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# Youth Fair Exhibitors Show Their Stuff | LaMalfa



Local 4-H members present their rabbit projects to judges as part of their 4-H learning and showing experiences. These local youth will be auctioning off their animals at the 2025 Butte County Fair Junior Livestock Auction, Saturday Aug. 23. Photo by Julie

### By Connie Voss

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - As in years past, quite a number of youths will be exhibiting livestock and other projects at the Butte County Fair.

Blake Earley will represent Las Plumas High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) by showing a steer, a welding project, and competing in the Mardesich Becker team roping

Earley has been showing at the Butte County Fair since he was five years old in Pee Wee Showmanship, an event for the youngest of exhibitors, that involves showing a steer, goat, lamb and pig. As time went on, Earley showed goats as part of the Wyandotte Grange. Later, Earley's mother Andree' was an agriculture teacher at Palermo Middle School

and organized an FFA chapter there. Blake began raising market steers in that group.

Andree' Earley currently teaches agriculture at Las Plumas High School and attends conferences with her son every year at California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo (Cal Poly). Blake fell in love with the campus, and it is his dream to do college rodeo as a Cal Poly student.

Blake Earley's welding project is a cargo container tack room that he built himself. Earley had seen such a tack room and decided to build one. The process took about a week, and the finished product should fetch a good price at the Fair.

For the team roping event, Earley will be a "heeler" and will find out Continued on page 3



This is "Birdie" a crossbred Boer breeding doe to be shown at Butte County Fair, owned by Gracie Yost. Photo

# Headin' and Heelin'

Mardesich Becker Memorial Team Roping Event



2024 winners of the Mardesich Becker Memorial Team Roping Event Kolton King and Quentin Personeni are seen here (center) with their trophy saddles, flanked by McCall, Mason, Madison and Ally Mardesich on the left. On the right are Davis & Brooke Mardesich, and Clark & Kourtney Becker. Photo courtesy of Erica Murphy Photography

### By Connie Voss

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Second Annual Mardesich Becker Memorial Team Roping Event will take place at this year's Butte County Fair, on Thursday Aug. 21 at 7 p.m.

The number of entries will be capped at 125 headers and 125 heelers, unlike last year when there were

just a hundred. There will be a wait-

list for those signing up after the limit

is reached. No substitutions will be

allowed, and after August 15, there

will be no refunds, per the Facebook announcement.

Three divisions will be featured: Youth (age 15 & under), Women, and Men. Straight Draw, Go Twice, where the Top 10 will come back the same night for Sudden Death, as well as Start Clean—fastest time in second round wins, the Facebook information said.

So, what are headers and heelers? Team roping consists of two mounted ropers. The two rid-

ers and one steer leave the starting

gate simultaneously. As might be

expected, the header lassos the head (or horns) of the steer, and the heeler catches the steer's hind legs with the rope, ideally at about the same time. Each ride is timed, and time is flagged by the official when both the header and the heeler stretch the steer out. Prizes are awarded to the winners in each division.

One of the event coordinators, Brooke Mardesich, said that "six to

seven seconds is a good time for this kind of roping." According to the event Facebook

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# Town Hall Turns Ugly

By Seti Long

### **BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG)**

- Despite the early morning hour, reportedly hundreds of individuals waited outside the Chico Elks Lodge Monday Aug. 11 to attend a short-notice town hall meeting hosted by Congressman Doug LaMalfa.

Congressman LaMalfa announced the town hall meeting Aug. 7, inviting residents of the Butte County and residents of the 1st District to voice their concerns, ask questions and "discuss the issues that matter most to our region" he told KRCR.

The meeting was scheduled for 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and saw a large turnout of individuals representing both sides of the political isle.

The congressman tackled topics such as passing of the "Big Beautiful Bill" and the Epstein files, and more of local import.

Apparently, some voices were louder than others, based on information reported by local media outlets and even congressional staffers. Teri DuBose a representative with the LaMalfa's office told the Herald that the behavior of those in attendance was less than respectable.

In a social media post, DuBose stated "the antipathy for the prayer, posting of the colors, and pledge were the first signs of how the next hour and a half of this town Hall would go" in reference to the Republican Representative's meeting with the public.

During the town hall, LaMalfa was "booed" and heckled while trying to speak, while attendees in opposition to the Republican Representative's views angrily yelled comments studded with profanities. At times LaMalfa could barely get a word out over the public commentary. "Thank God I did

not witness any young children in the room throughout its entirety, as the F-you's were shouted constantly, nor when I was called an F-ing C as we were getting the Congressman in his car to leave," said DuBose in an online post, "No matter what your beliefs, there is no reason for such behavior." LaMalfa's held a sec-

ond town hall later that day in Red Bluff later the same afternoon, with KRCR channel 7 reporting a somewhat similar emotional climate of the public turnout.

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## **Gridley Celebrates National Night Out**

By Mickey Mrakuzic

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The City of Gridley participated in National Night Out on Tuesday, Aug. 5, partnering with local law enforcement.

Families turned out despite the sunny and toasty evening, drawn by the delicious food, activities and fun that made for an amazing night.

The air was filled with excitement as the various food and craft vendors were setting up. Families started arriving and were eager to participate in the many activities. The delightful music invited everyone to enjoy the night.

Cal FIRE firefighters were on hand to talk with the kids and hand out firefighter hats. Gridley Police Department was also passing out items to the kids and a chance to sit in a real police cruiser.

Community partners were available and ready to talk and answer questions. Some of the community partners in attendance were Gridley Chamber of Commerce, Gridley Post Acute, Gridley Parks and Recreation, City of



meet some of the new officers that have joined the Gridley Police Department and reconnect with familiar ones!

Gridley, Orchard Hospital, Warm Hearts Caregiving and the American Lung Association. There were various churches providing crafts and tasty, refreshing snow cones.

Community clubs were on hand as well. Gridley Lions Club passed out goodies to the youngsters and the Quota Club gave away an abundant number of backpacks. The backpacks were a hit with the kids and their parents.

Of course, no event

would be complete without fun activities. There was face painting, balloon animals, photo booths, spray tattoos and a water slide. The Splash Pad was open and the kids were happy to cool down and have fun.

The highlight of the night was the bicycle giveaway by the Gridley Chamber of Commerce. Over 30 bicycles, scooters, a hoverboard and bike lights were donated by local businesses and community members.



The Quota Club gave away an abundant number of backpacks at the National Night Out event.

The bicycles were on display throughout the night and each child completed a form by visiting several booths. After completing the form, they received a ticket to place in a bag attached to the bicycle they would like to win.

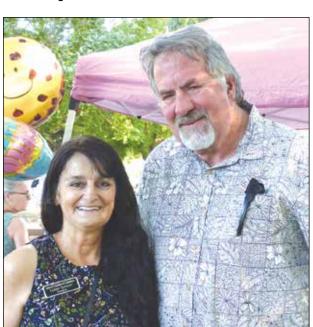
**Butte County Supervisor** Tod Kimmelshue, helped by Congressman Doug LaMalfa, pulled ticket after ticket from a hat, announcing each winner as the evening drew to a close. \*



Face painting, games and water activities were just some of the free fun the public had the opportunity to enjoy at last week's **National Night Out.** 



The backpack giveaway was a hit with the kids and their



Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce President Lynne Spencer (right) greets Congressman Doug LaMalfa, who came out to Gridley's event and even helped Butte County Supervisor Todd Kimmelshue pull winning raffle tickets during the bike giveaway.



Gridley National Night Out gave the public the opportunity to meet some of the new officers that have joined the Gridley Police Department and reconnect with familiar ones!

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## 529 education savings plans: More flexible than you think

Planning for your child's education can feel overwhelming, but a 529 education savings plan offers a powerful way to build a financial foundation for their educational future.

One in 4 parents currently invests in a 529 plan, according to 2025 research by Edward Jones and Morning Consult. Perhaps it's because of the tax benefits — earnings are generally tax free if the money is used for qualified educational expenses. Or perhaps it's because of their flexibility.

Types of education. While most people know 529 plans can help cover college and university tuition, these versatile accounts can also pay tuition for vocational and trade schools, making them suitable for students pursuing careers in skilled trades like plumbing, electrical work or culinary arts. Additionally, some apprenticeship programs qualify for these funds. And even K-12 tuition expenses are covered, up to \$10,000 per year for private, public and religious elementary and secondary schools.

Beyond tuition. Withdrawals from a 529 plan can move beyond tuition and cover the cost of room and board for students enrolled at least half-time. They can help pay for books, computers and qualified educational supplies. And a big surprise for some: A 529 plan can help with student loan repayment up to \$10,000 per beneficiary.

plans welcome contributions from anyone — parents, grandparents, other family and friends. Contributions are treated as gifts to the beneficiary, so most contributors will want to stay within the annual nontaxable gifting limit (which for 2025 is \$19,000 for individuals or \$38,000 for married couples filing jointly).

Interestingly, 1 in 5 parents would prefer for their child to receive 529 contributions as perfect for birthdays, holidays and other special occasions.

Multiple children. If you have multiple children, you have options in how you structure your 529 savings. You can maintain separate accounts for each child or use one account for all your children.

Unused funds. You may be concerned about what happens if your child doesn't use all the money. Fortunately, these accounts offer numerous penalty-free options. You can easily change the beneficiary to another qualifying family member, including siblings, nieces, nephews, grandchildren or even yourself as the account owner.

You can also roll funds to another family member's existing 529 plan. If your child receives a scholarship, you can withdraw up to the scholarship amount without penalty (though you'll pay income tax on a portion of the money). The IRS allows an option to roll up to \$35,000 into a Roth IRA for the beneficiary if certain requirements are met. You should consult with your tax advisor on this 529/Roth IRA rollover issue.

**State options.** It's important to note that 529 plans vary from state to state, and you're not limited to your home state's plan. However, it's smart to examine your home

state's offerings first, as many provide special incentives like tax breaks for residents. When comparing plans, consider factors such as tax benefits, fees, investment options and Who can contribute. Fortunately, 529 ease of use. A good financial advisor can help you navigate these choices and identify the plan that makes the most sense for your family's specific situation and goals. 529 education savings plans offer flexibility and tax advantages that help make them an excellent tool for education planning. With their expanded uses and multiple options for unused funds, they can help provide families with both security and adaptability in preparing for their children's educational gifts from loved ones, making these accounts futures.

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## Headin' and Heelin' Youth Fair Exhibitors Show Their Stuff



A roping team chases their steer at the Mardesich Becker event in 2024. Photo courtesy of Erica Murphy Photography

Continued from page 1 page, the prizes this year are trophy saddles and added cash to 1st place in the Top 10 on Thursday night (Au. 21). In addition, there are awards for the Top Youth and Women's

Headers & Heelers. For the first time, the Top 10 will be invited back Saturday night, August 23, to the Bulls & Broncs event for a chance at \$500 and Guns for the fastest time! Also, Dummy Roping will take place on August 21 at 6:30 p.m. There will be two age groups instead of one: 6

& under and 7-9-yearolds (as of Jan. 1). Entries will be taken on site for Dummy Roping only, said the Facebook post.

The Mardesich Becker event was initiated last year, in memory of Jeff Mardesich and George Becker, who were both avid ropers. Mardesich passed away from cancer in 2022, and Becker suffered from Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy and tragically died by suicide in 2020. Becker had team roped with Davis Mardesich, Jeff's son.

Another coordinator

of the event and George Becker's mom, Kourtney Becker, said "We are thrilled that the Butte County Fair and CEO Matt Reed for letting us hold this event again this year. We had a wonderful turnout last year. There's been an outpouring of community support from sponsors. We have beautiful prizes, and this year, the Top 10 will get to come back on Saturday to compete for a rifle."

Spectator admission is free to all fair goers, so come on out and get in on the action.

Blake Earley is shown here with his market steer. Photo courtesy of Kourtney Becker

Continued from page 1 at fair time who is team "header" will be, by "Straight Draw." Earley indicated that this team roping event is a "Jackpot" roping event, meaning it is unassociated with a rodeo, and focuses entirely on roping. There are more Jackpot roping events than rodeos, Earley said, and there are many more

"I've always been in the horse scene, and rodeo," Earley said.

participants.

Another fair competitor is Gracie Yost, a high school senior from Gridley FFA. Yost will be exhibiting a breeding goat, and a market hog.

This is Yost's first time bringing a breeding animal. "Birdie," is a crossbred Boer doe. The Boer breed is used primarily for market animals, and Birdie will be kept for producing more of them. Yost said.

When asked how she likes raising a breeding animal, Yost replied "I love it."

Yost's market hog, "Franklin," is a "Light Cross," and was Reserve Champion at the Shasta Spectacular earlier this



Gracie Yost poses with her market hog "Franklin" at the Shasta Spectacular, where Franklin won Reserve Champion. Photo courtesy of Andrew Abruzzini

year. Yost placed third in the Senior Swine Showman

category at the same event. Beginning in eighth grade, Yost showed market hogs in 4-H and switched to FFA in high school.

Asked if giving up a market animal at the end of the year is hard Yost answered, "For me it's not hard. I get used to it. I know I've given them a better life than they would have had at a (commercial) farm. It is what it is."

After high school, Yost plans to attend Oklahoma State University with a double major in Agriculture Business and Animal Science. However, Yost is not sure what direction she will pursue within those fields.

Projects and animals will be auctioned and sold during the fair, which runs from Thursday, Aug. 21 to Sunday, Aug. 24.

The junior livestock auction will be held Saturday, Aug. 23 beginning at 10 a.m. at McClanahan Pavillion, with the Supreme Exhibitor Ceremony held before the Sale of Champions.



Another exciting shot of participants in the first Mardesich Becker event last year. Photo courtesy











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# 2025 Miss Butte County Scholarship Program Preview

**By Connie Voss** 

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A big event at the Butte County Fair is an opportunity to support some outstanding youth participants in the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program (MBCSP).

The first two phases of the competition will be kicking off Saturday, Aug. 16. This year, 15 hardworking contestants are competing for the titles of Missette Butte County, Miss Teen Butte County and Miss Butte County.

Contestants began preparing as early as June, some even earlier, by writing resumes, crafting personal speeches, and creating community service initiatives known as Service Platforms. They've been attending weekly Competition Camps, where they develop public speaking skills, interview techniques, confidence, teamwork, and learn what it means to be a role model.

The competition spans multiple days, beginning with panel interviews on Aug. 16. Contestants will speak with judges for six to 10 minutes, demonstrating their life experiences, poise and readiness to serve as a representative of the fair and the community.

Next there will be a fair knowledge test, a brief multiple-choice exam assessing each contestant's



These girls and one young man represent the 2024 Miss Butte County Scholarship Program Court. The year has been full of service and fun. Photo by Amber Thompson Photography

knowledge to promote the Butte County Fair and the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program.

On Thursday, Aug. 21, the opening night of the Butte County Fair, contestants will take the stage to perform an opening number choreographed by Angelica Gomer, deliver their speeches, perform their presentation of skills and answer an impromptu question from their resume or community service initiative.

The judges will be looking for articulate, confident young people with age-appropriate diction and the ability to communicate clearly and effectively.

The night will conclude with an awards ceremony, where scholarships, special recognitions and nine new titles will be announced. These titleholders will represent the program for the next year by participating in over 50 community service events, including appearances during the Butte County Fair in areas like the Kids Zone, Pee-Wee Showmanship, the Livestock Auction, Grandstand events and more.

The participants will include 13 Future Missette contestants and three Future Butte County Ambassadors, who will also take part in the stage competition that evening.

As a non-profit youth program, the Miss Butte County Scholarship Program relies heavily on donations from local businesses and community members to continue offering scholarships and leadership opportunities. We are currently seeking sponsors to help support this year's competition and scholarship awards. Your donation is tax-deductible through our 501(c)(3), and sponsor packages are available. If you're interested, contact the Butte County Fair at 530-846-3626 or email missbuttecounty@ gmail.com.

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## The New Pi-Line Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Josh F.W. Cook

Founded as the R.W. Sears Watch Company in 1886 by Richard Warren Sears and Alvah Curtis Roebuck in Minneapolis, the now Illinois-based retailer changed lives with its catalog, granting access to mass-produced goods at a time when most Americans lived outside of cities. It Is now down to

one store in California and 6 total stores in the U.S. J.C. Penny's is doing better than Sears. There are still 648 Penny's down from a peak of 2053 in 1973. Including one in Gridley on Hazel Street downtown. Neither of these stores could compete with Clairese Duke's dress store and Brown & Co., which dominated the Gridley downtown retail through the 80's. Will we be talking about Wal\*Mart and Target as figments of history 30 years from now? Business statistics like those make it even more amazing the Gridley Herald has outlasted so many other enterprises, even Pfisters Feed and the Scoop. As Rite Aid Pharmacy goes through closing its stores,

including the one across from Casa Lupe, many are concerned about the Thrifty brand Ice Cream that Rite Aid picked up when they bought Thrifty Pharmacy. Can Thrifty Ice Cream spin off of the Rite Aid and keep going on?

Kirk Kimmelshue, son of prominent amateur golf Champion, Sherri & Mr. Kimmelshue, was wedded to a lively and beautiful young woman not from this area. Another successful chapter in the informal Durham area genetic diversification and improvement program. Way to go Kirk, congratulations.

Josh F.W. Cook is an administrator and educator.★



By Barbara Ott

Time to think about your fall vegetables. I know it doesn't seem like it's that time with as hot as it has been. Yes, it is still summer but if you like to start your own vegetables from seed then you need to start them at the end of August or the beginning of September. Some gardeners even like to start them sooner. The trick to

putting small plants into the ground in September is to make anything you can find to create shade. Especially, in the sunniest part of the day where your little plants are planted. This helps them to survive. Of course, a lot of watering helps. Good luck and plant the seeds into flats or pots to help a bit. This summer has started late enough that you might be able to do some direct planting of green beans and some quicker growing squash and still have them grow well and produce another crop. If you squash plants have not been attacked by aphids then they should keep going. But if the aphids have found your squash this could work for you.

Pull up the old plants and get going with new ones. This is a good tip for those of you who do not want to spray insecticides.

Both Floriculture and Farm and Garden divisions entries at the Butte County Fair are now closed. You can still see the things that are entered this year by visiting Butte Hall. This is where plants and garden entries are during Fair time. I will be at the Bonsai Booth most evenings. There will be Bonsai demos but I don't know the scheduled times. Stop in and see everything. Come say "Hi." Once you've seen what is entered, I think you will be encouraged to enter your plants and or garden vegetables. Stay cool.



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## Summer Fair Days! **2025 BUTTE COUNTY FAIR**

## August 20 - 24 • Gridley, CA Wednesday, August 20

8 am • RABBIT SHOW 4-H Market Classes

4-H Champion & Reserve Champion Meat Rabbit **GRAND CHAMPION & RESERVE GRAND MEAT RABBIT** 4-H Rabbit Showmanship FFA Market Classes FFA Champion & Reserve Champion Meat Rabbit FFA Rabbit Showmanship

> 8 am • SWINE SHOW 4-H Market Classes 4-H Champion & Reserve Market Swine 4-H Pen of Three Swine 4-H Swine Showmanship

9 am • GOAT SHOW 4-H Market Classes 4-H Champion & Reserve Mkt Goat 4-H Pen of Three Goats 4-H Goat Showmanship **FFA Market Classes** 

FFA Champion & Reserve Market Goat FFA Pen of Three Goats FFA Goat Showmanship 4-H/FFA Breeding Goat Show Parent Goat Showmanship 4-H/FFA Dairy Goat Show 4-H/FFA DairyGoat Showmanship 4-H/FFA Pygmy Goat Show 4-H/FFA Pygmy Goat Showmanship 1 pm • JUNIOR DOG SHOW

### 4-H Canine Showmanship FFA Canine Showmanship Thursday, August 21

Dog Rally Obedience Classes

8 am • SWINE SHOW FFA Market Classes

FFA Champion & Reserve Market Swine FFA Pen of Three Swine FFA Swine Showmanship 4-H/FFA Breeding Gilt Show Parent Swine Showmanship 8 am • SHEEP SHOW

4-H Market Classes 4-H Champion & Reserve Market Lamb 4-H Pen of Three Lambs 4-H Sheep Showmanship FFA Market Classes FFA Champion & Reserve Market Lamb FFA Pen of Three Market Lambs FFA Sheep Showmanship

4-H/FFA Breeding Sheep Show Parent Showmanship

## Thursday, August 21 (con't)

3 pm • BEEF SHOW 4-H/FFA Breeding Beef Show 4-H/FFA Commercial Breeding Heifer Show 4-H Market Classes 4-H Champion & Reserve Market Steer

4-H Pen of Three Steers 4-H Cattle Showmanship Parent Cattle Showmanship 4-H Pen of Three Steers 4-H Cattle Showmanship **FFA Market Classes** FFA Champion & Reserve Market Steer

FFA Pen of Three Steers FFA Cattle Showmanship Parent Cattle Showmanship 6 pm • OVERALL MARKET GRAND DRIVE

### Friday, August 22 9 am • SUPREME EXHIBITOR CONTEST

11 am • SMALL ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN

11 am • EXHIBITORS' CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT 3:30 PM • 4-H PRIMARY SHOWS

> 4:30 PM • PEE WEE SHOWS Calf Divison Lamb Divison Goat Divison Swine Division 6 PM • LARGE ANIMAL ROUND ROBIN

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# Butte County FAIR

## Thursday

## August 21 st Public Hours: 4PM to 11PM

## OPENING DAYS

4-7:00	Kids Zone Kids Zone
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4-9:00	People's Choice Voting Expo Hall & Butte Hall
4-10:00	Flo The ClownRoving
4-11:00	Kids TownNorth Lawn
4-11:00	Midway of Fun Carnival Carnival Lot
4-11:00	Petting ZooLivestock Area
4:00	Grand Opening Main Gate (5)
4:00	Beef ShowLivestock Barns
4:30 K9	Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
5:00	Miss Butte CountyCourtyard Stage
6:00	Big Wheel Races Whitaker Drive
6:00	Industrial DriveJake's Bar
6:30	K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
7:00	Grand Champion Drive Livestock Barns
7:00	Mardesich Becker Memorial Team Roping BCF Arena
7:45	Industrial DriveJake's Bar
8:30	K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
9:30	Industrial Drive Jake's Bar





# Friday August 22nd

**Public Hours: 3PM to Midnight** 

## KIDS DAY!

3-7:00	Kids Zone Kids Zone
3-9:00	People's Choice Voting Expo Hall & Butte Hall
3-10:00	Flo The ClownRoving/Kids Zone
3-11:00	Petting ZooLivestock Area
3-11:00	Midway of Fun Carnival Carnival Lot
3-11:00	Kids TownNorth Lawn
4:30	Pee Wee Livestock Show (Free) Livestock Barns
4:30 K9	Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
4:30	The Hypnotist Tina Marie Courtyard Stage
5:15	String Town RoadCourtyard Stage
6:00	Large Animal Round Robin Livestock Barns
6:00	Big Wheel Races Whitaker Drive
6:00	Steelhorse Stampede Jake's Bar
6:30	The Hypnotist Tina Marie Courtyard Stage
6:30	K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
7:00	Tractor Pulls & Moto X Madness . BCF Arena
7:30	String Town RoadCourtyard Stage
7:45	Steelhorse Stampede Jake's Bar
8:30	K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
8:30	Pie Eating ContestCourtyard Stage
9:00	The Hypnotist Tina Marie Courtyard Stage





## Saturday

## August 23rd

**Public Hours: Noon to Midnight** 

Junior Livestock Auction Livestock Area
7:00 Kids Zone Kids Zone
Flo The Clown Roving/Kids Zone
Petting ZooLivestock Area
Midway of Fun Carnival Carnival Lot
Kids TownNorth Lawn
People's Choice Voting Expo Hall & Butte Hall
Skyway Blues BandCourtyard Stage
Butte County Fair Cornhole Tournament Jake's Bar
Skyway Blues BandCourtyard Stage
K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
The Hypnotist Tina Marie Courtyard Stage
Strung Nugget Gang Courtyard Stage
Big Wheel RacesWhitaker Drive
Line Dancing with CindyJake's Bar
The Hypnotist Tina Marie Courtyard Stage
K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
Bulls & BroncsBCF Arena
Pie Eating ContestCourtyard Stage
Strung Nugget Gang Courtyard Stage
K9 Kings-Dog Athletes West Lawn
The Hypnotist Tina MarieCourtyard Stage
Kruse BrothersJake's Bar





9:45

## Sunday

## August 24th Public Hours: Noon to 11PM

Noon-7:00 Kids Zone . . . . . . . . . Kids Zone Flo The Clown ...... Roving/Kids Zone Noon-10:00 Midway of Fun Carnival ..... Carnival Lot Noon-11:00 Petting Zoo.....Livestock Area Noon-11:00 Ballet Folklorico Tonantzin.....Courtyard Stage 4:00 4:30 K9 Kings-Dog Athletes . . . . . . . West Lawn Las hijas de Maria . . . . . . . . . Courtyard Stage 5:30 Texas Jesse & the FM's.....Jake's Bar Destruction Derby . . . . . . . . . BCF Arena 6:00 K9 Kings-Dog Athletes . . . . . . . West Lawn 6:30 Big Wheel Races . . . . . . . . . . Whitaker Drive 6:45 Grupo Triple Siete ..... Courtyard Stage 7:30 Texas Jesse & the FM's.....Jake's Bar 7:45 Funnel Cake Contest......Courtyard Stage K9 Kings-Dog Athletes . . . . . . . West Lawn 8:30 9:30 **Grupo Triple Siete ..... Courtyard Stage** Texas Jesse & the FM's.....Jake's Bar 9:30



Tricycle Races . . . . . . Jake's Bar

**Community Calendar** 

**Butte County Libraries** 

ing upcoming events: (G) Gridley branch,

299 Spruce St. and (B) Biggs branch,

464A B St. Call 530-552-5652 for more

movie, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (G)

club, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (B)

to be accompanied by an adult. (B)

5 p.m. (G)

ments. (B)

7:30 p.m. (G)

time, 9 a.m. to noon. (G)

Friday, Aug. 15: Ladies' Night Out

Saturday, Aug. 16: Afternoon kids'

Tuesday, Aug. 19: Creative writing

Wednesday, Aug. 20: Color your

Thursday, Aug. 21: Biggs chess club, 3

Friday, Aug. 22: Sure Start family story

Saturday, Aug. 23: Creative

Concoctions, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join

us for a cozy, creative experience where

coffee and tea become your paint. This all-

ages program invites artists young and old

to explore unique watercolor-style artwork

using brewed coffee and tea as natural pig-

Friday, Aug. 15

**Show & Stroll with the** 

Strung Nugget Gang

Roll time starts at 5 p.m., enjoy a car show

and shine, with vendors, restaurant spe-

cials and live music. Enjoy back-to-school

Thursday, Aug. 21 through

Sunday, Aug. 24

**Butte County Fair** 

children laughing, the aroma of fair food,

fun events and shows – this is a feel-good family event. See www.buttecountyfair.org

for daily schedules and more information.

Thursday, Aug. 21

**Chico Chamber Summer** 

Fiesta

Pavilion, 2565 California Park Drive,

Chico. Join us as we celebrate Chico Area

Recreation and Park District (CARD) and

their ongoing contributions to the Chico

community. Enjoy a vibrant evening of

live music, lively conversation, and fes-

tive fun at the Fiesta. Tickets available at

Saturday, Aug. 23

Pop-Up Market

Roasters, 418 Broadway, Chico. Grab

your favorite drink and treat from the café

www.eventbrite.com

4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Lakeside

199 East Hazel St. Tree-lined streets,

sales at local downtown shops.

5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Downtown Oroville.

p.m. to 5 p.m. (B) Movie night, 6 p.m. to

world, 11 a.m. to noon. Arts and crafts for

adults. (G) Afternoon kids' club, 2 p.m. to

group for adults, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (G)

Butte County Libraries have the follow-

and make your way through the workplace glass doors to shop from more than a dozen vendors.

### **End of Summer Car Show** and Concert

1 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Independent Order

of Odd Fellows, 1472 Oliver St., Oroville.

The show starts at 1 p.m. and we'll feature a concert by the Delfonics at 5 p.m., dancing to follow. For more information contact Kenny Vest at 530-990-3407.

### **Meeting Minders**

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> Community Hall, 280-B St., Biggs. Biggs City Council meets on the sec-

for Aug. 26 and more information is available at 530-368-5493. **Butte County Board of Supervisors** generally meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at 25 County Center Drive, Suite 205,

**Downtown Chico Night Market every** 

Gridley City Council meets on the

Gridley Senior Group Breakfast every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. includes Bingo at 9:30 a.m. Gridley Recreation Center 194 Washington St. For

4721 for more information. Live Oak City Council meets on the

meeting is scheduled for Aug. 20. Rotary Club of Gridley meets every

## Irrigation May Be Key to Maintaining Crop Yields in High Heat

Farmers have long struggled to keep crop yields up amid high temperatures. But it isn't the heat itself that is most responsible for zapping yields, according to a recent study by researchers at the University of California, Berkeley. The study found that soil moisture, not temperature, is the primary factor that determines crop productivity in high heat. "We've known for a long time that high temperatures are associated with low yields, but we didn't know why," said Vargas Zeppetello, a faculty member in the Department of Environmental Science, Policy and Management. The research could benefit future agricultural production by encouraging greater emphasis on irrigation and soil moisture during high heat events.

### Farmers Share Experiences Adopting Regenerative Agriculture

About five years ago, Kings County farmer John Warmerdam began incorporating regenerative farming practices to grow peaches, plums, nectarines, cherries and almonds. Because he isn't certified organic, Warmerdam doesn't earn a premium when he sells his fruits and nuts, but he said he is still passionate about "doing the right thing." Last month, he and other farmers in the San Joaquin Valley shared their experiences implementing regenerative farming practices with researchers at a symposium organized by the University of California. Speakers at the event agreed that to succeed, regenerative agriculture needs more investment, improved markets and greater profit margins for farmers.

## **Search Ends for Missing Gridley Man**

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The search ended Monday for a missing Gridley man.

Charles Harrison, 57, was reported missing in the Manzanita area Sunday evening, Aug. 10 by family members.

As reported by Gridley Media Group, Harrison's golf cart and shirt were discovered at the corners of Richards Avenue and River Road.

A search ensued for Harrison, who was believed to be wearing black shorts and possibly swimming in the canals in the Richards Avenue area.

Butte County Search and Rescue, CalFire Swift Water Rescue and Butte County Sheriff's department resources were deployed to search the waterways and canals throughout the Manzanita

Search efforts resumed early Monday morning for the man, including ground and aerial resources.

Harrison was located a substantial



hovers over the water of the Sutter-Butte Canal, assisting in the recovery of a 57-yearold man from Gridley. Photo by Will Sheffield

distance south from where he was reported missing, in the Sutter-Butte Canal off Metteer Road.

At the time of this article, Harrison's death remains under investigation.

## **Deceased Man Found**

**Gridley Police Department** News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On Thursday, Aug. 7, at approximately 4:27 p.m., the Gridley Police Department received a report of a deceased individual located in an abandoned warehouse at the south end of Virginia Street, near Cedar Street.

Officers responded and discovered a male who appeared to have been

deceased for several days. His identity is currently unknown. The individual is believed to be Hispanic, between 30 and

This case is being investigated as a suspicious death. The investigation remains active and ongoing.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact Detective Jellison at the Gridley Police Department at 530-846-5670.



## What was the largest dinosaur?

- Carlos, California

Dear Carlos,

Your question almost stumped me. I don't really have dinosaur scientist pals. So, I turned to an expert on finding

My friend Emily Cukier is a science librarian at Washington State University. She helps students and scientists find information. I asked her what dinosaur

is the largest-and how she figures that

Cukier me that I should think hard about my question. Are looking for tallest dino? The longest? The heaviest? Those might be different answers.

So, what's the biggest dino? turns out it's hard for scientists say. We don't have complete skeletons. We definitely don't have their squishy, meaty parts.

Scientists measure the bones they find. They computers estimate animal's size and weight. Sometimes scientists disagree about the estimate. Sometimes estimate changes

when we get new information.

A photo of a male scientist wearing jeans and a blazer, standing next to two dinosaur leg bones. The bones are about as wide as his body at their narrowest point and reach to his waist and shoulder, respectively.

Right now, we think the largest dinosaurs were a group called sauropods. They were massive veggie eaters. They had strong, stout bodies with four legs and long tails. They had small heads set on long necks. The most famous sauropod is the Brontosaurus.

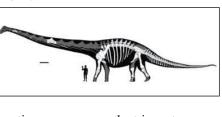
the biggest sauropods titanosaurs. see titanosaurs listed and over in my reading: Dreadnoughtus, Argentinosaurus, Patagotitan, Puertasaurus and Sauroposeidon.

To learn more, I could do a new search for each of those dinosaurs. Or I could visit a library and check out books about

Cukier says that the way we information is changing really Everyoneeven librariansare working hard to learn the best ways to search.

By flexing your search skills early, the answers you find are sure to be

Dr. Universe



This dinosaur scientist found Dreadnoughtus leg

bones in 2005. They used a computer program to figure

out how big it probably was—and compared it with a human. Unlike most titanosaurs, we have about half

of a Dreadnoughtus skeleton. So, our estimate for its

size may be more reliable.Images: ArcaneHalveKnot CC

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American Legion Bingo, Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Biggs

ond and fourth Tuesday each month, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 3016 Sixth St., Biggs. The next meeting is scheduled

Oroville. The next meeting is scheduled for Aug. 26 and more information is available at 530-552-3300.

Thursday night through Sept. 25, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Broadway. The market offers a vibrant blend of farm-fresh produce, unique artisan crafts, and live entertainment, all set in a lively community atmosphere. Presented by the Downtown Chico Business Association. Call 530-345-6500 for more information.

first and third Monday each month, 6 p.m. to 7p.m. in the council chambers, 685 Kentucky St. Meeting agendas are posted to the following site on the Friday prior to each meeting: http://gridley.ca.us/government-and-departments/city-council The next meeting will be Monday Aug. 18.

more information, call 530-846-3264. Gridley Unified School District (GUSD) Board meetings are generally on the first and third Wednesday each month, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 3. Call 530-846-

first and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 9955 Live Oak Blvd. Call 530-695-2112 for more information. The next

Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at the First 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Stoble Coffee Presbyterian Church Hall, 446 Kentucky St. For more information or membership, call 530-632-5990.

### Six Legacy Farms and Ranches Honored at Agricultural Heritage Club

The California Agricultural Heritage Club inducted six farms and ranches during last month's ceremony at the California State Fair, recognizing families with 100 years or more of continuous operation. Among the honorees were Locke Ranch in San Joaquin County and Hoskins/Pleasants Ranch in Solano County, both of which reached the 175-year milestone under long-standing family management. Additionally, Gowan's Family Orchard in Mendocino County and Tryon Ranches in Del Norte County, both 125 years, and San Gabriel Nursery and Florist in Los Angeles County and Heinke's Family Farm in Butte County, both 100 years, were recognized for their resilience, adaptation and legacy.

### Breakthrough Could Hasten Breeding of Disease-resistant Crops Farmers could be closer to growing crop

varieties that are better at fighting off diseases thanks to a new scientific breakthrough. Researchers at the University of California, Davis, are using artificial intelligence to redesign a key immune receptor in plants, enabling the plants to strengthen their immune response. "We were able to resurrect a defeated receptor, one where the pathogen has won, and enable the plant to have a chance to resist infection in a much more targeted and precise way," said lead author Gitta Coaker, professor at the UC Davis Department of Plant Pathology. Coaker said the method has the potential to help researchers breed more disease-resistant varieties of hundreds of plant species, including staple crops such as tomatoes and

## Slim Randles' HOME COUNTRY



Slim Randles

Now one thing's for dang shore, everwho come up with drugstore language should be roped and dragged out in the brush and wearin' a big sign that jest says "Guilty." No need to get more infinitesimal than that until he's through bouncin' through the puckerbrush.

As I'm shore you know, since our choice of subject today is arithmeticals and has to do with the language we speak, this here is yore ol' pal and philosophizer Windy Wilson. Slim usually does these, but he looks the other way sometimes if I sneak by him. You know. Only when it's a universal primalchordium

## **Tramexabuteral**

that applicates to all of us, of course.

So here's the skinny, and I'm shore you recognizate it, too. Drugstore language was invented by some guy who thought he was educationin' the world by teachin' 'em a new language. Used to be, there was aspirin. Now that ain't too bad. Spelled it right, too, cuz we been starin' at it by the sink since Spot was a pup.

But you know how them educators get. You don't stop at aspirin, oh no, you gotta rename all the pills ever made so no one can pronounce 'em. Like

Tramexabuteral. That one has somethin' to do with curin' the miseries. but I don't rememberate which part of you needs to be fixed.

But don't you worry, cuz them druggist guys and doctor guys went to college for a hunnert years to learn that, and it's dang few that want to share.

Wouldn't it be a heckuva lot easier to jest walk in and ask for a pill to make it easier to use the ... little house? You know. But that would jest make sense and would embarrass the doctors and nurses and pharmacinders in our lives cuz they couldn't show off any more.

Wish we could try it out, like askin' for a bottle of Leftleglimpnomore or Catchanoserunnin'. That's why it takes down-toearth kinda philosofickals like me to set the tone for universality-type improvements. And you can tell 'em I said so.

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## Kings Korner By V.G. Harris



Aside from the constant narrative that is who will be the next member of the Sacramento Kings, we could spend a lot of quality time discussing the team already assembled, and how Doug Christie is going to employ this talented group of ballers.

Sadly, trades and acquisitions remain at the top of the conversation, and after weeks of courting Jonathan Kuminga with little or no success, the name of Josh Gidddy has surfaced.

Giddy is basically another version of Kuminga, although playing more minutes and scoring more points. Giddy has been a Swiss army knife for the Chicago Bulls and is currently a free agent that could potentially add needed time on the court for Sacramento as most likely a small forward.

I have all but given up on the whimsical notion that the Kings will ever acquire a true power forward, and I keep looking at the current roster and hope that Isaac Jones will grow into just exactly that. In the meantime, as Sacramento has apparently solved the point guard quandary by signing journeyman Dennis Schroder, they must turn their attention to the front court.

Trey Lyles is seemingly about to get away, and this writer believes that it would be another mistake if the Kings don't bring this asset back. Lyles gives Sabonis much needed help on the boards, is the consummate team player, and has a reliable 3-point shot that is a nice compliment to Keegan Murray.

So, what about this Josh Giddy rumor, and does it have any real substance? Like all NBA rumors, it largely remains to be seen, but we know that Chicago is not afraid to make deals with the Sacramento Kings.

Reportedly, Giddy can play virtually anywhere on the court. Having a player with great versatility is not a bad problem to have. His defense, once criticized, has gotten better with time, so if the Kuminga acquisition turns into a bust, could Giddy step in and fill a much-needed position for the Kings in the front court?

I think he could, and unlike Kuminga who would insist on being in the starting lineup, Giddy could be used as either a starter or a bench player. Although Giddy's 14.6 points per game is notable, I am more impressed with his 8 rebounds and 7 assists.

There is virtually no question that adding

Giddy would give Sacramento a boost, and without question would give the Kings a more well-rounded look.

Scott Perry has done an admirable job in not taking quick offers or jumping into the deep end with his eyes closed.

Most Sacramento fans want instant results but that is simply not realistic, and Perry is making noises that would indicate he is not afraid of going into next season with the team already assembled.

That may not sound sexy, but it's important to find time for #1 pick Nique Clifford and to also bring along 7'1" Maxime Raynaud.

Not to be overlooked are the consistent efforts of second year Isaac Jones, who, if given enough court time, could open eyes and potentially add the needed front court help the Kings are trying to acquire.

All-stars don't become all-stars sitting on

the bench, and at some point, coaches must let players play through mistakes and keep sending them out there. Building confidence is one of the most crit-

ical aspects of a coach's job, and it's how teams like the Oklahoma City Thunder and Indiana Pacers built winning organizations.

Can the Kings become the next Oklahoma City Thunder? It hasn't happened since the Kings landed

in Sacramento, but it's the stuff great stories are made of, and I say why not in Sacramento.

Who doesn't like a Cinderella story. If Doug Christie can get this group to believe in themselves and buy into roles, anything is

Fans need to be fans, and if Sacramento has anything it's die-hard fans!

Domantas Sabonis is not a mystery. He just goes out every night and outrebounds everyone on the planet.

Newly acquired Zach Lavine is at the top of the league in 3-point percentage year in and year out.

Mid-range specialist DeMar DeRozan is an assassin from 15 feet and dominates the midrange, so is there any reason the Kings can't build around these gladiators and make the 2025/2026 season something to remember.

Stay tuned Kings fans, because it just might happen!

All the best!

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

Dave Ramsey

Dear Dave,

I've run my own small business for about five years. So far, we're doing pretty well. At this point, I'd like to find ways for my company to reach out to our community, start becoming more involved and give back a little. Do you have any suggestions for meaningful steps that would show folks how much we care?

Albert

Dear Albert,

This is a great question! The best leaders understand the concept of leadership involves a lot more than signing paychecks, hiring decisions and taking care of your team and your company. True leaders are also concerned about the health of their communities. They motivate themselves-and others—to act

If you don't already consider yourself a leader with the community, I want you to think about this: You have the potential and opportunity to become one. Being a successful businessperson can open doors to becoming a leader in the

## **Dave Ramsey Says**

## Take Time to Get Involved

private sector as well. How do you do that? Think on a more personal level. And take time to consider the following ideas.

First, try making every contact a caring and friendly relationship moment. In today's culture of texts and emails, there's something special about a handwritten note. If you know someone who has a tough job or just needs a reminder that they're doing great work, let them know. People who compliment and inspire others gain respect and influence.

Also, find a cause you're passionate about. When an issue arises that's important to you, write letters to other entrepreneurs and politicians respectfully expressing your thoughts and ideas. Attend city council meetings, and tell your representatives why you care. Get to know these folks, and make your voice heard in a thoughtful

Finally, true servant leaders put others first. Is there a ministry or nonprofit whose mission you identify with? If so, jump in, and give it your all. Invest your energy, resources and time, and you'll have the

opportunity to make a real difference. On top of that, make it a family affair. And by this, I mean your family at home and your team at work. Giving back to the community while sharing the experience with those you love and care about can be a bonding and learning experience everyone will remember for a long, long time.

Do you get what I'm saying, Albert? Leadership opportunities don't happen just at work. They're all around you. All you have to do is choose a course, engage and you'll be on your way toward making a huge positive difference in your community and the lives of people who live there.

- Dave

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

## Democracy Be Damned

Texas and California Plot Dueling Congressional Gerrymanders



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Under pressure from President Donald Trump, Texas' dominant Republicans are attempting to redraw the state's congressional districts and thus increase the number of GOP-held seats after the midterms.

Republicans have a paperthin majority in the House of Representative. Trump obviously fears that Democrats could win control next year and he wants mid-decade redistricting to make congressional regime change less likely.

Meanwhile, Gov. Gavin Newsom and legislative leaders want to counter the nakedly partisan effort in Texas by gerrymandering California's congressional districts to neutralize whatever Texas does. It's faintly reminiscent of the Spy vs. Spy comic strip in MAD Magazine that baby boomers might recall, or perhaps the classic Road Runner and Wile E. Coyote cartoons. However, there's nothing

funny about trampling — in the lust for partisan political power — the quaintly democratic notion that congressional districts should fairly represent the characteristics and values of their constituents.

Newsom wants the Legislature to place a measure on the November ballot that would set aside - tem-

porarily, he says — the state's

constitutional requirement

that redistricting be done once

"It's cause and effect, triggered on the basis of what occurs or doesn't occur in Texas," Newsom said this week. "I hope they do the right thing, and if they do, then there'll be no cause for us to have to move forward."

After the 1970 census. Republican Gov. Ronald Reagan and Democratic legislative leaders deadlocked on redistricting and the state Supreme Court intervened, creating its own mechanism to draw new maps.

A decade later, after the 1980 census, Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown, legislative leaders such as Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, and Phil Burton, leader of the state's congressional delegation, drew very weird-looking, politically lopsided districts - one of which Burton described as "my contribution to modern art."

Republicans persuaded voters to reject the maps via referendum. However, the state Supreme Court decreed that the challenged maps be used for the 1982 election anyway. After that election, Brown and legislators simply adopted slightly changed versions.

Republicans tried again to overturn the Democrats' maps via ballot initiative but the state Supreme Court cancelled it, declaring that the state constitution limited redistricting to one each decade. Speaker Brown publicly thanked "Sister Rose and the Supremes," referring to Chief Justice Rose Bird, one of several reasons Bird was ousted by voters a few years later. After 1990 census,

Republican Gov. Pete Wilson and Democratic legislators once again stalemated and once again the Supreme Court

stepped in. However, after

the 2000 census, although

a decade by an independent Democrat Gray Davis was govforged a bipartisan gerrymander, freezing the numerical status quo in the Legislature and the congressional

> delegation. Davis After recalled, successor Arnold Schwarzenegger mounted a campaign to reform redistricting, backed by Charles Munger Jr., a very wealthy physicist and son of the famous businessman and investor Charlie Munger. Voters passed their 2008 initiative to create an independent commission for legislative seats and a 2010 measure to extend its authority to congressional districts despite opposition from both parties.

> The commission drew maps after the 2010 and 2020 censuses and both plans helped Democrats achieve supermajorities in legislative houses and the congressional delegation thanks largely to demographic trends and declining GOP voter registration.

> Today, Republicans hold just nine of the state's 53 congressional seats and Newsom is ready to cut that in half. He says that the revised districts would be in effect until the commission is revived after the 2030 census.

However, due its almost nonexistent population growth, California could lose as many as four seats after the 2030 census. Having seized more power over redistricting, would Democrats really be willing to return to the commission system they once despised? 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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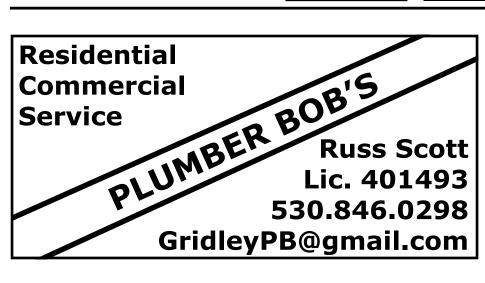
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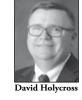
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2024-0001002 The following person(s) are doing business as: La Pasadita Restaurant, 2020 Palermo Road, Palermo, CA 95968 Angel J Avila Avila, 2020 Palermo Road, Palermo, CA

95968 Date filed in Butte County: December 30, 2024. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: November 9.2024

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2025 8-15-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000534 The following person(s) are doing business as: R and K Mobile Entertainment, 1030 Butte Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965 Raymond Jackson Jacqueline Jackson, 1030 Butte Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965

Date filed in Butte County: July 17, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: A Married Couple. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: August 1, 8, 15, 22, 2025

**MOBILE** FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000533 The following person(s) are doing business as: Option Care. 111 Mission Ranch Boulevard. Suite 150, Chico, CA 95926

Option Care Enterprises, Inc., 3000 Lakeside Drive, Suite 300N, Bannockburn, IL, 60015 Date filed in Butte County: July 17, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name

on: August 12, 2020

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000536 The following person(s) are doing business as: Cubhouse, 2005 Bird Street, Oroville, CA 95965

Transformational **Xpression** Living, 1235 Lincoln Street, Oroville, CA 95965

Date filed in Butte County: July 18, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000531 The following person(s) are doing business as: Dani Padgett Photo, Dani Padgett Studio, 2799 Grape Way, Chico, CA 95973

Danielle Padgett Watson and Eric James Watson, 2799 Grape Way, Chico, CA 95973 Date filed in Butte County: July

17, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: February 1, 2019

This Business is conducted by: A Married Couple. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: August 1, 8, 15, 22, 2025

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STATEMENT FILE NO. 2025-0000549 The following person(s) are doing business as: Point Roan Photography, 3017 6th Street. Biggs, CA 95717

Jimenez Jimenez, PO Bos 138, Biggs, CA 95917

Date filed in Butte County: July 24, 2025. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2525-0000518 The following person(s) are doing business as: 110 ALPHA, Moss and Metal, 9436 Corbett Court, Durham, CA 95938

John A Moss and Kendra A Moss, 9436 Corbett Court, Durham, CA 95938 Date filed in Butte County: July

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## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #25CV02371

Petitioner Susan Lorraine Hammontre filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Susan Lorraine Hammontre to Susan Lorraine Moore.

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 described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing August 27, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928 Filed on July 2, 2025

Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court Publish: July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2025 MOORE

## NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ETTA RUTH MCCABE AKA ETTA R. MCCABE

tors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Etta Ruth McCabe aka Etta R. McCabe. A Petition for Probate has been

filed by Danielle LeClerc Klein, in

CASE NO. 25PR00318 To all heirs, beneficiaries, credi-

NOTICE OF PETITION TO

the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Danielle LeClerc Klein be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: August 19, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Raoul J. LeClerc. P.O. Drawer 111, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-533-5661 Publish: August 1, 8, 15, 2025 MCCABE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO

ADMINISTER ESTATE OF **DECIDERIO RODRIGUEZ REYES** AKA DECIDERIO REYES AKA DECIDERIO RODRIGUEZ CASE NO. 25PR00121

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Deciderio Rodriguez

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Deciderio Rodriguez.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Martha Bouknight, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Martha Bouknight be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: August 26, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written obiections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
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a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and tele-phone number of the Petitioner is: Martha Bouknight, 6309 Wexford Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95621; 916-726-4265 Publish: August 8, 15, 22, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF NICACIO SORIA; AKA: NICACIO RODRIGUEZ; AKA: NICACIO SORIO RODRIGUE7 CASE NO. 25PR00334

of and persons who may be

otherwise interested in the will

or estate of Nicacio Soria; aka:

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors

Nicacio Rodriguez; aka: Nicacio

Sorio Rodriguez. A Petition for Probate has been filed by Maria Del Carmen Soria, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Maria Del Carmen Soria be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: September 16, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 1. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA

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

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by Gary Kopervas

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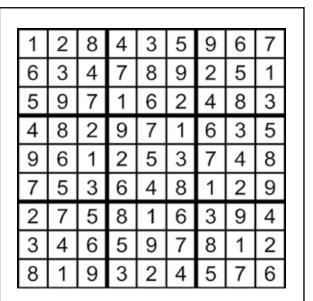




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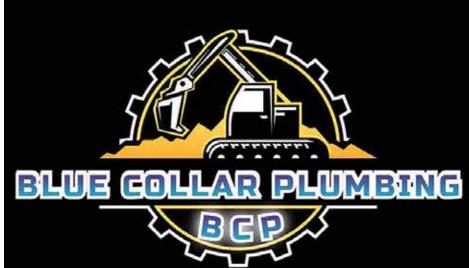
Lynne Spencer (center left) was recently recognized by Teri DuBose (center right) for her work within the Gridley community.

### By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On Tuesday Aug. 5, during Gridley's National Night Out event held in partnership with the Gridley Area Chamber of Commerce, local law enforcement and the community, local Lynne Spencer was recognized.
Representatives from
Congressman Doug
LaMalfa's office, Teri
DuBose, presented
Spencer with a certificate honoring her for her
tireless work withing the
community and dedication to the people and
City of Gridley.

Spencer currently functions as president of the Chamber of Commerce, serves as part of Rotary International, and volunteers for food insecurity programs, helping to disperse goods to those in need of extra help in the Biggs and Gridley areas.





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# Meet YSBC Sports

By Seti Long

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The energy on the field is one of the reasons that sports reporter Steven Bryla and photo-journalist Chris Pedigo love to cover local sports, but if you get them away from the field for a minute, they'll tell you the truth – it's for the kids

YSBC Sports broke into the local sports scene in 2024. The duo has focused on athletics in our area from high school to community leagues, focusing their efforts on Yuba, Sutter, Butte and Colusa counties.

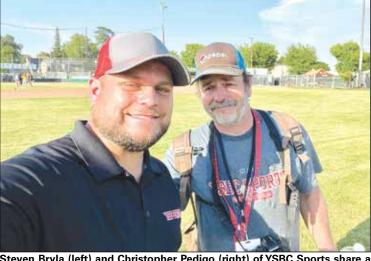
Bryla told the Herald that his passion for sports started at an early age with him reading box scores and articles from the Sacramento Bee sports pages. After serving in the United States Navy, Bryla pursued a bachelor's in journalism with a minor in communications at Sacramento State University. He graduated with both in 2020.

The sport journalist cut his teeth as a stringer for the Elk Grove Citizen under Jon Hull, his first piece covering the Franklin Sheldon Summer Jam in 2016. A friendly tip would align him with the Territorial Dispatch and Gridley Herald newspapers, where Bryla balanced an oftentricky freelance reporting gig, regular 9-5 job and family life.

Bryla and YSBC Sports have since become a regular fixture on the fields and courts of the north state, following teams across the country to witness them play in higher divisions and announcing the signings of athletes to collegiate teams.

YSBC partner Pedigo adds his phenomenal photography skills to the team, expanding their ability to cover multiple events from different angles.

Pedigo shares that he found himself picking up a camera while serving as a councilman in the Yuba-Sutter area, finding joy in shooting a local parade he had



Steven Bryla (left) and Christopher Pedigo (right) of YSBC Sports share a moment while on the field covering local athletics. Photo courtesy of Steven Bryla

been a part of. Little did he know a decade later he would shoot thousands of photos weekly. While the majority of Pedigo's shots are of local athletes, he captures everything from library events to landscapes.

Ultimately, Bryla said that YSBC Sports was started to provide more timely and detailed sports coverage for athletes in the area. YSBC Sports attempts to provide deeper information, a closer look at individual players and key moments in the game that turn tides, not just affect the scoreboards. That includes small schools and towns in rural areas.

"A lot of people overlook this area because it's out of the Sacramento, Roseville, Lincoln area. They don't come out this way," says Bryla. "At the end of the day, you have teams like East Nicolaus softball, Yuba City baseball, Faith-Christian girls' basketball – these teams just won NorCal State titles, and that's why YSBC was there for every single one of them."

Both Bryla and Pedigo have built relationships with those programs, but more importantly, with all the individual players, and it shows when they walk onto a court or the field.

Bryla also gives due credit to his partner Chris Pedigo, saying,

"YSBC wouldn't be anywhere where it is without Chris."

"I am thankful for his friendship, for him coming along on this journey with me and taking a chance to try and provide the coverage that the athletes deserve. Because at the end of the day, we have the same common goal – we want to give the kids, the athletes, the love and shower them with coverage as much as we can."

Capturing and preserving those special moments in film is Pedigo's goal, sharing the emotions, highs and lows with his community and for the players and their families.

"It's bringing the moment to life," Pedigo adds "It's capturing memories. That might be the only time Lil' Johnny plays, but he will have that memory forever."

Beginning August 22, the YSBC Sports will feature some of their sports coverage in the Gridley Herald and Territorial Dispatch newspapers, in an effort to further recognize phenomenal athletes and athletic programs in the north state.

Visit YSBCsports.com to subscribe for in-depth local coverage of sports throughout the Yuba, Sutter, Butte and Colusa counties and follow them on Facebook at YSBC Sports. ★

# Duck Calling Championship Returns to Colusa for 15th Year



Ryan Sherbondy wins another California Duck Calling Championship title at the 2024 Colusa Duck Days at Veterans Memorial Park on Aug. 25, securing his berth at the World Championship in Arkansas in November. MPG file photo

### By Lloyd Green Jr.

COLUSA, CA (MPG) - Kittle's Outdoor & Sport will host the 2025 California State Duck Calling Championship and Outdoor Expo on Aug. 24 to 25 at Memorial Park in Colusa, marking its 15th year.

The weekend will include six contests, beginning Saturday with the Butte Sink Regional Duck Calling Qualifier, a sanctioned event for the 89th annual World's Championship Duck Calling Contest in Stuttgart, Arkansas, in November. The California State Live Duck and State Speck Calling contests will follow. A free public gathering will be held in the park from 4 to 6 p.m.

Sunday's schedule includes the California State Championship, junior and intermediate duck and speck divisions for youth 16 and under, and the Two-Man Meat Contest. Registration opens at 9 a.m. each day. Entry fees range from \$30 to \$50, with youth contests free to enter.

Pat Kittle, who brought the event to Colusa in 2009, said the weekend will also feature food trucks offering artisan pizza, pastries, coffee and kettle corn. For

lunch, Mark Rablin will serve smoked pulled pork sandwiches with his signature barbecue sauce.

An after-hours street dance will take place Saturday on Main Street. Gates open at 7 p.m., and music from Jeff Crossman and Tyler Applegarth will run from 8 to 10 p.m.

"Come to the dance," Kittle said. "It's free and a great way to enjoy the evening."

Kittle noted the location is a short walk to local food trucks, the Tap Room, and Jameson's.

In addition to the contests and entertainment, a number of vendors will be on site, offering duck calls, hunting apparel, gear and information booths for outdoor and conservation organizations.

Last year's competition drew record attendance and participation. Ryan Sherbondy won his third California State Championship and qualified for a return to the world stage. Youth participation also increased after the junior contests were moved to Sunday, avoiding conflicts with Saturday sports.

More information, contest rules, and registration details are available at kittlesoutdoor.com.★

