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All Floats Lead to Homecoming



Freshmen leadership students at River City High School pose in front of their unfinished floats before homecoming week on Oct. 15.

**Story and photos
by Seth Henderson**

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - At River City High School, floats and decorations created by the Student Leadership and Construction classes for homecoming came together despite midterms, days off and schedule delays for the Oct. 24 football game and rally.

River City High's student leadership advisor and activities director Melissa Gowdy said that she previously taught English for the past 15 years in the Washington Unified School District but transitioned into the high school's leadership program and hasn't looked back.

The leadership classroom is a large creative space divided into sections for lounging, crafts, supply storage and innovation. In her experience, Gowdy said, she found that

the teaching environment plays a large role in the learning experience for students. Shades cover the standard fluorescent lights, depicting a warm sky with white fluffy clouds and twinkling lights are hung around the room.

"Times like homecoming, winter formal or winter ball, this whole place becomes the workspace," Gowdy said, "but outside of that, we have all these areas that really allow kids to be creative, allow them to work and collaborate together. It also allows other students to come in when we're not in full work mode."

In the workspace, desks are not frequently used and they are stacked up against walls in the room. Gowdy said that students constantly rotate through the classroom throughout the day, with some showing up before school and others coming by during lunch. She said that 20 to 30 students

could be in the room during lunch on any given day.

"If you create or cultivate an environment that's warm and well welcoming, kids automatically just feel more comfortable," Gowdy said. "So that was one of the things I was trying to do, when I jumped into this job."

Mariana Gutierrez, a 16-year old senior and Associated Student Body president, said that she works hard for her peers and all that work eventually pays off. Gutierrez said she wanted to be in a class such as student leadership to help others, growing with her mentors and peers. Gutierrez said upperclassmen have traditionally inspired lowerclassmen and working hard for her peers is paying it forward.

"We are here to help others grow," Gutierrez said. "I know when I was a
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Property Tax Payments Due

**County of Yolo,
Office of the County
Administrator
News Release**

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Yolo County Tax Collector's Office reminds property owners in Yolo County that the first installment of 2025-26 Secured Property Tax is due Nov. 1 and will be delinquent if not paid by Dec. 10.

To avoid penalties, payments must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 10. After that time, a 10 percent penalty will be applied in accordance with California Revenue & Taxation code. If paying taxes by mail, envelopes must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service by December 10 to avoid penalties.

Property taxes may also be paid online or by phone using a credit or debit card (2.34% convenience fee applies) or by electronic check (no fee) at www.YoloCounty.gov (select Pay Property Tax icon) or by calling 877-590-0714.

To avoid penalties, electronic payments must be completed by 11:59 p.m. Dec. 10. Taxpayers are encouraged to submit payments several days in advance to allow for processing time, as transactions can take up to three business days to complete.

Current law does not relieve property owners of the responsibility to pay property taxes or of any penalties incurred for failing to receive a tax bill. Property owners who did not receive a bill are urged to contact the Yolo County Tax Collector's Office as soon as possible by calling (530) 666-8625 or emailing TaxInfo@YoloCounty.gov.

For additional information, taxpayers can visit www.YoloCounty.gov and click the "Pay Property Tax" icon, call the Tax Collector's Office during business hours, or visit in person at 625 Court St., Room 102, in Woodland. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and will remain open until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 10.

Property taxes are a vital source of funding for local governments including the county, cities, school districts, local cemetery districts, community colleges, rural fire districts and others. More than half of property tax revenue supports local schools, while rural fire districts rely on property taxes for over 90% of their annual funding. The County receives about 9% total of property tax revenue or approximately 9 cents of every dollar paid. ★

Council Considers Potential Tourism Marketing District

By John McCallum

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - West Sacramento City Council adopted a resolution at its Oct. 15 meeting that could potentially lead to more tourism dollars flowing into the West Sacramento economy.

Council unanimously approved taking steps to create a West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District, a benefit assessment district allowed under California law to "create revenue sources to help fund sales, marketing and destination development efforts for certain West Sacramento lodging businesses."

The district's boundaries would be those of the city itself.

The resolution declares the council's intent to form the district, sets a time and place for a public meeting to hear public testimony on establishing the district and the levying of assessments as well as a time and place for a public hearing for final council vote on district establishment and assessments. Both public meetings will take place at the City Council Chambers in City Hall, the first at 7



Council reaction to the West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District was overall positive, with several members noting it could go a long way to helping West Sacramento create its own tourism identity and get out from underneath the shadow of its larger neighbor, the City of Sacramento. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

p.m. Nov. 5 and the second at 7 p.m. Dec. 3.

Formation of a West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District has been part of the council's strategic plan since 2023. In January 2024, council approved releasing a request for proposal for consulting services regarding district feasibility and formation. In March, the city hired Civitas Advisors to help with the work. West Sacramento

Economic Development Manager Meaghan Stiles told council when she originally brought the proposal forward in January that it was promoted as a TID or Tourism Improvement District.

"It is the same thing, just a difference in wording," Stiles said of the change.

Funding for the district's operations would come from an annual assessment of 2% on gross short-term sleeping room rental

revenue from participating hoteliers with facilities of 50 or more rooms. The initial estimate for the assessment, which could begin Jan. 1, is \$482,000.

Hoteliers could elect to implement a maximum rate of 4%, Stiles said, but could not go lower than 2%. The city would collect the assessment, potentially retaining \$9,540 to cover its costs and pay the balance to a nonprofit owners
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Judge Dismisses Grand Jury Indictment Against UC Davis Egghead Vandals

Yolo County District Attorney News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Judge Sonia Cortés of the Yolo County Superior Court dismissed a grand jury indictment against defendants Nathan Orr, (32), Lysandra Dasilva (32) and Cheyenne Xiong (22), all from Davis, on Oct. 14.

The indictment alleged that on May 24, 2024, conspirators Orr, Dasilva and Xiong spray painted University of California, Davis' famed Egghead statues, as well as many other buildings and signs, as part of a coordinated vandalism attack across the campus. The vandals' messages criticized the Israel-Palestine conflict and UC Davis leadership.

UC Davis Police Department officers captured Dasilva and Xiong fleeing the scene of the crime, according to the District Attorney's office, and the crimes resulted in more than \$4,200 in damages. UC Davis police forwarded the case to the District Attorney's Office and requested formal charges.

On July 19, 2024, a criminal Grand Jury of Yolo County citizens indicted Orr, Dasilva and Xiong on charges of felony vandalism and felony conspiracy; both Dasilva and Xiong were additionally indicted on misdemeanor charges of resisting,



The District Attorney's Office consistently opposed the judge's decision to dismiss the case, arguing that it was an illegal court diversion. Image courtesy of the Yolo County District Attorney's Office

obstructing or delaying a peace officer.

On Oct. 14, Cortes dismissed the indictment against all defendants, over the objections of the D.A., citing their willingness to pay restitution, their lack of criminal record and 12 hours of community service they had each voluntarily completed.

In addition, an official representative from UC Davis indicated that community service that included an understanding of efforts undertaken to maintain the statutes would be beneficial and that the university did not object to a resolution to the case that fell outside the criminal justice system.

The District Attorney's Office consistently opposed the judge's decision to dismiss the case, arguing that it was an

illegal court diversion.

"The judge's decision to entirely dismiss the felony indictment of the grand jury was unprecedented in my experience," District Attorney Jeff Reisig said. "Judges are not generally authorized to unilaterally divert criminals indicted by the grand jury. We believe that Judge Cortes' decision was improper. "Moreover, the decision by the official UC Davis representative to recommend against a criminal conviction flies in the face of their original request and referral for criminal prosecution and creates a dangerous precedent for future cases of such conduct, suggesting similar criminal behavior at UC Davis will be treated with kid gloves. This outcome is not good for public safety in our communities." ★

Sierra Donor Services Honors Survivors and Healing



Liver recipient Noah Hernandez. Photo courtesy of Sierra Donor Services

Sierra Donor Services News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Liver Awareness Month, Sierra Donor Services is proud to join the national conversation around prevention, education and healing.

These two vital observances align with Sierra Donor Services' mission to save and improve more lives through organ, eye and tissue donation.

Like those awaiting transplants, breast cancer and liver disease continue to affect thousands of people and families across the country. While awareness and early detection remain critical, many patients facing late-stage diagnoses often require life-changing or even life-saving tissue or organ transplants.

"Watching my son grow, taking his first step, speaking his first word; we wouldn't have had that without the gift of a transplant," said Reymon Hernandez, father of liver recipient Noah Hernandez. "I wear my green Donate Life wristband every day as a reminder of the gift of life to my son. He received his life-saving liver transplant when he was only six months old. A split liver transplant saved his life."

Every October, Sierra Donor Services shines a light on how donor gifts that include skin, bone and organs play a vital role in treatment and recovery for patients.

Breast Cancer Survivors often rely on donated skin and tissue grafts to support healing after mastectomy. For many, reconstructive surgery is a vital step in restoring both physical appearance and emotional well-being. With one in eight women likely to be diagnosed with breast cancer, the need is significant. Donated skin grafts play a crucial role in reconstruction, offering not just medical support but a dignified foundation for healing, confidence and hope after treatment.

Patients with liver disease, including hepatitis, cirrhosis or cancer, often depend on a transplant as their only chance of survival. An estimated 40% of U.S. adults are affected by some form of liver disease, with nearly 10,000 people currently waiting for a life-saving liver transplant. Many are not diagnosed until the disease is in its advanced stages, when the liver is already severely damaged. That is where donors make all the difference. By giving more than just an organ, they offer families renewed hope,

restore purpose and give patients a second chance at life.

Sierra Donor Services encourages everyone in the community to learn about breast cancer and liver disease prevention and to register as an organ, eye and tissue donor to help bring hope to those in need, while honoring those who have given the gift of life and the many who are still waiting.

Sierra Donor Services encourages all Californians to sign up to be a donor in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Liver Health Awareness Month. As Sierra Donor Services reflects on 40 years of impact, the organization remains committed to its mission of saving lives, honoring donors and educating the public. Be part of this life-changing legacy. Register today online at SierraDonor.org.

Founded in 1985, Sierra Donor Services is a federally designated, mission-driven nonprofit organ procurement organization dedicated to saving and improving lives through organ and tissue donation. Serving more than 2.8 million people across 13 counties in Northern California and Nevada, Sierra Donor Services is part of a national network supporting donation efforts in Tennessee and New Mexico. For more information, visit SierraDonor.org. ★



Two Juveniles Cited, One Adult Injured at Recreation Center

Police Respond to Call Regarding Discharged Firecracker Inside Bathroom

By Seth Henderson

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - An adult reportedly sustained minor injuries after a firecracker was discharged in a restroom connecting River City High School and the West Sacramento Recreation Center, while school was in session on Oct. 9 according to the West Sacramento Police Department.

Between noon and 1 p.m. Oct. 9, police and fire crews responded to reports of a fire alarm at River City High School, according to initial dispatch radio traffic.

School officials confirmed that the fire alarm had been pulled in the Recreation Center, causing a standard evacuation procedure. An assistant principal directed fire personnel to a fire panel, confirming the location where the fire alarm was pulled.

School officials said that they consulted with recreation center personnel, confirming that a firecracker had been discharged in the bathroom. A black soot-like residue

was reportedly still visible in the restroom after the explosion.

"Two juveniles were cited by law enforcement for unlawful possession of explosives and released to their guardians," Community Outreach and Support Division Manager Taylor Nelson said. "This incident could have ended tragically and we encourage parents to have discussions with their children about the danger of firecrackers, and safe and legal use of safe and sane fireworks under adult supervision only."

Giorgos Kazanis, the district's executive director of communications, confirmed that the two juveniles cited by police were River City High School students. He said any disciplinary action would follow the district's policies and procedures consistent with applicable laws, using the district's discipline matrix.

"We also want to share our appreciation for the rapid response by school staff, the West Sacramento Fire Department and the West Sacramento Police Department in ensuring the

well-being of our school community," Kazanis said.

River City High School Principal Jacob Geivett said that anyone who needed medical attention were treated when the fire department and paramedics immediately arrived on scene. The fire department surveyed the area, Geivett said, clearing both the recreation center and the high school as safe.

"We take all student and staff safety concerns very seriously and definitely when we have a fire alarm or a different type of emergency procedure," Geivett said. "We follow the proper protocols and procedures on those, and this is one that I feel we followed very well, making sure we immediately located the incident and made sure everyone was safe during the incident."

Geivett said that two press releases went out to parents of River City High School with one informing them of the reason why a fire alarm was pulled and the other declaring to families that the fire department had cleared the scene.

According to the



Pictured is the men's bathroom sign to the location where a firecracker was discharged during school hours in a bathroom adjoining the Recreation Center and River City High School on Oct. 9. Two juveniles were cited for unlawful possession of explosives and one adult suffered minor injuries, according to the West Sacramento Police Department. Photo by Seth Henderson

Washington Unified School District website, the district strengthens school safety through the adaptation of Standard Response Protocol (SRP). The plan features "clear communication and actionable steps for scenarios such as Hold, Secure, Lockdown, Evacuate and Shelter. The website

states that comprehensive training takes place for first responders, students and staff to ensure an effective response to emergencies.

To learn more about the Washington Unified School District's emergency response policies and protocol, visit the district's Safety and Security Hub at <https://www.wusd.k12.ca.us/Students-Families/Resources/Safety--Security/index.html>.

River City High School has a student population of more than 2,000 and is located at 1 Raider Lane in West Sacramento. Learn more about River City High School by visiting its website at <https://rivercity.wusd.k12.ca.us>. ★

All Floats Lead to Homecoming

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freshman, I was scared but seeing my peers and seeing how together they are, shows you, 'OK, I could do that.'"

Gutierrez said that the student leadership class is building a community that is tightly knit and a familial-like bond, saying that the students are all brothers and sisters.

Associated Student Body Secretary, Layla Beltran, a 16-year-old junior, said that she has been in student leadership since her freshman year and spoke highly of her peers, Gutierrez and her advisor. Beltran said that having more stability in the program grows the class and makes it a stable learning environment for students.

Student leaders are seen as reliable problem solvers, Beltran said. She said one of her favorite parts of the class is the overall responsibility and ability to be a role model for others. Beltran said that she has improved her public speaking and communication skills, and that the class involves a great deal of teamwork.

"I'm just a junior and seeing the seniors, seeing them grow up from when they were sophomores to now seniors, the responsibility and the things they've grown," Beltran said, "I want to be like them my senior year and have people look up to me."

Gowdy said that her goal at River City is to do as much as she can for students. Gowdy said that she would not be who she is today without opportunities to run the class, build confidence and a skill set to succeed from student council her freshman year to Associated Student Body



River City High School leadership students pose in their classroom on Oct. 15 with the props they've been working on for homecoming.

president. She gave a shout out to her high school teacher, Travis Hatcher, from Ponderosa High School for inspiring the confidence to seize those opportunities.

As a University of California, Davis graduate, Gowdy said she was a summer advisor for incoming freshmen at the campus for a few years before moving to New Mexico to pursue her master's degree before opening her own business.

While substituting for the leadership class last school year in November, Gowdy said she had time to figure out what the students needed to be successful and that she really enjoyed teaching the program, especially as a

former Associated Student Body student herself.

With one of her two children now attending River City High School and the other soon following behind, Gowdy's new roles as the leadership advisor and activities director allows her to connect and inspire students throughout the campus.

"Seeing kids that you see in the classroom and then seeing them in this different environment, having such an incredible time, which is just so key to being a young adult and having that high school experience," Gowdy said. "So I'm really grateful that I'm able to be part of it."

To be in accordance with the

California State University and University of California, high school courses must meet specific A through G requirements, a qualification that the current leadership program at River City does not yet meet. Gowdy said that 'we're going to get this AG approved.'

Homecoming week at River City High School started on Oct. 20, featuring a rally and football game on Oct. 24 before ending with a dance on Oct. 25. Leadership students are expected to arrive on campus at 6 a.m. Oct. 24 to set up for the rally, decorating the campus, gymnasium and other parts of campus.

The River City Raiders will

face the Vacaville High School Bulldogs at home on Oct. 24 with the junior varsity game set to start at 5:15 p.m. and the varsity game to start at 7:30 p.m. The Raiders will face the Bulldogs for the first time after a restructuring of the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Sac-Joaquin Section (SJS).

To learn more about homecoming week, upcoming sports games or other information about River City High School, visit <https://rivercity.wusd.k12.ca.us/#>. River City High is located at 1 Raider Lane in West Sacramento. To see the calendar of campus events, visit <https://rivercity.wusd.k12.ca.us/Calendar>. ★

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association formed by the hoteliers and city to manage programs provided by a Management District Plan.

Under this plan, assessments will not be collected on stays longer than 30 consecutive days, stays beyond the city's power to impose assessments, stays by any officer or employee of a foreign government exempted from transient occupancy tax (TOT, aka lodging taxes) per federal law, and contracted stays executed prior to Jan. 1, 2026.

The term of the proposed West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District is five years from the district's start date, although Stiles said that could be extended to 10 years at the time of its renewal if hoteliers and City Council agreed.

Once per year beginning on that anniversary, business owners paying 50% or more of the assessment total would have 30 days to file a protest of that assessment and begin proceedings to terminate the

district.

So far, Stiles said, lodging business owners in West Sacramento representing more than 50% of the total West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District assessment have submitted petitions in favor of forming the district. Those include Hampton Inn & Suites, SpringHill Suites by Marriott, Home2 Suites by Hilton, Holiday Inn Express, Extended Stay America, Motel 6 and Granada Inn.

"Granada Inn has more than 50 rooms. They however do not report or pay TOT taxes so they are a non-voting member," Stiles said. "I would be remiss if I did not mention that Hampton and SpringHill Suites have really led the charge on this."

The 2% proposed assessment would be on top of a current transient occupancy tax charge of 12%, bringing West Sacramento's total guest charge to 14%. That makes it comparable to the city of Winters, who also has a Tourism Improvement District but less than

other cities with Tourism Improvement District's such as Sacramento (16.45%), Elk Grove (15%) and Rancho Cordova (16.50%).

Of the estimated \$482,000 collected, \$48,200 would cover administration costs and \$24,100 would go to a contingency/reserve fund, leaving \$409,700 for the owners' association to use toward marketing the city as a destination location for tourism. Stiles said this could be used in a variety of ways, including traditional marketing materials and other ideas.

Council reaction to the West Sacramento Tourism Marketing District was overall positive, with several members noting it could go a long way to helping West Sacramento create its own tourism identity and get out from underneath the shadow of its larger neighbor, the City of Sacramento.

"Now we have a great opportunity to brand our community," West Sacramento Vice Mayor Verna Sulpizio Hull said. ★

Free Workshop for Medicare Recipients

HICAP News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - A free workshop for Medicare recipients in Yolo County will be held Monday, Oct. 27, from 1 to 3 p.m. Attendees can join online or watch from one of three locations: the West Sacramento Community Center, the Woodland Senior Center or the Davis Senior Center.

The event coincides with Medicare's Open Enrollment period, which runs from Oct. 15 through Dec. 7.

The workshop will provide information about the Medicare drug and Advantage plans that will be available in Yolo County in 2026. Participants will learn about plan costs, benefits, and how to enroll in the plan that best meets their needs.

The workshop is offered by the Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program, or HICAP, a free nonprofit service administered by the California Department of Aging.

For more information about the workshop or to schedule a one-on-one counseling appointment, contact Yolo County's HICAP representative Rosanne Bernardy at rbernardy@lscn.net or call (916) 376-8915.

Medicare health and drug plans can change annually, including updates to costs, coverage, and the providers and pharmacies included in their networks. Beneficiaries are encouraged to review their plan materials carefully each year to ensure their current plan continues to meet their needs.

The Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program's trained volunteer counselors can help Medicare recipients make informed decisions about their coverage. Counseling includes guidance on switching from Original Medicare to Medicare Advantage or vice versa, changing from one Medicare Advantage plan to another, or changing or enrolling in a Medicare Part D prescription drug plan. ★

Rummage Sale Benefits Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels Yolo County News Release

YOLO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Woodland resident and volunteer Dorothy Murphy will host a community-wide rummage sale on Oct. 24, Oct. 25 and Oct. 26 to benefit Meals on Wheels Yolo County.

The event will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. all three days at 530 5th St. in Woodland, weather permitting.

"Meals on Wheels is close to my heart, as I volunteer bringing meals to seniors in our community and I see what this service means to them," Murphy said. "Not everyone can afford to make a big donation, so I thought a rummage sale was a great

way to give the community a chance to gather and raise funds for this important group while having fun shopping for treasures together."

All proceeds will benefit the local nonprofit organization that provides prepared meals for more than 1,200 Yolo County seniors in need each day. "I am proud of the commitment and dedication of our board, staff and volunteers in serving food insecure seniors in our community," said Meals on Wheels Yolo County board Chair Bridget Levich. "It is especially gratifying when a volunteer seizes an opportunity to fund this important work."

Celebrating its 50th

anniversary this year, Meals on Wheels Yolo County has served seniors in need of nutritional support since the 1970s, first as part of a St. John's United Church of Christ program in Woodland and later as a nonprofit organization serving the entire county.

The Yolo County organization provides dependable, freshly prepared, ready-to-eat meals for seniors who are unable to travel to a grocery store or other food access locations, and/or are physically unable to prepare their food and do not have family or a caregiver to assist. For more information or to donate, visit online at www.MOWYolo.org. ★

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Voting in California's 2025 Special Election

How to Make Sure Your Ballot is Secure and Counted



Pictured is California Secretary of State Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D. Photo courtesy of the California Secretary of State

By Shirley N. Weber, Ph.D.
California Secretary of State

As voters across the state prepare to make their voices heard on Prop 50 — arguably one of the most important elections in California's history — it's essential their ballots are cast with confidence that their vote will be counted securely and on time.

There has been some misinformation surrounding ballots leading up to the Statewide Special Election on Nov. 4, and voters must understand the safeguards put in place to protect every ballot.

California ballots are designed with multiple layers of security. It is against the law to tamper with a ballot. Whether a voter chooses to vote by mail, drop off a ballot at a secure location, or vote in person, rules and regulations ensure ballots are not tampered with.

How to Vote Securely by Mail

Mail ballots are sent to every registered voter in the state. Each envelope is carefully tracked from the moment it's issued, and every ballot returned undergoes signature verification and inspection. Election officials check for any irregularities, such as damage to the envelope, or other signs it was compromised, before the ballot envelope is opened. If there's a red flag, the voter will be notified and corrective action taken.

To make sure a mail ballot is counted, it must be postmarked on or before Election Day, Nov. 4. In some areas, the U.S. Postal Service may not postmark mail until the following day, so it's recommended to

send ballots early. If mailing on Election Day, ask a postal employee at your local post office for a manual postmark to confirm it was mailed on time.

Secure Ballot Drop-Off

When returning a ballot in person, use only official, county-operated locations. Secure ballot drop boxes are constructed with tamper-resistant materials, locked, and anchored in place. Each box is regularly emptied by trained, bipartisan election staff following strict chain-of-custody procedures. Ballots can also be returned at any vote center, polling place, or county elections office, where election workers directly accept and track them through the county's system.

Voting Safely at Polling Places and Voting Centers

Voting in person is another secure and reliable option for California voters. Polling places and vote centers are staffed by trained election workers who follow strict procedures to verify each voter, issue the correct ballot, and ensure every vote is properly recorded.

Ballots cast in person are immediately placed into secure ballot boxes or scanned using approved voting equipment that is tested and certified before every election.

These locations also provide language assistance, replacement ballots if one was lost or damaged, and same-day voter registration when needed.

Still have Questions and Concerns?

Voters who have questions about their ballots or the security of voting should go to a trusted source such as the Secretary of State's office, which offers voter hotlines in multiple languages including Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Thai, and more. Another option is to visit your county elections office. A complete list can be found at sos.ca.gov/elections.

Additionally, the state provides tools to check when your ballot is received and counted, giving voters peace of mind and reinforcing the transparency of the process.

By taking the time to plan your vote, verify your registration, and use official information sources, you strengthen both your voice and the integrity of our elections. Make sure your voice is heard on Nov. 4. ★

Crime Reports

WEST SACRAMENTO



ARREST REPORTS

Lizet Estela Juñar, 32, was cited Sunday, Sept. 14 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for petty theft of retail merchandise.

Heidi Diane Dagostino, 59, was cited Friday, Sept. 26 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting.

Jacob Isaiah Rangel, 32, was arrested Thursday, Oct. 9 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for multiple outstanding warrants. Officer on patrol observed and recognized Rangel from prior contacts and had knowledge of his outstanding warrants. Officer confirmed the warrants and Rangel's identity and he was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Elijah Haseme Jackson, 30, was arrested Thursday, Oct. 9 on 2nd Street by West Sacramento Police for multiple outstanding misdemeanor warrants. Officer was dispatched to the location for a report of a dog bite. The victim was transported to the hospital via ambulance. The dog owner, identified as Jackson, was contacted by officers and Yolo County Animal Services in the driveway of the location. Jackson was verbally uncooperative with Yolo County Animal Services. A records check revealed the warrants and Jackson was transported to Yolo County Jail. Animal Services remained on the scene with the dog.

Kevin Ramirez Paz, 19, was arrested Thursday, Oct. 9 on Willow Avenue by West Sacramento Police for an active felony warrant. Officer on patrol observed a vehicle missing a license plate in violation of California Vehicle code and conducted a traffic enforcement stop. A records check on the driver, Paz, revealed the warrant and he was transported to Yolo County Jail without incident.

Alex Chavez-Rey, 56, was cited Friday, Oct. 10 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting.

Anthony Herring, 30, John Ramon Stewart, 39, and DeWayne Williams, 33, were arrested Friday, Oct. 10 on 3rd Street by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to the location for report of a vehicle burglary. Upon arriving on scene, officers detained two suspects standing outside the vehicle, identified as Stewart and Williams. A third suspect, later identified as Herring, then showed up on scene and admitted to also rummaging through the vehicle. The victim and registered owner of the vehicle reports that the vehicle was unlocked and non-operable. The victim reports she saw all three individuals in or around her car and they did not have permission to do so. She stated her vehicle had been rummaged through and the keys of her vehicle are missing. In a search incident to arrest, the keys were found in Stewart's pants pockets. Stewart was found to have an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. A records check of Herring revealed multiple outstanding warrants. All three were transported to Yolo County Jail without incident, charged with outstanding warrants. Stewart was also charged with petty theft; Herring and Williams were also charged with conspiracy to commit crime.

Nicole Harlow-Young, 42, was cited Saturday, Oct. 11 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting.

Johnny Curtis Wheadon, 69, was arrested Tuesday, Oct. 14 on Jefferson Boulevard by West Sacramento Police. Officer on patrol observed a van parked at the location and a records check revealed it was registered to Wheadon, who is on searchable probation until 2027. Terms of the probation state he shall not possess alcohol or drugs. Officer contacted Wheadon in the driver seat of the vehicle and he was detained without incident. A search of the vehicle found a clear glass pipe with a bulbous end, a clear baggie containing a white crystalline substance that later tested positive as methamphetamine, and multiple cans of alcohol. Wheadon was transported to Yolo County Jail, charged with possessing unlawful paraphernalia, possessing a controlled substance, and probation violation.

Incidents / Crime Reports

Friday, Oct. 3 – victim reports an unknown subject entered their residence on Water Street and asked for money that was owed. When the victim refused to pay, the subject sprayed the victim in the eyes with an unknown substance, causing discomfort to the victim. The subject then fled the scene. No reported value of damage.

Wednesday, Oct. 8 – victim reports that a backpack blower worth approximately \$780 was stolen from the back of his truck by an unknown suspect while he was inside a store on Riverpoint Court.

Thursday, Oct. 9 – a business reports an unknown suspect entered a construction site on Cummins Way and stole \$1,000 to \$1,500 worth of tools and equipment. A cell phone was found in one of the buildings and the reporting party thinks it may belong to the suspect.

Saturday, Oct. 11 – victim reports her neighbor tried to hit her while she was in the middle of the street. The neighbor states she did not hit the victim and drove by because she was scared the victim was going to damage her vehicle. There is no damage to vehicle and victim has a small bruise on right knee. No reported value of damage.

Sunday, Oct. 12 – victim in a multiple family dwelling on Touchstone Place reports she forgot to close her garage door, and an unknown subject took her scooter, valued at \$580.

Sunday, Oct. 12 – victim on Manchester Street reports an unknown suspect broke the front door of the residence. Unreported value of damage.

Monday, Oct. 13 – a business reports an unknown subject tampered with their vehicle's fuel line while parked in a lot on Starboard Drive. Vandalism damage estimated at \$2,000.

Monday, Oct. 13 – a victim reports an unknown subject used their vehicle to ram the victim's vehicle off the roadway on Gregory Avenue. Unreported value of damage.

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Community Calendar

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

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

Friday, Oct. 24: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Spooky Fun, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Join us for a spooktacular fun craft.

Saturday, Oct. 25: Russian story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Family movie, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Join us for a free showing of "Hotel Transylvania", rated PG.

Monday, Oct. 27: **Family story time**, 4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Drop-in tutoring for grades 1 through 8, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Get homework help in math, science, and more with a high school volunteer. Spots first come, first served, and are limited to 20 minutes if other students are waiting.

Tuesday, Oct. 28: Hug-a-Bye baby, 11 a.m. to noon. Teen Halloween movie and boba, 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Join us for a creepy movie, candy, and make-your-own boba. We'll be showing the 2023 film, "The Boogeyman," rated PG-13.

Wednesday, Oct. 29: Wiggle Wednesday, 11:15 a.m. to noon. Reading buddies, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Kids ages 4 to 10 are invited to practice reading with encouragement and help from a River City High School student. English conversation group, 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. West Sacramento Friends of the Library monthly meeting, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 30: Yoga at the library, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 31: English conversation group, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 1: West Sacramento Friends of the Library book sale, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m., members only; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the public. All proceeds from the sale benefit the Turner Community Library. Russian story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Clarksburg Branch Library, located at 52915 Netherlands Road, Clarksburg has the following event this week:

Wednesday, Oct. 29: Romance book swap, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join us for an afternoon of literary romance filled with fun activities, refreshments, and books. Registration required online at the library website.

Call 530.666.8005 for more information on any of these events at any Yolo County Library branch.

Now open through Sunday, Nov. 30: **Claude Monet – the Immersive Experience**, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily except Tuesdays and Wednesdays. This exhibit features Exhibition Hub's award-winning, 4K digital mapping techniques through which guests are fully enveloped in Monet's brilliant and contemplative works. Tickets and more information at www.monet-expo.com/sacramento

Continuing through Friday, Oct. 24: Socktoberfest Winter Clothing Drive, see www.mosaicwestsac.org for dropbox locations. We are collecting winter clothing, gloves and of course, socks, for distribution to the unhoused and underserved here in West Sacramento. This collection effort will culminate in the Socktoberfest Family Faire, coming Saturday, October 25, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Recovery Café, 920 Drever Street, details below.

Friday, Oct. 24 through Sunday, Oct. 26: Harvest Festival in Downtown Winters.

Friday, from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., enjoy live music, pumpkin painting, kids' games, trick-or-treating, food and drinks. Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. is an open-air street market with 80 local merchants, live music and food from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Classic car show trick-or-treating, country band and line dancing from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. will be a farmer's market, live music and the Spooktacular Fun Run and Costume Contest, with race proceeds going to purchase outdoor fitness equipment to be placed at Winters Walnut Park. We're going to have a wickedly good time. Sign up for 1-mile, 5k or 10k at www.runsignup.com

Friday, Oct. 24: Homeless Resource Fair – Connecting Community to Critical Support, noon to 3 p.m., hosted by Yolo County Children's Alliance. Our goal is to provide direct access to housing resources, essential services, and practical support – all in one safe, welcoming space. Venue information coming soon at www.yolokids.org/events

Friday, Oct. 24: Floating Pumpkin Patch, 5 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at the Charles Brooks Community Swim Center, 155 N. West Street, Woodland. Kids ages 4-12 can splash, swim, and pick their favorite pumpkin out of the water. Admission includes light refreshments and a pumpkin to take home.

Friday, Oct. 24: Dia de Muertos, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Hansen Family Health Center, 215 W. Beamer St., Woodland. Join us for this festive celebration of community, health, and family. Free entry, open to all ages, includes an interactive altar, food, music, dancing, art, health screenings and resources. Presented by CommuniCare+OLE.

Saturday, Oct. 25 and Sunday, Oct. 26: Davis Odd Fellows Zombie Bike Parade and Festival starts Saturday with a Trunk-or-Treat Extravaganza, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 2121 2nd Street, Suite A-106, Davis. Activities include laser pistols, face painting, dancing, bounce houses and more. Follow that up with the Zombie Ball for ages 18 and up at the Davis Odd Fellows Lodge Hall, 415 Second Street, Davis. Sunday is the main event, the Zombie Bike Parade and Festival, noon to 3 p.m. along the Davis Bike Loop between Community Park, 203 E. 14th Street and Mace Ranch Park, 3141 5th Street. This is a free community event; no starting or ending point for the bike ride. Come as a zombie or wear your Halloween costume, ride in either direction. Be sure to return to Community Park by 3:30 to see zombies skydiving. More information on all these events can be found at www.davislodge.org

Saturday, Oct. 25: West Sacramento Repair Café, 9 a.m. to noon at Holy Cross Parish, 1321 Anna Street. Repairs on bicycles, jewelry, and small appliances. Knife and garden tool sharpening available after 10:30 a.m. This month's workshops include making food wraps using fabric and beeswax and converting a barrel to harvest rainwater.

Saturday, Oct. 25: Safe Trick-or-Treat Street, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at River City High School Stadium, enter at the intersection of Linden Road and Raider Lane. More treat than trick, City and WUSD departments and community groups will meet and greet residents with candy, games, and activities at themed stations during this outdoor Halloween event,

organized by the West Sacramento Parks & Recreation Department. For questions, contact Recreation Supervisor Liz Hughes at elizabethhu@cityofwestsacramento.org

Saturday, Oct. 25: ArtFarm 2025, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the grounds of Gibson House, 512 Gibson Road, Woodland. YoloArts is your host, welcoming you to support local artists and enjoy exhibitions, demonstrations, and an artisan market. There will be gourmet food tastings from local farms and restaurants, and the best of Yolo County wine, beer, and spirits. A silent auction is already open for bidding. For tickets and more information, or to bid, see www.yoloarts.org

Saturday, Oct. 25: Socktoberfest Family Faire, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Mosaic West Sac, 920 Drever Street. Sponsored in part by Rotary Club of West Sacramento, Washington Unified School District, Grocery Outlet and First Northern Bank, this event is free for the whole family. There will be live music, free food, carnival games, activities with community partners like YoloArts and The Wonder Grove, trick-or-treating, sock sorting, and more. More information at www.thewondergrove.org

Saturday, Oct. 25: Trick or Treat on Main Street, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., on Downtown Main Street, Woodland. "Visit Woodland" and downtown businesses will be providing a safe, fun, and entertaining venue for Woodland families. Enjoy a costume contest and kids' activities and games starting at 5:30 p.m. at Heritage Plaza, 701 Main Street.

Sunday, Oct. 26: Moose Kids Trunk-or-Treat, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 3240 Jefferson Blvd. Moose members will decorate their cars for Halloween and create a spooky trunk filled with sweet treats for our little trick-or-treaters. Hot dogs, chips and soda will also be available for purchase.

Monday, Oct. 27: Domestic Violence Awareness & Prevention Forum, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Davis Senior Center, 646 A Street, Davis. All are welcome to attend this supportive gathering featuring local organizations, service providers, and advocacy groups for domestic violence survivors. Community members are encouraged to attend and RSVP via email at District4@YoloCounty.gov

Wednesday, Oct. 29: Car Meet and Show at Lenise's Café, 3150 Jefferson Blvd. Bring your classic, lowrider, sports car, anything you want to share. Come early to get a great parking spot on the north side of the building.

Wednesday, Oct. 29: Washington Unified School District's Multicultural Day, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at River City High School, 1 Raider Lane. This special evening will honor the diverse cultures of our students and families through student-led cultural booths, traditional performances, delicious food, and community connection. School buses will run from all WUSD schools starting at 4 p.m. and circulate throughout the evening to make transportation easy.

Saturday, Nov. 1: 8th Annual Winters Salmon Festival, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 210 E. Main Street, Winters. Join us to celebrate the return of Chinook salmon to Putah Creek. Come enjoy live music, local food trucks, and family-friendly vendors as we gather to celebrate the salmon's journey and

our community's stewardship of Putah Creek.

Saturday, Nov. 1: Fall Dinner and Dance, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Yolo County Fairgrounds – Waite Hall, 1250 E. Gum Ave., Woodland. Presented by the Yolo County Cattlemen & Wool Growers Association. Enjoy food, drinks, music, dancing and a special dessert auction. More information at www.yccwga.org

Sunday, Nov. 2: 5th Annual West Sacramento Dia de los Muertos Celebration, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at VFW Post 8762, 905 Drever Street. Celebrate culture and community with us at this free event, hosted by the Port of West Sacramento Community Alliance and VFW Post 8762. This year's event will feature a community altar to honor and remember loved ones, cultural crafts and games for all ages, festive performances, a market highlighting incredible local vendors and artisans, and so much more.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

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

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

Cars and Coffee Woodland, a monthly car meetup for enthusiasts. Join us every first Saturday, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 1332 E. Main St., Woodland. This free, family-friendly event is designed for car enthusiasts who enjoy a relaxed, casual meet without the commitment of an all-day show. Next show, Nov. 1. More information at www.woodlandcarsandcoffee.com

Davis Craft and Vintage Fair, twice each month, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Central Park, 5th and B St., Davis. Expect to see friendly vendors with local handmade and original art, crafts, quality vintage items, upcycled treasures, earth-friendly creations, good food and more. Next fair is Sunday, Oct. 26. Information and other dates at www.daviscraftandvintage.org

Home Depot Kids Workshops are free in-person at 690 Riverpoint Court on the first Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon, while supplies last. The next class will be on Saturday, Nov. 1 and we'll be making excavators. Registration required by using the following link: www.homedepot.com/workshops/

Lowe's Kids Workshops are free in-person each month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 2250 Lake Washington Blvd. The next workshop will be creating a letter box on Saturday, Nov. 15. Registration required by searching "events" at www.lowes.com

Mighty Rotary Club of West Sacramento meets on Fridays at noon at Streets of London, 2200 Lake Washington Blvd. See www.rotaryclubofwestsacramento.org for more information, including how to join the Rotary.

Riverfront Farm's Farm Stand, every Friday, 9 a.m. to noon, 985 Riverfront St. Stock-up for your weekend with fresh vegetables harvested that morning. You'll also find seasonal fruits from local farms. Support local agriculture right in your neighborhood.

Washington Unified School District School Board Meeting, Thursday, Nov. 13, 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Ave.

West Sacramento Urban Farm Mobile Farmers Market trucks bring fresh, local, produce to food insecure neighborhoods throughout Yolo County. You'll find the truck in West Sacramento every Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. A second truck will be in Woodland and rural Yolo County every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. For specific times and locations, check: www.landbasedlearning.org/followthetomato/

The University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Master Gardeners will be available to answer your gardening questions at their West Sacramento Gardening Q&A Desk. It will be open from 10 a.m. to noon at Lowe's, 2250 Lake Washington Blvd. This desk is held on the first and third Saturdays of every month, free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Jennifer Baumbach at jmbaumbach@ucnar.edu or call the Yolo County Master Gardeners hotline at 530-666-8736. Next session will be Saturday, Nov. 1.

West Sacramento City Council meets at 7 p.m. generally on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Meetings are held at City Hall, 1110 West Capitol Ave., second floor, also viewable on Astound Cable channel 20 and AT&T channel 99. More information, including how to participate and Committee meeting schedules, can be found at: <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/city-council/city-council-meetings-agendas>. The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday, Nov. 5.

The West Sacramento Farmers' Market is now open every Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at River Walk Park, 651 2nd St. We are committed to providing our community with fresh, locally sourced produce and supporting our local farmers. We believe in the importance of sustainable agriculture and strive to create a space where farmers and consumers can connect. For more information, contact westsacfarmersmarket@yahoo.com

Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Tours run rain or shine on the third Sunday of each month, unless there is flooding. View seasonal and permanent wetlands, native grasslands and young riparian forests. Meet at the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Headquarters, 45211 County Road 32B. Next tour will be Sunday, Nov. 16. Registration is required at www.yolobasin.org

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Sutter Health Park, 400 Ballpark Dr., every Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. while supplies last. For more information, call 530-668-0690.

Yolo County Fairgrounds, 1250 Gum Ave., Woodland on Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. while supplies last. This is a drive-through. Food will be prepacked. Stay in your car and follow volunteers' directions.

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Well Kings fans, the preseason is behind us, and there is one difference between last year's results and this year. Thanks to a stirring 117-116 win over the Los Angeles Lakers Friday night the Kings will enter the regular season on a winning note.

Fans will remember that one year ago with Mike Brown at the helm, the Kings ran through the preseason without a single win and finished the first 20 games of the regular season with a sorry win/loss record. That tepid beginning would be a catalyst that would eventually lead to the dismissal of coach Brown and bring on Doug Christie as the interim head coach.

Now one win certainly doesn't portend a definite turnaround, but winning never hurts, and what came out of the win over L.A. was very telling.

After a less than stellar beginning for newly acquired point guard Dennis Schroder, the much-traveled guard broke out of a scoring slump with a rousing 25 points to lead all scorers on the Kings team. Moreover, Schroder looked like the veteran NBA point guard he is, and was impressive the way he managed the game and distributed the ball.

Certainly, it's a huge relief for Doug Christie in light of losing forward Keegan Murray for probably the next 6 weeks, and Domantas Sabonis pulling a hamstring that will limit his action entering the upcoming season.

Fortunately, the injury to Sabonis does not appear to be severe, so there is optimism that he will be back sooner rather than later.

The prevailing question going into the Laker game was who will fill the vacated minutes of Keegan Murray, and can the Kings find any kind of a flow as it relates to their offensive schemes? Although the Kings competed from start to finish, that question wasn't completely answered in the one-point win over the hometown Lakers, but we at least got a glimpse of what might be going through the coaches mind.

Isaac Jones finally got some quality minutes logging 23, and played solidly with 10 points, 3 rebounds, and 2 assists off the bench.

Dario Saric added 10 points of his own and 6 rebounds. Dario played 25 minutes

and while not sterling, was solid on both ends of the floor.

Keon Ellis returned to form with a stirring 20 points in 26 minutes of action, and it appears likely that these 3 players will be called upon to fill in for the largest portion of minutes replacing Keegan Murray.

The key question is whether Doug Christie can turn the injury to Keegan Murray into something positive, and that would be using these minutes wisely to bring on players that have the most to give.

I continue to be an advocate of Isaac Jones, largely because he has never been given enough court time to see his full repertoire, and given his size and length, Isaac is difficult for opposing teams to guard around the rim. He is particularly adept at finishing lobs and has a soft touch in the low post.

Dario Saric has been around longer, and I think the Kings know what they can expect from him, but let's use this time wisely to find out who else we have that can be a key contributor.

Another bright spot was the play of 2nd round draft choice Max Raynaud, who added 9 points and 2 boards in only 16 minutes, and is appearing to be more and more comfortable with every game.

Not be overlooked is the stellar play of Nique Clifford who has become the bastion of consistency. Nique played 33 minutes giving the Kings a much needed 13 points, 5 boards, and 7 big assists. Clifford has played the preseason as a standout on both ends of the floor and is giving everyone notice that this rookie is NBA ready.

Can Kings fans get excited with only one win to show for their preseason endeavors? You bet they can!

Friday night's game was a win over a quality team led by svelte Luca Doncic, and it was accomplished with Sabonis, Murray, and Malik Monk on the sidelines!

Don't underestimate the contribution that this future hall-of-famer, Russell Westbrook, has to offer, and if he can fit in with his new teammates, Westbrook could be the unforeseen x-factor that the Kings so badly need.

All the best!

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

Social Security Matters

How Do I Navigate the Social Security Maze?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am a woman, turning 65 this October (2025). It seems that deciding when to claim Social Security is complicated. I would like more information to navigate through this maze. Thank you.

Signed: Ready to Claim

Dear Ready: Deciding when to claim Social Security can be challenging, but we hope to make it a bit easier for you. You can, of course, call us at any time to speak to one of our certified Social Security Advisors, but I'll share some pertinent information here as well.

Be aware that at age 65, you have not yet reached your Social Security (SS) full retirement age (FRA). Born in 1960, your FRA is age 67, and that is when you can get 100% of the SS benefit you've earned from a lifetime of working. If you claim SS at age 65, your monthly amount will be reduced by about 13.3% from your age 67 entitlement (a permanent reduction). If you wait a bit more and claim at age 66 the reduction would be about 6.7%. To get 100%

of your "primary insurance amount" you should wait until age 67 to claim. Note you can also wait longer than your FRA and earn Delayed Retirement Credits up to age 70, when your monthly amount would be about 24% more than your FRA entitlement.

If you are still working, at age 65 you will also be subject to Social Security's Annual Earnings Test (AET) which limits how much you can earn when collecting SS benefits before your full retirement age. The earnings limit for 2025 is \$23,400 (changes annually) and if you earn more than that, SS will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. There is also a special rule for the first calendar year you are collecting early benefits, which will result in you not getting benefits for any month your work earnings are more than \$1950 after your early benefits start. So, if you claim SS at age 65 and continue to work, you won't get any SS benefits in any 2025 month thereafter that you earn more than the monthly limit (unless your total annual; 2025 earnings are less than the annual limit). FYI, the earnings limit no longer applies once you attain your full retirement age.

In the end, deciding when you should claim Social Security should consider your need for

Social Security money, your life expectancy, your plans for working, and your marital status. If you are (or were) married, you might be eligible for a spousal (or ex-spouse) benefit. You may also want to peruse the Social Security Q&A section at our website www.SocialSecurityReport.org. So, as you have already discerned, deciding when to claim Social Security can be confusing, but we are always here to assist you as needed. You can either call us directly at 1.888.750.2622 or email your specific Social Security questions to us at ssadvisor@amacfoundation.org. In either case, we will be most happy to help you decide when to claim, based on your unique personal circumstances.

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Still No Progress After Newsom's Housing Pledge



By Dan Walters,
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Eight years ago, as he began his campaign for governor, Gavin Newsom described fixing the state's chronic housing shortage as a moral imperative.

"This is a question of who we are," Newsom wrote in 2017. "Housing is a fundamental human need — let's not forget the human face behind the dire statistics."

"Housing instability can cause genuine mental and physical adversity," he added, "and lead to insufferable decisions: no one should have to choose between paying rent or buying groceries. Knowing that too many Californians face this kind of anxiety breaks my heart."

Newsom pledged that as governor he would lead the effort to develop 3.5 million new housing units by 2025, "because our solutions must be as bold as the problem is big."

"I realize building 3.5 million new housing units is an audacious goal," Newsom continued, "but it's achievable. There is no silver bullet to solve this crisis. We need to attack the problem on multiple fronts by generating more funding for affordable housing, implementing regulatory reform and creating new financial incentives for local jurisdictions that produce housing while penalizing those that fall short."

The 3.5 million-unit goal

was never anywhere near realistic. It would have required increasing construction from about 100,000 units a year when he made the pledge to more than 400,000, doubling peak production in this century.

That said, Newsom has over the almost seven years of his governorship, pretty much, done what he said he'd do to increase housing. He has signed multiple bills meant to speed up housing permits by eliminating state and local legal impediments, capped by two major measures this year.

Newsom signed Assembly Bill 130, which makes it more difficult to use the California Environmental Quality Act as a tool to block housing projects, and Senate Bill 79, which overrides local government land use authority to authorize multi-family, multi-story housing projects near transit stops.

Meanwhile Newsom's Department of Housing and Community Development has set statewide goals of 180,000 new units a year and 2.5 million units over eight years. It also imposed ambitious quotas on local governments to designate land for residential development and cracked down on communities that impede multi-family projects for low- and moderate-income families.

The latter effort responds to the most acute aspect of California's shortage — housing the nearly 35% of Californians who are living in poverty or near-poverty, mostly due to housing costs that are among the nation's highest.

With the enactment of AB 130 and SB 79, the looming conclusion of Newsom's governorship and the

likelihood that he will run for president, it's time to appraise results.

Has the production of housing in California substantially increased? Unfortunately, no.

At the time Newsom made his pledge, about 100,000 units were being built each year, with the net increase substantially lower due to losses by fire or destruction. Eight years later, it's virtually unchanged, no matter which authority one consults.

The Census Bureau reports that between 2019, when Newsom took office, and 2024 new housing permits in California ranged from a high of 120,780 units in 2022 to a low of 101,546 last year. Newsom's own budget agrees with the Census Bureau's data for the same period and projects future construction through 2028 at 100,000 to 104,000 units a year.

Clearly, even though systemic barriers to housing construction have been eased, many developers have been unable to see housing in California as a good investment. The COVID-19 pandemic, which had massive economic impacts, and increases in interest rates to battle inflation also have had an effect.

Housing is far more complicated than Newsom depicted it when he made his promises. He gets a 'B' for effort — and an 'F' for results.

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. ★



The "ceasefire now" crowd finally got its ceasefire, although not the way it hoped.

Israel and Hamas have agreed to stop the fighting in Gaza, while the terror group will release all Israeli hostages in exchange for Palestinian prisoners held by Israel.

There's always a chance the agreement falls apart. Still, it isn't creating jubilation from all the people who have been braying for Israel to end the war. There are two reasons -- one is that the deal is favorable for Israel, and the other is that the deal's architect is a president of the United States whom, the fiercest advocates of a ceasefire hate.

If it holds, the agreement is the biggest victory yet for Donald Trump's hyperactive, transactional diplomacy.

A lifetime of maneuvering for advantage in the real estate and media worlds in New York City -- searching for and using every ounce of leverage -- was better preparation for high-level international diplomacy than if Trump had spent a lifetime on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Whereas "international opinion" believed we had to isolate and cut off Israel, Trump armed the Jewish state, bombed Iran and squeezed Qatar to bring Hamas to heel -- and it worked. The deal is a tribute to avoiding the well-worn ruts of Middle East diplomacy.

The Gonzo Brilliance of Trump's Gaza Diplomacy

As for Israel, it needed to find a way out of a conflict that had become a PR disaster. Getting the hostages back is an important national goal, even if the exchange is lopsided (these swaps always are). Meanwhile, Israel will pull back to an agreed-upon line, but still hold an estimated 53% of Gaza as a security buffer. Even if things eventually go south again, Israel has bought time by decimating Hamas and significantly diminishing the threats from Iran and Hezbollah.

It is certainly true that Phase 2 of the deal, which is supposed to disarm Hamas and establish a technocratic Palestinian government in Gaza, will be much more difficult to pull off. If it were to come to fruition, though, it would be transformative for Israel's security and for the lives of Gazans.

There will presumably be no speeches at Hollywood awards ceremonies crediting Trump for his peace-making. Among other things, there's too much cognitive dissonance in saying, "I think President Trump is a dangerous fascist -- but appreciate how bound and determined he is to end conflicts around the world."

Trump is a gonzo version of standard U.S. foreign policy. All American presidents want to make peace in the Middle East, and all want, whether they say it or not, to win the Nobel Peace Prize. What's different about Trump is his methods, and his openness about

seeking a call from the Nobel committee.

A hallmark of his policymaking at its best is an unwillingness to take "no" for an answer, an unremitting sense of urgency and a creativity that is considered unrealistic or reckless by conventional metrics. We saw it during his first term with his success in securing the border, with the historic achievement of Operation Warp Speed and with the Abraham Accords.

"The reasonable man adapts himself to the world," George Bernard Shaw maintained, "the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore, all progress depends on the unreasonable man."

In this sense, Trump is usefully unreasonable. Everyone around the world needs to be a little afraid of him, while he is willing to talk to anyone or consider anything. His optimism can be misplaced (the Ukraine war was a tougher nut than he thought) and his highly personalized diplomacy can misfire (he got unnecessarily crosswise with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi), but he can also prove all his doubters wrong.

The Washington cliché is that there is no limit to the good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit. Trump shows, to the contrary, that sometimes there is no limit to the good you can do if you want all the credit.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250815
The following person(s) is doing business as: Yolo Subwatershed Coalition, 69 W Kentucky Avenue, Woodland, CA 95776. Yolo County Farm Bureau Education Corporation, PO Box 1556, Woodland, CA 95776. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 19, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: October 3, 10, 17, 24, 2025
YOLO 10-24-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250804
The following person(s) is doing business as: Walk on the Paw-sitive Side, 1519 Pennsylvania, Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Christina Smith, 1519 Pennsylvania Avenue West Sacramento, CA 95691. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on August 27, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 18, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025
WALK 10-31-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250823
The following person(s) is doing business as: Campus Life, Nevada County Youth for Christ, Gold Country Campus Life, 1541 Merkle Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Youth For Christ Sacramento, PO Box 156, West Sacramen-

to, CA 95691. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on September 1, 1952. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 25, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025
CAMPUS 10-31-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250802
The following person(s) is doing business as: Pizza Factory, 353 West Main Street, Suite D & E, Woodland, CA 95695. Green Elephant Ventures LLC, 5907 Lakestone Drive, Sacramento, CA 95835. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 17, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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PIZZA 10-31-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250837
The following person(s) is doing business as: Merricat Atelier, 1220 Halifax Avenue, Davis, CA 95616. Catherine Choquette, 1220 Halifax Avenue, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by An Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 18, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County October 1, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: October 10, 17, 24, 31, 2025
MERRICAT 10-31-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250864
The following person(s) is doing business as: ZS Cognitive Wellness, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. Zahra Sattaur Psychological Assessment Services PC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. This business is conducted by A Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on August 5, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
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ZS 10-31-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250833
The following person(s) is doing business as: Fork and Knife Creations, 2575 Harmon Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. Mayumi L Tavalero, 900 Bay Drive Apt 609, Miami Beach, FL 33141. This business is conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on July 7, 2008. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 30, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 7, 2025
FORK 11-7-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250865
The following person(s) is doing business as: Forever 3 Tees, 725 Main Street Suite 109, Woodland, CA 95695. Forever 3 Tees LLC, 725 Main Street Suite 109, Woodland, CA 95695. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names

listed above on October 1, 2025. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on October 8, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 7, 2025
FOREVER 11-7-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. F20250869
The following person(s) is doing business as: Salty Dog Surf & Skate, 1201 Churchill Downs Avenue, Woodland, CA 95776. Troy Bannister and Tammy Bannister, 4000 Innovator Drive, Unit 22101, Sacramento, CA 95834. This business is conducted by A Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on October 10, 2025.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: Oct 24, 31, Nov 7, 14, 2025
SALTY 11-14-25

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-2710

Alice Sara Wong has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Alice Sara Wong to Jane Megan Valjean.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on November 19, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 25, 2025
Daniel M. Wolk, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 7, 2025
WONG 11-7-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-2739

Stevie Marie Holland has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stevie Marie Holland to Stevie Marie Morazzini.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 3, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 1, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 7, 2025
HOLLAND 11-7-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #CV2025-2803

Mohammad Elias Yaqubi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Elias Yaqubi to Elias Yaqubi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 2, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 11, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 3, 2025
Timothy L. Fall, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 7, 2025
YAQUBI 11-7-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF TAMMY RODRIGUES AKA TAMMY L. RODRIGUES CASE NO. PR2025-0253

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Tammy Rodrigues aka Tammy L. Rodrigues A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Michael Tucker in the Superior Court of California, County of Yolo. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Michael Tucker be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with full authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or 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 on 12/2/2025 at 9:00 am in Dept. 11 located at 1000 MAIN STREET WOODLAND CA 95695 YOLO COUNTY COURTHOUSE. 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 decedent, 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 a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (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. Attorney for Petitioner: Sugeyri (Susie) Coons, Esq. SBN 336830 McDonald Coons Law Group 1601 New Stine Road, Suite 200 Bakersfield, CA 93309 Telephone: (661) 383-0800 10/24, 10/31, 11/7/25 CNS-3978697#
NEWS-LEDGER 11-7-25

TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TSG No.: 250002893 TS No.: 24-040608 APN: 045-920-052-000 Property Address: 3517 AUDUBON DRIVE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 04/01/2022. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 10/30/2025 at 12:45 P.M., America West Lender Services, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 04/08/2022, as Instrument No. 2022-0008972, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of YOLO County, State of California. Executed by: MICHAEL XIONG YANG, AN UNMARRIED MAN, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 045-920-052-000 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3517 AUDUBON DRIVE, WEST SACRAMENTO, CA 95691 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 500,610.91. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than

one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. All bids are subject to California Civil Code 2924h and are sold "AS-IS". NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 844-693-4761 or visit this internet website www.aveest.us, using the file number assigned to this case 24-040608 Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 844-693-4761, or visit this internet website www.aveest.us, using the file number assigned to this case 24-040608 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: America West Lender Services, LLC P.O. Box 23028 Tampa, FL 33623 America West Lender Services, LLC MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 844-693-4761 NPP0479261 To: NEWS LEDGER 10/10/2025, 10/17/2025, 10/24/2025
NEWSLEDGER 10-25-25

T.S. No.: 25-33804 A.P.N.: 014-258-004-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/9/2021. 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 PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor: Cyrus Multalo, A Single Man, As Sole Ownership Duly Appointed Trustee: Vylla Solutions, LLC Recorded 7/13/2021 as Instrument No. 2021-0026946 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Yolo County, California, Described as follows: As more fully described in said Deed of Trust Date of Sale: 11/20/2025 at 12:45 PM Place of Sale: At the rear (North) entrance to the City Hall Building, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691 Amount of unpaid balance and

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's Procurement system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento> until **2:00PM local time on November 13, 2025**, at which time and place they will be posted and available for public review for the:

CITY HALL GALLERIA CONCRETE FLOOR REFINISHING PROJECT

The following invitation for bid involves all design, engineering, labor and materials for the: **CITY HALL GALLERIA CONCRETE FLOOR REFINISHING PROJECT**

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Release Project Date: October 24, 2025

Pre-Proposal Meeting (Non-Mandatory):

October 30, 2025, 11:00am
City Hall Galleria, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento CA 95691

Question Submission Deadline: November 5, 2025, 2:00pm
Question Response Deadline: November 10, 2025, 2:00pm
Proposal Submission Deadline: November 13, 2025, 2:00pm
Contractor Selection Date: December 3, 2025

Project construction cost estimate: \$175,000

This is not a Federal Aid project.

- Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed within one hundred twenty (120) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.
- Obtaining Contract Documents:** Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the City's Procurement system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>.
- Questions:** Project-specific questions must be submitted through the City's Procurement systems at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>. The City will post responses to Bidder questions through the Procurement system. The cutoff date for submittal of questions is November 5, 2025 by 2:00PM local time.
- Submission of Proposals:** All proposals must be submitted not later than the date and time prescribed. The Bidder is wholly responsible to ensure its Bid is submitted on the date and at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any Bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Any Bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

Each Bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be made on the official proposal forms furnished with the Contract Documents.
- Bid Security:** Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a cashier's check, certified check, or Bid bond executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid price payable to the City of West Sacramento. Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Public Contract Code section 22300, securities may be substituted for any monies which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance.
- Construction License:** Bidder must possess a current C-8 Contractor's License issued by the State of California, at the time the Bid is submitted.
- Contractor Registration:** All Bidders, and Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must have registered with the California State Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 prior to submitting a bid. Furthermore, a Contractor, and all Subcontractors subject to Public Contract Code section 4104, must be registered pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 before entering into a contract to work on a public project.
- Preconstruction Conference:** A preconstruction conference will be convened after the Contractor has delivered the necessary bonds, insurance certificates, and signed agreement in proper form as required in the invitation to bid, Bid proposal, and general conditions of these specifications. Prior to any work, the Contractor shall provide the Engineer with a list of key personnel assigned to the project and the telephone numbers where they may be reached at any time. The list shall be made available in sufficient copies and presented at the preconstruction conference.
- Award:** The award shall be made to the lowest responsible Bidder whose proposal complies with the specified requirements. The award of the Contract will be made by the West Sacramento City Council, and the Contractor shall execute the Contract within ten (10) days after it has received the Contract from the City. The City reserves the right to waive any irregularity in the proposals. No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening of bids.
- Rejection of Bids:** The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive immaterial irregularities in any bid. Any Bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract Documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.
- Disqualification of Bidder:** If there is a reason to believe that collusion exists among any Bidders, none of the bids of the participants in such collusion will be considered and the City may likewise elect to reject all bids received.
- Relief of Bidder:** Attention is directed to the provisions of Public Contracts Code section 5101 and the following, concerning relief of Bidders and in particular to the requirements therein that if the Bidder claims a mistake was made in its bid, the Bidder shall give the City written notice, within five (5) days after the opening of bids of the alleged mistake, specifying in the notice, in detail, how the mistake occurred.
- Wage Rates:** Bidders are hereby notified that the California Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the work. Copies of the current schedules for prevailing wages are on file in the City's office, and the contents of those schedules are included herein as if set forth in full.

It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any Subcontractor under it to pay not less than the said specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.

- Bonds:** The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price, and a faithful performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract price.

By: _____
Inambao Lifanu, Project Manager II
Date: October 24, 2025

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

November 6, 2025

Pursuant to Government Code Section 66018, the West Sacramento Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on Thursday, November 6, 2025, at West Sacramento Civic Center, City Council Chambers, 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, California, at 6:00 PM or as soon thereafter as possible on the item(s) listed below.

Members of the public are welcome to watch the meeting Livestream (<https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/commissions-committees/planning-commission-1461>), or via Astound Broadband Channel 20 and to submit comments in writing by 4:00 PM on November 6, 2025.

Any interested person or authorized agent may appear and be heard. To submit a comment in writing, please email saraho@cityofwestsacramento.org and write "Public Comment" in the subject line. In the body of the email, include the item number and/or title of the item as well as your comments. All comments received by 4:00 PM will be provided to the Planning Commission and posted on the City's website. The comments submitted shall become part of the record of the meeting.

6:00 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN SCHOOL AT 2255 EVERGREEN AVENUE (LAFFEY)**
This item is a public hearing for a conditional use permit for a transitional kindergarten school in the R-3 Multifamily Zone at 2255 Evergreen Avenue (APN: 067-230-043-000). This project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301 (Existing facilities) and 15303 (New Construction of Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA Guidelines. Applicant/Owner: Sikh Temple Sacramento, PO Box 851 West Sacramento, CA 95691.
- 2. Proposed Annual Omnibus Code Amendments to the Municipal Code (Berumen)**
This item is a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to Title 17 (Zoning) and Title 18 (Floodplain Management) of the Municipal Code. Regular updates to the Municipal Code are necessary to ensure consistency with ongoing changes in the City and State law, remove existing regulations that are no longer applicable or need process improvements to enhance the public's experience with the City. The proposed amendments to Titles 17 and 18 are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15305 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations) and Class 21 (Enforcement Actions by Regulatory Agencies) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Tristan Osborn, Secretary
West Sacramento Planning Commission

If you disagree with the decision of the Planning Commission, you have a right of appeal. Only persons who participated in the review process by submitting written testimony or oral testimony at the public hearing, may appeal. Appeals are limited to those issues raised at the Planning Commission meeting. If you challenge any of the above items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Owner:	Reclamation District No. 537, Lovdal District
Location:	Loval District, Yolo County
Project:	CAMU Fence Project
Specification No.:	537-10-25-01
Description of Work:	The project consists mainly of installing 5,550 linear feet of 6' tall chain link fence and three (3) gates – one a custom iron heavy regal slide gate and two chain link industrial double gates. This is a public works project, bidders must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations, payment of prevailing wages, and submit bonds.
Plan Cost:	\$30.00 (non-refundable). Plans and specifications are available at the offices of MBK Engineers. Please contact the office before picking up plans.
Pre-Bid:	For site access prior to the bid opening, please call Bill Mattos at (916) 531-1080.
Engineers Estimate:	\$150,000.
Bid Opening:	Eligible bidders who wish to submit a bid may drop off bids at the offices of MBK engineers by 2:00 p.m. on Monday, November 10, 2025.
Contact:	Mike Kynett, MBK Engineers
Phone:	(916) 456-4400
Email:	construction@mbkengineers.com

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received and submitted electronically through the City's Procurement system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento> until **2:00PM local time on Tuesday, November 18, 2025**, at which time and place they will be posted and available for public review for the:

CITY HALL CARPET REPAIR 2ND-3RD FLOORS PROJECT

The following invitation for bid involves all design, engineering, labor and materials for the: City Hall Carpet Repair 2nd-3rd Floors project.

TENTATIVE CITY SCHEDULE:

Bid Publication		October 24, 2025
Cutoff for Pre-Bid RFIs	no later than	5:00 PM November 5, 2025
Bids Due / Bid Opening	no later than	2:00 PM November 18, 2025
Award of Contract		November 19, 2025

Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Meeting: October 30, 2025

Project construction cost estimate: \$25,000.00

This is not a Federal Aid project.

- 1. Completion of Work:** All work shall be completed within (30) working days from the date designated on the Notice to Proceed.
- 2. Obtaining Contract Documents:** Contract documents and plans are available for downloading free of charge through the City's Procurement system at <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/cityofwestsacramento>.

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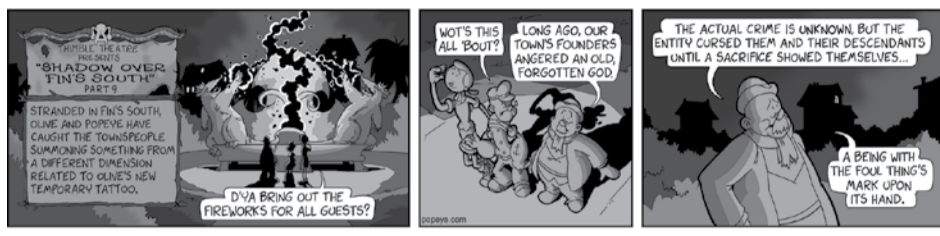
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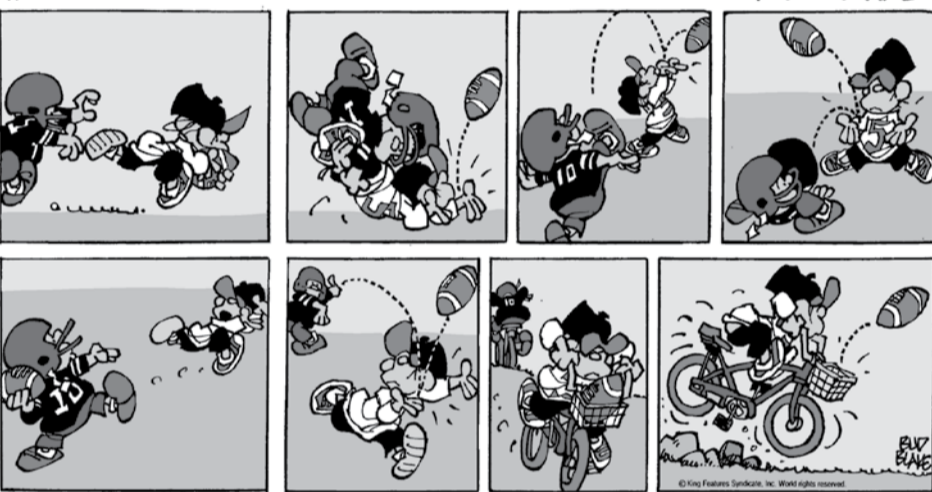


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Republic FC to Open 2025 Playoffs

USL Championship Playoffs at Home on National TV

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - This November, Republic FC's quest to lift its second Championship trophy begins as the club begins play in the 2025 USL Championship Playoffs presented by Terminix.

The Indomitable Club has secured a home match for the opening round and will host a Western Conference Quarterfinal match on Nov. 2 at Heart Health Park. The opponent will be determined following the conclusion of the regular season on Oct. 25 and additional details regarding kickoff will be announced in the near future.

The general public on-sale tickets began Oct. 16 at SacRepublicFC.com and seats start at just \$25. Season ticket members have priority access to purchase additional seats at a discounted price before any remaining seats are released to the public. To stay up to date on the latest playoff ticket news, supporters can text



Republic FC's 2025 playoff campaign is sponsored by Sentivo Vineyards & Winery. The partners will team up for a variety of fan and community engagement opportunities throughout the postseason, including the club's Week of Service leading up to the Quarterfinal match on Nov. 2. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

"PLAYOFFS" to 916-755-6334.

Fans are encouraged to secure their seats early as Republic FC prepares to host its first playoff contest since 2023. The club has already seen four sellouts this year, including the USL Jägermeister

Cup Final on Oct. 4 and has welcomed more than 10,000 fans in each of its last four postseason games at Heart Health Park.

The USL (United Soccer League) Championship Playoffs begin with the Conference

Quarterfinals the first weekend of November. The top eight regular season finishers from each conference qualify for the postseason and will enter a single-elimination bracket leading to the Final. Hosting rights for each match are

determined by each club's regular season record. For more information about the postseason, visit SacRepublicFC.com/Playoffs.

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Together with fans, partners, and staff, the Republic FC will offer more than 250 hours of community service throughout the week starting on Monday, Oct. 27. Additional information, including service projects and registration, will be announced later in the week.

The match will also kick off the club's sixth annual Winter Wishlist donation drive, presented by Downtown Ford. Republic FC fans are invited to bring a new, unwrapped toy to the match for the children and families of the Robla School District in North Sacramento. ★

Women's Golf Ties for Eighth at Golf Iconic Classic



The Hornets finished tied for eighth place out of 19 teams in the tournament with scores of 284-285-301-870 at the Golf Iconic Classic on Oct. 15 at the New Mexico State University Golf Course. Boise State won the team title after finishing 13-under par. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

Sacramento State Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sophia Lee's even-par round of 72 led the California State University, Sacramento women's golf team during the final round of the Golf Iconic Classic on Oct. 15 at the New Mexico State University Golf Course.

The Sacramento State Hornets finished tied for eighth place out of 19 teams in the tournament with scores of 284-285-301-870. Boise State won the team title after finishing 13-under par. Northern Arizona stormed into second place in the team standings at 7-under while UC Irvine (5-under), Santa Clara (1-under) finished third and fourth.

Lee opened the third round on the seventh hole and parred her first three holes. Her first bogey came on the 10th hole and was later matched by a birdie on the par-4 14th. Lee moved to 2-over following

bogeys on numbers 16 and 18 but was able to finish even following birdies on the par-4 first and fifth holes.

Lee tied for 36th overall at 73-75-72-220.

The Hornets also counted rounds of 75 from Tova Hatton and 77s from Darla May Dela Torre and Jocelyn Tseng toward the team total.

Overall, Ella Kraft and Dela Torre tied for 22nd place for the highest finish on the Hornets. Kraft shot 70-66-81-217 while Torre had rounds of 69-71-77-217. Lee and Ashley Koga tied for 36th, Florencia Dufey was 43rd, Tseng 46th and Hatton 65th.

Sacramento State will quickly return to action as it competes at the Rainbow Wahine Invitational on Oct. 20 to Oct. 22, after press time, in Hawaii. The tournament will be the final event for the Hornets members during their schedule's fall portion. ★

Athletics Director Rocko DeLuca's High Fives

UC Davis Athletics News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Caden Pinnick racks up weekly awards following a performance against No. 14 Northern Arizona that earned No. 6 UC Davis football a victory on homecoming. The red-shirt freshman quarterback added to his weekly awards being named the FCS Nation Radio National Offensive Player of the Week.

Pinnick was also named the Big Sky Offensive Player of the Week following the win against Northern Arizona, his third-straight such honor which tied a conference record.

The Aggie signal caller became the first Big Sky honoree to earn three-straight offensive player of the week honors since Dalton Sneed (Montana) earned the honor three times in a row in 2019. The difference between the two is that Pinnick has done it against three conference opponents, while Sneed played two conference opponents with his streak starting in the non-conference portion of Montana's 2019 schedule.

Pinnick shined in another Aggie victory throwing for a career-high, 348 passing yards while throwing five touchdowns, the most by an Aggie since 2018. Pinnick was also lights out going 25-for-29 to finish with a completion percentage of 86.2 percent. Over three games, Pinnick has gone 62-for-82, thrown for 949 yards, tossed 10 touchdowns and thrown no interceptions to lead the Aggies to 3-0 start in Big Sky play for the second-straight season.

As of Oct. 15, it was the fifth time this season that Pinnick earned weekly honors and the second time he earned national honors. He was named the Stats Perform National Freshman Player of the Week back in week one and he earned Big Sky Offensive Player of the Week honors after the Aggies knocked off Weber State, following the road win at Cal Poly and after the recent victory on homecoming over Northern Arizona.

Donor Impact – Willett Family

The Willett family's bond with UC Davis Athletics runs deep, rooted in both tradition and personal legacy. Genia Willett, daughter of long-time legendary UC Davis head coach Woody Wilson, and her husband, Jim, were recently recognized as the Champion Aggies Club Donors of the Game during UC Davis football's Big Sky opener against Weber State alongside their daughter and son-in-law, Tom and Kim Windall.

"We support athletics because of the high caliber of the program and the student-athletes," Genia said. "We also like to support athletics to honor my father, Woody Wilson, who put his

heart and soul into the track and field program."

Their philanthropy has helped fuel scholarships, facility upgrades, and opportunities that empower student-athletes to excel both on the field and in the classroom. For the Willetts, each donation is a way to celebrate excellence and remember a man who gave everything to elevate the program.

Today, the Willett family's involvement is visible across campus, from the stands at Aggie football and basketball games to the track that bears the late Woody Wilson's name.

Their passion continues to inspire others in the Aggie community, exemplifying how

one family's loyalty and love for a university can shape its legacy for generations.

Staff Spotlight – Jason Grace

If something runs smoothly at UC Davis athletics, chances are Jason Grace had a hand in it. As manager of Facilities and Operations, he's the steady presence making sure every field, court and locker room is ready to go, no matter what the day brings.

"My day can consist of stringing a lacrosse goal, setting up for a home game, fixing a locker or hanging a TV in a coach's office," Grace said. "I like not always knowing what my day is going to look like. Game days are the things I take the most pride in. It's not just the game but also the prep before and after the game."

After more than 20 years as a coach, Grace brings that same mindset into his work.

"Even though I'm not the coach, I still want everything set up the way I'd want it to be on game day," he said. "It's also helped me notice when something looks off and make sure it gets fixed so our coaches don't have to worry about it."

"Jason is one of those people who makes everyone around him better," said Director of Athletics Rocko DeLuca. "His commitment, reliability and pride in his work embody what UC Davis athletics stands for. We're incredibly grateful for the difference he makes every day across our department."

Team Spotlight – Volleyball

With wins over UC San Diego and Long Beach State two weekends ago, UC Davis women's volleyball is off to a historic start to their season.

"I think the team is playing with a ton of tenacity and courage, and it's been a ton of fun to watch them play over the start of the season," said head coach Dan Conners. "We're still early in the season and there are a lot of things to grow and get better at but I really like the way we are approaching growth and change and the way we compete."

We compete at a really high level and I really appreciate the team and their effort in that. ★

Former Beaver Joseph 'Pey' Brito Dies



Joseph "Pey" Brito and his family were Beavers through and through. His wife, Nicole, played softball at American River College. Brito was the father of three children. Photo courtesy of American River College Athletics

American River College Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Joseph "Pey" Brito, a former Beaver infielder from Delta High School, died two weeks ago. Pey redshirted at American River College in 2000 and then played second base for the Beavers baseball team in 2001 and 2002.

In 2002, he helped lead the Beavers to a second-place finish in the Bay Valley East Conference, as he hit .300 with five doubles and 14 RBI (runs batted in) while playing rock solid defense.

"Pey was a really good human being, a great father, friend and teammate," said

current American River College head coach Doug Jumelet. "He played the game hard and with passion and had the respect of all of his teammates and coaches. He was a leader on the field and off. He was full of energy and we will all miss that, especially his family."

Former head coach Kevin Higgins when Brito was at American River College, said that he saw Brito at the gym a couple of months ago and Brito was very upbeat and spiritual, although he wasn't in great health due to cancer.

Pey and his family were Beavers through and through. His wife, Nicole, played softball at American River College. He was the father of three children. ★

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