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## Makers Market Seeks Young Entrepreneurs



The Galt Children's Makers Market, in partnership with the City of Galt and Galt Saturday Market, will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3. This one-day market gives children the opportunity to showcase their very own businesses. Photo courtesy of Galt Children's Makers Market

By MPG Staff

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Galt Children's Makers Market, in partnership with the City of Galt and Galt Saturday Market, will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 3.

The host of this market is the Acton Children's Business Fair, a nonprofit organization with the goal of helping children discover their inner entrepreneur. According to its website, Makers Market is the largest entrepreneurship event for youth in North America. This one-day market gives children ages 6 to 18 the opportunity to showcase their very own businesses.

The city is expanding the market down C Street for a special children's market area, the same location as the Galt Saturday Market at 628 C St.

Talented young makers, bakers, artists and entrepreneurs will showcase and sell their creations.

So far, booths that will participate at the maker's market include Ella's Bowtique, Emma's Cookie Jar, Weston's Woodshop, Lazy Girl Products, Nails by Els, Fairy Light Flowers, Calico Art and Craft, JJ's Sweet Treats and Crochet Queen hand-crocheted goods.

Attendees can expect to interact with unique products by young entrepreneurs, have a fun and

family-friendly shopping experience, and enjoy sweet treats, crafts, jewelry and more.

Calling all young entrepreneurs! Any youth interested in wanting to be part of the market and sell creations can apply to be a "kid vendor" for the makers market.

According to the Galt Children's Maker Market Facebook page, this is the perfect opportunity to learn about business, showcase creativity and make some extra cash.

Those who would like to sign up to be a vendor or learn more about Acton Children's Business Fair, visit [childrensbusinessfair.org/galt-california](http://childrensbusinessfair.org/galt-california). ★

## When Will State Give Vets a Tax Break?

By Sameea Kamal  
CalMatters.org

After at least eight tries in the Legislature, California may finally join every other state in providing at least some tax exemptions for military retirement income, which supporters argue will help veterans stay in the state and contribute to a skilled workforce.

Assemblymember James Ramos has introduced, for the third time, a bill that would allow veterans to exempt up to \$20,000 of their federal pensions if they make under \$125,000 a year. He narrowed his bill from last year that sought to exempt a veteran's full retirement income. Sen. Kelly Seyarto, a Republican from Murrieta, introduced a similar bill in the Senate.

Overall, about 1.4 million veterans live in California, of whom 141,000 receive military retirement income, according to the latest data available from the U.S. Department of Defense. Another 26,000 Californians receive survivor benefits.

Ramos said the state would benefit from keeping veterans in California, where they might work in other industries after retiring from the military and further contribute to the tax base. California is home to the Navy's Pacific Fleet and tens of thousands of Marines at Camp Pendleton.

"They bring tested job expertise to our California workforce, they live in our communities and serve as volunteers and leaders," said Ramos, a Democrat from San Bernardino. "California can't afford not to put out the welcome mat for our veterans."

The goal of both bills, the legislators say, is to try to keep more military retirees in California. The state has seen its retired military population decrease due to out-of-state moves and deaths by about 28% from more than 195,000 in 2000 to just over 141,000 in 2022, according to data from the U.S. Department of Defense. California's rate of decline during that time was second only to the District of Columbia, where it declined by 35%.

Data was not available on the employment rate among military retirees — those who served at least 20 years. But among the broader group of veterans aged 35 to 64, about 96% of those still in the

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## Galt Merchants Stage Spring Break Egg Hunt

By MPG Staff

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Looking for a fun and unique way to spend your spring break? The Galt Chamber of Commerce invites families to take part in its Spring Break Egg Hunt, set for April 14 to April 18.

The event, which spans several local businesses, invites participants to hunt for hidden eggs, collect stamps and enter a raffle for prizes.

Each stamp you collect on your card from participating businesses earns you a chance at the grand prize, and finding all the eggs gives you two extra raffle tickets.

Merchants participating in the event include The UPS Store, Edge Real Estate, Country Rose Flower Shop, Dry Creek Construction, State Farm (Rachelle Copp), Parker Realty, Shop Local, Papa's & Wings, MaxMuscle, Roenspie + Johnson Real Estate, Spaans Cookie Co., Galt Chamber of Commerce, Farmers Insurance (Kaci Boyd), Velvet Grill & Creamery, Mariscos Las Islitas, Giddens Bros. Plumbing, Heating & Air, Something Sweet Bakery, F&M Bank (Twin Cities), Chandler Gross Group, ACE



In addition to the Spring Break Egg Hunt, the Galt Chamber of Commerce invites the public to the grand opening of the chamber's new office from 4 to 6 p.m. April 22. The new location and grand opening will be at 417 C St. Photo courtesy of Galt Chamber of Commerce

Hardware, Back Alley Brew House, Rancho Seco Care Center, Support Local Business and My Stuff Storage & RV.

Each participating location will provide stamp sheets, allowing participants to start their egg hunt

at any of the locations.

Those looking to capture the fun may wish to take a photo of a hidden egg at the Chamber Courtyard, share it on social media and tag the Galt Chamber of Commerce for an additional bonus raffle ticket.

Don't miss out on this family-friendly seasonal adventure!

In other chamber news, folks are invited to attend the grand opening of the chamber's new office at 417 C St. from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 22. ★

# CCSD OKs Contract for New GM Ogden



Tim Ogden will make \$305,340 as general manager, with an annual cost of living adjustment. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

By Sean P. Thomas  
City Editor

**ELK GROVE, CA (MPG)** - The Cosumnes Community Services District has a new general manager.

The District Board of Directors last week approved the contract for Tim Ogden to step into the role later this month. According to the district documents, Ogden will make \$305,340 in the role, with an annual cost of living adjustment. The contract will begin on April

30. The contract was approved without any comment from either the board or the members of the public.

Ogden will be tasked with overseeing CCSD functions, which include providing emergency medical, fire protection and parks and recreation services for over 210,000 Sacramento County residents, most notably in Elk Grove and Galt.

Ogden will replace interim general manager and district counsel

Sigrid Asmundson, who stepped in after Phil Lewis resigned from the position just a year and a half after taking the post.

Ogden previously served as Brentwood city manager since February 2020. He announced his resignation and intention to take the CCSD general manager position. His final day with the city of Brentwood will be April 26.

Prior to his stint in Brentwood, Ogden worked as a city manager in Manteca and Waterford from 2011 to 2020.

"I couldn't be more excited to join the Cosumnes CSD and the community we serve, and I am honored to step into this role," Ogden said in a news release. "As the community continues to grow, the district has a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact. I look forward to working with the Board, our dedicated staff, and community partners to advance our mission, enhance services, and ensure Cosumnes CSD remains a cornerstone of safety and quality recreation." ★

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# Sacramento County Celebrates Earth Month

By Supervisor Pat Hume  
District 5 Newsletter



Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume represents District 5, which encompasses nearly 700 miles of the county, including the cities of Elk Grove, Rancho Cordova, Isleton, Galt and portions of the City of Sacramento. For more information, visit [bos.sacounty.gov/District5](https://bos.sacounty.gov/District5). Photo courtesy of Pat Hume

Earth Day is every day in April! Over the month of April, we have the opportunity to welcome spring with a variety of activities, raising awareness about environmental issues and taking action toward ensuring a sustainable future. From water resiliency to renewable energy, this year's theme, Our Power, Our Planet, serves as a reminder of the challenges our planet faces and our collective responsibility to protect it.

This month can also serve as a reminder to all of us that there is no replacement for fresh air and getting outdoors (I too am guilty of spending too much time sitting in front of my computer or attached to my smartphone). As Sacramento County gears up for Earth Month, I'm pleased to help highlight our County's dedication to environmental stewardship.

From sustainability efforts at Sacramento International Airport to the Rosemont Community Association's first ever Earth Day Party, to cleanup efforts along the 23-mile gem of the American River Parkway, everyone can find a way to celebrate and protect our natural environment . . . air, land and water. Learn more about how Sacramento County

is investing in our planet here.

A great example of the County's commitment to environmental stewardship is the Sacramento Area Sewer District's (SacSewer) Bufferlands, a 2,150-acre open space in south Sacramento County that serves as a natural buffer between the EchoWater Facility and the community. This space was specifically designed to help reduce the potential for odor and noise from the sewer treatment plant and is also a habitat preserve reflecting over 30 years of restoration and management for wildlife to thrive.

Each year, SacSewer Bufferlands hosts public tours and exciting events, including Walk on the Wildside, an annual celebration with wildlife demonstrations, hikes, music and opportunities to engage with local wildlife. For more information about Walk on the Wildside, please visit their website at [sacsewer.com/event/](https://sacsewer.com/event/)

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Another County project I'm sure many of you are familiar with is the Harvest Water Program, California's largest-ever agricultural water recycling project aimed at delivering recycled water to agricultural lands and habitats in southern Sacramento County. This water has been treated biologically, mechanically, and chemically to meet the stringent requirements for discharge and reuse. While it is not recommended to drink it directly, it is completely safe for crops and livestock. When complete, the program will provide up to 50,000 acre-feet (approximately 16 billion gallons) of drought-resistant, recycled water annually. A few of the key goals of this impactful project include:

**Groundwater Restoration:** By supplying recycled water for irrigation instead of groundwater, Harvest Water aims to promote natural groundwater recovery and increase regional and

state water reliability.

**Sustainable Agriculture:** The program supports sustainable farming practices by delivering up to 50,000 acre-feet per year of recycled water to irrigate up to 16,000 acres of agricultural lands.

**Habitat Enhancement:** Delivering recycled water to existing habitats is expected to strengthen local ecosystems and benefit wildlife while improving groundwater conditions that sustain local riparian and wetland areas.

Last month, Harvest Water was awarded an additional \$73 million in funding from the California Water Commission as part of the Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP).

Grant funding for the project now exceeds \$394 million, further solidifying Harvest Water's status as a cornerstone of sustainable water management in California.

With significant construction occurring in the

area south of Elk Grove, SacSewer is reaching out to residents regarding road closures and construction impacts through multiple methods and channels.

The inconvenience is real but so are the benefits the Harvest Water pipeline project will provide including the scheduled road improvements once the pipeline is constructed. You can sign up for construction updates at [SacHarvestWater.org](https://SacHarvestWater.org). Questions, comments and concerns may be directed to the Harvest Water team by calling (916) 876-3322 or emailing [HarvestWater@sacsewer.com](mailto:HarvestWater@sacsewer.com).

As we celebrate Earth Day every day in April, I encourage all of us to reflect on how we can continue to contribute to the restoration and protection of our planet. Even small steps can count and when multiplied across our County, these efforts can have a profound and lasting impact on this area we call home. ★

## Rep. Bera Responds to General Mail Theft Report

By U.S. Representative Ami Bera, M.D. News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - On March 27, U.S. Representative Ami Bera, M.D. (CA-06) responded to a newly released U.S. Postal Service Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit report on mail theft, a report he formally requested following widespread complaints from Sacramento County residents about ongoing theft and vandalism of their

mail. The audit uncovered serious deficiencies in how local postal facilities track, secure and inspect mailboxes, particularly highlighting severe gaps in oversight of arrow key usage.

"Despite extensive collaborative efforts from my office with USPS and USPS to address the persistent concerns raised by constituents, the findings of this audit are completely unacceptable," said Representative

Bera. "The audit identified serious systemic issues including missing and unaccounted-for arrow keys, inadequate oversight and a troubling lack of mandatory inspections. The Postal Service must immediately implement the Inspector General's recommendations to restore public trust and ensure that Sacramento County residents have the secure and reliable mail services they deserve."

The Office of Inspector General audit focused

on three postal facilities in Sacramento County: Sacramento Main Post Office (Royal Oaks Drive), Fort Sutter Station (Alhambra Boulevard) and Rancho Cordova Post Office (Progress Court).

Key findings include: "The Sacramento Main Post Office, Fort Sutter Station and Rancho Cordova Main Post Office did not properly track their arrow key inventories."

"There is no tracking mechanism in place that distinguishes whether a

Cluster Box Unit (CBU) is postal-owned or privately owned."

"Local management at the Sacramento Main Post Office, Fort Sutter Station and Rancho Cordova Main Post Office did not perform the annual safety inspections for the condition of blue collection boxes, CBUs, and green relay boxes."

The report outlines why these failures occurred, their impact on the community and specific steps for corrective action.

The Office of Inspector General has also issued implementation deadlines and will require proof of compliance.

Representative Bera's office will closely monitor the U.S. Postal Service's progress in addressing these critical issues and will continue advocating on behalf of Sacramento County residents to ensure their mail is delivered securely and on time.

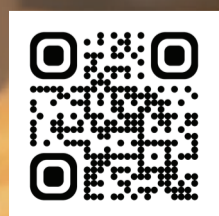
The full Postal Service audit report, "Mail Theft Mitigation and Response: Sacramento, CA," can be viewed at [usps.oig.gov/reports](https://usps.oig.gov/reports). ★

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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 postseason 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 1/2 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 Conference 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](mailto: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 1/2 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.

*Dan Walters is one of the 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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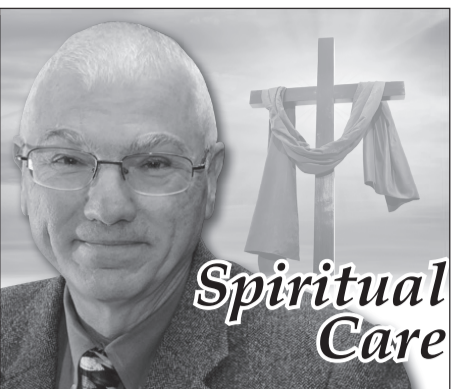


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# Is it Ever Too Late to Talk to God?



*Spiritual Care*

**BY NORRIS BURKES**

During my career as a healthcare chaplain, I would often feel like I was pastoring a parade. That's because, by definition, my chaplain relationship with patients was a temporary one.

I suppose that's why I am relieved when a patient asks if they can call me "Pastor" instead of "Chaplain." I hear their request as an invitation to assume the more personal role of their family pastor.

However, that's not quite how it started with a patient I first knew as "Mr. Penny." I call him "mister" because that's how he introduced himself when I entered his hospital room at Houston Northwest Medical Center in 1992.

I reciprocated his formality by introducing myself as "Chaplain Burkles."

At first, I thought he was using titles in recognition of our age difference. But eventually it seemed like it was more about him wanting to distance himself from the three-piece-suited chaplain who matched his stereotypical idea of the "preacher."

Doctors told Penny he had inoperable brain cancer, but he didn't want to talk about that. The balding, bony man just wanted to chat.

During his next several hospitalizations we talked sports - either the Houston Oilers or my lunchtime basketball games with local clergy.

For Penny, the greater the emotional distance we could maintain from reality, the better.

Finally, though, on his last hospitalization, his nurse summoned me from lunch to tell me Penny had a favor to ask.

Thinking this sounded like the call to a deathbed confession, I made a quick exit from the cafeteria toward the ICU.

I walked into his room to find his wife stroking his fevered head.

"Oh good," she said. "I'm glad you're here today and not playing basketball."

"Knee problems," I said.

"He wants to ask you something."

I looked at the figure on the bed, twisted and ghostly. His raspy breathing suggested he wouldn't have much strength for this

conversation, so I leaned over the bed and called to him as if announcing my presence through a dense fog.

"Mr. Penny, it's Chaplain Burkles," I said. "Is there something you want to ask me?"

He nodded. "Teach me..." he said, his voice trailing.

He took a fuller breath and added, "Teach me to pray."

Confused by his sudden approach to an intimate moment, I searched his wife's face for context.

She was chewing on her thumbnail. "He's embarrassed."

"Embarrassed?" I asked.

"He's afraid he's being hypocritical to wait until his death to talk to God," she added.

I nodded. It's a common reasoning I hear from patients.

Jesus summarily dismissed this poor logic in his conversation with two insurgents occupying crosses on either side of his.

The first man spent his last hours mocking Jesus and goading him to use his power to save everyone.

But the other guy was quite the opposite. He felt shame for his past life, so he asked Jesus, "Remember me when you enter your kingdom."

Jesus swiftly responded. "Today you will be with me in paradise."

Instead of disqualifying the dying man for being hypocritically tardy, Jesus assured him that he would be rewarded in the promptest fashion.

"Mr. Penny," I said. "I think you'll find that God cares very little about your past.

He mostly cares about what you'll do with the next minute of your life."

Penny nodded.

"Prayer is just talking to God," I added. "It's not theologically complicated. Just talk from your heart."

Penny closed his eyes and began moving his lips. I couldn't hear what he was saying, but when he opened his eyes his expression told me that he'd heard God's voice.

I know this because the "mister" who had been so dependent on titles to gain distance from spiritual matters shifted his heart to say one last thing to me.

"Thank you, Pastor. Thank you."

*Sign up to receive this weekly column in your email box at <https://thechaplain.net/newsletter/> or send me your email address to [comment@thechaplain.net](mailto:comment@thechaplain.net).*

*All of Norris's books can be ordered on Amazon. Autographed copies can be obtained on his website [www.thechaplain.net](http://www.thechaplain.net) or by sending a check for \$20 for each book to 10566 Combie Rd. Suite 6643 Auburn, CA 95602. ★*

# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

## Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center

The Commission on Aging is looking for volunteers to operate a computer and are willing to answer questions from seniors in person, over the phone, on social media and by email at the Galt Senior Resource Center.

Volunteer slots are available in two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays.

Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members if questions arise.

The resource center is at the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. If interested in helping, call 209-294-3308 and leave a message or inquire in person.

## Sunshine Food Pantry Donations

Sunshine Food Pantry is a food closet that helps provide for residents.

Collections of canned food and dry good nonperishable items are received at United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt; call to make an appointment for donations at 209-745-4133.

The food closet is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at the United Methodist Church.

## Nominate Your Neighbor

The Galt Beautification Committee wants you to "nominate your neighbor." Has your neighbor recently completed a yard project? Does your neighbor have the best flowers in town or the best-looking yard? The Galt Beautification Committee wants to know.

Send an email with pictures and why you are nominating your neighbor to [planningdivision@cityofgalt.org](mailto:planningdivision@cityofgalt.org).

The best submissions will be included in future newsletters and City Manager Updates.

## Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

Meals on Wheels is accepting new participants in its Galt All Seasons Café located in the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave.

The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older. Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533.

## Senior Bingo Weekly at Chabolla

The Galt Commission on Aging is hosting free Senior Bingo games at the Chabolla Community Center at 600 Chabolla Ave. from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays (except holidays and when required by the city).

Seniors of Galt and its immediate vicinity are invited to have fun and play bingo

together and socialize.

Square Dance Classes on Mondays  
The Diamond Dancers Square Dance Club hosts social square-dancing classes in Galt.

The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall. The classes are formatted for flexibility and students can learn numerous square dance calls in about three months.

The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St. For more information, call Sue Regadanz at 916-835-8916.

## Library Offers Older Adults Computer Time

In cooperation with the Galt Commission on Aging, the Galt-Marian O. Lawrence Library will schedule a set time for older adults to use its computers, upon request. Those 65 and older who want computer time can call the library at 916-264-2920. Staff will help set up the computer or tablet.

The library is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at 1000 Caroline Ave.

## City After-Hours Assistance

After-hours assistance is available at the Galt Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments. For Public Works concerns, call the Galt Police Department nonemergency line at 209-366-7000.

The Parks Maintenance Division is available for scheduled field or facility use assistance only from 10 p.m. Mondays to Fridays and from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Call 209-810-0293.

## Recycle Household Batteries

City of Galt residents can recycle their household batteries in one of two green household-battery recycling bins: on the west side at the front entrance to the Galt Police Department or on the east side at Galt Community Park, just west of the fire station.

The green bin is only for dry-cell household batteries.

For additional information, contact the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

## Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous (Nar-Anon) family group meetings for friends and family members who are dealing with drug addiction are held locally from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt.

## AA 24-Hour Hotline

For help with an alcohol-related problem, call the Alcoholics Anonymous 24-hour hotline at 209-745-1525. ★

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# MEETING MINDERS

<p><b>Tuesday, April 15</b> Galt City Council, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive. Galt High Alumni Association (GHAA), 7 p.m., Three Palms Mobile Estates Clubhouse, 604 Pringle Ave., 916-835-8690.</p>	<p><b>Thursday, April 17</b> Galt Beautification Committee, 9 a.m., Community Development Dept., 495 Industrial Drive, 209-366-7130. Herald Fire Protection District, 6 p.m., Station 87, 12746 Ivie Road, 209-748-2322.</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, April 23</b> Galt Elementary School Board, 7 p.m., City Hall, 380 Civic Drive, 209-745-4545.</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, April 16</b> Cosumnes CSD, 5 p.m., Elk Grove CSD boardroom, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.</p>	<p><b>Friday, April 18</b> Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Comfort Inn &amp; Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617.</p>	<p><b>Thursday, April 24</b> Galt High School Board, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.</p>
		<p><b>Friday, April 25</b> Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Comfort Inn &amp; Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617. ★</p>

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# Sacramento Zoo's Baby Giraffe Has a Name

## Sacramento Zoo News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Zoo is excited to announce that its adorable baby Masai giraffe, born on March 1, has been given the name Sumi. The name was selected through an online vote.

The name Sumi was inspired by sumac browse, a favorite snack of Sumi's mother, Amirah, during her pregnancy.

The name is a playful nod to the sumac tree and also honors the important role that the local community plays in supporting the zoo's giraffes through its browse donation program.

The browse donation program allows the zoo to feed many of the animals, including the giraffes, chimps, lemurs and many birds, food that is exactly like what they would consume in the wild. They enjoy nibbling leaves, stripping bark, and

chewing on stems to keep their brains busy and bellies full.

Every day the Sacramento Zoo feeds pounds of browse (non-toxic branches and leaves from specific species of trees and shrubs). The browse donation program allows members of the public to donate tree and shrub trimming from specific species of trees and shrubs to feed the zoo inhabitants.

These donations help provide fresh, nutritious browse for the giraffe herd, enriching their diet and environment. For more on the browse donation program visit, [saczo.org/browse-donation](http://saczo.org/browse-donation).

Thank you for your support. With your vote, you helped raise funds for a new shade structure for the zoo's giraffes. Your donations are already being put to good use, with construction on the new structure already underway. ★



Sacramento Zoo's adorable baby Masai giraffe, born on March 1, has been named Sumi. The name was selected through an online vote. Photo by Sacramento Zoo

# Fraudulent Invoices Hit County's Planning Customers

## Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento County officials have been made aware of a fraudulent email scheme targeting both current and former planning customers.

The scam involves sending fake invoices using the names of county officials and the official Sacramento County logo, instructing recipients to wire money. The current reports of this scam utilize an email address of "planning-applications.saccounty.gov@usa.com."

Customers are urged to be cautious and not respond to these emails or send any payments. Anyone who receives a suspicious email of this nature should forward it to [sacplan@saccounty.gov](mailto:sacplan@saccounty.gov) for review.

"Sacramento County takes this matter very seriously and we are actively working to educate our customers so that they don't fall victim to this scam," said Sacramento

County Planning Director Todd Smith. "We urge our customers to remain vigilant and verify any financial requests directly with the county before taking action. If you're unsure whether an invoice is official, contact us to verify."

The Sacramento County Department of Technology is investigating the incident and will collaborate with law enforcement if necessary.

The Sacramento County Department of Finance issues planning customer invoices through the U.S. mail and does not instruct customers to wire funds as a method of payment. Payments are only accepted by mail to P.O. Box 1587, Sacramento, CA 95812, in person at county locations, and certain payments are accepted online.

If you would like to verify the authenticity of an invoice from Sacramento County Planning and Environmental Review, email [sacplan@saccounty.gov](mailto:sacplan@saccounty.gov) or call 916-874-6141. ★

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## MEMORIAL

**JOHN MARTIN ULLRICH • 02/14/1955-03/31/2025**

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of John Ullrich on March 31, 2025. John joined his heavenly family after fighting colon cancer at the young age of 70.

He was born at Lodi Memorial to Fred and Vesta Ullrich. He grew up in Galt and participated in the small community activities of Herald. He supported his family business of milking dairy cattle by having his own milking shift before going to school at the young age of 16. He ran the business with his brother Kevin known as "Ullrich Brothers Dairy Cattle," when his father retired. In the '90s he found a niche within the business that made his gift of helping others shine and "John Ullrich Dairy Cattle" was created. He became a cattle broker to dairy farmers traveling to Colorado, Idaho, New Mexico, Hanford, Escalon and even Canada to purchase cattle.

His passion to provide for his family from the land that he cared for with his bare hands was his biggest pride in life. He consulted farmers through uncertain markets and was a very successful leader in the industry because of his solid relationships.

Family brought great joy to him; he shared his home for many gatherings (making fabulous platters and cooking signature dishes), he camped in his RV and always told stories to encourage laughter; he traveled to Carmel with his wife and snuck away



to casinos in his quiet time.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 48 years, Vickie Ullrich; daughters Nicole Komula and Natalie Semon and son Jonathan Ullrich; and his five grandchildren; his sister Karen, residing in Oregon; and brother Kevin in Galt.

He has left behind his creativity in their custom home and antique car. His examples to be loyal to God, a friend that shows up, works hard, fearless

with responsibility and generous with your gifts have molded us. His incredible strength and gratefulness in his final chapter has forever changed us.

Please join us for his Celebration of Life to share favorite memories, followed by a luncheon at noon Sunday, April 27 at Champaign Ranch, 12174 Borden Road in Herald. All who knew and loved him are welcome.

We hope to embrace in his laughter with you.

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# \$73 Million Approved for Harvest Water Project

## Sacramento Area Sewer District News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Area Sewer District's (SacSewer's) landmark water recycling project, Harvest Water, has been awarded an additional \$73 million in both reallocated Proposition 1 grant funding and new Proposition 4 funds from the California Water Commission's Water Storage Investment Program.

Harvest Water is California's largest-ever agricultural water recycling project and is expected to be operational in 2027.

Once complete, Harvest Water will deliver up to 50,000 acre-feet, or roughly 16 billion gallons annually, of drought-resistant recycled water to agricultural lands and existing habitats in southern Sacramento County.

By reducing the need to pump groundwater, Harvest Water will promote natural groundwater recovery, boost sustainable agriculture and strengthen existing habitats.

"The additional funding from the California Water Commission is a tremendous boost to Harvest Water and a testament to the project's significance

in addressing water sustainability and resilience," said Christoph Dobson, Sacramento Area Sewer's general manager. "SacSewer is making significant progress toward implementing a long-term, drought-resilient water solution that will benefit the entire region."

Harvest Water has received significant financial support, including a previous award from the California Water Commission of \$291.8 million in Proposition 1 Water Storage Investment Program funding and \$30 million from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation.

This grant funding helped support

project design and ongoing construction of needed infrastructure for the recycled water distribution system, which includes 41.4 miles of pipelines, on-farm connection improvements and a large pumping station at Sacramento Area Sewer's Echo Water Resource Recovery facility near Elk Grove.

With this latest financial commitment from the California Water Commission, the grant funding for the project now exceeds \$394 million, further solidifying Harvest Water's status as a cornerstone of sustainable water management in California. ★

## ABOUT TOWN

### Fireworks Vendor Applications Accepted

The City of Galt is accepting applications for organizations that wish to sell fireworks on city property. Applications for fireworks permits are available in the City Clerk's Office, 380 Civic Drive; city website, cityofgalt.org, or email clerk@cityofgalt.org. All applications and required attachments must be completed and received by the City Clerk's Office no later than 5 p.m. May 22.

Applicants must be community-based, resident 501(c) (3), (4), (6) or (7) nonprofit organizations promoting and providing services to residents and/or businesses.

The lottery will be held the first Monday of June in the City Clerk's office and will determine the rank order for placement at the bottom of the master list for those eligible nonprofit organizations not already included in the master list.

**Saturday, April 12 Shred Event - 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.:** Protect your personal information: Don't toss it, shred it! Join the Annual Shred event and safely dispose of your confidential documents. Bring

up to three standard storage boxes or one garbage bag full of documents to shred. Must be a resident within Galt city limits; please bring proof of residency or a utility statement. For more information, contact the city clerk's office: clerk@cityofgalt.org or call 209-366-7130. *Galt Market Grounds, 610 Chabolla Ave.*

**Oil Filter Exchange Event, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.:** The City of Galt will host a used oil filter exchange. For every oil filter recycled, you can receive a new one for free (limit 2). Not for use by commercial automotive or repair facilities. For more information, call 209-745-7094. *Auto Zone, 1018 C St.*

**Lodi Art Hop, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.:** Discover the vibrant heart of Lodi's art scene. This free, family-friendly event brings together artists, art lovers and the community to celebrate creativity and local talent.

The Art Hop transforms the town into an open gallery where visitors can explore a variety of art displays, meet artists and immerse themselves in the local art scene. For more information, visit lodiarts.com. *Veterans Park, 305 W. Pine St., Lodi.*

**Hoppy Egg-Venture and Jamboree - 10 a.m. to noon:** Join the fun with an egg hunt, crafts, prizes and photos with the bunny. *Hutchins Street Square West Park, 125 S. Hutchins St., Lodi.*

**Tuesday, April 15 and Wednesday, April 16 Spring Break Carnival - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.:** Enjoy bounce houses, pony rides, a train ride, local market shopping and delicious food. Come shop, eat and have a blast with us.

(Additional fees for activities.) Stop by between 9 a.m. and noon for a free photo op with the Easter Bunny. *Galt Market, 610 Chabolla Ave.*

**Saturday, April 19 Galt Historical Society's Eggstravaganza and Kite Day - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.:** Enjoy games and activities, vendors, an egg hunt, crafts and Easter Bunny pictures.

A pie-eating contest will start at noon and egg drop at 1 p.m. Cost is \$5 per car. *McFarland Living History*

*Ranch, 8899 Orr Road.*

**Saturday, April 26 Lodi Beer Fest and State BBQ Championship - 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.:** The Lodi Beer Fest is a great celebration of craft beer from up to 50 local and national breweries. Find a new favorite beer, toss a game of cornhole and dance along to live band.

Held in conjunction with the State BBQ Championship, more than 30 BBQ teams will compete.

For tickets, visit

grapefestival.com/p/events/lo-di-beer-fest--state-bbq-competition. *413 Lockeford St., Lodi.*

**Saturday, May 3 Wilton Bingo:** The next bingo will be on Saturday, May 3 in the Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m.

All proceeds go to two non-profits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group.

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## POLICE LOGS

*During the time period of April 1 to April 7, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in 12 arrests.*

### April 1

6:14 a.m., Burglary reported, Billorights Avenue: Storage container.

8:54 p.m., Warrant served/adult arrest, Galt Police Department, Industrial Drive.

### April 2

5:05 a.m., Warrant served/adult arrest, Arco, East Stockton Boulevard.

10:21 p.m., Warrant served/adult arrest, Auto Zone, C Street.

10:53 p.m., DUI/adult arrest, A

Street/Camellia Way.

### April 3

12:02 a.m., Warrant served/adult arrest, Wildflower Drive/Oberlin Way.

11:33 a.m., Fraud reported, Shalford Way.

5:25 p.m., Warrant served/adult arrest, Sunset Drive.

5:40 p.m., Theft reported, Park & Ride, East Stockton Boulevard.

### April 4

2:45 a.m., Narcotics Violation/adult arrest, Moore Court/Spaans Drive.

3:07 p.m., Theft reported, Tractor Supply Co. on Twin Cities Road: Rear license plate stolen.

3:24 p.m., Identity Theft, Heritage Senior Village on Second Street.

### April 6

12:50 a.m., DUI/adult arrest, Emerald Vista Drive/Walnut Avenue.

2:44 a.m., DUI/adult arrest, East Stockton Boulevard/Twin Cities Road.

5:26 a.m., Narcotics Violation/adult arrest, Savemart Supermarkets on C Street.

### April 7

11:29 a.m., Narcotics Violation/citation issued, C Street/Market Street.

10:14 p.m., Domestic Violence/adult arrest, Galt Mobile Estates on North Lincoln Way. ★

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were long lines and limited supplies of products from canned goods to paper products and cleaning supplies. But we made it through with more than enough canned vegetables to feed an army, and my family doesn't even like canned vegetables, with the exception of corn and mushrooms, but not knowing what the dark days of Covid would be, I stocked up. After all, the expiration date was way far ahead, and I can always donate what we don't use to the food closet. It is time to start donating.

But before we start, let's look at the history of "Clean Up Your Pantry Day." A pantry is a dedicated space, a room or a cabinet where items related to the kitchen are stored. These items can be beverages, food, utensils, cleaning supplies, linens

and groceries. The term "pantry" was first used during the Middle Ages to refer to domestic spaces. Colonists in New England used to store food in a "buttery," which was a small room near a kitchen. The first buttery was an underground room in the Theron Boyd homestead in Hartford, United States in 1786. The "butler's pantry" was popular in England and America during the 1800s.

"Practical Housekeeper" magazine published a quote by Mrs. Elizabeth Ellet in 1857: "Let there be a place for every object, and when not in use, let every article be in its place." In the 1920s and 1930s pantries expanded to more shelves and cupboards. Fast forward to 2005, walk-in pantry was the most-liked kitchen feature in American homes.

So, let's start with four piles: keep, donate, expired, and "this item just needs to find a new home, but not in the pantry." Empty your pantry into piles, wipe down the shelves and cupboards then carefully plan "the method to your madness."

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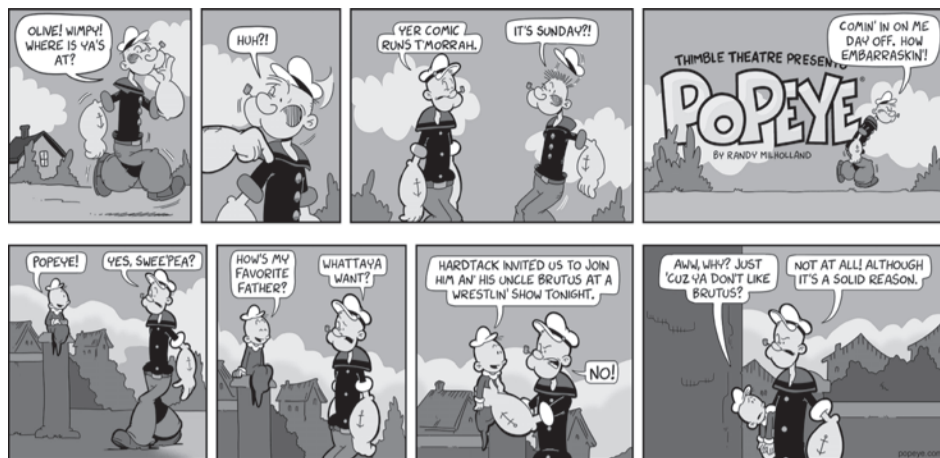


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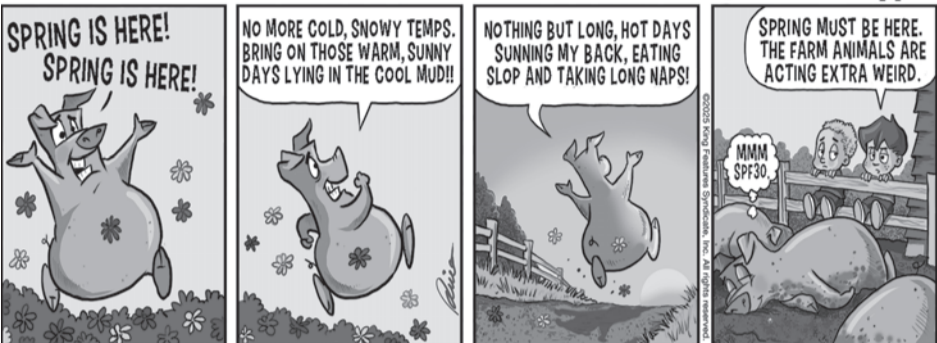
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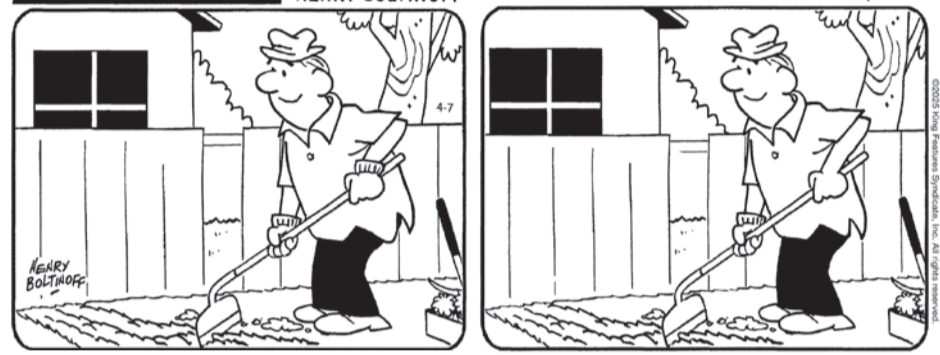
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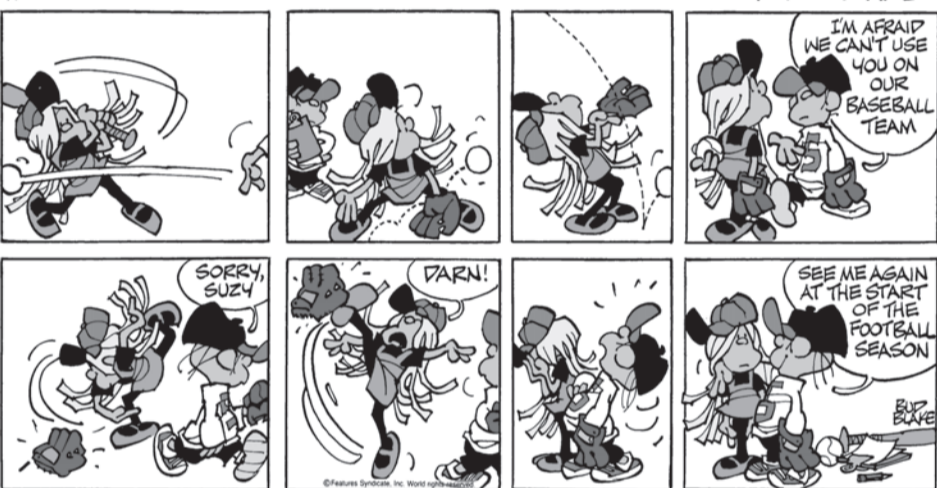
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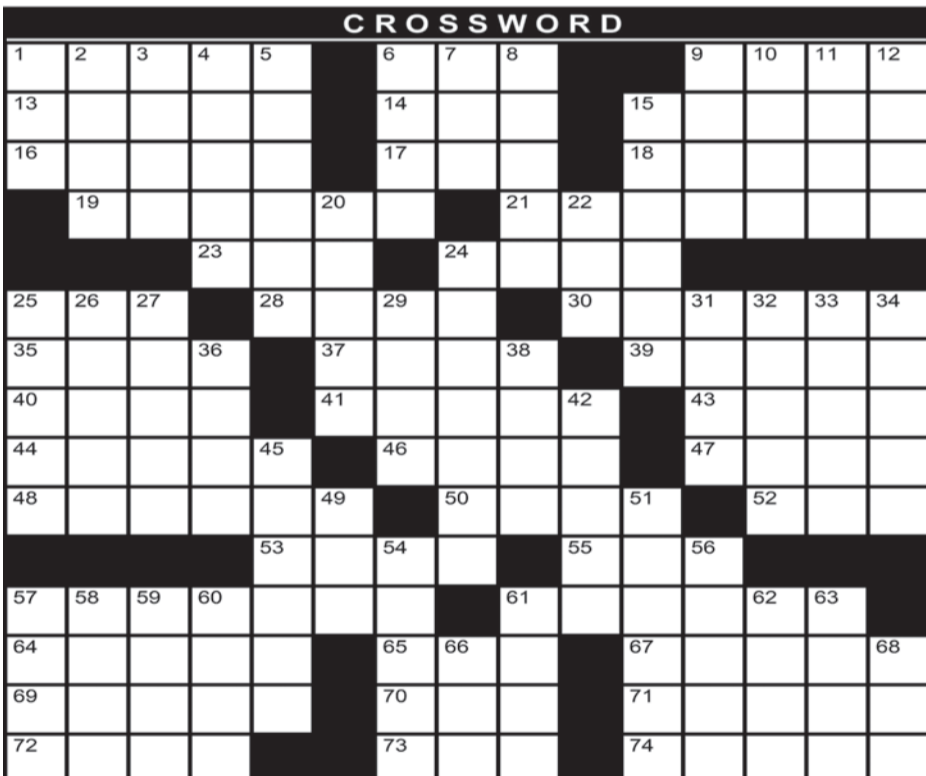
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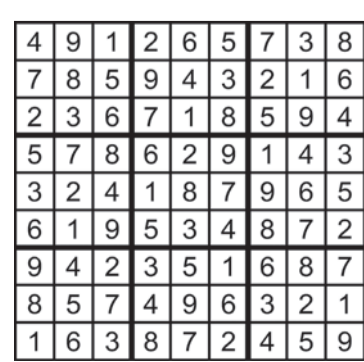


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# When Will State Give Vets a Tax Break?

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labor force in California were employed, according to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

‘The Primary Factor is Cost of Living’  
Veterans leave the state for many reasons, “but the primary factor is cost of living,” David Boone, president of the San Diego Military Advisory Council, testified at a recent state tax and revenue committee hearing on Seyarto’s bill.

“The states that are gaining veterans have developed strategies to target and attract veterans to their state,” he said.

Military retirees in California receive approximately \$29,000 each annually — a total of about \$4 billion a year as of 2022, according to the Department of Finance. Surviving relatives of veterans receive a combined \$400 million.

If the tax break became law, California

would lose an average of \$600 in income tax revenue from each of the 130,000 eligible veterans, according to the Legislative Analyst’s Office. Gov. Gavin Newsom is proposing a similar idea through his budget proposal. His office estimates it would cost the state about \$130 million in the next fiscal year, and \$85 million each year after that.

But the financial incentive might be too small to convince retirees to stay in California, the Legislative Analyst’s Office noted, doing little to achieve the state’s goal of making the state a more competitive destination.

That’s the case for Sue Johnson, a former Californian who retired in Nevada after serving 27 years in the Air Force and the Air National Guard.

“Even if it passes, I don’t think at this point that it’s enough,” she said. “Both for

my husband and I . . . We both had nothing and we’ve worked hard our whole lives, but then to get to the point where that is not recognized in the state policies . . . It’s just too much.”

Teachers, Firefighters, Police Might Like a Tax Break

Staff on the Senate’s committee on revenue and taxation also raised a concern that Seyarto’s bill might set a precedent for other professions.

“If the Legislature exempts retirement income for one line of work that provides a direct benefit to the public, why should it not extend the same treatment for other commendable professions, such as teachers, firefighters, or police officers? This may lead to a slippery slope where retirement income from other professions is excluded from gross income, thereby eroding the income tax base,” the committee’s

consultants wrote.

Military retirees and surviving relatives pay state and federal income taxes in California, but receive exemptions on military death benefits paid to qualified survivors, pay for time served in combat zones and partial property tax exemptions.

Of the 41 states that have a state income tax, 25 states fully exempt military retirement income, and the rest partially exempt it.

The state analyst said California could see a non-monetary value to the proposal, though: It “would no longer be the only state that fully taxes military retirement income. In this sense, although it is a small financial incentive, the proposal may well improve veterans’ perception of California.”

*This story was originally published by CalMatters.* ★

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are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on 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 (855) 313-3319 or visit this Internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 130468-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 Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after

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## ORDINANCE NO. 2025-04

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA, ADDING SECTION 2.50.050 TO CHAPTER 2.50 TO THE GALT MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING BY-DISTRICT ELECTIONS, DEFINING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, AND SCHEDULING ELECTIONS WITHIN THE DISTRICTS

**WHEREAS**, the City of Galt, California (“City”) is a municipal corporation, duly organized under the constitution and laws of the State of California; and  
**WHEREAS**, the City currently elects five Council Members using an at-large election system; and  
**WHEREAS**, in response to threatened litigation regarding alleged non-compliance with the California Voting Rights Act (“CVRA”), the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to shift from its current at large election system to a by-district election system; and  
**WHEREAS**, on October 1, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-89, a resolution declaring the City’s intention to transition from at-large to district-based elections pursuant to Elections Code Section 10010; and  
**WHEREAS**, California Government Code section 34886 permits the City Council to change the City’s method of election by ordinance, with certain formalities, to a “by-district” system in which each Council Member is elected only by the voters in the district in which the candidate resides; and  
**WHEREAS**, pursuant to California Government Code section 34886, it is declared that the purpose of the change in the method of electing members of the City Council of the City of Galt made by this Ordinance is to implement the guarantees of Section 7 of Article I and of Section 2 of Article II of the California Constitution, as set forth in Sections 14025 through 14032 of the California Elections Code; and  
**WHEREAS**, the City engaged an expert demographic consultant to assist the City with the process of analyzing the City’s population, developing draft maps, and gathering input from residents on the possible maps; and  
**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Elections Code section 10010, and in the interest of engaging the public in the shift to by-district elections, the City Council held two public hearings on November 19, 2024 and December 17, 2024, to obtain input on any proposed district boundaries; and  
**WHEREAS**, on January 13, 2025, the City made six maps (three with four districts and three with five districts) prepared by its demographer available on its website for public review; and  
**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a public hearing on January 21, 2025, at which the public was invited to provide input regarding the content of the draft maps and the sequence of elections; and  
**WHEREAS**, based on the feedback received, four additional maps (two with four districts and two with five districts) were prepared by the City’s demographer and released on February 11, 2025; and  
**WHEREAS**, on March 18, 2025, the City Council held its fourth public hearing; and  
**WHEREAS**, on February 18, 2025, the City Council held a fifth public hearing, and provided direction to staff to bring back this Ordinance for the consideration of the City Council; and  
**WHEREAS**, during the process, five additional maps were prepared and submitted by members of the public; and  
**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2025, the City Council held a sixth public hearing and introduced, read by title, and waived further reading of this Ordinance and selected Map “C” prepared by Redistricting Partners; and  
**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Ordinance is to enact, pursuant to California Government Code section 34886, an ordinance providing for the election of the members of the City Council of the City of Galt by-district in five single-member districts as reflected in Exhibit A to this Ordinance; and  
**WHEREAS**, all legal prerequisites to the adoption of the Ordinance have occurred.

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA**, does ordain as follows:  
**SECTION 1. Incorporation.** The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.  
**SECTION 2. By-District Elections.** Section 2.50.050 (By-District Elections) is hereby added to Chapter 2.50 (General Municipal Elections) of Title 2 (Administration and Personnel) of the Galt Municipal Code to read as follows:  
**“2.50.050 By-District Elections.**  
A. By-District Elections. Pursuant to California Government Code section 34886, Members of the City Council of the City of Galt shall be elected by-district in five (5) single-member districts.  
1. Members of the City Council shall be elected in the electoral districts established by subdivision B of this Section and subsequently reapportioned as provided by State law. Elections shall take place “by district” as that term is defined in California Government Code section 34871, meaning one Council Member shall be elected from each district, by the voters of that district alone.  
2. A Council Member elected or appointed to represent a district must reside in that district and be a registered voter in that district, and any candidate for City Council must reside in, and be a registered voter in, the district in which he or she seeks election at the time nomination papers are issued.  
3. Termination of residency in a district by a Council Member shall create a vacancy for that City Council district unless a substitute residence within the district is immediately declared and established within thirty (30) days after the termination of residency.  
4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, the Council Members in office at

the time this Section takes effect shall continue in office until the expiration of the term to which he or she was elected. In the event a vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term of a Council Member in office at the time this Section takes effect, a person who is appointed or elected by special election to fill such vacancy may reside anywhere within the corporate boundaries of the City. A person appointed or elected to fill such a vacancy shall hold the office in accordance with the General Law and applicable provisions of the Galt Municipal Code.  
B. City Council Districts and District Elections. All five Council Members shall be elected on a “by-district” basis from the Council districts shown and numbered on the map titled ‘City of Galt District Map’ attached as Exhibit A, a copy of which shall be on file in the City Clerk’s office. In 2026, and every four years thereafter, the following three City Council districts shall be elected by-district: District 1, District 3, and District 5. In 2028, and every four years thereafter, the following two City Council districts shall be elected by-district: District 2 and District 4.  
C. Amendment of District Boundaries. Pursuant to Elections Code section 21601, as it may be amended from time to time, the City Council shall adjust the boundaries of any or all of the districts following each decennial federal census to ensure that the districts are in compliance with all applicable provisions of law.”  
**SECTION 3. Authority.** The City Council enacts this Ordinance under the authority granted to cities by Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution.  
**SECTION 4. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful, unenforceable or otherwise void, that determination shall have no effect on any other provision of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unlawful.  
**SECTION 5. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its final adoption as provided by Government Code Section 36937. Within 15 days after its final passage, the City Clerk shall cause a summary of this Ordinance to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of Galt in accordance with Section 36933(c)(1) of the California Government Code.  
**SECTION 6. Custodian of Records.** This custodian of records for this Ordinance is the City Clerk and the records comprising the administrative record are located at 380 Civic Dr., Galt, CA 95632.  
**SECTION 7. CEQA.** Based upon the whole of the administrative record before it, the City Council hereby finds that a transition from at-large to by-district elections is exempt from environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) (Pub. Resources Code, § 21000 et seq.) pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 14, § 15000 et seq.) sections 15061(b)(3), 15320, and 15378(b)(3). Adoption of this Ordinance is an organizational and administrative activity of the City, does not have the potential to result in either a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and is therefore not a project for purposes of CEQA. (State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15061(b)(3); 15378(b)(5).) In the event adoption of this Ordinance does constitute a project, it is categorically exempt under Class 20 (Changes in the Organization of Local Governments) categorical exemption. (State CEQA Guidelines, § 15320.) Further, none of the exceptions to the exemptions found in State CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 apply.  
The foregoing ordinance was introduced and the title thereof read at a special meeting of the City Council on the 27th day of March, 2025, and by a majority vote of the City Council members present, further reading was waived.  
On motion by Council Member Rodriguez, seconded by Council Member Pratton, the foregoing Ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Galt at a regular meeting thereof, this 1st day of April, 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: Council Members: Sandhu, Pratton, Reed, Rodriguez  
NOES: Council Members:  
ABSTAIN: Council Members:  
ABSENT: Council Members: Farmer

/s/ Paul Sandhu  
VICE MAYOR, City of Galt

ATTEST:  
/s/ Tina Hubert\  
City Clerk, City of Galt

# LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE

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## Hayden Miller Named SVC All-League Soccer MVP

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Galt High School boys' soccer team capped off an impressive season with an emotional end-of-the-year awards banquet, where head coach Julian Parra announced the six players honored with All-League distinctions. Leading the pack, senior Hayden Miller was named the Sierra Valley Conference (SVC) All-League MVP by the coaches in the league, a testament to his hard work, respect for others, and positive influence on the team and community. The other players selected for all-League were Giovanni DeLeon, Jaylen Mendez, Josue Diaz, Breen Velázquez and Ben Stratton.

Coach Parra, in his first year at the helm, proudly recounted the team's journey, ending the season as co-league champions alongside Liberty Ranch. "I would say this Galt High Boys Soccer Season was really good," stated Parra. "We faced a lot of inconsistencies throughout the year due to injuries, but we embraced the 'next man up' mentality. We believed in one another and really became a brotherhood. This group of young men weren't just 'my players,' they became my little brothers. Family."

Parra highlighted the season's mix of triumphs and challenges, praising the growth he witnessed among his players. Despite experiencing some tough losses, he emphasized the friendships formed and the support system established within the team. "Our biggest victory as coaches is

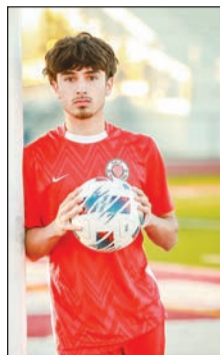
knowing that every single one of these student-athletes knew they had a friend in Coach Patino, Coach Luis, and myself. They belonged," he reflected.

Miller's MVP honor reflected not just his athletic prowess but also his unwavering dedication and mentorship qualities. In a team that emphasized collective effort, Ben Stratton distinguished himself as the nation's top assister, supporting his teammates in their quest for victory. Stratton's relentless work ethic and commitment have earned him a chance to attend the prestigious Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo.

Another success story is David Morales Jr., a three-year varsity player, who faced a season-ending hamstring injury that limited his time on the field. Despite the setback, Morales is set to thrive academically at UC Merced, where he will pursue a degree in Biochemical and Biomolecular Engineering, aspiring to become a petroleum engineer.

The awards banquet also acknowledged other standout players, including Giovanni DeLeon, Josue Diaz, and Breen Velazquez, along with a talented roster: Juno Goss, Jaylen Mendez, Logan Rose, Kitto Gonzalez, Sebastian Gonzalez, Anthony Zambrano, Ulisses Yopez, and Christian Gomez. Most of these athletes will further their education or serve in the military, showcasing the team's commitment to success beyond soccer.

Coach Parra extended gratitude to the Galt High School Administrators, staff, parents of the athletes, and the coaching team of Luis Carlos and Jose Patiño for their unwavering support throughout the



Giovanni DeLeon All-League



Jaylen Mendez All-League



Josue Diaz All-League



Hayden Miller SVC All-League MVP



Breen Velázquez All-League



Ben Stratton All-League

season.

As awards were handed out, recognition went to those who exemplified the spirit of teamwork and dedication. The Teammate Awards were presented to Logan Rose and Victor Gonzalez, while the Heart of a Warrior honors went to Christian Gomez and Josue Diaz. Ben Stratton received The Visionary Award as the nation's top assister, Hayden Miller earned the Red and White Versatility Award, Giovanni DeLeon was named Offensive Player of the Year, and Breen Velazquez took home the Defensive Player of the Year award.

This season's successes, both on and off the field, illustrated that while victories may be celebrated, the true wins lie in the

relationships and growth fostered among the players and coaches. As the Galt boys' soccer program moves forward, the bonds created this year will undoubtedly pave the way for future achievements and cherished memories. ★

## Liberty Ranch Hawks Make It 11 in a Row

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Liberty Ranch Hawks baseball team has extended its their winning streak to an impressive 11 games, showcasing both talent and tenacity. The Hawks continue to dominate in league play after defeating El Dorado twice, first on their home turf with a decisive 2-0 shutout on April 3, and then in a nail-biting extra innings showdown that ended with Vance Moe sealing the win with a spectacular home run on April 4.

In their home game against El Dorado, fans witnessed an electrifying performance from Cole Erias, who delivered an amazing triple in front of a roaring crowd. Supporting him in the lineup were Derek Nelson, Garrett Owens, Hunter Adversalo and Vance Moe, all contributing crucial hits that bolstered the Hawks' offensive attack.

On the mound, Moe showcased his formidable skills by pitching a complete game of seven innings, allowing only three hits, one walk, and striking out six batters.

"We did our job," Moe said after the victory. "Our defense was solid, and I just focused on hitting my spots. The team played great behind me."

Things got tense in the rematch at El Dorado, where the Hawks initially



An El Dorado player dives back to first base as Hunter Adversalo catches the ball.



Max Tapia tries for a double play after tagging the runner out at second.

struggled. Liberty Ranch scored only one run in the third inning while El Dorado answered back with three of its own. However, the Hawks never lost faith.

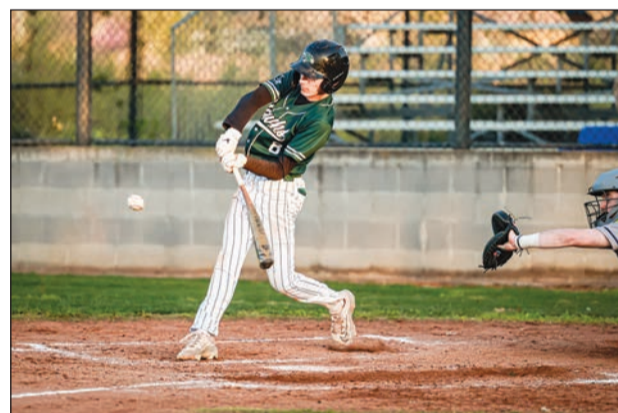
"It's all about resilience," said head coach Jason Adversalo. "I tell the boys to never get down,

keep their heads up and never give up. I was a little nervous when we fell behind, but I knew we had the heart to come back."

And come back they did! Liberty Ranch added another run in the fourth inning, tying the game at 3-3 in the sixth. When the game went to extra innings,

it was Moe who stepped up again, hitting his second home run of the season and leading the Hawks to a triumphant 6-3 victory in the eighth inning.

Moe was not alone in his offensive prowess; he had three hits in the game, while teammates Cade LeCompte and Hunter



Vance Moe gets a hit for the Hawks.



Cole Erias heads home on Hunter Adversalo's hit.

Adversalo solidified their contributions with two hits each against El Dorado. Cole Erias, Max Tapia and Nolan House added to the attack with singles of their own, ensuring a balanced offensive front.

On the mound, LeCompte played a crucial role as well, pitching eight innings, allowing only four hits and striking out five batters without issuing a single walk.

"Cade kept us in the game," Coach Adversalo praised. "He showed great poise, especially when we needed it the most. And the boys rallied behind him."

With Coach Adversalo continually motivating his

players, the Hawks have developed a winning mentality. "This team knows how to fight back," he said with pride. "They believe in each other, and that's what makes us strong." ★

### LEAGUE STANDINGS

#### Baseball

School	W/L
Liberty Ranch	9-0
Bradshaw	8-0
El Dorado	4-4
Amador	4-5
Union Mine	3-5
Rosemont	2-5
Galt	2-6
Argonaut	1-7

#### Softball

School	W/L
Liberty Ranch	5-0
Argonaut	4-1
Amador	4-2
Rosemont	3-3
Bradshaw	3-4
Union Mine	2-3
Galt	1-4
El Dorado	0-5

#### Swimming

School	W/L
Liberty Ranch Boys	3-3
Liberty Ranch Girls	3-3

### LOCAL ATHLETE UPDATE

#### Liberty Alum McCormick is Hawk of the Week

MPG Staff

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Carly McCormick has been selected as this week's Hawk of the Week at Cosumnes River College. McCormick, a Liberty Ranch grad, is in her second season playing for CRC. McCormick brought unmatched intensity and energy to the court, playing a pivotal role in the

Hawks' dominant 5-0 sweeps over both Marin and Solano colleges.

According to a news release, her performance was nothing short of electric; she finished the day with an impressive 23 kills and nine aces in two matches. Whether it was fueling momentum with the powerful swings or putting pressure on the serve, McCormick's impact was felt in every match. Her leadership and competitive spirit continue to set the tone for the Hawks' success. ★



Carly McCormick. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes River College

# LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE

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## Building a Future: Galt Warrior Golf Team Under New Leadership

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Galt Warrior boys' golf team is finishing up its season under the new leadership of coach Neil Martin, who successfully transitioned from a seven-year tenure as the track coach to his current role. With a mix of seasoned players and eager freshmen, the team is laying the groundwork for future success.

In a recent interview, we caught up with Tucker Alexander, a standout golfer on the team, to get his insights on the season ahead.

**Q: How are you guys looking in league this season?**

Tucker Alexander: "I think we're looking pretty solid. You know, there are a couple of teams that are better than us, but we're competitive in a few spots. We might not match up with everyone, but I know we're going to put up a good fight. It's all about giving it our best on the



Tucker Alexander works on his drive.

course."

Tucker's confidence reflects the team's determination to improve and perform well, despite the challenges that lie ahead.

After chatting with Tucker, we turned our attention to coach Neil Martin, who shared his thoughts on the season thus far and the potential he sees in his athletes.

**Q: Coach Martin, how**

**has the transition to golf been for you?**

Martin: "I tell you what, this is the first time I've had the boys for the season, and they've been playing pretty solid so far. We have a strong top four, and even our fifth player is doing quite well. We'd really like to add a sixth to the team, but we're working with what we have right now. We've got four



Thomas Pao tees off for the Warriors.

freshmen who are showing a lot of promise and will be returning next year, so that's a positive outlook for the future."

Coach Martin's enthusiasm is evident as he discusses the strengths of his players, clearly seeing the potential to build a formidable team over time.

**Q: What do you think about the team's overall spirit and camaraderie this season?**

Martin: "I'm really proud to coach these guys. They're a great bunch

of individuals, and the teamwork has been encouraging. Golf can be an individual sport, but these guys have really bonded and support each other on and off the course. It's great to see that camaraderie developing."

As the Galt Warrior boys golf team navigates this season, it's clear they are not just focused on immediate outcomes but are also building a foundation for future competitions. With coach Martin's strategic vision and a commitment

to developing young talent, the team is on the right path to personal growth and success.

The camaraderie among the players, along with dedicated leadership from coach Martin, indicates that the Galt Warrior golf team is setting itself up for a bright future.

As the season progresses, both players and coaches will continue working toward improvement, ready to take on whatever challenges lie ahead. ★

## Liberty Ranch Boys Golf Team Shines with Stellar Performance

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Liberty Ranch boys' golf team is making waves this season, showcasing remarkable talent and teamwork as they strive for their first league championship.

With an impressive league record of 9-1, head coach Mike Turpin has witnessed a significant improvement in his team's performance as the season progresses.

"The boys continue to play better and better," Turpin stated, beaming with pride. "Their scores have been dropping, and we are a confident team right now. It is very nice to see everyone stepping up and contributing."

This past week was particularly noteworthy for the

team. They recorded their best score of the year with a remarkable 215 against El Dorado, where they dominated the competition with a final score of 215 to 260.

This victory not only reflects their hard work and dedication but also strengthens their case for the coveted league title.

As the season nears its climax, Liberty Ranch's standout performances come from various golfers. Hunter Rohner has established himself as the top scorer, consistently impressing with scores of 41, 38 against Argonaut, and another 38 against Amador.

His reliable scoring and strategic play have proven pivotal for the team's success.

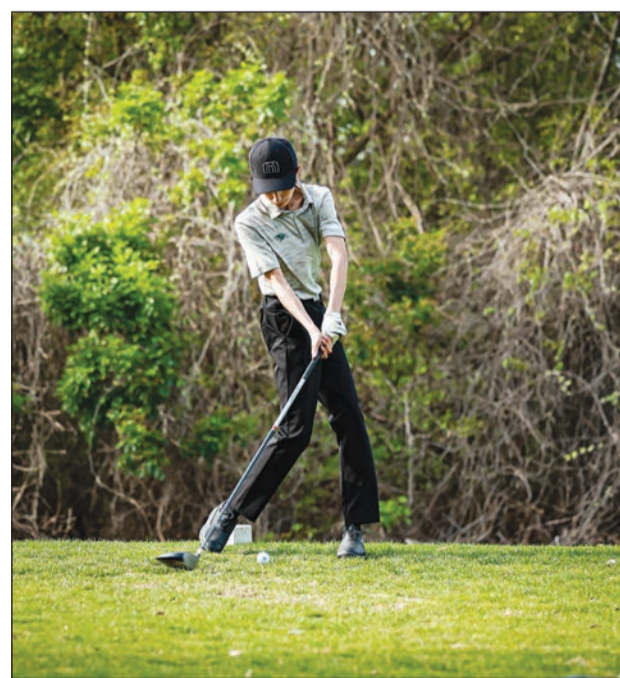
Other noteworthy contributors include Bryton



Hunter Rohner tees off for the Hawks.

Gibson, who put up a solid 49 against El Dorado, and Trevor Schweitz and Sean O'Brien, who both

scored admirable 41 and 42 points, respectively. Chris Gutierrez and Kobe Aguillen rounded out the



Christian Maciel drives the ball down the fairway.

team's impressive showing with scores of 44 and 47, contributing to the collective effort that secured the latest victory.

As the season progresses, Coach Turpin remains focused on fostering the team's growth.

"If we can continue to improve and maintain our excellent play, we have a great shot at winning our

first league championship," he remarked.

With confidence soaring and unity among the players, the Liberty Ranch boys' golf team is poised to make history this season.

As they refine their skills and work together toward a common goal, the prospect of clinching the league title is more tangible than ever. ★

### GALT HERALD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



**Kobe Aguillen**  
Liberty Ranch Golf



**Hunter Adversalo**  
Liberty Ranch Baseball



**Nico Gilmore**  
Galt High Baseball



**Ella Ipson**  
Galt High Swim