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Commemorating the Fallen



Sacramento Valley National Cemetery is hosting a Memorial Day program at 9 a.m. May 24. The cemetery is at 5810 Midway Road, Dixon. Photo by Kendall Brown

By Kendall Brown

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Sacramento Valley National Cemetery is hosting a free public Memorial Day program at 9 a.m.

Memorial Day was established in 1868, according to the National Cemetery Administration, a branch of the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs. Originally called Decoration Day, the federal holiday was formalized by Grand Army of the Republic Commander-in-Chief John A. Logan.

According to Sacramento Valley Director Ashaley Jackson, the Dixon ceremony on May 24 has plenty

"Our keynote speaker is retired Lt. Col. Joseph Smith from the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA). He is with an agency that places prisoners of war (POWs) from World War II onward," Jackson said. "He's coming out to discuss the agency and what Memorial Day means to him. He'll also give a bit of history regarding Memorial Day and how national cemeteries step in and pick up that legacy."

The event also offers musical selections performed by the United States Air Force Travis Brass Quintet, a flyover by Andy Simpkinson and the Nut Tree Airmen, and an appearance from Dixon Mayor Steve Bird in a guest speaking role. According to Jackson, attendance at the event tends to be about 1,500 to 2,000, so attendees might want to get

"We are going to have signs everywhere, but overflow parking will be at Shelter 4. Motorcycles are asked to park at Shelter 1. VIP and disabled parking are in lanes 1 through 4. Staff will be out directing traffic," said Jackson.

To Jackson, this event is significant not only because it commemorates the sacrifices of the fallen but also because it can encourage the younger generation to participate.

"We have a generational gap of understanding what freedom is," said Jackson. "We have the older volunteer groups that come out but the younger generation is not there to step in, so we need to educate them and allow them to understand what freedom really is and the sacrifices that come with protecting it."

The event would not have been possible without the support of the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery Support Committee, Jackson said, which was tasked with coordinating it and raising money for flags to be placed on the 39,000 gravesites following the

"They are the main group we work with," said Jackson. "They come out and coordinate everything for us."

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery is at 5810 Midway Road.

For those who cannot make it on May 24, Sacramento Valley National Cemetery also hosts funeral services for unaccompanied veterans on the third Thursday of every quarter. These veterans passed without any known family or friends to oversee their burial, so the National Cemetery Administration steps in. Sacramento Valley's next service is at 2 p.m. For more information, visit svncsc.org or call 707-693-2460.

David Studebaker Returns to **Comedy Night Fundraiser**



David Studebaker will be the headliner and emcee at the Dixon Family Services' Comedy Night 2025. Photo courtesy of the Dixon Family Services

Dixon Family Services News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - David Studebaker will be the headliner and emcee at the Dixon Family Services' Comedy Night 2025 from 6 to 10 p.m. Sept. 27 at the Olde Vet's Hall, 231 N.

First St. "Thanks to David, even the raffle, which can be a dull segment of any fundraiser, was totally fun and entertaining," according to 2024 Comedy Night

attendees. Studebaker's duty as emcee allowed him to speak with attendees at their tables, make observations and comment in ways that had them laughing at

each other and themselves. When Comedy Night 2025 organizers first met, they agreed to try to get Studebaker back.

Studebaker, named "One of the 10 Best Comics to Watch" by San Francisco Weekly, has delighted audiences for more than a decade with his brand of fun, fresh and uplifting comedy. Studebaker blends music, personal stories and pop culture into his highly interactive shows.

His comedy can be heard in regular rotation on Sirius XM Radio and he has been featured on Fox. ABC, the San Francisco Chronicle and a variety of radio shows and publications. Beyond stand-up, Studebaker was the host of "Pivot on The Street" for Pivot TV's National Network and has emceed multiple awards shows and galas. "David's Ark" has amassed millions of views on TikTok. Purchase tickets with

a credit card by visiting givebutter.com/ DFSComedyNight2025.

To avoid credit card fees and get tickets "the old-fashioned way," call 707-678-0442oremailCookie@ DixonFamilyServices.org. The \$65 ticket includes dinner, a no-host bar, dessert auction and many raffle prizes.

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Three Earn Educator of the Year Awards

Bv Kendall Brown

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Three Dixon Unified School District employees were honored at the May 6 Solano County Office of Education's Educator of the Year Awards ceremony.

Lynne Posedel of Maine Prairie High School, and Mayte Gudino and Maricela Schrunk of Gretchen Higgins Elementary School, were awarded for their service to the community and students.

Posedel is a food nutrition manager from Maine Prairie High School. She has lived in Dixon since 1996, starting off working at a taco cart. Besides providing food to Maine Prairie students, Posedel cooks and delivers food to Dixon Montessori Charter School and Anderson Elementary School.

She's also known to pick up bulk food items from Gretchen Higgins Elementary School to drop



Maricela Schrunk, left, stands alongside Anthony Fazzare, the county-wide classified employee of the year. The Solano County Office of Education hosted the Educator of the Year Awards from 5 to 7:30 p.m. May 6. Three Dixon Unified School District educators were honored at the event, including Schrunk, who was recognized as the county-wide Teacher of the Year. Photo courtesy of Karin Sturgis/Solano County Office of Education

off at Tremont Elementary School. According to Posedel, her favorite part of the job is cooking for the children.

"It is a small school,

so it is more family-ori-

ented; everyone knows

everyone," said Posedel.

As the only food service worker at Maine Prairie High School, Posedel cooks whatever her students want. Posedel said that hard work is defined by consistency.

"Just make sure everything gets done and everyone has everything they need in a timely manner," said Posedel. "Never be grumpy; always be kind."

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Young Woman of the Month



Makenzie Jacobs is Soroptimist International of Dixon's Young Woman of the Month. Courtesy photo

Soroptimist International of Dixon News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Makenzie Jacobs is Soroptimist International of Dixon's Young Woman of the Month. She was nominated by Maine Prairie High School Principal Angelina Arias.

Jacobs is the daughter of Natalie Vargas and Kyle Jacobs and has several siblings.

Jacobs has attended various schools in and outside of California. She attended Dixon High School in 10th-grade, then transitioned to Maine Prairie in 11th-grade and is now graduating in 2025 at 16 years old. Jacobs said that she is very proud of this accomplishment.

While in high school, Jacobs has participated in the leadership team, salmon project and Future Farmers of America

Because of a Maine Prairie High School virtual reality program, Jacobs is now drawn to diesel mechanics as a possible career. She plans to join the Air Force to pursue this field.

Soroptimist International of Dixon members are very proud of Mackenzie and wish her the best in her future pursuits.

For more information, visit the Soroptimist International of Dixon Facebook page or email sidixon@soroptimist.net.

Makenzie Jacobs is Soroptimist Dixon News Briefs



The Dixon High School Marching Band was one of the 135 entrants who performed in the Dixon May Fair Parade on May 10. Dixon High School graduation is scheduled for 9 a.m. June 7. Graduation practice is mandatory for all graduates and will occur at 9 a.m. June 6.

By MPG Staff

Dixon Community Theater Mixer at the Chamber

The Dixon Chamber of Commerce is hosting a mixer alongside Dixon Community Theater from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. May 28. Held at the chamber, 220 N. Jefferson St., this free event offers a no-host bar, snacks, raffle prizes, networking opportunities and the opportunity to meet the cast and production team behind "Alice's Wonderland," Dixon Community Theater's upcoming original musical. Angi Wolf, who stars as the Queen of Hearts in the production, will perform the song "The Queen of Hearts" live.

For more information, visit dixonchamber.org or call 707-678-2650.

Line Dancing at Ruhstaller

Ruhstaller Farms is hosting line dancing from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 5. The event, held at 6686 Sievers Road, offers a community atmosphere and the opportunity to learn how to line dance. Dinner, prepared by Tapps Kitchen, is available from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Attendees can donate, and each month, donations will be given to a different nonprofit organization.

For more information, visit ruhstallerfarm.com/events or call 530-601-8240.

Dixon Chamber Connections Networking

The Dixon Chamber of Commerce is hosting a networking event from noon to 1:30 p.m. June 5. This free, in-person event, held at The Farmstead at Dixon, 350 Gateway Drive, allows local professionals to connect. Offering a diverse range of potential connections, attendees are encouraged to bring business cards.

For more information, visit dixonchamber.org or call 707-678-2650.

Atkinson Shred Event

Atkinson Self Storage is hosting its annual shred event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 14. Located at 1800 N. First St. (Highway 113), participants can pay \$10 to have a banker-sized box of documents shredded. Cash and card payments are

For more information, visit the Atkinson Self Storage Facebook page or call 707-693-9200.

Grillin' & Chillin'

Dixon Action Team is hosting Grillin' & Chillin' from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. June 28. Held in Downtown Dixon, the family-friendly event offers a car and truck show, local vendors, food trucks, live music and a rib cook-off.

For more information, visit dixonactionteam.com or email dixonsactionteam@gmail.com.

VFW Upcoming Meeting

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8151 will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. June 18. Meetings are held every third Wednesday at The Olde Vets Hall, 231 N. First St. Official business meetings start at 7 p.m., but the hall opens for set-up and socializing at 6 p.m. Socializing will continue after the business portion of the meeting.

For more information, visit vfw8151.org or call 209-395-8019.

Dixon High School Graduation

Dixon High School is hosting its graduation ceremony at 9 a.m. June 7. Held at the high school campus, 555 College Way, the event is free and open to all. Graduates should arrive at the large gym at 8 a.m., and guests should arrive early too to guarantee a parking spot. The RAMs Vault will be selling water bottles for \$2, Gatorade for \$3 and fans for \$1. All seniors must attend graduation practice at 9 a.m. June 6.

For more information, visit the Dixon High School Facebook page or contact Olivia Wasser at olivia.wasser @dixonusd.org.

Maine Prairie High School Graduation

Maine Prairie High School is hosting its graduation ceremony at 6 p.m. June 4. Held at the Dixon Community Performing Arts Center, 555 College Way, the event is free and open to all. Guests are encouraged to arrive early to ensure parking.

For more information, visit dixonusd. rg/mphs or call 707-693-6340.

Dixon Library Book Club

Dixon Library is hosting its monthly morning book club meeting from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 12. The morning book club is a monthly, adult-oriented group that will be reading "First Lie Wins" by Ashley Elston. Coffee and tea will be provided for attendees, and the meeting itself will be in the library's front room, 230 N. First St.

For more information, visit solanolibrary.com or call 1-866-572-7587.

Ramtown Karate **Summer Camp**

Ramtown Karate is hosting a summer camp from June 23 to 27. Held at the Ramtown Karate Dojo, 1680 N. Lincoln St., #A, the event offers karate activities for all ages. Activities include water games, self-defense practice, a barbecue and the opportunity to learn about Okinawan culture. Attendance is \$299 per

For more information, visit ramtownkarate.com or call 707-678-4899.

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Library Community Garden Coming Soon

Solano County Library News Release

SOLANO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Solano County's first community garden is coming to Dixon this summer through a partnership between Solano County Library and Sustainable Solano.

The Dixon Library Community Garden will transform a vacant lot at the corner of B and Second streets into a thriving public green space designed for community use, education and engagement.

The garden's layout and design are expected to be completed by the end of May and will be on display at the Dixon Public Library for public viewing.

The garden's installation will take place on two volunteer-powered building days: Saturday,



Once complete, the garden will feature rentable garden plots, a children's garden and serve as a platform library-led educational programs. Photo courtesy of the Solano County Library

June 14, and Saturday, June 21. Community members are encouraged to participate and help bring this space to life.

Once completed, anticipated

by June 30, the garden will feature rentable garden plots, a children's garden and serve as a platform for library-led educational programs. The garden will

be operated as an official Solano County Library program and be overseen by a volunteer garden coordinator.

Plot rentals will be available

for one year, with rental policies and general garden use guidelines available in early June.

"Solano County Library is excited to partner with Sustainable Solano to bring this vision to life. This is more than just a garden; it's a place for learning, gathering and growing together," said Library Services

Director Suzanne Olawski.

Community members interested in volunteering for the June 14 build day can register at eventbrite.com/e/dixon-library-community-work-day-tickets-1367620813669.

For more information about the Dixon Library Community Garden or to get involved, contact Nancy Redfield at neredfield@solanocounty.com solanolibrary.com.

Early Childhood Educators of the Year Honored

Solano County Office of Education News Release

SOLANO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - On May 16, Solano County Office of Education (SCOE), in collaboration with the Solano Child Care Planning Council and local partners, hosted the 2025 Solano Early Childhood Educator of the Year reception.

The event, held at Joseph A Nelson Community Center in Fairfield, brought together approximately 145 community members, educators and family members to celebrate exceptional early learning professionals who go above and beyond to nurture and educate young children across Solano County.

A total of 38 early educators were nominated by peers, families and colleagues. Nominees included teachers, aides, paraeducators, food service staff, transportation providers, administrators and family



A total of 38 early educators were nominated by peers, families and colleagues. Photo courtesy of Solano County Office of Education

childcare owners.

Six educators were selected as this year's awardees, each representing a key role in early learning. Awardees were Joti Takhar, program administrator, Cynthia Molinero, special education teacher, Marissa Rubio, preschool teacher, Catalina Miramontes, family childcare teacher, Amy Williams, infant toddler teacher and Joan Parker, program support staff.

"Early learning educators lay

the foundation for our youngest learners. They can spark a lifelong love of learning and help young minds grow with confidence and curiosity. Their work is creating a ripple effect, and their impact has the potential to change lives and will be felt for generations," said Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson.

Congratulations to these outstanding educators for their passion and impact. These professionals help build the social, emotional and cognitive foundations that support future academic and personal success for students.

Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) provides leadership, support, and fiscal oversight for charter schools and Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, Travis, Vacaville, and Vallejo school districts which serve approximately 63,000 students. Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson is elected by voters of Solano County. The Superintendent is a state constitutional officer who serves as the chief executive officer of SCOE and as a liaison between local school districts and the state. *

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Baker Speaks to Soroptimists about Essentially Everly

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Soroptimist International of Dixon News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Soroptimist International of Dixon was honored to welcome Carmen Baker to speak to Soroptimist members on May 1. After the loss of her daughter to leukemia last year, Baker founded Essentially Everly, a nonprofit organization dedicated to offering hope and comfort to children battling cancer. Her emotional story touched those who listened, and as her organization is still in its early stages, Soroptimist of Dixon is eager to help spread the word about her important mission.

A child fighting cancer faces tough

treatments and long hospital stays, which can be lonely. Essentially Everly helps these brave kids by providing totes filled with 'Everly's Essentials' that bring joy and comfort, such as blankets, plush toys, arts and crafts supplies, card games and a gift card. Baker's daughter, Everly, lost her battle with cancer in 7 short months after diagnosis. In her memory, Baker is dedicated to ensuring that other children facing cancer have access to the comforts and distractions they need during their

For more information or to contribute to this cause, visit essentially everly.org or contact Baker at erbf@essentiallyeverly.



Carmen Baker (right) spoke with Soroptimist International of Dixon members on May 1 about her nonprofit, Essentially Everly. Barbara Rigdon, the Dixon Soroptimist President, was honored to have her. Photo courtesy of Soroptimist International of Dixon

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-000704 The following persons are doing business as: Dixon Crafted Co. 1235 Rutgers Way, Dixon, CA

95620. Jessica Rodriguez, 1235 Rutgers Way, Dixon, CA 95620.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE **CHANGE OF NAME** CASE #CU25-00323

Alma Araceli Diaz filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Alma Araceli Diaz to Alma Araceli

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes deobjection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. June 2, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Department 10, Room 305, Superior Court of California, County of Solano, Old Solano Court House, 580 Texas Street Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge of the Superior Court: Christine N. Donovan Dated: March 4, 2025 Publish: May 9, 16, 23, 30, 2025 5-30-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: THERESA VEKICH AKA THERESA MARIE VEKICH CASE NO. PR25-00031

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of THERESA VEKICH AKA THERESA MARIE VEKICH DELGADO.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by GUILLERMO DELGADO in the Superior Court of California, County of Solano. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that GUILLERMO DELGADO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO IN RETHE MATTER OF THE PATRICIA DALE NEUKIRCH

DIXON INDEPENDENT VOICE 5-30-25

REVOCABLE TRUST DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2023, AS AMENDED Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent, Patricia Dale Neukirch, that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court, located at 600 Union Ave, Fairfield, CA 94533, and mail or deliver a copy to. Sharon Duncan, Successor Trustee of the Patricia Dale Neukirch Revocable Trust, as Amended, wherein the decedent was a Trustor, to 150 N. Wiget Lane, Suite 105, Walnut Creek, California 94598, within the later of four months after the date of the first publication of notice to creditors or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 60 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Section 19103 of the Probate Code. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are

encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested. May 5, 2025 Douglas W. Housman, Attorney for Sharon Duncan, Successor Trustee Publish: May 23, 30, June 6, 2025

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21-12058 0114-181-260 NOTICE TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER VILLAGE **HOMEOWNERS** GREEN ASSOCIATION (ASSOCIATION) COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS AND A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT (LIEN) DATED 09-19-2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS **AGAINST** YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT LAWYER. On 06-09-2025 at 9:30 AM, Outside the Santa Clara Street entrance to the City Hall located at 555 Santa Clara Street, Vallejo, CA 94590, ALLIED TRUSTEE SERVICES (Trustee), 1601 Response Road, Sacramento, CA 95815, (877) 282-4991, under and pursuant to Lien, recorded 09-21-2022 as Instrument 202200061152 Book - - Page of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of SOLANO County, CA, WILL CAUSE TO BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check/cash equivalent or other form of payment authorized by 924h(b), (payable at time the property owned by GARY ALAN ERWIN, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE DONALD E ERWIN REVOCABLE TRUST, DATED MAY 8, 2015, situated in said County, describing the land therein: APN: 0114-181-260 Any bid that is not cash must be made directly payable to "Allied Trustee Services". Winning bid checks received not payable directly to Allied Trustee Services (i.e. containing third-party endorsements) must be replaced within five business days after the sale. The winning bidder will be contacted at the phone number and/or email address provided for further instructions. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to

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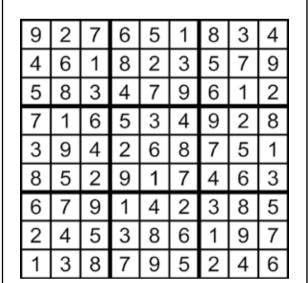


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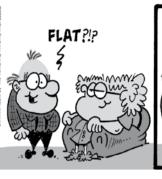
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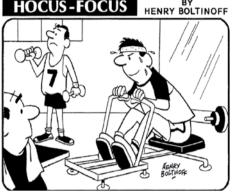
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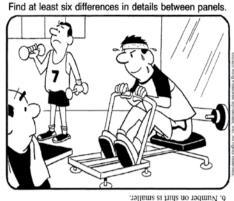






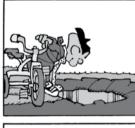






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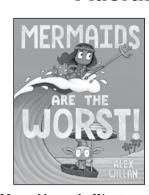


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Bubby Beautiful Kitty-Corn by Shannon Hale and Leuyen Pham, Abrams

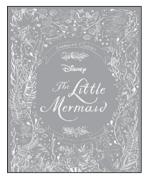


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A Film and TV Review by Tim Riley

"FIGHT OR FLIGHT" RATED R

The hero of "Fight or Flight" is a bleached-blond washout, usually in a drunken stupor, hiding out in Bangkok because of a botched mission during his time in the Secret Service, but the disgraced agent is now reluctantly pulled back into service.

The film begins with a preview scene of an exceedingly violent mayhem on an airplane which plays like a coming attractions trailer and really sets the mood for the vicious fracas which the former agent must endure once he settles into his first-

The writers and director James Madigan must have been inspired by the success of the "John Wick" films and Brad Pitt's Ladybug, an assassin for hire, in "Bullet Train." The commonality these films have is an abundance of hired killers and violent thugs run amok.

This is what faces Josh Hartnett's Lucas Reyes, who favors cheap Hawaiian shirts and shorts as if he were going to spend a day at the beach. He would rather stay idle, but then his former colleague and lover Katherine Brunt (Katee Sackhoff) offers him a chance at redemption.

The dissolute life of Lucas is obvious from his love of whiskey for breakfast and his encounter with the local bar owner at lunch when he says, "If I die in your bar, you can sell my organs to pay my tab."

All that Brunt asks of Lucas is to board a plane from Bangkok to San Francisco to track down a hacker terrorist known as The Ghost, with the inducement of a big payday and getting removed from the TSA's "no-fly list."

Once on the aircraft, the chaos that ensues is so intense that the action can only be labeled as bonkers, a description bandied about all over internet reviews with good reason.

Word that The Ghost would be on this flight has gotten around to the entire underworld, leading to the plane being filled with killers like the ones always trying to knock off John Wick.

Soon after takeoff, another passenger spikes Lucas' drink with a drug before hauling him to a luxury bathroom to kill him, except that Lucas is immune to being rendered unconscious due to heavy drinking and he manages to turn a sprinkler head into a weapon.

Speaking of weapons, one must wonder how every assassin got past security screenings with knives, swords, handguns, machine guns, and a chainsaw. Even a seatbelt and broken wine glasses are turned into weapons of death. Only thing missing is a rocket launcher.

While every passenger begins to look

suspicious, Lucas finds allies in two flight attendants, the gutsy Isha (Charithra Chandran), showing an abundance of courage, and the amusingly nervous colleague Royce (Danny Ashok). For all his goofiness and knack for phys-

ical comedy, Josh Harnett is delightfully committed to the insanity that his role demands. In that respect, his nonchalant attitude results in an enjoyably charismatic performance. Forget any logic about the over-the-top

wackiness of "Fight or Flight." The film is an action-packed thrill ride filled with humor and carnage. This adds up to a lot of fun on a primeval level.

'THE STUDIO" ON APPLE TV+

Critics almost certainly would enjoy "The Studio" series on Apple TV+ more than the general audience, only because so much of the humor is like inside baseball, familiar mostly to those who cover the industry for a living.

The premise is quite funny. Seth Rogen's Matt Remick is an ambitious executive at the troubled Continental Studios, which is desperate to create a box office hit that might just cover the losses endured with stinkers.

With bitter studio head Patty Leigh (a funny Catherine O'Hara) pushed aside, Remick, who has long coveted the position, has taken over, even though he lacks the killer instinct to squash anyone's pet project.

Producers like Ron Howard and Martin Scorsese appear as themselves to seek support for their vanity projects, only to end up being humiliated by Remick because of his innate inability to be a straight shooter.

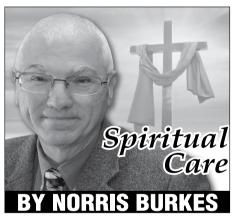
A lot of amusing studio intrigue is packed into the first episode, presaging good things to come. Bryan Cranston's Griffin Mill, ruthless owner of the studio, has no vision for filmmaking other than to make huge profits, cinematic art be damned.

On the other hand, Remick is a film lover interested in making films, as opposed to Mill only wanting to make movies, a distinction that rests with the belief movies can be commercial box office winners and films turn up in art-houses yielding meager

A general audience might miss the humor of an executive dismissively referring to a film producer as a "dime store Bob Evans." The laugh comes from knowing Robert Evans, as the successful head of production at Paramount, delivered classics like "The Godfather" and "Chinatown."

Seth Rogen, and his associates Ike Barinholtz and Chase Sui Wonders, lead a cast that delivers plenty of laughs, as the machinations of everyone jockeying for position is amusing and inventive, because it's easy to appreciate the absurdity of workplace dysfunction.

For Safety's Sake, Live your Life



I often felt that if I hadn't become a chaplain, I'd have become a safety officer.

For example, whenever I volunteer with Chispa Project in Honduras, I'm the guy who steadies the ladder, double checks that the lunch produce is washed correctly and then I police the perimeter for bad guys. (Bad guys don't mess with Chaplain Safety Officer.)

The irony is that my interest in this subject comes from the tragedies I've witnessed in my chaplain career. In death's aftermath I've offered comfort to those whose loved ones were accidentally struck, shot, suffocated, burned, poisoned, fallen or electrocuted.

From those tragic encounters, I've developed a preoccupation with safety that my children say has cost them some of their freedoms. I've always made them wear hats in the sun, helmets on the bike trail and seat belts in the car. For safety's sake, I've made them chew slowly, run quickly and sleep adequately.

They learned pretty well, but never did I realize just how much their training might come back to benefit me.

Denver to spend a few days with our daughter, Sara. We had no agenda. Just a little rest and relaxation. Following our late-night arrival,

In 2011, my wife and I flew to

we were ushered into our accommodations, a garage conversion with an open-flame furnace. Playing the fastidious safety inspector, I checked to make sure that Sara had vented the heater properly through a nearby window. She had. Then, I tested the smoke and CO2 detector. Everything worked properly.

Becky and I said our good nights and settled in for a cozy winter sleep, snug under blankets, basking in a glowing

About 2 a.m., we were jolted from bliss with a high-pitched alarm. I saw no smoke, so I focused my squinting eyes on the CO2 detector. Carbon monoxide levels were pushing high enough to send us singing in the celestial choir with Jesus himself.

We immediately turned off the heater, opened all the windows, and retreated to the living room, shutting the garage door behind us. After 20 minutes, levels returned to normal, and we re-retired to bed - sans heater but with a double scoop of blankets.

If you're anticipating my point here, you're probably looking for me to quote the Christian Scripture, "It is appointed unto a man once to die and after that the judgment."

Those familiar with this Scripture often use stories such as these to admonish people to live full throttle, seize the day and live every day as if it

There is some wisdom in those truisms, but honestly, I don't want to live every day like it's my last.

I also need some days to be "regular." I need days that start with a decent breakfast, some time in my pastor's office and a drive home with takeout pizza to watch "Amazing Race" with my amazing wife.

Nothing wrong with that. We all need some routine days where we hold those whom we love, exhale gratitude for the life we are granted and refuel our needs for the next day.

Perhaps today wasn't your best day. If today was only average, then I say, be content that you had no close calls with death to throw you into an existential funk. You don't need to always be prompting yourself with the morbid thought that this day might be your last. But more than anything, I say, "Stay

safe. For safety's sake, live your life. There will likely be a tomorrow." 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.

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Cal Poly Professors Examine Ethics of Robots and AI in the Kitchen

Professors at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, are conducting a multiyear research project to study the ethical implications of robotic and artificial intelligence applications in the kitchen. As part of the project, the philosophy, psychology and religious studies professors will travel to Rome this month to participate in a workshop hosted by the Vatican, meeting with scientists, industry experts, religious leaders and philosophers from around the world to discuss automation and food. "This is our most interdisciplinary project, which isn't a surprise because the subject, food itself, touches on just about every single discipline at Cal Poly," philosophy professor Patrick Lin said.

Study Finds Sinking Land Could Limit Water Deliveries to Farms and Cities

A new technical report released by the California Natural Resources Agency found that subsidence, or the sinking of land, in the Central Valley caused by the overpumping of groundwater has restricted the amount of water the State Water Project can deliver each year by

3%. The SWP supplies water to 27 mil-

lion Californians and 750,000 acres of

farmland. Without decisive action, the cur-

rent trajectory of subsidence, combined

with climate change, could reduce water

deliveries to farms and cities by 87% by

2043, the California Department of Water Resources reported.

The University of California Launches Policy Institute

Already a major source of consequential agricultural research, the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources plans to play a more direct role in informing policymakers in the Golden State. Last month, the agriculture-focused UC branch launched the UC ANR Policy Institute, "envisioned as a 'one-stop shop' for policymakers to find and easily access scientists and research on a host of critical issues in California," UC ANR said in a blog post. The institute will build on the work of the former UC ANR Agricultural Issues Center.

Video Series Aims to Help Young Farmers Grow Vegetables

A new video series by the University of California aims to provide free virtual training in how to grow vegetables. The training was designed to reach younger farmers and those entering the field for the first time. "The average age of agricultural producers in California is currently about 59.2 years," said Jeff Mitchell, UC Cooperative Extension specialist in the Department of Plant Sciences in Davis. "Therefore, there is an urgent need to encourage and recruit young people into agriculture to sustain current and future production."

David Studebaker Returns to Comedy Night Fundraiser

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Guests can also be sponsors; sponsors paying \$500, \$1,000, \$2,000 or more get reserved seating. Sponsor names and logos will be highlighted on social media, on signs and

fliers, in the event program and through announcements at the event. Support can inspire new friends/partners to join TEAM DFS, thus expanding the levels of Dixon Family Services' services provided to residents struggling to meet their basic needs in Dixon.

Attendees can donate a check, raffle prize or dessert to help raise money for Dixon Family Service's free services to the community.

Volunteers are also being accepted to join the committee and help sell tickets, plus multiple other tasks to ensure the event's success.

For more information about Dixon Family Services and

Comedy Night 2025, visit dixonfamilyservices.org, the Dixon Family Services Facebook page or Instagram @dixonfamilyservices. Tickets are available at givebutter.com/ DFSComedyNight2025.

Community Calendar

Ongoing Activities:

Alcoholics Anonymous – If you want to drink, that's your business. If you want to stop drinking, we can help. Call Alcoholics Anonymous at 800-970-9040 for either local meeting information or to speak to someone.

American Legion Dinners – Every Friday night at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 1305 N. First St. Prices range from \$12 to \$17 depending on menu. Live music every Friday. Live band first and third Fridays.

Bingo – Is played every Monday and Wednesday at the Senior/Multi-Use Center, 201 S. 5th St., beginning at 12 p.m. Call 707-678-7022 for more information.

Friendship Services of Solano County – Do you spend a lot of time alone? Would you like a telephone companion? Call Friendship Service at 707-644-9062 x242 or 707-644-8909 and ask Cyndi about becoming a client. It's free. A program of Catholic Social Services. A provider of the Napa-Solano Area Agency on Aging. Email: friendship@csssolano.org.

Meals on Wheels – Homebound seniors can receive meals delivered to their homes by calling 707-425-0638. Lunch also served at the Dixon Senior Center, 201 South 5th St. at 11:30 a.m. M-F. Reservations required – call 707-425-0638 one day in advance.

Regular Meetings:

Al-Anon – Family and friends of alcoholics can get support through Al-Anon, which meets Mondays, 7 to 8 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 209 N. Jefferson St.

American Legion – Dixon Post 208 meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 1305 N. First St.. For information, call 707-678-6308. Also visit us online at www.dixonveterans. org/Legion.

American Legion Auxiliary – Dixon Post 208 meets at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 1305 N. First St.. For information, contact Pat Holland (President) at 707-678-3685 or Leah Marlin (Vice President) at 530-304-5385. Visit us online at www.dixonveterans.org/Legion.

Anderson PTO – Meets monthly at 7 p.m. at Anderson Elementary School, 415 East C St. Email andersonroad-runnerspto@gmail.com for dates.

Bids For Kids – Is a volunteer organization created to promote and foster youth participation in agriculture. Anyone interested in this endeavor is welcome and encouraged to attend our monthly meeting. Meetings are held every third Thursday of the month. For more information, please contact secretary, Lisa Dage at 707-246-5623, fivedages@sbcglobal.net or president, James Fuller at 916-952-0167, jameskfuller@yahoo.com.

Boy Scout Troop 152 – Meets Tuesdays, 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the Social Hall at United Methodist Church, 209 North Jefferson. Scouts is for boys 11 to 18 years old. Contact Matt at 707-685-1750 or email scoutmaster@troop152dixon.com for more information. Check us out on the web @troop152dixon.com."

Chief Solano Kennel Club, Inc. meetings – at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday at the Elmira Fire Station. Call Linda at phone below to RSVP. Open to everyone. No July meeting. For info call 446-7492 or visit www. chiefsolanokennelclub.org.

Chief Solano Kennel Club, Inc. classes – Puppy Socialization 6:20 to 6:50 p.m. (4 to 12 mos), Beginning Obedience 7 to 7:40 p.m. (4 mos & older) indoor training classes on Wednesdays at the Elmira Fire Station, as well as Conformation classes at 7:50 to 8:30 p.m. for those who show dogs or are interested in showing their dogs. Classes are open to everyone and their canine companions. Classes are not appropriate for aggression issues. Discounts for Seniors 55 and over, Juniors under 16, and those who have adopted a dog from the Humane Society, a breed rescue group, or your local shelter. Bring adoption certificate when you register. Visit www.chiefsolanokennelclub.org.

CITY OF DIXON: The following meetings are held in the Council Chamber at 600 East A St. The agendas are available before meetings at www.ci.dixon.ca.us. For further information, call 707-678-7000 and ask for the City Clerk's office, Planning Dept., Parks & Recreation Dept., or Transportation Dept.

City Council – Meets on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at 7 p.m. **Planning Commission** – Meets the second Tuesday of

every month at 7 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Commission – Meets the fourth

Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m.

Transportation Advisory Commission – Meets the third Wednesday of every EVEN month at 7 p.m.

Dixon Adult Literacy Program – Solano County Library Adult Literacy Services is seeking volunteers to help an adult with their reading, writing, or English-speaking skills at the Dixon Public Library. No experience necessary, flexible hours. All training and materials are provided. Contact: Literacy@solanocounty. com or 707-784-1526.

Dixon Boat Club – Meets first Thursday of the month. For more information, call Butch at 707-678-3622.

Dixon Downtown Business Association – Dedicated to enhancing the business environment and promoting the revitalization of downtown Dixon as the cultural center of the community. Merchant meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at various locations. Log onto www.downtowndixonca.com, email DDROAC@yahoo.com, or call 707-678-8400 for more information.

Dixon Game & Conservation Club – Meetings on second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Game Club Building on East Mayes. For more information, contact John Kett at 916-284-4683.

Dixon Historical Society – Meets quarterly on the third Sunday of Feb., Apr., Aug., and Oct. from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Dixon United Methodist Church Social Hall located at 209 N. Jefferson St. in Dixon. Meetings include a historical representation and announcements of upcoming events. Anyone interested in the history of Dixon, and its surrounding areas, is welcome! You do not need to be a member to attend, and all presentations are free to the community. The Dixon History Museum is open for visits, Thursdays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. For further information, please contact us at www.dixonhistoricalsociety. org. Email dhs.dixonhistoricalsociety@gmail.com, or call 707-693-3044.

Dixon Kiwanis Club – an International civic organization serving the community through enhancing children's lives meets on the fourth Monday of each month at the Dixon Chamber of Commerce Conference Room. Call Kristin Janisch at 918-840-0785 for more information.

Dixon Lions Club – Since 1954, the Dixon Lions Club is a group of local people who identify needs within our Dixon community and work together to fulfill those needs. Internationally our 45,867 clubs & more than 1,347,322 members make us the world's largest service club organization. We meet first/third Wednesdays at Bud's Pub & Grill from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Website: http://e-clubhouse.org/sites/dixonca. Facebook page: Dixon Lions Club.

Dixon Rotary Club – Meets on most Wednesdays at noon at The Creative Space, 160 West A. St., Dixon. Rotary is the world's first and oldest service club organization with over 1.4 million members working locally and internationally to improve health and sanitation, combat hunger, provide education, and promote peace. For more information and meeting confirmation, contact Rotary President Marlene Vega at 707-678-9368.

Dixon Scottish Cultural Association – Open to anyone who is interested in celebrating Scottish culture. Meetings are on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 1305 N. First St. For details, visit https://scotsindixon.us/.

Dixon Senior Club – Meets the second Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Dixon Senior Multi-Use Center, 201 S. Fifth St. For more info, call 678-7022.

Dixon Toastmasters/Public Speaking Club – Need to speak in front of people? Want to improve your communication skills? Want to have fun learning? Check us out! We meet Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Living Hope Church. For more info, call or text Lynda Mendez at 530-665-0948 or Rose Cooke at 707-297-0918.

Dixon Women's Improvement Club – From September through May of each year, the Dixon Women's Improvement Club dedicated to the betterment of Dixon, meets on the third Wednesday of the month for stimulating presentations, activities, and friendships. Meetings are held at the Dixon United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Dixon Youth Soccer Board Meetings – The board will meet the third Tuesday of each month, except for December, at the Sutter West Medical Center Conference Room, at 7 p.m.

Domestic Violence Support Group – Thursdays from 10 to 11 a.m. at SafeQuest Solano, 1234 Empire St., Fairfield. Info 707-422-7345.

Dry Dock – This Alcoholics Anonymous group meets

Mondays, 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 to 11 a.m. at Dixon United Methodist Church, corner of B and N. Jefferson St.

Fairfield/Suisun Bass Reapers – Meets first Tuesday of each month at RoundTable Pizza, 5085 Business Center Drive, Fairfield. For more info, call 707-429-3239.

Friends of the Dixon Public Library – Meets at the library on the second Tuesday of the month at 5 p.m. For more information, call 707-678-5447.

Gretchen Higgins Parent Teacher Organization –

We meet the second Monday of each month in the library at our school. Email ohpto1525@gmail.com for more information.

Independent Order of Oddfellows Montezuma Lodge #172 – Meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 111 West A. St., Dixon above Bud's. For more info, call Jason 530-400-0281 or Ed 916-837-6865. Lambtown Committee – Meets third Monday each

month at 6 p.m. at Veteran's Hall. Email John Knight at johnknightpto@gmail.com

Living With Cancer – Support Group for people who have or have had cancer meets the first, third, and fifth Tuesday of every month, 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the Dining

conference room at Woodland Memorial Hospital, 1325 Cottonwood St., Woodland. Free. Narcotics Anonymous – Open meetings are held every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Dixon United Methodist, 209 N. Jefferson St. (Corner

of West B and N. Jefferson). For helpline information and

other meetings, go to www.napasolanona.org.

Northern Solano Democratic Club (NSDC) – Meets on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at IBEW, 30 Orange Tree Circle, Vacaville (behind Home Depot). For more information, contact Jeanie White 615-260-7896 or email pres.nsdc@gmail.com. Visit our Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/northernsolanodems/.

NSDC Democrats in Action – Monthly lunch meeting is every fourth Thursday at noon at Fuso Italian Restaurant at 535 Main St., Vacaville. Meet to discuss actions that can be taken towards local, state, and national political issues. See above for contacts.

Promises AA Group – Meets Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, 209 N. Jefferson St.

Sexual Assault Support Group – Tuesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. at SafeQuest Solano, 1234 Empire St., Fairfield. Info 707-422-7345.

Solano County Mental Health Education – Monthly presentations on various topics will be held on the fourth Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 2101 Courage Dr., Fairfield. Call Rachel Ford at 707-784-8362 for more information and monthly topic.

Sons of the American Legion – Meet every second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Dixon American Legion Post 208 Hall. For information, call Wayne Holland at 707-301-0941.

Soroptimist International of Dixon – Meets Thursdays at noon at the Dixon United Methodist Church (20 N. Jefferson). Call President Barbara Rigdon at 408-306-7390. Mail: P.O. Box 472, Dixon, CA 95620.

36th District Agricultural Assn. – Board of Directors meet the second Wednesday of each month, 6 p.m. in the board room located at 655 S. First St. (Dixon May Fair)

Tremont Teachers and Parents Association – Meets the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Tremont School. For more information contact 678-9533.

Toastmasters – Meets every other Monday from 7 to 8 p.m. Contact Lynda Mendez at 530-665-0948 or email her at mendezlynda55@yahoo.com

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) – Dixon Post 8151 meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at the Olde Vets Hall, 231 N. First St. For information, contact Cecil Dennings (Commander) at 209-395-8019. Also visit us online at m.facebook. com/DixonVFW.

Young Ladies Institute of Dixon – Meets the third Thursday of the month at St. Peter's Parish Hall, 105 S. 2nd St. All Catholic women are invited to attend. For more information, call Virginia Fletcher at 678-5145. ★

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Three Earn Educator of the Year Awards

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Posedel was nominated by Maine Prairie Principal Angelina Arias for district-wide Classified Employee of the Year.

Upon earning this recognition, Posedel was humbled.

"I was just so surprised," said Posedel.
"Angelina Arias nominated me because
the kids and staff love me, and I cook them
fresh food. I'm happy to get this award."

Gudino, a Gretchen Higgins Elementary fifth-grade teacher, was recognized as Teacher of the Year in the district twice in 2025, first at Celebrate Dixon March 8, then at the Educator of the Year Awards May 6. Gudino moved to Dixon as a migrant student at age nine. Her eldest sister, Chella, was her first-grade teacher in Mexico, which, according to Gudino, planted the seed that inspired her to become a teacher.

"I was not sure what I wanted to do when I grew up but my sister showed me that education was a very good career to have a family," said Gudino.

With 25 years of education experience, Gudino is in her fifth year at Gretchen Higgins Elementary and, alongside teaching, also acts as the PAC Migrant Parent Committee coordinator, the English Language Development Program lead and a mentor for new teachers.

"I'm currently mentoring three teachers: two kindergarten and one third-grade," said Gudino. "I love doing this, just



Lynne Posedel, left, of Maine Prairie High School was recognized as the district-wide Classified Employee of the Year. Honoree is joined by Solano County Office of Education Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella Henderson. Photo courtesy of Karin Sturgis/Solano County Office of Education

passing on my experience. They are full of so much passion and knowledge; I am learning so much from them."

To Gudino, her favorite part of education is working with the children, as they decide the success or failure of a lesson plan.

When recognized as the districtwide Teacher of the Year, Gudino was surprised.

"Honestly, when I got the call, I was not expecting it. I was never expecting any recognition but I was honored," said Gudino.

Schrunk is a special education teacher, also at Gretchen Higgins, and has earned the highest honor of all. On May 6, Schrunk was named the countywide



Mayte Gudino, left, of Gretchen Higgins Elementary School was recognized as the district-wide Teacher of the Year. She was inspired to pursue education by her eldest sister, Chella, who was her first-grade teacher. Photo courtesy of Karin Sturgis/Solano County Office of Education

Educator of the Year.

To Schrunk, it was the best experience ever.

"It has just been the best experience ever imagined and the highest honor, definitely desired but never expected. It is so heartwarming. Being selected by five previous Teachers of the Year was also such a high honor, as we are all passionate about what we do," said Schrunk.

Schrunk started out as a paraprofessional and aide, supporting special education student needs throughout the school day. In her 18th year of education, Schrunk said that she always knew she wanted to nurture others, especially children.

The eldest of three siblings, Schrunk

reported having plenty of responsibility at a young age and used that experience to reinforce her time in the school environment. In 2005, she began subbing as an aide and has not left since. According to Schrunk, she now teaches students with extensive needs and loves it.

"I'm a special ed teacher and I teach from kindergarten to second-grade. I teach all academic skills, daily living skills and behavioral strategies. I am really big on teaching social-emotional learning, building that bond, that rapport that makes students available to learn. Self-regulation is my main goal," said Schrunk.

To Schrunk, the best part of her job is being able to see her students grow. To support this growth, Schrunk acts as a mentor teacher, volunteers with organizations such as the Down Syndrome Information Alliance and has a classroom garden. Her hard work has earned her eligibility to represent Solano County at the state level.

"I am so thrilled to potentially represent special education and our little Solano County," said Schrunk. "I think it is important to put us on everyone's radar and show what an impactful and wonderful special education program we have here."

For more information about the awards, visit the Dixon Unified School District Facebook page or the Solano County Office of Education's Instagram @solanocoe.

Know a Local Centenarian? Supervisors Want to Honor Them

Solano County News Release

SOLANO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Solano County Board of Supervisors needs the community's help in identifying centenarians living in the community for recognition at a Board of Supervisors meeting later this fall as part of the 19th annual centenarian commemoration celebration.

For the past 18 years, the Solano County Board of Supervisors has celebrated the lives of local centenarians by hosting a special recognition

ceremony during a board meeting. This annual commemoration not only honors some of the county's oldest residents but also highlights their life stories and draws attention to the unique challenges facing the senior community.

The life stories of our centenarians are documented in a hard cover yearbook as well as a video that features interviews with those that can participate. The video is presented to the public at a Board of Supervisors meeting each year and a copy of the book is given to each centenarian and/or their family as a lasting tribute to their life and contributions to the community. This program, while rewarding for the Board of Supervisors, is really an important part of preserving Solano County's rich history. These stories become part of the permanent record, not just for future generations of the centenarians' families to hold, but for everyone in the community.

To date the board has honored more than 275 centenarians in Solano County. Two centenarians reached super-centenarian status, including Marie West in 2011 and Reta Wills in 2021. Super-centenarians are those individuals who have reached 110 years or older, which only occurs at a rate of about one in seven million people.

According to the U.S. Census

According to the U.S. Census Bureau 2024 population estimates, approximately 101,000 Americans are aged 100 or older at any given time in the United States, with California having the most at nearly 9,000 residents. Centenarians, according to the Pew Research Center, are predominately women (78 percent), have a family history of

long-lived parents, enjoy regular physical activity, have a balanced diet, and maintain close relationships with family and friends.

If you know of a centenar-

ian or someone who is currently

99 years old and will be turning 100 by year's end, email Centenarian@SolanoCounty. gov or call 707-784-3004 by or before Aug. 1. Relay the following information over the phone or in an email to the supervisor, including name, address, phone number and best contact email address.





