was a diatribe that basically told anyone silly enough to listen, that the Kings are the worst run organization in basketball.

There is plenty of time to cast aspersions at ownership when the season has concluded, but right now, despite the unpredictable nature of the current squad, these players need the full commitment of every fan and that should certainly include the Kings radio station.

Fans deserve the truth to be sure, and the truth is that this team is laden with talent and has found ways to beat the best teams in the NBA.

Besting a payoff bound Grizzlies squad just one week ago was unexpected but just what the Kings needed as they welcomed the team with the best record in basketball to Golden One Arena, the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Facing a team that had won 16 consecutive games twice in the current season was bad enough, but to face this Goliath in back-to-back games seemed like a recipe for disaster.

Shaking off anything resembling tiredness, the Kings spoiled the Cavaliers' night with a shorthanded squad and bested the Cavs by the score of 123-119. Malik Monk played both ends of the floor in championship style scoring 22 points while adding 6 boards and 8 assists. Malik made his presence felt all night, and made his leadership felt as 7 players contributed double digit scoring and gave fans a completely different look at what is possible with this team.

Rookie Devin Carter had his best game as an NBA pro, and it could not have come at a better time. Playing a season high 31 minutes Carter contributed 16 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 assists, all the while adding a level of defense that reminded me of Davion Mitchell when he was a rookie for the Kings.

For every Kings fan on the planet, this game was a moment in time that said, "See, this team has something special!"

Consistency has been the problem all season, and it reared its ugly head later in the week as the Sactown ballers fell victim to both the Milwaukee Bucks and the Chicago Bulls. Both contests were winnable games, and if ever the absence of Domantas Sabonis was noticed the most it was in these two games.

I say to every fan, DO NOT lose spirit. This team has something about it that is certainly unpredictable, but fascinating at the same time.

Stories have yet to be played out as many are wondering if rookie Devin Carter can double down on his stellar play against the Cleveland Cavaliers, and will former all-star Zach Lavine find himself down the stretch after missing one game for personal reasons and then contributing anemic results upon his return.

Yes, there are mysteries, but on any given night this squad even shorthanded can hand defeats to some of the best teams in the NBA, and they've given some of their best performances against the very best the NBA has to offer.

The vaunted Boston Celtics come to town on Monday night, and they surely haven't forgotten the pasting the Kings handed them on their home floor in January when the Kings walked away with a 114-97 win.

Look for the Celtics to bring it strong on Monday night, and with Sabonis still sidelined with a sprained ankle and sore hamstring, the Kings will be called upon to bring their best performance if they hope to win.

That's why we play the game they say, and I know every Kings fan will be watcing this one.

Just 12 games to go Kings fans and it's time to bring it strong. Give these gladiators all you have and let's see what our hometown boys can do!

All the best!

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

Social Security Matters *Will My Medicare Premium Change Because I Sold Investment Property?*

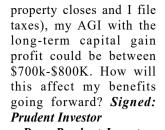


By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I have questions concerning the deduction of money from my Social Security benefit amount as relates to the sale of investment property. I am 66 years old and have been drawing Social Security since I turned 62. My wife is 56 and is a housewife and has no taxable income. Our income comes from our rental property and my Social Security benefit. I have decided to liquidate two of our properties - one was sold in December 2024, and one is in Escrow and is scheduled to close in March 2025.

My normal Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) has been running about \$30K-\$32K. However, last year with the sale of the property I will receive a long-term capital gain profit of about \$255K. I did a rough calculation on what my AGI will be for 2024, and it looks to be about \$318K. How will this affect my Social Security benefit, and will it have an effect on the amount I pay for my Part B Medicare Plan going forward? I have a Medicare Advantage plan.

My next question is about 2025 (after the next



Dear Prudent Investor: Actually, the GROSS amount of your Social Security benefit will not be affected by these transactions, but the NET amount of your SS benefit payment will change due to a provision known as "IRMAA" (Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount). IRMAA affects the Medicare premiums you pay from your Social Security benefit, and a higher Medicare premium will result in a lower net Social Security payment. Here's how this will work for you:

Your Medicare premiums each year (typically for Medicare Part B and Part D) are determined by looking at your "Modified Adjusted Gross Income," or "MAGI", from two years prior (MAGI is your normal AGI plus any non-taxable interest you may have had). Since the property you sold in 2024 will be reflected as part of your 2024 income, IRMAA will cause your 2026 Medicare premiums to be higher than the standard monthly 2026 amount. How much higher depends on how much you exceed the income level for your IRS filing status. Using 2025 rules, if you file as Married/jointly and your taxable income (MAGI) is more than \$212,000 but less than \$334,000 then, instead of paying the standard 2026 monthly Part B premium, you'll each pay \$370 per month for Medicare Part B (and likely a supplemental amount of \$35.30 if your Advantage plan includes prescription drug coverage).

Your Medicare premiums are recalculated every year (again based on income from two years prior). Thus, in 2027, IRMAA will also affect your Medicare premiums and your net Social Security payment because of your 2025 real estate transaction. If your MAGI in 2025 will be over \$750,000, then IRMAA will increase each of your 2027 Medicare Part B premiums to \$638.90 (and likely also add a supplement of \$85.80 per month each to your Medicare Advantage premium for prescription drug coverage).

The good news is in 2028 all of this will be behind you and your Medicare premiums will revert to whatever the standard monthly premiums are for that year (because your income levels thereafter will presumably be below the then-IRMAA thresholds).

For reference, here is a link to Medicare's information on the Income-Related Monthly Adjustment Amount, or "IRMAA:"

www.cms.gov/newsroom/ fact-sheets/2025-medicareparts-b-premiums-and-deductibles

To submit a question, visit our website (amacfoundation.org/programs/ social-security-advisory) or email us at ssadvisor@ amacfoundation.org.

Lobbyists are a Growth Industry in a State as Complex as California

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Season 29 2025 Finale



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

In the late 1990s, the late Jay Michael and I coauthored a book, published by the University of California, that explored why and how interest groups employ lobbyists to represent them in Sacramento.

Michael was a retired lobbyist who provided innumerable stories about what happens out of public view to shape legislation and other official policy, such as the notorious "napkin deal" Willie Brown brokered in a Sacramento restaurant that changed tobacco liability and other tort law. I framed the process in the context of an ever-changing state and a Legislature undergoing a cultural and ideological evolution.

At the time there were about 1,200 registered lobbyists working the Capitol, not only those who sought to affect legislation but those who concentrated on regulations, contracts and other acts in California's vast bureaucracy.

As a hobby Chris Micheli, a lobbyist whose firm represents 15 widely varying clients, dives into legislative minutiae and recently generated data on the growth of lobbyist activity.

Micheli found that the number of lobbying firms has grown from 433 to 484 over the last 10 years. More interestingly, the number of registered lobbyists had nearly tripled from 1,270 when Michael and I were writing rent legislative session.

That seemingly huge increase is, Micheli explains, a little misleading because it includes 1,116 newly registered lobbyists in 2011-12 due to a change in law. Reacting to a corruption scandal in the California Public Employees Retirement System, the Legislature required registration of "placement agents," who persuade the immense pension system to place millions or even billions of dollars into their clients' investment firms.

"While the number of registered lobbyists has grown by 1,975 over the past 25 years, more than half of those registrations are attributable to the addition of placement agents," said Micheli. "Even taking those registrations out of the total figure, the number of registered lobbyists has still grown over 65% during the past quarter century."

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) scandal is a stark example of why interest groups employ lobbyists and why their numbers are likely to continue growing indefinitely.

The decisions officialdom makes often have immense financial impacts. The state budget, currently about \$300 billion, is just one of those high-impact policy venues. Who gets shares of that money, and who doesn't, is the subject of perpetual lobbying activity, and there are always winners and losers in what legislators and the governor decree.

In relatively lean times the budget lobbying grows even more intense, a cyclic phenomenon now playing out as politicians wrestle with multi-billion-dollar shortfalls. only one of many venues for the clashes of financial interests, and California's leftof-center politics spawn an ever-expanding array of laws, agencies and officials with regulatory authority.

Decrees of regulatory agencies, such as the California Public Utilities Commission and the Department of Insurance, can make or break the bottom lines of regulated industries and professions. That's very evident now as Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara copes with the fire insurance crisis.

Many high-value issues are virtually invisible such as decisions over which drugs will be included on the Medi-Cal "formulary" and what the state will pay pharmaceutical companies for those medications.

When one combines the state budget with the electric power rates set by the Public Utilities Commission, the insurance premiums that Lara approves and countless other legislative and non-legislative issues, it becomes evident that decisions made in Sacramento control an immense portion of the state's \$3.5 trillion economy.

Therefore, those affected believe they need skilled professional advocates, much like anyone facing serious civil or criminal court actions needs a savvy lawyer.

Maybe it shouldn't work that way, but in a state as immense and complex as California, it does.

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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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250173 The following person(s) is doing business as: FJS Consulting business as: FJS LLC, 26880 Cassidy Lane, Davis. CA 95616.

FJS Consulting LLC, 26880 Cassidy Lane, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 4, 2022. This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/20/2025. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025

3-28-25 FJS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250178 The following person(s) is doing business as: Play and Learn Day Care, 1505 Rockrose Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Fatana Ibrahimi, 1505 Rockrose West Sacramento, CA Road, 95691. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 21, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on

2/21/2025. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025 PLAY 3-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250172 The following person(s) is doing business as: Courtyard Health Care Center, 1850 E Street, Davis, CA 95616. 1850 East 8th West Court Lane Healthcare. Inc., 29222 Rancho Viejo Road, Suite 127, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 10, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/20/2025 Bv: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

Publish: March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025 HEALTH 3-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250141 The following person(s) is doing business as: The Rich Handyman, 2324 Kinsington Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Richard K. Beck II, 2324 Kinsington Street, West Sacramen-CA 95691. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/11/2025.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025 RICH 3-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250194 The following person(s) is doing business as: Details & Stories, 980 Central Street, Apt 503, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Juliana Silva Mendes and Isaac Senior, 980 Central Street, Apt 503, West Sacramento, CA FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250162

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1. USADS 360°, 2. Ai automat-ed Sales & Marketing, 1260 LAKE BLVD STE 239, Davis, CA 95616 - 2687 County of YOLO

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 25, Yolo, ČA 95697 - 0025 USADS 360, LLC, 1260 LAKE BLVD STE 239, Davis, CA

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limited liability company The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 12, 2025

USADS 360, LLC

S/ Theodore Harrison, Manager This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 02/18/2025.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder Morgan Braun, Deputy Publish: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4/25 CNS-3902429#

NEWS-LEDGER 4-4-25 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250121

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: USMedia 360°, 1260 LAKE BLVD STE 239, Davis, CA 95616 - 2687 County of YOLO Mailing Address: P.O. Box 25, Yolo, CA 95697 - 0025 Harrison One Media Group LLC, 1260 LAKE BLVD STE 239, Davis, CA 95616 This business is conducted by a limited liability company The registrant(s) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 5th. 2025

Harrison One Media Group, LLC S/ Theodore Harrison, Manager This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 02/05/2025.

Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder Zuri Hernandez, Deputy Publish: 3/14, 3/21, 3/28, 4/4/25 CNS-3902428#

NEWS-LEDGER 4-4-25 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250093 The following person(s) is doing business as: Sacramento Signa ture Services, 2874 Pitzer Circle, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Sacramento Signature Services LLC, 2874 Pitzer Circle, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on December 17, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 1/29/2025.

Bv: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 SERVICES 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250095 The following person(s) is doing business as: Natalya Writes, 720 Olive Drive, Suite D1, Davis, CA 95616.

Natalya Apostolou, 2204 Ran-

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. E20250236 The following person(s) is doing business as: La Michoacana XO, 64 W Court Street, Woodland, CA 95776.

M&B Paletas LLC, 1653 Winne Drive, Woodland, CA 95776. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 6, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 3/12/2025.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 LA 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. E20250258 The following person(s) is doing business as: A-Plus Loans, 500 3rd Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605.

Francisco G Gonzalez, 500 3rd Street, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 17, 2025. This statement was filed with the

3/18/2025. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO

> CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0565

Jessica Varaitch Scrase has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Noah Gabriel Varaitch Scrase Burns to Noah Gabriel Varaitch Scrase.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: February 25, 2025 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court

Publish: March 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025 SCRASE 3-28-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0635

Margarita Rocha has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Margarita Rocha to Margarita Rocha Savala.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 29, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: March 4, 2025

Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court

Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 4-11-25 SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0683 Sara Suzanne Paiva-Lowry has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sara Suzanne Paiva-Lowry to Sara Suzanne Lowry and Flynn Elliott Paiva-Lowry to Flynn Elliott Lowry and Elizabeth Katherine Paiva-Lowry to Elizabeth Katherine Lowry IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 24, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: March 10, 2025

Dated: March 18, 2025 Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025 SEMINA 4-18-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JOHN H. CORRIEA CASE NO. PR2024-0260

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of John H. Corriea. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Yolo County Public Administrator, in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, requesting Yolo County Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: April 11, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 14. Superior Court of California, County of Yolo, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Dylan P. Hyatt, Meissner Joseph Ruggles, Inc. 1555 River Park Drive, Suite 108 Sacramento, CA 95815 Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 2025 CORRIEA 4-11-25

sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and laic charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Sarah Venerable, a married woman, as her sole and separate property and Violet May Hendricks, a married woman, as her sole and separate property, as joint tenants Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation 10/15/2021 Recorded as Instrument No. 2021-0039110 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Yolo County, California. Date of Sale: 05/15/2025 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) to the City Hall entrance Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue. West Sacramento, CA 95691 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$391,552,41 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 431 Poplar Avenue, West undersigned disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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 requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. 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

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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 a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended 03/10/2025 Date: National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, 820 San Diego, CA Suite 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 800-758-8052; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com Connie Hernandez, Trustee Sales Representative A-4837268 03/28/2025, 03/21/2025. 04/04/2025

NEWS LEDGER 4-4-25 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S TS No. SALE CA-24-1003557-BF Order No. 240657948-CA-VOI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/23/2009. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST SHOULD YOU. YOU CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the bidder for cash, highest cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant warranty, or expressed implied, regarding title, or possession, or encumbrances to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): YOLANDA MARTINEZ, A PERSON SINGLE AND DAVID GARNICA. Α SINGLE PERSON Recorded: 12/1/2009 as Instrument No 2009-0037394-00 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of YOLO County, California; Date of Sale: 4/14/2025 at 1:00 PM Place of Sale: At the North Entrance of the West Sacramento City Hall, 1110 W. Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$110,675.74 The purported property address is: 42321 4TH ST, KNIGHTS LANDING, CA 95645 Assessor's Parcel No .: NOTICE 056-305-003-000 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 contacting the county by 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 the property. TO PROPERTY NOTICE 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 800-**280-2832** for information regarding the trustee's sale

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FOR CHANGE OF NAME

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

95691. This business is conducted by a Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on November 20, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/27/2025

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 2025 DETAILS 4-4-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250203 The following person(s) is doing business as: Cal Gold Bridge Realty, 194 W Main Street, Suite 100. Woodland, CA 95695.

German Madeuno, 5036 Sully Street, Sacramento, CA 95838. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 3.2025.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 3/03/2025.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 2025 CAL 4-4-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250186 The following person(s) is doing business as: Sucre Farms, 3785 Fisher Avenue, West Sacramen-

to, CA 95691. Muddy Boot Farms, 3785 Fisher Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 24, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/25/2025

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 2025 SECURE 4-4-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250119 The following person(s) is doing business as: SV All House Services, 1360 Windermere Court, West Sacramento, CA 95605. Viachaslav Pishchulin, 1360 Windermere Court, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by a Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A This statement was filed with the

County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/05/2025

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 2025 SV 4-4-25

dolph Place. Woodland. CA 95776. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 21, 2024. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 1/29/2025. Bv: Jesse Salinas, Deputy

Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 WRITES 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250219 The following person(s) is doing business as: Streets of Heaven, 630 Andrew Street, West Sacrametno, CA 95605.

Stanton Lee Luke, 971 Beardsley Drive, West Sacramento, CA 95605. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on March 5, 2025

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 3/05/2025.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 STREETS 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250118 The following person(s) is doing business as: Headwaters Retreat, 2330 Geary Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691.

Michael Costello, 2330 Geary Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is con-ducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on February 1, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/05/2025.

By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 RETREAT 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250181 The following person(s) is doing business as: Valley Oak Veter-inary Hospital, 733 East Street, Woodland, CA 95776.

Gill Veterinary Corporation, 733 East Street, Woodland, CA 95776. This business is conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/24/2025. By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025

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Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court

Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 LOWRY 4-11-25

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

#CV2025-0631

Yangin Huang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Yanqin Huang to Matthew Huang.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 30, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: March 5, 2025 Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: March 21, 28, April 4, 11, 2025 HUANG 4-11-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0688

Anastasiia Sergeyevna Semina has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anastasiia Sergeyevna Semina to Anastasia Sergeyevna Semina

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 14, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.

LIEN SALE

LIEN SALE NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO SECTION 3071 OF THE CIVIL CODE OF THE STATE OF CALIFOR-NIA, THE UNDERSIGNED, CITIZENS TOWING & IM-POUND 1244 FORTNA AVE WOODLAND CA 95776 WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE ON; APRIL 3, 2025 10:00AM THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY: 2015 WABASH DRY VAN LIC# 4SG3509 CA VIN# 1JJV532D-3FL863530 3/28/25

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TRUSTEE SALE

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No. 24-03653-LC-Title No. 240637299-CA-CA VOI A.P.N. 008-323-001-000 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/08/2021. UNDER UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION PROTECT 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash. (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union. or a check drawn by a state federal savings and or association, , savings loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of 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 below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal

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 the 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 800-758-8052 or visit this internet website www.ndscorp. com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 24-03653-LC-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT*: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. vou are a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" you may be able to 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 dale of the trustee sale, you can call; 8881264-4010, or visit this internet website www.ndscorp. com, using the file number assigned to this case 24-03653-LC -CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address 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

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Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

I started listening to your show, and following the Baby Steps, three months ago. I'm already seeing great results with my money. Over the weekend, I spent time looking at part-time jobs to help me pay off debt faster and keep moving forward with my finances. I found a few work-from-home ideas that were intriguing. But how can I tell the difference between real opportunities and all the scams featured online and on television?

– Bonna

Dear Bonna,

Congratulations on making the decision to gain control of your money! You sound motivated, and I believe it will translate into some really good things.

Truth be told, the vast majority of things you see online and in latenight infomercial presentations are scams. I'm not talking about ads

Dave Ramsey Says

Determination and Hard Work

for legitimate job hunter sites, I'm talking about business-in-a-box the kind of thing. I know you've probably seen the advertisements that go something like, "My sister-in-law makes \$500 an hour working from home, and you can, too!" These clowns are the worst of the worst. Please, don't waste a second of your time on that kind of stuff. If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

There's no shame in picking up a normal, parttime gig a couple of nights a week after work and on weekends. You'd be surprised at how much extra cash vou can earn just delivering pizzas, or working at a local retail store. If that doesn't sound like something you'd enjoy for a little while, you might try thinking of something you love doing, and find a creative way to make some extra money doing that. Your idea might even be something that would allow you to work from home. I've known lots of folks who make wonderful sec-

ond incomes by turning a hobby or hidden talent into extra cash.

But the big thing is to just find a real and honest idea to help you make extra money. Remember, shortterm sacrifice for long-term gain. You won't be doing this side gig forever. But whether you're looking for a little help in building your emergency fund or paying off debt, creativity, determination and hard work go a long, long way.

Best of luck, Bonna. And God bless. You can do this!

- Dave

Dave Ramsey is an eight-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsev Solutions.

Yolo County Office of Education Launches New Center for Language and Literacy

Yolo County Office of Education News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) -The Yolo County Office of Education (YCOE) has launched the Yolo Center for Language and Literacy to address critical literacy gaps in Yolo County, where only 42% of thirdgrade students are reading at grade level, according to a 2024 report from the California Department of Education. The center's mission is to improve classroom instruction and student learning across Yolo County and the greater Sacramento region.

"Literacy is the foundation for success. When children and youth develop strong literacy skills, it has a direct impact on their success in school and beyond," said County Superintendent Garth Lewis. "With the support of UC Davis and UC San Diego, YCOE will provide the tools and resources needed to improve literacy across our schools, especially for multilingual learners."

The center is supported by UC Davis' Center for Public Service and Education (CPSE) and the California Reading and Literature Project (CRLP) at UC San Diego - which is part of the California Subject Matter Project. The center will be led by Dr. Heather Schlaman, Yolo County Office of Education's language and literacy coordinator.

"Our goal is to bring the latest research and best practices to the professional development of TK-12 educators," said Schlaman. "This is a unique opportunity to build a strong cohort of teacher leaders who are committed to delivering high-quality literacy instruction and supporting their colleague's region-wide."

The Yolo Center's initiatives include:

Establishing a regional site for the California Reading and Literature Project (CRLP) to offer literacy-focused professional learning for TK-12 educators.

Expanding the "CRECEMOS: Growing Bilingual Teachers" initiative to strengthen the bilingual teacher workforce, supported by the Bilingual Teacher **Professional Development**

Grant.

Offering local professional development opportunities in the Sacramento region, focusing on effective instruction for multilingual learners.

"What makes the Yolo Center unique is the collaboration between higher education and the K-12 community," adds Lewis. "I'm excited about the programming and professional development it will bring, which I believe will benefit our county, the Sacramento region, and potentially have a statewide impact."

"We envision the Yolo Center as a way to improve and expand our collective efforts to foster student literacy and language development," said Nancy McTygue, UC Davis' CPSE executive director. "By combining resources, expertise, and networks, we aim to create a sustainable, collaborative effort that benefits students in Yolo County, the Sacramento region, and across California."

For more details on the Yolo Center's programs and upcoming events, visit the Yolo County Office of Education website at ycoe. org/yolocenter.

Sacramento Region Hosts March for Life

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) -

The California March for Life is set to take place on March 31 at 1315 10th St., Sacramento with a series of events to bring together pro-life advocates from across the state. The rally and march will begin at noon, following a pre-rally concert at 11 a m

This year's event will feature keynote speaker Melissa Ohden, a survivor of abortion and the founder of the Abortion Survivors Network.

In addition to Ohden, several other influential advocates will speak, including Lila Rose, founder of Live Action; Jonathan Keller from the California Family Council; Dr. John Jackson of William Jessup University; Jackie Turner from Acres of Hope; and John Gerardi of Right to Life of Central California. The rally will also hear from Kathleen Jones of Life Choice

Pregnancy Centers and Hannah Gautsch from March for Life.

The March for Life, first held in Washington, D.C., in 1974 as a response to the Roe v. Wade decision, has since grown into the largest pro-life event in the world.

"We march because we envision a future world where the beauty and dignity of every human life are valued and protected. We promote the beauty and dignity of every human life by working to end abortion - uniting, educating, and mobilizing pro-life people in the public square," according to the event's website.

Alongside the rally and march, several auxiliary events will take place. A prayer breakfast for pastors, hosted by the California Family Council, will begin at 8:30 a.m. March 31. Participants are also invited to join Love Life's prayer walk at 11 a.m. to Planned Parenthood, located near the Capitol. Additionally, a prayer and worship rally will occur at the West Steps of the Capitol at 11 a.m.

The California March for Life is open to all and encourages attendees to bring creative, pro-life signs. While registration is not required for the rally or march, organizers recommend registering to stay updated on event details.

To register and learn more, visit marchforlife.org/ california.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC SEC. 6105) ESCROW NO. 15624S NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business

CALIFORNIA CORPORATION 2271 SUNRISE BLVD, STE D, GOLD RIVER, CA 95670 Whose chief executive office

address is: 3450 ALLAN AVE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691

Doing Business as: SUNRISE FOOD & LIQUOR (Type - LI-QUOR STORE)

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within past three years, as stated by the seller(s), is/are: SUNRISE FOOD AND LIQUOR

The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: AJKP LLC, A CÁLIFÓRNIA LIMITED LIABIL-ITY COMPANY, 2640 HEART-SIDE WAY, ROSEVILLE, CA 95747

The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FURNI-FIXTURES, TURE. EQUIP-MENT AND GOODWILL And are located at: 2271 SUN-RISE BLVD, STE D, GOLD RIV-ER. CA 95670

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, ŚUITÉ F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665 and the anticipated sale date is APRIL 16, 2025

Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CAPITOL CITY ESCROW, INC., 3838 WATT AVENUE, SUITE F-610 SACRAMENTO, CA 95821-2665

THIS BULK TRANSFER IN-CLUDES A LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER. ALL CLAIMS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE DATE ON WHICH THE NOTICE OF TRANSFER OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE IS RE-CEIVED BY ESCROW AGENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL.

Dated: MARCH 5, 2025 Buyer(s): AJKP LLC, A CALI-FORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 3540604-C-PP

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Self-storage Cube contents of the following customers containing household and other goods will be sold for cash by CubeSmart Asset Management, LLC as Agent for Owner 541 Harbor Blvd. West Sacramento CA, 95691 to satisfy a lien on April 8, 2025 at approx. 12:00PM at www.storagetreasures.com:

Tania Jazmin Guzman

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's Procurement system at https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento until 2:00 PM local time on April 8th, 2025, at which time and place they will be posted and available for public review for the:

FIRE STATION 41 APPARATUS BAY PAINTING

The following invitation for bid involves all design, engineering, labor and materials for the: Fire Station 41 Apparatus Bay Painting and bid alternate for painting the exterior of the Fire Station 42 Apparatus Bay.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Bid Publication			
Cutoff for Pre-Bid RFIs	no later than	5 P.M.	- 1
Bids Due / Bid Opening	no later than	2 P.M.	
Award of Contract			- 1

March 21, 2025 March 31, 2025 April 8th, 2025 May 21, 2025

Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting: 10 A.M. March 27th, 2025 Fire Station #41 15th Street, West Sacramento, CA 95691

Project construction cost estimate: Base Bid \$18,000, Bid Alternate \$12,000 This is not a Federal Aid project.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Pursuant to Government Code Section § 65867, the West Sacramento City Council will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the item listed below. The hearing will be held in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center, 1110 West Capitol Ave., West Sacramento. All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and express opinions. Please note: The City does not transcribe its hearings; however, action minutes are prepared and are publicly available once approved by the hearing body.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk, at clerk@cityofwestsacramento.org, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting to allow the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 25-6 AMENDING CHAPTER 17.35 OF THE CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD SECTION 17.35.075 RELATED TO PROCESSING LARGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT APPLICATIONS

Description: This item is a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to Title 17 (Zoning) of the Municipal Code to establish enhanced procedures for processing large development project applications. This ordinance aims to promote greater public awareness and participation in reviewing projects involving more than 500 residential units and requiring one or more of the following: A General Plan Amendment, Specific Plan or Amendment, Southport Framework Plan Amendment, Zoning Amendment. Key provisions include expanded public notice and timing requirements, an early public workshop, enhanced access to agenda reports, prioritized agenda placement, and procedural improvements for public hearings. The ordinance will take effect 30 days after adoption. A full copy is available at City Hall or on the City's website. The ordinance is considered exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section §15061(b)(3), the common sense exemption that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. This ordinance will not result in any land use changes, but will modify processing of specific types of large development projects.

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Yolo County Citizen's Academy Accepting Applications

Yolo County District Attornev's Office News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Since March 14, applications are being accepted for the annual Yolo County District Attorney Citizens Academy.

The academy is sponsored by the Yolo County District Attorney's Office in cooperation with the Yolo County Sheriff's Office, the California Highway Patrol, the Davis Police Department,

the UC Davis Police relationships and com-Department, the West Sacramento Police Department, the Winters Police Department, the Woodland Police Department a n d the Yolo County Probation Department.

The Citizen's Academy is an eight-week journey designed to involve diverse communities in taking part in mutual learning about the criminal justice system. The goal is to educate the public and improve

munication between the several different communities in Yolo County and the criminal justice system. The academy is scheduled to be held in person at the Woodland Police Department in Woodland.

Topics this year will include the role of the District Attorney, the role of law enforcement, victim services, gangs, restorative justice practices and collaborative courts addressing mental



illness and addiction. In past years, participants observed a DUI trial and K-9 officer presentations. Participants will also learn about the innovative programs implemented at the District Attorney's Office

aimed at addressing racial inequity and increasing transparency. "The Academy pro-

vides a comprehensive look at the criminal justice system in Yolo County. Together we will explore how the system interplays with our communities from West Sacramento to the rural areas," said Yolo County District Attorney Jeff Reisig. "I think participants will be educated, enlightened and entertained."

The academy will

meet every Thursday for eight weeks, from April 24 to June 12 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

To enroll, contact Wendy Wilcox by email at wendy.wilcox@yolocounty.org, by phone at 530-666-8356 or log on to yoloda.org for more information. Class space is limited. Applicants must be 18 years of age and be connected to Yolo County through residence, work or education. Application deadline is April 3.





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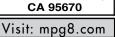
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SPCA Doggy Dash Returns for 32nd Year



Grab your pack to help the animals at the Sacramento SPCA at the Doggy Dash on April 12. Photo courtesy of Sacramento SPCA

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals), open to all dogs, their owners and dog lovers, will hold its 32nd Doggy Dash on April 12.

Northern California's largest 2K/5K dog walk and pet festival, according to the SPCA, brings together animal lovers to raise funds for the Sacramento SPCA's lifesaving programs.

In addition to the 2K/5K dog walk, event participants will

enjoy Bark at the Park Festival activities, including food trucks, a beer and cocktail garden, games, demos, prizes and most importantly the opportunity to meet adorable, adoptable dogs.

The funds raised through the Doggy Dash registration fees help to provide direct care to more than 40,000 animals in the community each year. The Sacramento SPCA also assists cats, bunnies and other small animals in need.

"The Doggy Dash offers a wonderful opportunity to have fun with your dog while also supporting the animals in our community," said Sarah Varanini, Sacramento SPCA communications manager. "Whether your dog is athletic or prefers to be carried or pushed in a stroller, there is fun to be had

The 2025 Doggy Dash will starts at 8:30 a.m.

The 2K/5K walk is scheduled

to begin at 10 a.m. and the Bark at the Park Festival will immediately follow the walk.

Participants do not need to have a dog to participate. Everyone is welcome to walk and support the Sacramento SPCA with or without a dog and/ or attend the festival.

Registration fees are \$35 for individuals and \$45 for teams in advance of the event day. Dayof-the event registration is \$50. The registration fee includes an event short-sleeved T-shirt, access to the 2K/5K walk route



Participate in PUP Show competitions, including best costume, at the 23rd annual SPCA Doggy Dash on April 12. Photos courtesy of Sacramento SP

and admittance into the Bark in the Park Festival.

To register prior to the event day, visit www.sspca.org/dash.

For more information about the event, call special events coordinator Gina Guerriere at 916-504-2868 or email gguerriere@sspca.org.

The Sacramento SPCA mission is to foster a loving and compassionate community for companion animals and people by providing assistance. creating lifelong relationships and saving lives.

for all!"

take place at William Land Park (near Village Green) at 3800 W. Land Park Drive, Sacramento on April 12. Event day registration

SMUD to Hold Public Proposed Rate Action Workshops

SMUD News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The SMUD Board of Directors is holding two public workshops and a public hearing to discuss proposed rate changes.

The Chief Executive Officer & General Manager's Reports and Recommendation on Rates and Services, released by SMUD CEO & General Manager Paul Lau, outlines a proposed rate increase of 3 percent on Jan. 1, 2026, and another 3 percent increase on Jan. 1, 2027. The proposed changes also include an optional Time-of-Day (low use) Rate, updates to transmission rates and other miscellaneous changes.

While SMUD works hard to control costs and operate efficiently, the need for a modest rate increase is attributed to several factors including wildfire prevention and mitigation, new generation projects, higher commodity costs for California clean energy

compliance, infrastructure investment to maintain a reliable grid, the Folsom Administrative Operations Building and increased operating costs due to inflation, according to SMUD officials.

SMUD officials say that SMUD is committed to keeping rate increases within inflation, and if the proposed changes are approved, SMUD's rates would remain among the lowest rates in the state, currently on average more than 50- percent lower than neighboring PG&E's rates.

Detailed information on the proposed rate action and a complete copy of the Chief Executive Officer and General Manager's Report and Recommendation on Rates and Services can be found on smud.org/RateInfo.

SMUD will work closely with customers and other stakeholders, including community groups, service organizations, business groups, elected officials and more, to discuss these changes.

In addition, two public workshops and a public hearing will be held for customers to learn more about the process and comment on the proposed changes. Meetings will be held in-person at SMUD's Headquarters building and virtually via Zoom.

A public workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, April 30 at 5:30 p.m., followed by another public workshop on Tuesday, May 13 at 10 a.m. Additionally,

a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, June 4 at 6 p.m.

Accommodations are available for disabled individuals. If you need a hearing assistance device or other aid, or have questions about the proposal, visit smud.org/RateInfo or call SMUD at 855-736-7655. Written comments can be emailed to ContactUs@ smud.org or mailed to SMUD, P.O. Box 15830, B256, Sacramento, CA 95852-0830.

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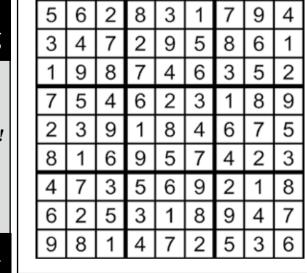
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Gymnasts Achieve Season-Best Score

By Sacramento State University

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento State gymnastics team followed up its season-high score against Eastern Michigan on March 9 by raising the bar once again on March 14 at The Nest, scoring a new season-best 195.250 in the regular season finale against UC Davis.

The Aggies, however, won the team title with a score of 195.800.

Following the meet against the Aggies, the Hornets celebrated their seniors.

The March 14 meet against UC Davis marked the third time in the last five meets that the Hornets topped the 195-point plateau, besting its previous season-high of 195.225 against the



Sacramento State celebrated its senior gymnasts following the March 14 dual meet with UC Davis at The Nest. Photo courtesy of Sac State Athletics

Eagles on March 9 and joined the 195.150 at Alaska Anchorage back on Feb. 21.

Sacramento State led by twotenths after the first rotation, scoring a 48.900 on vault compared to the Aggies' 48.700 on bars. The Hornets were led by junior Rylin Zimmerman, who scored a career-high 9.825 to finish in a tie for third and match junior Sarah Lutrel's score against Southern Utah on Feb. 28 for the highest score by a Sacramento State vaulter this year.

Senior Emma Morgenthaler finished fifth with a season-high tying score of 9.80, which is tied for third on the season list, while Lutrel scored a 9.775 to place sixth and tie for ninth on the season list. Freshman Lexi Frank also set a career high with a 9.70.

Jimmy Kvarme Tribute **Tournament Supports Community**

By Park Terrace Swim and Tennis Club Staff

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (**MPG**) - The annual Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament returns on Oct.18 to Oct. 19 at the Park Terrace Swim and Tennis Club.

The tournament brings together tennis players, families and the local community for a weekend of competition and giving back.

More than just a United States Tennis Association (USTA) Gold Cup Series event, the Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament honors the memory of Jimmy Kvarme, a passionate young tennis player, while raising funds for meaningful causes.

Since its inception in 2017, the tournament has raised more than \$50,000 for various charities, including the V Foundation for Cancer Research and has supported local high school tennis programs by providing funding, tennis balls and equipment to schools such as Christian Brothers, River City, John F. Kennedy and C.K. McClatchy. This year, the Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament is proud partner with to Mama Bears Fighting Childhood Cancer, a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting families facing pediatric cancer. Founded by mothers who have been through the battle firsthand, Mama Bear provides caregivers with essential hospital supplies through their Hospital Wagon program, ensuring they have what they need during their child's treatment.

Vera Padilla, Director of Advocacy for Mama Bear. "We've supported more than 500 local families to date, and thanks to community events like JKTT, we can

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3, this year's player-sponsor barbecue will also serve as a moment to reaffirm the tournament's commitment to giving back.

FITT Foundation Chief Financial Officer Jason Wagner emphasized the ongoing support, stating, "We plan on giving another donation after this year's event in October.'

The tournament has grown into more than just a United States Tennis Association Gold Cup Series competition; it has become a celebration of philanthropy and sportsmanship, drawing players and supporters from across the country.

For Matt Bult, a longtime tournament participant and a major donor, the event holds

deep meaning. "My

wife,

Maria, and I

brings the whole community together." Beyond the competition,

Basnyat is passionate about the tournament's larger mission, which is fighting cancer.

"Getting cancer is absolutely tragic in this day and age," he said. "It's not enough to just put a Band-Aid on the disease; we need to eradicate it," Basnyat said.

Park Terrace Swim and Tennis Club has been an essential partner in making the Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament a success, donating its facility to host the event and reinforcing its commitment to giving back.

"We are proud to open our courts for a tournament that blends competition, camarade-

rie and charity," said Megan Bossemeyer, general manager of Park Terrace. "It's about more than tennis; it's about supporting a cause

Hornet Named to Big Sky All-**Tournament Team**

Sacramento State University News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento State junior guard Benthe Versteeg was named to the Big Sky Conference All-Tournament Team for the second time in her career on March 12 following the conclusion of the league's championship event.

Already among a group of six Hornets to ever earn all-tournament honors, Versteeg becomes the first Sacramento State player to be named to the all-tournament team twice in a career after picking up her first honor following the 2023-24 championship. Just as she was last year, she is the only member of the six-woman honor roll not on a team that reached the semifinals.

During the Hornets' twogame run in the postseason event, Versteeg nearly averaged a triple-double, putting up 17.5 points, 8.5 rebounds, and 8.0 assists per game



State junior guard Benthe Versteeg was named to the Big Sky Conference All-Tournament Team. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State University

 to go with nine rebounds and five assists, hitting 10-of-24 from the field and playing all 40 minutes in a four-point defeat against second-seeded Northern Arizona. The 24 points are tied for seventh in school history for a single Big Sky Tournament game, while the 10 makes from the field are also tied for third.

An All-Big Sky first team selection for the first time in her career and one of three

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"Mama Bear was founded to fill the gaps we experienced firsthand as caregivers," said Monica

their fight against cancer." During the 2025 Jimmy

Kvarme Tribute Tournament player-sponsor barbeque, organizers will shine a spotlight on the tour-

nament's

growing impact and the strong community partnerships that make it possible. The event will recognize local businesses, sponsors, and individuals who have contributed to the tournament's success, ensuring its mission of supporting youth tennis and charitable causes continue

With the FITT Foundation and Park Terrace already presenting a \$1,000 donation to Mama Bears Fighting Childhood Cancer on March

have supported this memorial tournament since its inception, and it's an event my son, Nick, and I look forward to playing in every year," Bult said. "However, it's bittersweet: the bitter being the heartbreaking reality of childhood cancer makes this tournament necessary. The sweet is the opportunity to come together with like-minded tennis players and philanthropists, united by a shared purpose. We've been friends with Jimmy's parents, Julie and Michael Kvarme, for many years, and being part of this event is a reward in itself."

Among the many events he has organized in his 33-year coaching career, the Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament holds a special place for tournament director Monty Basnyat. "I've run everything from junior tournaments to USTA professional events but JKTT is one of my favorites. It truly

that impacts families right here in our community.'

The tournament continues to grow, drawing players from across the country, including Georgia, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and San Jose. Tennis players of all levels are encouraged to sign up and compete, with the opportunity to play great tennis while making a real impact.

Those who can't compete can still be part of the mission by donating to the Jimmy Kvarme Tribute Tournament, supporting Mama Bear and ensuring that families battling pediatric cancer receive the help they need.

For more information, contact tournament director Basnyat at mbasnyat@fitt10s.com or 916-316-7577.

The Park Terrace Swim and Tennis Club is at 5500 Parkfield Court, Sacramento. Let's serve up hope, one match at a time.

River Cats Announce Partnership

By River Cats Media Relations

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento River Cats and Sutter Health Park have announced a new multi-year partnership with Advanced Building Maintenance to lead engineering and janitorial services for the team and Sutter Health Park.

"We are pleased to be partnering with Advanced Building Maintenance as we embark on a new venture here at Sutter Health Park," said Sacramento River Cats Vice President of Partnerships Greg Coletti. "It is our goal to have a clean and safe environment for our fans to enjoy whether

they are watching baseball or attending a special event in the ballpark. We are looking forward to seeing the partnership come to fruition in the foreseeable future."

"This partnership is about more than exceptional service-it's about being part of something bigger, your experience at the park," said Advanced Building Maintenance CEO and Owner Patrick Ferguson. "We're honored to work alongside the Sacramento River Cats and Sutter Health Park to deliver an outstanding experience for all. We believe great partnerships elevate great experiences. Working with the Sacramento

River Cats and Sutter Health Park is an opportunity to support a thriving sports culture while delivering the highest standards of service."

Headquartered in Sacramento, Advanced Building Maintenance is a family-owned and operated facility services provider delivering reliable, sustainable and cost-efficient solutions for buildings across the nation.

Beginning this year, Advanced Building Maintenance will provide cleaning, maintenance and engineering to the Sacramento River Cats and Sutter Health Park, helping maintain the stadium to the highest of standards. *

while playing almost 37 minutes per contest.

In the Hornets' opening-round victory over Eastern Washington, Versteeg finished with 11 points, eight rebounds, and 11 assists for her fifth consecutive double-double as Sacramento State upended the Eagles, 71-67.

Twenty four hours later, Versteeg exploded for a game-high 24 points — just two shy of her career high players to be named to the Big Sky All-Defensive Team for the second straight season, Versteeg finished the 2024-25 campaign averaging 12.0 points per game, 5.0 rebounds per game, and 6.5 assists per game, shooting .411 from the floor.

Her 208 assists this season tied her own single-season school record set last year and she became the first Hornet to post back-to-back 200-assist seasons.

Youth Football Helmet Law Proposed

Office of Assemblymember Avelino Valencia News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION. CA (MPG) - California Assemblymember Avelino Valencia (D-Anaheim) has introduced Assembly Bill 708 to protect young athletes by permitting the use of soft-shelled helmet add-ons during practices and games.

-"Assembly Bill 708 empowers parents to make informed decisions about their children's safety in youth football," said Assemblymember Valencia. "As a former player, I know the excitement and risks of the game, especially during the critical developmental years of childhood. It is our responsibility to ensure that parents have access to the best safety equipment available."

Currently, some youth football leagues prohibit players from

wearing soft-shelled helmet add-ons. Research conducted by Virginia Tech University has demonstrated that softshelled helmet add-ons can significantly reduce the forces of impact, leading to a 24.7% decrease in concussion risk.

Notably, the National Football League (NFL) has already adopted this technology for its players, highlighting its effectiveness and reliability.

Assembly Bill 708 addresses this issue by granting parents the autonomy to decide whether their children can wear soft-shelled helmet add-ons. This legislation empowers families to take proactive steps in reducing the risk of concussions and aligns youth football safety regulations with those of the NFL.

Through this bill, we aim to foster a safer environment for young athletes, ensuring them and their families can enjoy the game with greater peace of mind.