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Earth Day and Spring Celebration Includes Egg Hunt



Youth attending the April 19 Earth Day & Spring Celebration will get a chance to search for some choice goodies among 2,500 eggs. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento/Professional Events

By John McCallum

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - West Sacramento area residents are invited to the city's Bryte Park on Saturday, April 19, rain or (hopefully) shine, to have fun, win prizes, learn about creating sustainable living and hunt for 2,500 brightly-colored eggs.

West Sacramento's Earth Day & Spring Celebration is taking place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 19 at the park. The city has hosted the event

since 2013, event consultant Jeni Tickler-Threadgill said, beginning at City Hall and then moving to Bryte Park when the Earth Day event partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department's egg hunt.

"It was just a more successful event when we joined our events," said Tickler-Threadgill.

The free celebration features music, food, shopping from local vendors and artists, and activities for everyone. There will be prizes, beginning

with free Chando's tacos to the first 50 people who arrive when the information booth opens at 10 a.m., with a limit of four tacos per family.

The first 50 attendees to visit the Sacramento River Cats booth and sign up for the team's newsletter will get a free ticket to a May home game, with a limit of two tickets per fan. There will also be a free raffle with prizes including tickets to upcoming A's, River Cats and Sacramento

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Garth Lewis Named Superintendent of the Year



Yolo County Superintendent of Schools Garth Lewis

By Yolo County
Office of Education
News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The California Association of African American Superintendents and Administrators has honored Yolo County Superintendent of Schools Garth Lewis with the 2025 Charlie Mae Knight and Rex Fortune Superintendent of the Year Award for excellence in education.

The announcement was made on March 26 during the California Association of African American Superintendents and Administrators' annual Professional Development Conference in Los Angeles.

"I am deeply honored to receive this award," said Lewis. "This recognition reflects the collective efforts of the incredible educators, staff, community partners and families I have the privilege of working with in Yolo County. I am inspired every day by our students and remain committed to ensuring that every young person, regardless of their background, has equitable access to the opportunities and resources they need to thrive."

Yolo County Board of Education President Armando Salud-Ambriz praised Lewis for his leadership.

"We are incredibly proud of Superintendent Lewis and this well-deserved recognition. His unwavering commitment to equity, educational excellence, and student well-being continues to have a profound impact on Yolo County and beyond," said Salud-Ambriz.

Lewis made history as the first African-American elected to the role of county superintendent in Yolo County. He was first elected in 2018 and re-elected to a second term in 2022.

His 28-year career in

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California Duck Days Open to All Ages

Yolo Basin Foundation
News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Yolo Basin Foundation is hosting California Duck Days, Northern California's wetlands and wildlife festival, on Saturday, April 26.

This family-friendly event at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters will include live animals, wetland-themed arts and crafts, environmental education activities, hourly tours of the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area and more.

Whether youth help build wood duck boxes to create nesting opportunities, dissect owl pellets to learn about owls or borrow rubber boots to explore the invertebrate life living in wetland ponds, there will never be a dull moment at the festival for those curious about the natural world.

The exhibitor area will host more than 20 local



The exhibitor area will host more than 20 local environmental organizations. Photo courtesy of David Kalb

environmental organizations providing information about their missions and offering interactive, hands-on activities. Animal ambassadors will include ducklings, large

raptors and ambassador bats. Food vendors will be on site.

The event would not be possible without the support of Yolo Basin Foundation's generous

sponsors, donors and volunteers. California Duck Days is a collaborative effort between Yolo Basin Foundation, City of Davis, and the California

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HHSA Receives Grant to Enhance Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) has been awarded a \$290,630 grant to continue its Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program.

Established in 2023, the program promotes safe practices for pedestrians and bicyclists while emphasizing drivers' responsibility to watch for others on the road.

Funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the grant will support various initiatives through September.

These efforts include conducting community bicycle and walk audits to assess the streets with high rates of pedestrian and bicyclist injuries and fatalities, offering bicycle training courses that educate youth on safe riding behaviors

and providing helmet fittings and distributions to those in need.

Additionally, the Health and Human Services Agency will host educational presentations in schools, organize community bike rides to encourage and teach riders safe riding practices, and lead walking field trips for older adults while providing pedestrian-safety education for individuals experiencing homelessness. The program will also

offer crossing guard training for individuals responsible for pedestrian safety at crosswalks.

"The safety of people walking and biking on our roads is a top priority for our office," stated Office of Traffic Safety Director Stephanie Dougherty. "Everyone moves and not always by car. It's important that we invest in efforts to protect people walking, biking and rolling that help establish a strong traffic safety culture where

everyone on California roads can travel to and from places safely."

For more information on Health and Human Services Agency's Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program, contact the program at Traffic.Safety@YoloCounty.gov. Residents can call Yolo 2-1-1 for resource information and follow Health and Human Services Agency on Facebook @YoloCountyHHSA. ★

County Launches Free Program for Home Energy Efficiency Resources

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Sustainability Division has launched the Yolo Energy Partnership (YEP), a new initiative aiming to help residents in unincorporated Yolo County reduce utility costs, improve home comfort and access free energy-efficiency resources.

This program is part of the county's commitment to achieving carbon negativity by 2030, with a focus on equity and community resilience.

Through the Yolo Energy Partnership, eligible households can take advantage of several free energy-saving opportunities.

The program offers professional Home Energy Score (HES) assessments, which provide a detailed evaluation of home energy-efficiency, along with recommendations for improvements.

Additionally, residents can receive a

free weatherization kits containing light emitting diode (LED) bulbs, weather-stripping and insulation materials to improve home energy efficiency.

Valley Clean Energy's (VCE) Electric Advisors Program is also available, which offers free expert guidance on electrification rebates and energy-efficient home upgrades to Valley Clean Energy customers.

For those needing major home energy efficiency repairs, the Owner-Occupied Housing Rehabilitation (OOHR) Program provides low-interest loans to support low- and moderate-income homeowners.

Yolo Energy Partnership services are available to households in unincorporated Yolo County that meet specific income requirements, with the exception of the Electric Advisors Program open to all Valley Clean Energy customers.

Priority for the home energy score

and weatherization programs will be given to low-income households, agricultural workers, seniors (65-plus), households with children and individuals with disabilities.

Yolo Energy Partnership is made possible through partnerships with Earth Advantage, Archon Energy Solutions and Valley Clean Energy, along with community outreach partners De Colores Resource Center and Cool Davis.

For more information about the Yolo Energy Partnership such as eligibility criteria and applications, visit YoloCounty.gov/YoloEnergyPartnership.

Stay connected by emailing Sustainability@YoloCounty.gov and signing up for the e-newsletter at "Yolo County Sustainability Newsletter." Follow Yolo County Climate Action & Sustainability on Instagram and Facebook @yolosustainability. ★

Garth Lewis Named Superintendent of the Year

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kindergarten through 12th-grade education includes 20 years in Yolo County where Lewis has served as a paraeducator, teacher, site and district administrator, and assistant superintendent of instructional services and equity at the Yolo County Office of Education.

Lewis actively contributes to education and youth development organizations. He represents kindergarten through 12th-grade education on the First 5 Yolo Children and Families Commission, the Yolo County Child Care Planning Council, Head

Start Policy Council and the Collaborative for Woodland Youth.

In 2022, an area newspaper recognized Lewis as one of the "Top 25 Black Change Makers" in the Sacramento region.

As county superintendent, Lewis oversees the Yolo County Office of Education's 330 employees and collaborates closely with the county's five school districts and key community partners to ensure all children receive a high-quality public education.

For more information about the Yolo County Office of Education, visit ycocoe.org. ★

Family Strengthening and Community Support during Child Abuse Prevention Month

By the Yolo County Child Abuse Prevention Council

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. This April, the Yolo County Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC), a program of the Yolo County Children's Alliance (YCCA), recognizes both the progress we've made as a community and the work that lies ahead in safeguarding our children. This year's theme, "It Takes a Village," speaks volumes about the power each of us holds to make a positive difference in the lives of children in our community.

Yolo County, like many communities, grapples with the reality of child abuse and neglect. In 2024, Yolo County Child Welfare Services investigated allegations of suspected child abuse and/or neglect involving 1,033 children.

While not every allegation was determined to be substantiated, the 124 Yolo County children who entered foster care in 2024 underscore the ongoing challenges we face. Particularly concerning is the disproportionate representation of Black children in foster care entries; despite constituting just 2.5% of Yolo County's child population, Black children ages 0-5 accounted for 10.5% of entries into foster care in 2024, a decrease from the 2023 figure of 13.33%.

As members of the Child

Abuse Prevention Council, we are actively engaged in national initiatives aimed at reducing entries into foster care. Recognizing the pressing need to address this disparity, we have continued to focus this year on preventing both child abuse and entries to foster care for Yolo County children, with a focus on preventing entries to foster care of Black children ages 0-5.

This aligns with Yolo County's Comprehensive Prevention Plan that seeks to incorporate culturally responsive strategies to safeguard our most vulnerable children and mitigate the disproportionate risk they face of entering foster care.

Poverty, while not deterministic of neglect, often exacerbates stressors on families, increasing the risk factors for child maltreatment. In 2023, the California poverty rate was 12%, whereas in Yolo County, the poverty rate was 16.3%, highlighting the intersection between socioeconomic factors, racial disparities, and child welfare systems (2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates).

The Yolo County Child Abuse Prevention Council continues to advocate for local initiatives that will improve the ability of families to be self-sufficient and applauds the efforts of programs like the Yolo County Basic Income Program pilot program (which ended in 2024) that seek to serve Yolo County's most

vulnerable residents. Educational initiatives aimed at strengthening household financial security can also play a pivotal role in reducing the incidence of child abuse and neglect. By improving parents' ability to provide for their children's basic needs, access developmentally appropriate childcare and alleviate parental stress and depression, we can create more stable and nurturing environments for our children to thrive.

It is essential to recognize that child abuse prevention is not solely the responsibility of social services or law enforcement. It's a collective effort that requires community-wide engagement and education. Research renowned psychiatrist Dr. Bruce Perry underscores the critical importance of positive relationships in mitigating the risk of child abuse and promoting resilience. Supportive connections with caring adults can serve as a powerful buffer against the effects of trauma, offering children a sense of security and stability in tumultuous times.

This year, all Child Abuse Prevention Councils in Northern California have joined forces under the "It Takes a Village" campaign, uniting our efforts to prevent child abuse and promote child well-being. It's a testament to the strength of our region's commitment to protecting our

most vulnerable members. It's remarkable how a single positive connection with just one person can change a child's life for the better. We feel the profound influence of social connections in our day-to-day lives.

A hug from a friend or a smile from a stranger on a difficult day can alleviate stress and uplift our spirits. Research confirms the importance of strong social support in promoting the mental health of parents and children alike. We encourage you to extend a caring connection to someone today. A simple smile, a listening ear or a gesture of kindness can help alleviate the negative impacts of stress and foster resilience.

Join Yolo County Child Abuse Prevention Council in making an impact this Child Abuse Prevention Month by participating in local activities that promote awareness, healing and community engagement. Take part in the Community Art Project, a creative initiative that encourages children and families to express their hopes for a safer future. Help plant a pinwheel garden, a powerful visual symbol of childhood and prevention awareness, at the Pinwheel Community Garden Event and Remembrance Day on April 25 at the Yolo County Children's Alliance's Family Resource Center.

Attend the Children's Memorial Day Event to honor the lives

of children lost and recommit to protecting those at risk. Stay informed and engaged by following our op-ed and media campaign, amplifying the conversation on child abuse prevention.

Visit linktr.ee/yolocountychildrensalliance to explore resources and information on how you can contribute to our collective mission. Whether you're a parent, educator, healthcare professional, or concerned citizen, your involvement can make a meaningful difference.

By becoming informed about the science of resilience and learning how to create more caring connections, we can provide support for those who need it most. Prevention goes beyond awareness; it requires action. Together, let's heed the call since it "It Takes a Village" to ensure that children have the safe and nurturing environment they deserve.

In closing, the Yolo County Child Abuse Prevention Council urges people to join their collective efforts to create a brighter, safer future for the children of Yolo County. Together, the community can be empowered to prevent child abuse and build a more resilient and compassionate society. Let's stand united as advocates for children because every child deserves to grow up in a world where they feel valued, cherished and safe. ★

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One of the many activities for families taking place at West Sacramento’s Earth Day & Spring Celebration at Bryte Park on April 19 is decorating starter plants. Photo courtesy of City of West Sacramento/Professional Events

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Republic FC games.

There will be arts and crafts for the kids, and of course, the egg hunt. The hunt begins at 10:30 a.m. for ages 4 and under, 11 a.m. for ages 5 to 7 and 11:30 a.m. for ages 8 to 12.

One booth will give event attendees the opportunity to meet the non-releasable birds of prey ambassadors from Hawks, Honkers & Hoots. Founder and educator Kelli Moulden said the organization will have half of their currently housed 10 birds on hand, along with a variety of bird items such as feathers, talons, wings and skulls from birds who didn’t survive, as well as to-scale bust carvings.

“We have display things people can touch because we’re mostly tactile,” Moulden said. “People can really see what makes these birds up.”

Volunteers will conduct lessons with a unique approach about the birds’ aspects, such as what they eat and their natural defenses.

Moulden added.

One of the sustainable living organizations with a booth at Bryte Park will be Our Water, Our World, providing information about “less-toxic, eco-friendly products and techniques” for pest control and taking care of yards and gardens. Master Gardener Julie Barbour has 15 years working with the University of California’s IPM (Integrated Pest Management) program to bring to help homeowners and gardeners with better solutions to their issues.

“This is all in the name of keeping pesticides out of the water,” Barbour said. “Pesticides can go dormant. When the right environmental conditions occur, they can then spring back to life and do the job they were intended to do, but where they weren’t intended to be.”

At Earth Day, Barbour will provide information on better practices so the use of pesticides can be avoided, such as adjusting sprinklers for proper

irrigation, proper plant feeding and using products such as wood chips to stop weeds.

Barbour encourages event attendees to bring pictures of their environmental problems so she can figure out what is going on and provide a more environmentally appropriate solution. Barbour likened the approach to dealing with a medical condition through specific, proper treatment.

“You don’t go to a pharmacy for a headache and get something that will kill everything,” Barbour said.

Additionally at Earth Day, the West Sacramento Fire Department will have an engine on hand and Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates (SABA) E-Bike Experience will have a booth with information about e-bikes and test rides. For those who want to ride their bikes to Bryte Park, a bike valet will provide parking and security.

“We really have a well-rounded community event for families,” Tickler-Threadgill said. ★



Hawks, Honkers & Hoots founder and educator Kelli Mouldin holds onto Murphy, a red-tailed hawk currently at the nonprofit organization. Hawks, Honkers & Hoots will have up to five birds of prey, along with other bird displays, at the April 19 Earth Day & Spring Celebration. Photo courtesy of Hawks, Honkers & Hoots

California Duck Days Open to All Ages

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Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The festival will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 26 at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters

at 45211 County Road 32B (Chiles Road), Davis. Admission is \$25 per vehicle and all activities are free. Dogs are not permitted at the festival. For more information, visit yolobasin.org/

california-duck-days/.

Yolo Basin Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the appreciation and stewardship of wetlands and wildlife through education and innovative partnerships. ★



The California Duck Days family-friendly event at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters will include live animals, wetland themed arts and crafts, environmental education activities, hourly tours of the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area and more. Photo courtesy of David Kalb

West Sacramento Native Supports U.S. Navy Helicopter Squadron in Norfolk

By Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist John Osborne, Navy Office of Community Outreach

NORFOLK, VA (MPG) - Seaman Zuriel Jones, a West Sacramento native, serves the U.S. Navy assigned to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 5.

Jones graduated from Heritage Peak High School in 2019.

The skills and values needed to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in West Sacramento, according to Jones.

“Growing up, I lived in a lot of places, so I had to learn to be adaptable,” Jones said. “That has been very useful in the Navy and has helped me feel comfortable in uncomfortable places.”

Jones joined the Navy a year and a half ago. Today, Jones serves as an aviation electronics technician.



Seaman Zuriel Jones, a West Sacramento native, serves the U.S. Navy assigned to Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 5. Photo by Mass Communication Specialist Seaman Mark Pena, Navy Public Affairs Support Element East

“I wanted to join right out of high school but was injured in a car accident and that prevented me from joining the Marine Corps, which both of my parents served in,” Jones said. “After COVID, a lot of options disappeared, so I knew it was time to join the military. The Air Force was going to make me wait too long but I was ready to go and the Navy was ready to take me.”

HSC-5 members fly and maintain the MH-60S Knighthawk helicopter within Carrier Air Wing SEVEN (CVW-7). The MH-60S’s primary missions are Search and Rescue, Naval Special Warfare Support and Anti-Surface Warfare. Additional missions include logistic support, vertical replenishment, medical evacuation, non-combatant evacuation operations and maritime interdiction operations. In short, HSC-5 “Rescues, Protects and Delivers!”

The U.S. Navy is celebrating its 250th birthday this year.

America is a maritime nation and for 250 years, America’s Warfighting Navy has sailed the globe in defense of freedom, according to Navy officials.

With 90% of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of undersea fiber optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the United States’ prosperity is directly linked to recruiting and retaining talented people from across America’s rich fabric.

Jones has many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during military service.

“My proudest accomplishment came right before joining the Navy when I got a thank you letter from the Blue Angels,” Jones said. “They were doing an air show in Pensacola and I helped them set up. It was pretty amazing.”

Jones serves a Navy that operates far forward, around the world and around the clock, promoting the nation’s prosperity and security.

“Serving in the Navy means freedom,” Jones said. “Freedom for me and freedom for my family. I’m proud to be a part of defending that.”

Jones has several goals for his Navy career.

“My long-term goal is to get commissioned and become a pilot in the Navy,” Jones said. “Regardless, I see myself doing 20 years and retiring.”

Jones is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

“I want to thank my mother, Heidi, for providing the discipline I needed and instilling in me the importance of having a positive attitude,” Jones added. ★

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



For the Sacramento Kings, life is like a box of chocolates, you never know you’re going to get.

After a blowout loss to the Orlando Magic, the Kings sustained back-to-back close losses to the Indiana Pacers and the lowly Washington Wizards. For many Kings fans, it was their darkest hour.

Radio talk shows lambasted the Kings, and many even suggested the team was playing to opt out of the play-in, in favor of securing a first-round draft pick.

I would never accuse the Kings of tanking, because I don’t believe it’s in their DNA. There is far too much pride in these gladiators for any of them to take a night off.

True, at times they look like they’ve never seen a basketball before, but I see effort on the court every night, and I believe in this eccentric group that has captured the hearts of so many fans.

With negativity abounding the Kings drubbed the Charlotte Hornets 125-102 in a game that was never in question, but looming ahead was the indomitable Cleveland Cavaliers.

No one gave the Kings a chance and considering that the Sactown boys had just handed the Cavaliers a shocking loss in Sacramento just three weeks earlier, the Cav’s were just waiting for payback.

In a game that was thoroughly entertaining, the Kings played like a team on a mission, and outplayed the Cavaliers for 48 minutes, handing the Eastern Conference leader only their 16th loss of the season.

Domantas Sabonis came to play and made a statement early, scoring 15 of his 27 points in the first quarter. Zach Lavine showed off his offensive prowess by adding 37 huge points in a 120-113 win over the Cavaliers and making the potential for postseason basketball a very real possibility for the Sacramento Kings.

But this win doesn’t just portend post-season basketball, it sends a message to every negative pundit, and every Kings fan, that on any given night this newly assembled group of ballers, can beat the best that the NBA has to offer.

Hope is a fleeting emotion, but on this night in Cleveland, the Kings gave every fan a reason to play on. No more nonsense about playing for draft picks. Instead watch the movie “Hoosiers” again, and while you’re at it why not plug in “Miracle on Ice”.

I remember the 1976 Warriors that with only one star, went on a run that saw them winning four straight games over the Washington Bullets and shocking the basketball world.

These things happen, and they’re the very reason we watch basketball.

We as fans are blessed with an eclectic group that have come together under difficult circumstances, and with a rookie coach, are trying to do what every supposed expert believes they can’t do.

Well call me Pollyanna, because I decide what I believe, and I’ll be rooting until they turn the lights out.

For many fans, your favorite player isn’t even a member of the starting five, and that is what drives you. Bench rotations are ever so critical, and whether it’s Malik Monk, Isaac Jones, or even Doug McDermott, fans live and die with every shot.

I was astounded to hear that Vegas has the Detroit Pistons as 6 ½ favorites over the Sacramento Kings Monday night, and every player on the Kings should take that as an insult. Put a chip on your shoulder and show the Pistons how they just defeated perhaps the best team in the Eastern Confernce the night before.

Look for anything that brings motivation and let’s end this season on a high note.

Will the Kings finish 500 or better? I don’t know, but I’ll be watching, and I know anything is possible.

The offseason and its moves will take care of itself. It’s time to put the hammer down and play basketball the way every fan knows this team is capable of.

Stay tuned Kings fans because the playoffs are more than just a pipe dream!

All the best!

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

Social Security Matters

When is the Best Time for Me to Claim Social Security?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be 66 ½ in June and would like to discuss when would be the best time for me to start taking my social security benefits. I am still employed full time and don’t want to be penalized because of that. Please let me know what I need to do to set up an appointment with you. I got your information from the AMAC website, and I look forward to hearing from you. **Signed: Ready to Claim**

Dear Ready: You can certainly call us on 1.888.750.2622 during normal EST business hours for a personal conversation. But to facilitate that conversation, be aware that deciding when to claim your Social Security benefit normally depends on just a few factors, including your financial need, your health and expected longevity, and your marital status. A few things to be aware of:

- Born in 1958, your “full retirement age” is age 66 years and 8 months. If you were born in October 1958, you will reach your FRA in June 2025, and that is the point you can get 100% of the SS benefit you’ve earned from a lifetime of working.

- Once you reach your FRA in June, Social Security’s “annual earnings test” no longer applies. Thus, you can continue working after you start your SS benefits and your earnings will not negatively affect your monthly benefit amount. If you claim any earlier than your FRA, you will get a smaller benefit and also be subject to Social Security’s annual earnings test (which for you this year - your FRA year - is \$62,160, or \$5,180/month after you start your SS benefits). If you decide to claim before your FRA, your benefit will be reduced by .556% for each month early (a permanent reduction).
- You can also wait beyond your FRA to claim and earn Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) at the rate of .667% per month (8% per year of delay), in order to get an even higher benefit later. If financially feasible, you can delay up to the age of 70 when your monthly benefit will reach maximum - about 27% more than it will be in June of this year.
- If you are single and will not be eligible for a spousal benefit, then you should make your claiming decision based only on your own needs. If, however, you are married and your spouse’s FRA benefit is more than twice your FRA amount, you may be entitled to a “spousal boost” (a supplemental amount added to your own SS benefit).
- Your life expectancy should be considered when deciding when to claim your SS retirement benefits. If you expect to enjoy at least “average” longevity (about 87 for a woman your current age), then you might also consider delaying your claim (if financially feasible) and that is often a prudent choice. If you don’t expect to achieve a long life, or if you need the money sooner, or if you are entitled to spousal benefits, then claiming at your FRA of 66 years and 8 months is likely your best option.

In the end, only you can decide when you should claim your Social Security, but we’re always here to answer any additional questions you may have. You can feel free to call us at any time (1.888.750.2622) during normal EST business hours to discuss your options directly with one of our certified Social Security advisors. Or you can also ask any additional questions via email, which we will be most happy to respond to promptly.

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In California’s Capitol, Some Political Fights Span Decades



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Were we able to transport ourselves back in time 50 years and into California’s Capitol, we would find a governor seeking and enjoying massive attention by national political media as he eyes some greater office. We’d also find a Legislature dealing with conflicts among influential interests with heavy financial impacts.

In other words, the Capitol’s dynamics in 1975 were pretty much what they are today.

The resemblance even extends to specific issues. For instance, then-Gov. Jerry Brown was touting a “peripheral canal” in 1975 to carry water around the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. Gavin Newsom was seven years old then, but now as governor is waging the same campaign for a tunnel to do the same thing and is facing the same opposition.

Other conflicts that confronted Brown and legislators a half-century ago can be found again among the hundreds of bills introduced so far in the 2025 legislative session.

On Tuesday, for instance, the Senate Judiciary Committee took up Senate Bill 29, a measure that would extend indefinitely the ability of survivors of people who died as a result of medical malpractice to sue for “pain, suffering, or disfigurement.” During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Legislature provided a temporary window for such suits because the court system was in pandemic-induced turmoil.

Insurers and other opponents of the measure contend that it violates a 2022 compromise on the limits of malpractice damages, a deal that seemingly ended a 47-year-long political battle that began when Brown signed the Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act in 1975.

A half-century ago, doctors and other health care providers were also skirmishing over “scope of practice,” the body of state law that defines in great detail which medical professionals can perform which procedures on which parts of the human body.

The hardest-fought battle pitted orthopedic surgeons against podiatrists over the legal right to perform ankle surgery, and it raged for years until the latter prevailed. Ever since, there have been similar conflicts too numerous to list, such as psychologists vs. psychiatrists over the right to prescribe drugs, optometrists vs. opticians over eye treatment — and even veterinarians vs. dog groomers over who could legally brush a dog’s teeth.

The current version of this perennial turf battle is Assembly Bill 876, which would allow nurse anesthetists to provide their services more independently — the latest in a years-long string of legislative efforts by nurses to bolster the scope of their practices.

Soon after becoming governor, Brown pledged to reform workers’ compensation, the system that provides income and medical care to those with work-related illnesses and injuries. That effort failed, but as one of the last acts of his first governorship, Brown signed a bill to increase payments to such workers by about \$3 billion a year, angering employers who must provide coverage.


That touched off a predictable cycle in which a majority of the workers’ compensation interest groups would work out some sort of systemic overhaul once each decade and get it enacted over objections of groups left out of the negotiations.

The last such instance occurred in 2012 when Brown, once again governor, negotiated and signed legislation to raise benefits again, but impose new rules on eligibility and medical care to save enough money to pay for the benefits.

The Capitol is overdue for another workers’ compensation deal and a newly introduced measure, Senate Bill 555, could be the vehicle. It would increase benefits to workers with partial but permanent disabilities, which have been capped at \$1,256 a month for the last decade.

The bill would provide automatic cost of living increases and is certain to draw fire from employers — another chapter in what has been one of the Capitol’s longest running high-dollar conflicts.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250093
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By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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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 Randolph 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.
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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 Sacramento, 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
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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 conducted 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
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RETREAT 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250181
The following person(s) is doing business as: Valley Oak Veterinary 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
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VALLEY 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250236
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
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LA 4-11-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250258
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 County Clerk of Yolo County on 3/18/2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025
LOANS 4-18-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250268
The following person(s) is doing business as: CIMD, 4735 Cowell Boulevard, Apt 96, Davis, CA 95618. Stephanie Kathryn Lajom, 4735 Cowell Boulevard, Apt 96, Davis, CA 95618. 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 3/19/2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025
CIMD 4-25-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250196
The following person(s) is doing business as: The New Library, 3915 Jennings Court, West

Sacramento, 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 February 25, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 2/28/2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025
NEW 4-25-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250295
The following person(s) is doing business as: True Haven Property Management, 604 3rd Street, #100, 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 N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 3/27/2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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TRUE 4-25-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250269
The following person(s) is doing business as: FREEDOM FOREVER, 990 RIVERSIDE PARKWAY WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605, County of YOLO. FREEDOM FOREVER NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, LLC, 990 RIVERSIDE PARKWAY WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95605 This business is conducted by LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 6/28/2024 /s/ BRIAN EGLSAER, MANAGER- FREEDOM FOREVER NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, LLC This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/19/2025. Jesse Salinas, County Clerk/Recorder
By: MBRAUN, Deputy
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CNS-3908480# 4-25-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250275
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: ROOT OF HAPPINESS DAVIS, 211 F Street, Davis, CA 95616 County of YOLO Mailing Address: 211 F Street, Davis, CA 95616 ROH DAVIS LLC, 211 F Street, 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 N/A. ROH DAVIS LLC S/ TYLER BLYTHE, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on 03/20/2025.

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NEWS-LEDGER

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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
ROCHA 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
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

Yanqin 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
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HUANG 4-11-25

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

Anastasia Sergeyevna Semina has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Anastasia 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. Dated: March 18, 2025
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: March 28, April 4, 11, 18, 2025
SEMINA 4-18-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0811

Kayla Marie Nielsen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Dallas Anthony Philpot-Biscay to Dallas Anthony Biscay. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 8, 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 24, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025
BISCAY 4-25-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0847

Caroll Lyn B. Cubero has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Hailey Alana Barok to Hailey Alana Cubero.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-

sons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 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: March 25, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2025
CUBERO 4-25-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0128

Aminta Del Rosario Rivera has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Aminta Del Rosario Rivera to Aminta Del Rosario Rivera-Guillen. 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. Dated: March 26, 2025
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025
RIVERA 5-2-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0797

Zifei Huang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Zifei Huang to Cole Zifei Dickinson. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 6, 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 19, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025
ZIFEI 5-2-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-0871

Cine Huang Li has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Cine Huang Li to Xiao Hong Huang. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 8, 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 28, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: April 11, 18, 25, May 2, 2025
HUANG 5-2-25

LIEN SALE

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated.
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975 F St, West Sacramento, Ca, 95605 on 4/23/25 @11am:Xandralyne Connors: Christopher White: Victoria Mafei: Jovita Abaya: Alyssa Gonzales: Brandy Ruffin: Mukeya Richardson
1100 N 1st St, Dixon, CA 95620 on 4/23/25 @2pm: Jerry Silva
3280 Jefferson Blvd, West Sacramento, CA 95691 on 4/23/25 @11am:jacqueline torres: hineka keomany
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SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: CV2025-0567
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Bear HV LLC, David Demyer, Araminda Lopez, and Does 1-20, inclusive
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: Jaydie Mendoza, Leroy Craig, Christopher Johnson, Latrese Johnson, Leroy Craig III, Leela Craig, Jahazeil Tucker, Joe Tucker.
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The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 dias, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su version. Lea la informacion a continuacion.
Tiene 30 DIAS DE CALENDARIO despues de que le entreguen esta citacion y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefonica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y mas informacion en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede mas cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentacion, pida al secretario de la corte que le de un formulario de exencion de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin mas advertencia.
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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Yolo Superior Court, 1000 Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Troy M. Pearson, APC; 500 La Terraza, Suite 150, Escondido, CA 92025; (858) 309-4204.
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Community Calendar

April

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

Friday, April 11: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 12: 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.

Monday, April 14: Family story time, 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Tuesday, April 15: Hug-a-Bye baby, 11 a.m. to noon

Wednesday, 16: Wiggle Wednesday, 11:15 a.m. to noon. English conversation group, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Anime afternoon, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 17: Tell me a story – bilingual Spanish story time and Loteria, 11:15 a.m. to noon. Yoga at the library, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday, April 18: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 19: Friends of the Library book sale, members only from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and general public 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Time to stock up on books, with all proceeds from the sale supporting our library. Russian story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Call 530.666.8005 for more information on any of these events.

Friday, April 11: Kids night out, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Community Center, 1075 West Capitol Ave. Kids enjoy 3 hours of games, and activities like crafts and dancing, along with dinner and a movie. Be sure to send your child with a blanket and pillow to be comfortable during movie time. Tickets are not sold at the door, buy your ticket at this site: https://west-sacfun.activityreg.com/selectactivity_t2.wcs For more information, contact Recreation Coordinator Lucy Ramos at LucyR@cityof-west-sacramento.org

Saturday, April 12: Sierra Donor Dash 5k run/walk, 211 O Street, Sacramento, starts at 7 a.m. This family- and dog-friendly 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: <https://sier-radonor.org/events/2025-sierra-donor-dash-5k/>

Saturday, April 12: Aqua Egg Adventure, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Recreation Center, 2801 Jefferson Blvd. Mooie Armstrong, mischievous parks mascot, has hidden eggs all around the Rec Center pool deck. As you embark on this adventure, you’ll swim through the water uncovering eggs filled with small prizes and surprises. Whether you are a skilled swimmer or just in it for the fun, this event is sure to make a splash. For more information, contact Recreation Supervisor Liz Hughes at 916-617-4770.

Saturday, April 12: UC Davis Picnic Day, starts at 9:30 a.m. with an opening ceremony on North Quad Ave. across from Wickson Hall. A parade kicks off there at 10:15 a.m. and festivities continue all day, all across campus. More information available at <https://picnic-day.ucdavis.edu/>

Sunday, April 13: “Eggstravaganza” Woodland, 10 a.m. to noon, Grace Hiddleston 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.

Wednesday, April 16: City Hall Blood Drive, 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., 1110 West Capitol Ave. In our “Full Hearts, Full Carts” giveaway, two donors will each win a \$10,000 gift card, enough to purchase groceries for a year. To schedule an appointment, visit: <https://donors.vitalant.org/dwp/portal/dwa> and enter location code SMF026. Contact 877-258-4825 with any questions.

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: <https://www.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.

Saturday, April 26 and Sunday, April 27: Yolo County Wine Ramble. Discover the wine country you didn’t know you were missing. With our Wine Ramble tickets, you and a friend get buy one, get one (BOGO) wine flights all weekend long at all 14 participating Yolo County wineries. Create your own wine trail and ramble around the county. Tickets and more information at: <https://www.yolocounty-wines.com/store/p/wine-ramble-2025>

Saturday, April 26: Winters Youth Day Parade, 10 a.m. Each year the young people of Winters take over the elected offices of the city. After a week of hands-on experience with their city counterparts, everyone is honored with the annual parade and a day full of fun. It’s a celebration for youth of all ages. For more information, contact parade@wintersyouthday.com or call 530-631-0218.

Saturday, April 26: California Duck Days, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area, 45211 County Road 32B (Chiles Rd.) Davis. This family-oriented, community-based outdoor festival has activities for people of all ages. On-site activities include wetland-themed arts and crafts, live animals, nature trail games, interactive exhibits, and much more. For more information, call 530-757-3780.

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 “birdy buffet” on Saturday, May 3. Registration required by using the following link: <https://www.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: <https://www.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 <https://rotaryclubofwestsacramento.org/> for more information, including how to join the Rotary.

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 19.

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: <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/city-council/city-council-meetings-agendas> The next Council F

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Crime Reports

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ARREST REPORTS

Broderick D. Scales, 65, was arrested Friday, Feb. 21 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Tony Kyle Robinette, 59, was arrested Saturday, March 8 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

April Lynn Taylor, 34, was arrested Saturday, March 8 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Elias Drew Welch, 31, was arrested Saturday, March 8 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Sierra Christine Palacios, 37, was arrested and cited Friday, March 14 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police. She was charged with petty theft of retail merchandise after being detained by a Loss Prevention Officer.

Maria Barragan, 39, was arrested Saturday, March 15 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Randy Sandford, 62, was arrested Saturday, March 22 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Kenneth Ray Ford, 43, was arrested Saturday, March 22 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Corinna Amorita Hernandez, 40, was arrested and cited Sunday, March 23 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police. She was charged with shoplifting after being detained by a Loss Prevention Officer, who signed a citizen’s arrest. Hernandez was informed the store was trespassing her and she was not to return.

Nicholas Michael Ansbro, 44, was arrested Monday, March 24 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Jonathan Daniel Mills, 39, was arrested Tuesday, March 25 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Malali Kakar, 49, was arrested Tuesday, March 25 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise. This was a merchant detention.

Keisha Davette Osborne, 48, was arrested Tuesday, March 25 at South River Road and Locks Drive by West Sacramento Police. She was charged with trespassing, driving without a license and no evidence of current registration.

Kevin Thomas Edwards, 47, was arrested Wednesday, March 26 at West Capitol Avenue and Merkley Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officers on patrol observed a subject, identified as Edwards, riding a bicycle on the sidewalk. Additionally, Edwards was known to be on searchable probation. A bicycle enforcement stop was conducted, and a records check showed three active felony no-bail warrants out of Sacramento. Edwards was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Ronald Albert Gunna, 32, was arrested Wednesday, March 26 on Jefferson Boulevard by West Sacramento Police. Reporting party informed police that Gunna was on their property and had caused damage in the past. Police contacted Gunna and a records check revealed he was on probation out of Stanislaus County, had a felony warrant out of Santa Cruz County, and a misdemeanor warrant out of Sacramento County. Gunna was arrested and booked at Yolo County Jail.

Nicholaus Alexander Sabala, 46, was arrested Thursday, March 27 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer on patrol observed Sabala actively causing a disturbance with the management of a gas station. Records check revealed multiple misdemeanors warrants and Sabala was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Julia Farcas, 28, was arrested Friday, March 28 on I Street in Sacramento by West Sacramento Police. Farcas was in custody at the Sacramento Main Jail for a Yolo County felony warrant and officer transported her to Yolo County Jail for booking.

William Lee Johnson, 51, was arrested Saturday, March 29 on Sacramento Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to the location for report of a fight with weapons. Officer arrived at an area behind the dispatched location along railroad tracks, where the reporting party advised they saw the fight. Officer located a subject matching the description provided by dispatch, and there were no other subjects in the area. The man, later identified as Johnson, was approximately 100 yards away from the officer and walking toward him. Officer activated his light in an attempt to detain Johnson, who then turned and began walking away from the officer. Officer gave multiple clear announcements over his P.A. system that Johnson was to stop for West Sacramento Police. Johnson began running away, while additional P.A. announcements were given, and other responding officers activated their patrol siren. Eventually Johnson stopped and complied with officer’s commands. A records check revealed an active misdemeanor warrant. Johnson was transported to Yolo County Jail and booked on the warrant and resisting a peace officer.

Shannon Rosemary Cervantes, 43, was arrested Saturday, March 29 at Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to the location for a shoplifting call where Cervantes was being held by a loss prevention employee. A records check showed Cervantes was on Placer County probation for grand theft until March 2027. Cervantes and an unknown female came to the cash register after shopping the store, and began scanning some items, but not all. The two women acted as if they had paid with a card and walked to the store entrance. The loss prevention employee detained Cervantes after they passed all points of sale. The unknown female walked away and was not located on scene. The loss prevention employee signed a citizen’s arrest and Cervantes was searched. Officers located a baggie containing a white crystallized substance which later tested positive for methamphetamine. Cervantes confirmed it was hers, for personal use. She was charged with possessing a controlled substance, theft with two prior convictions and conspiracy to commit crime and transported to Yolo County Jail.

Anthony Elexander Alarid, 30, was arrested Monday, March 31 at West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for active felony and misdemeanor warrants out of Sacramento County. He was detained without incident and transported to Yolo County Jail.

Stanley A. Montgomery, 32, was arrested Monday, March 31 at Jefferson Boulevard and Merkley Avenue by West Sacramento Police for possession of a controlled substance.

Incidents / Crime Reports

Thursday, March 20 – victim reports her vehicle was stolen from a parking lot / garage by an unknown suspect. Loss estimated at \$16,435 for the vehicle and its contents, including cash and coins, charging cables and other miscellaneous items.

Thursday, March 20 – a restaurant reports a commercial burglary. Items taken include an Apple laptop, a JBL speaker and a Sony digital camera, all valued at \$3,215.

Friday, March 21 – a victim reports his wallet was stolen out of his vehicle during a traffic collision near Jefferson Boulevard Cards and cash valued at \$153 are missing.

Sunday, March 23 – a retail store at Town Center Plaza reports that a suspect entered the store and stole a pair of pants and an electric charger bank. The loss prevention officer provided surveillance footage. The suspect was located at a later time but was able to flee on foot. The loss prevention officer indicates the business wants to prosecute if the suspect is located. Charges include petty theft and resisting a peace officer. Loss estimated at \$95.

Monday, March 24 – a victim reports he was pepper sprayed in the face in a parking lot / garage near Palomar Avenue and Greenmeadow Avenue Suspect was identified but not on scene when police arrived.

Wednesday, March 26 – victim reports her vehicle parked at a residential facility was broken into and miscellaneous items were taken. Missing items include sunglasses, flashlight, pocketknife and a Fastrack device; total estimated value of \$35.

Sunday, March 30 – two suspects entered a store at Town Center Plaza and took items of value. When an employee attempted to detain one suspect, the other forcibly pushed the employee in order to exit the store. Travel mugs valued at \$50 were taken.

Sunday, March 30 – an unknown suspect stole a cell phone at the self-checkout at a store on Riverpoint Court. An iPhone 16 valued at \$1,000 was taken.

Sunday, March 30 – a clothing store reports a female subject has been caught on video multiple times stealing from their location. Loss estimated at \$492.

Monday, March 31 – victim reports his business was burglarized twice on Sunday March 30 and again today. One to three adult males were seen on camera entering the property, taking items and leaving. Reporting party did not have a description of the males. Construction materials, speakers, and gardening equipment were taken, and fence / door locks were damaged. Total loss estimated at \$3,000.

Monday, March 31 – victim reports various mail items were stolen from a residential mailbox by an unknown suspect. Loss estimated at \$150.

Monday, March 31 – victim reports their residential mailbox was vandalized by an unknown suspect. Property loss estimated at \$1.

Monday, March 31 – victim reports they dropped their wallet outside a supermarket, and it was stolen. Debit card, identification and insurance card and cash are missing. Loss estimated at \$300.

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SEASON

by BUD BLAKE

OLIVE! WUMP!
WHERE IS YEA'S
AT?

HUH?!

YER COMIC
RUNS T'MORRAH.

IT'S SUNDAY?!

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS
POPEYE
BY RANDY MULLOBB

COMIN' IN ON ME
DAV OFF, HOW
EMBARRASSIN'!

POPEYE!
YES, SWEETPEA?

HOW'S MY
FAVORITE
FATHER?

WHATTAVA
WANT?

HARDTACK INVITED US TO JOIN
HIM AN' HIS UNCLE BRUTUS AT A
WRESTLIN' SHOW TONIGHT.

NO!

AIN'T WAY? JUST
'CUZ YA DON'T LIKE
BRUTUS?

NOT AT ALL ALTHOUGH
IT'S A SOLID REASON!

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY
HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

1. Tree is moved. 2. Hat is reversed. 3. Man is thinner. 4. Glove is shorter. 5. Fence is missing. 6. Window is moved.

GRIN and BEAR IT

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

I'M ALWAYS FOLLOWING ORDERS, CONSTANTLY
UNDER PRESSURE TO MEET EXPECTATIONS, AND USED TO
SUBPAR FOOD. I'M TELLING, YOU I'M YOUR GUY!

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CLUES

ACROSS
1. Newton of science
6. Over the top, in text
9. *Monica Geller's brother
13. Eurasian antelope
14. Public health org.
15. Add together
16. Underground worker
17. Put down
18. Modify
21. *Mitchell Pritchett's sister Claire
21. *Alex P. Keaton's sister
23. Lao-tzu follower
24. ____ it like it is
25. Banned insecticide
28. Wolf, in Mexico
30. Ubiquitous deciduous tree
35. Nevada's ____ 51
37. Passionate dislike
39. What scribes do
40. Lime-rich soil
41. Rocky ridge
43. Flying saucers, acr.
44. Certain "razor" creator
46. Skier's aid
47. Sicilian mountain
48. Activity of the intellect
50. Rush job notation, acr.
52. Stitch
53. Belted out
55. Mad Hatter's beverage of choice
57. *Wednesday Addams' brother
61. *Richie Cunningham's sister
64. Palate lobe
65. Jersey call
67. Notches made by saw
69. Olympic 4x4 race, e.g.
70. Public house, for short
71. Fill with optimism
72. Wholly engrossed
73. Store posting, for short
74. Slow on the uptake

DOWN
1. Any doctrine
2. "He ____, She Said"
3. Hokkaido language
4. Actor's representative
5. ____ tunnel
6. "____ the Lonely," song
7. *One "Sister, Sister"
8. Bouquet garni ingredient
9. Sushi choice
10. "The Simpsons" palindrome
11. Court petitioner
12. Light on one's feet
15. Rendered suet
20. Tumult and commotion
22. Any high mountain
24. Carryall (2 words)
25. *Vampire Stefan Salvatore's brother
26. Harry Potter's antagonist
27. 9 a.m. prayer
29. *Lisa and Maggie's naughty brother
31. *Phoebe and Piper Halliwell's sister
32. British elevators
33. Repent
34. Redo, to a carpenter
36. "Sad to say ...

38. J.F.K. postings
42. Muse of love poetry
45. Lose
49. Famous frat house letters
51. Reached culmination
54. Naiad or maenad
56. Anoint
57. Make like a cat
58. Part of an eye
59. Mouthful, swallowed
60. Fence board
61. Apple co-founder
62. A Flock of Seagulls' 1982 hit
63. Newts in terrestrial stage
66. Belonging to us
68. Be a witness

CROSSWORD

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Ferreros Named Big Sky Player of the Week



Sacramento State senior Maddy Ferreros was named women's tennis Big Sky Player of the Week on April 2. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State University

Sacramento State University News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - For the second straight week and the fifth time overall this season a Sacramento State women's tennis player has taken home weekly honors from the Big Sky Conference with senior Maddy Ferreros doing the most recent honors for the Hornets on April 2.

It is the fourth career weekly honor from the league office for Ferreros, whose last award came on April 5, 2023. She joins teammates Emilija Pranyte (twice), Lou Baudouin and Reese Walker as Sacramento State winners this spring.

Ferreros finished last week with a 3-0 record, winning both of her singles contests in three sets and taking home a doubles victory alongside teammate Irene Riva. The tandem was also leading their other doubles match before the Hornets clinched the point early, ending the bid for a perfect 4-0 weekend.

The duo opened with a 6-4 win over Weber State's Jessica Hill and Sydney Schnell before switching to singles where Ferreros defeated Schnell for a second time on the day with a 6-7 (5), 6-0, 1-0 (10-8), victory at the No. 1 spot in the lineup, helping Sacramento State to a 7-0 shutout of the Wildcats.

Two days later, Ferreros rallied for another singles victory at the top spot in the lineup, outlasting Idaho State's Asem Shoybek, 3-6, 6-2, 6-2, en route to a 5-2 team victory over the Bengals.

Ferreros' two singles triumphs extended her winning streak to six straight matches and improved her to 10-4 overall at the top spot in the lineup this year, the most wins in the Big Sky at that position.

As a team, the Hornets have a 15-2 overall record and a 5-0 mark in Big Sky play, having won their last eight straight matches. ★

2025 Aggie Football Schedule Announced



The University of California Davis football team will be opening the 2025 season on Aug. 23 in the Football Championship Series Kickoff Classic in Montgomery, Alabama. Photo courtesy of UC Davis

UC Davis News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - With a nationally broadcast game to open the season and five home games, including the Causeway Classic, University of California (UC) Davis football is set for an exciting 2025 with 12 games and eyes on a Big Sky Championship following a historic 2024 season.

The Aggies will host Southern Utah (Sept. 20), Weber State (Sept. 27), Northern Arizona (Oct. 11), Idaho State (Nov. 1) and

Sacramento State (Nov. 22) at UC Davis Health Stadium.

On the road UC Davis will head to Utah Tech (Aug. 30), Washington (Sept. 6), Cal Poly (Oct. 4), Northern Colorado (Oct. 25), Idaho (Nov. 8) and Montana State (Nov. 15).

It's the second-straight season that the Aggies will play 12 games, with their season opener being the Football Championship Series Kickoff Classic in Montgomery, Alabama. The Aggies will face fellow National

Collegiate Athletic Association Football Championship Series Playoff qualifier Mercer on Aug. 23 in the Week 0 event set to be broadcast on ESPN's linear networks.

"We're excited about the opportunity to play on national television to start the year against a great opponent in Mercer," said head coach Tim Plough. "Every year in the Big Sky is a tremendous challenge and we look forward to the opportunity to grow as a program in 2025."

"We will work hard as a team to create a group that the Davis community and university is proud of. Hopefully that leads to some great crowds in Shredville next fall where we all can find joy every Saturday," Plough said.

The game in Seattle, Washington against the Big Ten's Huskies will be the first time that the two sides have met on the grid-iron and the lone Football Bowl Subdivision squad the Aggies will see in 2025. UC Davis will also make its first trip to St. George,

Utah and the game in Montgomery will be the first time the Aggies play south of the Mason-Dixon Line since 2008 when they visited Central Arkansas.

In conference, the Aggies will visit Northern Colorado and Montana State for the first time since 2022 and host Northern Arizona and Idaho State for the first time since that same season. UC Davis will host Sacramento State to end the season, looking to win its third-straight Causeway Classic. ★

Athletics Option LHP Harris to Las Vegas

Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On March 31, The Athletics optioned left-handed pitcher Hogan Harris to Triple-A Las Vegas. The move clears a roster spot for left-handed pitcher Angel Perdomo, who was claimed off waivers from the Los Angeles Angels on March 30.

Harris pitched in one game in the season-opening four-game series at Seattle, allowing one hit and one walk while striking out one in 0.1 innings.

Harris had no decisions, a 0.71 ERA and .485 opponents OPS in nine games, including one start, this spring. Harris held the opposition to a .105 batting average but walked a team-leading 12 batters, which was second most in the Cactus League.

Perdomo began the spring with the Atlanta Braves, was traded to the Angels for cash considerations on March 17 and was designated for assignment on March 25. He combined for a 1.80 ERA and .624 opponents OPS in 10 spring training appearances. The 30-year-old left-hander held the opposition to a .200 batting average but walked six batters in 10.0 innings.

Perdomo spent the entire 2024 season on the Braves injured list as he continued his recovery from Oct. 6, 2023 "Tommy John" surgery. He last pitched in the majors in 2023 with Pittsburgh when he was 3-2 with 3.72 ERA in 30 relief appearances.

Perdomo is 4-2 with a 5.55 ERA in 52 relief appearances in the three seasons in the majors with the Brewers (2020-21) and Pirates (2022). ★

Cosumnes River College News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Cosumnes River College (CRC) sophomore Kalani Hernandez earned California Community College Fastpitch Coaches Association (CCFCA) Player of the Week honors on March 31.

Hernandez was a force at the plate for the week beginning March 24, hitting safely in eight of her 11 at-bats. The sophomore catcher drove in six runs while scoring six after

reaching base nearly 82% of the time.

Hernandez helped the Hawks to key wins over Butte College on March 26, and No. 14 San Joaquin Delta College on March 29.

Hernandez is pacing the Cosumnes River offense with a .398 batting average. To date, Hernandez has seven doubles on the season. ★

Cosumnes River College sophomore Kalani Hernandez earned Player of the Week honors on March 31. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes River College

