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## A Lifeline for Many Food Pantry Shines through Community Support



Pictured from left are Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center Executive Faye Gaines, Earl "Papa Earl" Arrants and Mark King during a food distribution on Oct. 23.

**Story and photos by Idaly Valencia**

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center has long been a pillar of support for residents, offering a dependable source of food to help families keep meals on their tables during difficult times. Since 2009, the pantry has operated

in the spirit of giving back, sustained by community members who donate their time, effort and funds to support its mission. About 20 volunteers, most of them seniors, work together to serve families throughout Galt and nearby areas.

"We all work well together; we try to have a good time. We try to make everybody feel welcome when they

come," said executive director Faye Gaines.

The pantry operates out of the Heart of Galt United Methodist Church, located at 571 C St., which often has lines wrapping around the sidewalk corners on distribution days.

Every second and fourth Thursday  
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## 'Hometown Pride, Hard Work and Determination'



Jeff Garner, right, is pictured at the 2025 Race of Champions Winner Circle. Photo by Bob Johnson Photography

**National Hot Rod Association Jr. Drag Racing News Release**

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Local teen Jeff Garner, a junior at Liberty Ranch High School, wrapped up his 2025 National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Jr. Drag Racing season with an impressive string of finishes that turned heads on the regional and national stage.

Since mid-June, Garner captured four major race wins, including

the coveted National Hot Rod Association Pacific Division 7 Race of Champions in the 15- to 17-year-old division at The Strip at Las Vegas Motor Speedway on Sept. 6. This marked the second time in three years that Garner has earned that title, an event open only to drivers who qualify through top performances at their home tracks in California, Nevada, Arizona and western Colorado.

Garner also collected event titles at Redding Motorsports Park, Samoa

Dragstrip near Eureka and Firebird Raceway in Eagle, Idaho, near Boise.

In addition to his wins, Garner recorded three runner-up finishes and multiple semifinal showings, including in the 32-car Mike Bos Shootout at the National Hot Rod Association Eastern Conference Finals in Bristol, Tennessee, this past July.

"I'm proud of how we ran the last part of the season," said Garner. "Winning the Race of Champions  
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## Council has Questions about Fiber-Optic Installation



**By John McCallum**

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Details of a coming fiber optic system installation project designed to serve the entire city raised some concerns from City Council members at their Nov. 4 meeting.

UnWired Broadband, a Fresno-based company serving Central and Northern California since 2003, is looking to install a fiber-optic system for high-speed internet capable of serving every residence and business in Galt.

According to its website, the company, which began in Clovis with a single tower, now has 227 towers providing coverage to residences and businesses in 20 California counties, stretching more than 20,000 square miles and reaching more than 30,000 customers.

"We provide service from the Grapevine up to Yuba and Sutter County," unWired regulatory advisor Jeremy Stern told council.

The system could eventually provide fiber optic connections to all 7,380 residences, 974 multifamily units and 263 businesses in the city, should they wish to subscribe to the service. UnWired is a "hybrid broadband provider" in that it features traditional fixed wireless systems and what is referred to as "FTTH" service.

FTTH stands for "fiber to the home," where subscribers' homes or businesses are directly wired with fiber optic cable connected to the main fiber optic system.

Other fiber systems include FTTN, "fiber to the node" where cable is run to a node or junction box; FTTC, "fiber to the curb" and FTTB, "fiber to the building." These systems rely on traditional copper or aluminum wiring to bring the service from the curb, node or structure connection box inside the building, whereas FTTH runs fiber all the way to the interior modem.

Because fiber optic systems use light pulses to carry information instead of electricity, they are faster than traditionally wired systems.

"We do believe it's a good thing that this is coming to the city to provide faster and better internet accessibility to the citizens  
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# RV, Boat and Camper Parking Ordinance Enforcement Resumes



Beginning Nov. 18, enforcement will resume on properties that remain out of compliance of the city's RV, boat, trailer and camper parking ordinance. Photo courtesy of the City of Galt

## City of Galt News Release

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The City of Galt would like to remind residents that enforcement of Galt Municipal Code Section 8.20.110(K), regulating the parking and storage of RVs, boats, trailers and campers on residential properties, will resume on Tuesday, Nov. 18.

At the Sept. 16 City Council meeting, the council voted to maintain the existing ordinance and approved a 60-day grace period to allow residents additional time to meet

compliance requirements. Residents are asked to take the following steps to ensure compliance with Section 8.20.110(K): Remove or relocate any RV, boat, trailer or camper in violation of Section 8.20.110(K) from your residential property; maintain at least a three-foot wide continuous fire access in any side or rear yard where your RV, boat, camper, and trailer is located in the RV access area; and ensure that parking or storage does not occur on front lawns, or within required front yard setbacks as defined in The City of Galt Municipal

Code Section 8.20.110 (K). Beginning Nov. 18, properties that remain out of compliance will enter the abatement process, which may result in administrative fines. The city appreciates the community's cooperation in supporting the safety, appearance and overall welfare of Galt neighborhoods. For questions regarding measurement requirements, fire access or general compliance, please contact the City of Galt Code Enforcement Division at 209-366-7209. ★

# Galt Native Earns Recognition as U.S. Navy Junior Sailor

By Idaly Valencia

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Darcie Perez, a Galt native and Liberty Ranch High School graduate, has represented the Great American Little Town on a national level through her service in the U.S. Navy, where she is currently serving as a junior sailor.

Perez moved to Guam, a U.S. Island territory in the Western Pacific, two years ago for her position and has continued to achieve success both professionally and personally.

She recently earned second place at the 2025 National Physique Committee (NPC) Guam National Bodybuilding Championship, adding another accomplishment to her growing list of achievements.

Perez's older sister, Jennifer O'grodnick, said she "couldn't be prouder" of her younger sibling, who has earned several awards during her time in the Navy.

O'grodnick noted that



Aviation Ordnanceman 2nd Class Darcie Perez, left, receives award and shakes hands with U.S. Navy Commander Travis W. Semones. Courtesy photo

Perez, currently 25, also has an upcoming birthday to celebrate on Nov. 19.

Naval Airborne Weapons Maintenance Unit ONE recognized Perez's leadership and dedication in an Oct. 27 social media post, announcing that Perez and another junior sailor were selected as "Senior and Junior Sailors of the

Quarter." "Their exceptional professionalism, dedication to duty, and commitment to NAWMU-1's mission exemplify the very best of our Navy's core values," the post read. "Both Sailors continue to set the standard for excellence and serve as shining examples to their peers." ★

# How to Get and Renew City Business Licenses

## City of Galt News Release

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - Whether you're starting a business or renewing your existing license, having a valid business license is required to operate legally in the City of Galt. Business licenses are issued under Galt Municipal Code (GMC) Title 5 - Business Taxes, Licenses, and Regulations.

Step one is to determine which application you need. For local businesses, businesses located within Galt city limits,

use the "Application for the Conduct of Business" application. Licenses are issued annually and must be renewed each year. The application is available at [bit.ly/GaltLocalBusinessLicenseApp](http://bit.ly/GaltLocalBusinessLicenseApp).

Out-of-town businesses, businesses located outside Galt city limits but conducting business within the City of Galt, can use the "Quarterly Out-of-Town License" application. This license is also annual and requires renewal each year. It can be applied for at [bit.ly/GaltOutOfTownBusinessLicenseApp](http://bit.ly/GaltOutOfTownBusinessLicenseApp).

Step two is to submit the application and payment; all applications must be filed and paid online. Once approved, a business license certificate will be issued, and it will need to be displayed at a visible location at the business location.

Step three is to remember to annually renew business licenses, which are due Jan. 1 of each year. Payments received more than 30 days after the due date will incur a penalty, per Galt Municipal Code

Title 5. It is recommended to mark it on a calendar to stay current.

If help or assistance with this process is needed, city staff are ready to assist with new applications, renewals, payments and general guidance. Contact for city staff is 209-366-7135 or by email at [cduley@city-ofgalt.org](mailto:cduley@city-ofgalt.org).

Telephone support hours are from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For additional details and a full list of business license exemptions, visit [cityofgalt.org/BusinessLicense](http://cityofgalt.org/BusinessLicense).

The City of Galt thanks local business owners for being a valued part of the City of Galt business community. ★

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# A Lifeline for Many

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of the month from 8 to 11 a.m., volunteers arrive early to transform the church into a functioning food pantry. They move furniture and supplies to prepare for recipients to pick up food. When distribution ends, everything is returned to its original place.

Recipients check in upon arrival and indicate the number of individuals in their household, which helps determine how much food they receive. The pantry provides shelf-stable foods, fresh produce, eggs, bread and, more recently, a wider variety of proteins and frozen items for families to make complete meals. Other essentials, such as diapers and clothing, are also available.

As part of its outreach, Sunshine Pantry volunteers also deliver boxes of food and produce every Wednesday to about six low-income senior apartment complexes.

Food donations come from local stores, including Raley's, Savemart and Walmart, which volunteers pick up throughout the week. The pantry also partners with the Sacramento Food Bank and other family service organizations. Donations of canned goods, soups and vegetables are always welcome, while monetary contributions help the pantry purchase additional food not available through other sources.

Over the years, Gaines said, the pantry has become a lifeline for many residents and families facing



Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center, Inc. is a local community nonprofit that is open the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 8 to 11 a.m. at Galt United Methodist Church. Photos by Idaly Valencia

food insecurity.

"We've had people that have come in and they're crying," she said, explaining that many share how, if it weren't for the pantry, they wouldn't have food on the table or a Thanksgiving meal.

"It's heartbreaking to see that but it makes us very proud of who we are and what we're doing to know that we're helping those people," said Gaines.

She shared that former clients return years later just to say hello and thank the volunteers for their help, while others who have relied on the pantry since its early days still stop by when they need assistance.

Gaines, a longtime Herald and Galt resident, began as a volunteer at the pantry 15 years ago with the goal of reflecting the city's spirit of care and community support. Gaines' experience as a teacher in the local school district showed her how

many families struggled with basic needs, inspiring her to provide a space where everyone would feel welcome and supported.

"I think just the warmth that our volunteers show to the people that come through, they always have a kind word for them," Gaines said.

Volunteer Mark King, who joined the pantry in 2020, said his involvement began during the COVID-19 pandemic when the Galt Sunrise Rotary Club was unable to host in-person community events.

"As a community service organization, Rotarians are people of action," King said. "We were told the Sunshine Food Pantry needed help and I've been volunteering there ever since. That was my inspiration."

Since Rotary members got involved, King said, the pantry's physical space has grown by about 25 percent, supported in part by the Temporary Federal

Assistance Program (TFAP) through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

"With the implementation of Senate Bill (SB) 1383, the quantity and variety of protein and other food items available has increased by roughly 50%," King said. "The need has increased commensurate with the various other factors at play, including housing affordability, employment opportunities and lack of other forms of assistance to some of Galt's most vulnerable."

King added that it was clear how great the demand was when he began helping at the Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center.

"When I began volunteering on distribution days, it was immediately apparent by the sheer number of seniors, moms with kids and other community members lining up so early in the morning, some as early as 4 or 5 a.m., in



A volunteer assists recipients with check-in and records the number of people in their household during food distribution.



Volunteers fill recipients' personal carts, bags and boxes with fresh produce at the Oct. 23 distribution.

often inclement weather," King said. "This, in addition to the amount of local, individual donations and contributions, signified that the community knew the need existed as well."

The process of setting up and taking down the pantry each week will soon ease as operations move into a new building next to the church by December. The new facility includes an exterior refrigeration unit donated by SMUD to help better preserve food.

As the pantry readies for its holiday distribution, Gaines shared her gratitude for the donors and volunteers who make their work possible, noting that despite occasional challenges, the spirit within the pantry remains one of warmth and thankfulness.

"We definitely want to

have the time to show our appreciation to everybody that helps us," she said. "Individuals that walk in with a bag of groceries, individuals that walk in with a bag of clothes...

Just the fact there's so much warmth and the love that's shown to everybody, I think, is what is most important to me."

To learn more about donating to the Sunshine Food Pantry & Resource Center and supporting its ongoing operations, visit [sunshinefoodpantrygalt.org](http://sunshinefoodpantrygalt.org).

The pantry continually welcomes contributions to help meet the growing needs of the community that can be made through online payment at [account.venmo.com/u/SunshineFoodPantry](http://account.venmo.com/u/SunshineFoodPantry). ★

# 'Hometown Pride, Hard Work and Determination'

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again was a huge goal, and I'm really grateful for my family, our sponsors and everyone who's helped along the way. We really ended this year on a high note."

Garner is sponsored by System 1 Filtration, a Tulare-based company that provides racers with a wide range of high-performance oiling systems and filtration products. Professional race teams such as John Force Racing, Richard Petty Enterprises and Hendrick Motorsports have run System 1 products in their operations.

"I especially want to thank System 1 Filtration for being a great partner over the past two years, and I look forward to our continued success together into 2026," Garner said.



Jeff Garner is shown racing during the 2025 National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Jr. Drag Racing season. Photo by Bob Johnson Photography

Garner is also a Jr. Development Driver for JCM Racing, a professional National Hot Rod Association Top Fuel and Funny Car team, which competes at the highest level of drag racing with team drivers Ida Zetterström and Alexis DeJoria. The JCM Racing

Jr. Development Driver Program was founded in 2023 as a way to help young racers with aspirations of one day competing in the National Hot Rod Association's professional ranks.

Garner, who began racing at age 11, has a total of 29 event wins and 12

runner-up finishes in his five seasons of National Hot Rod Association Jr. Drag Racing. He will remain eligible to compete in the program for two more years, but he's already preparing to move up to a full-size dragster, with plans to upgrade his National Hot Rod Association competition license to Super Pro/Super Comp before the end of 2025 and enter select "big car" events next season.

"I'm excited about the next chapter of drag racing," Garner said. "Going 85 mph in seven seconds in the Jr. Dragster is awesome. Adding nearly 100 mph to that top-end speed in the same amount time is something I can't wait to do to close out 2025."

Competitive drag racing runs in the Garner

family. Jeff's grandfather, John, attended his first drag race in 1964. He went on to drive his own cars and build parts and cars for other racers for five decades. Jeff's father, James, has raced a dragster for nearly 20 years.

Outside the racetrack, Garner is a dedicated student and active member of Liberty Ranch High School's FFA chapter, where he competes in Parliamentary Procedure and Agricultural Mechanics Career Development Events.

When he's not turning wrenches or chasing win lights, Garner enjoys playing the drums and spending time with friends and family. Jeff represents a blend of hometown pride, hard work and determination; values that fuel both his racing success and his life off the track.

National Hot Rod Association Jr. Drag

Racing is a youth motorsports program for drivers ages 6 to 17, featuring half-scale dragsters that cover the eighth-mile track in as little as 7.90 seconds and reach speeds up to 85 mph. For comparison, Garner's Jr. Dragster would easily outrun a Toyota Camry, which covers an eighth-mile dragstrip in about 10.4 seconds. A race between his Jr. Dragster and a Mustang GT 5.0 would be closer, but Garner would still cross the finish line first, more than 100 feet ahead of the Mustang.

The cars are powered by single-cylinder, four-stroke engines running on methanol, and the program emphasizes safety, sportsmanship and family involvement.

Many professional National Hot Rod Association stars, including Erica Enders, J.R. Todd and Leah Pruett, got their start in Jr. Dragsters. ★

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**MEMORIAL**

**RAYNETTE ROSE STEELE • 11/04/1942 – 11/02/2025**


Raynette Rose Steele, 82, went home to be with the Lord on Nov. 02, 2025, just shy of her 83rd birthday. She was also known as Pinky to all who knew and loved her. Born Nov. 04, 1942 in French Camp, CA to Francis and Lucille Steele. Raynette was one of seven children. She grew up on a dairy farm in Galt, California, attended Oak View Elementary, and graduated from Galt High School. She retired from driving school bus for the Galt School District - Transportation Dept where she worked for many years. She was a member of Galt Bible Church and of the Galt Historical Society. Raynette is survived by her sisters, Johanna Sweatt (Dan) of Layton, UT and Constance (Nolan) Spence of Galt, CA, and brother Dale (Diana) Steele of Malabar, FL and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: her parents Francis and Lucille Steele, her brother Edwin Steele (Alice), sisters Lona Chandler (Frank) and Janet Bentz (Kenny). There will be a Memorial Service on Saturday, November 22 at 11:00 a.m. at Galt Bible Church, 801 Church Street, Galt, CA.



**MEMORIAL**

**SHIRLEY LEE ANN GRAHAM • 9/12/1950-10/27/2025**

Shirley Lee Ann Graham of Hurst, TX, formerly of Galt, 75, passed away peacefully on Oct. 27, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. Shirley was born Sept. 12, 1950, in Oregon, where she was adopted by Howard and Velma (Love) Decious. She attended Beaverton High School and graduated from Lodi High School after moving to Northern California. Here, she raised her family, developed friendships and created memories that she treasured throughout her life. With over 25 years of experience, Shirley worked as a grocery store department manager at Lucky's and Ralph's, where her friendly nature and warm smile made her a beloved figure among customers and staff. Shirley also formed strong bonds with her friends. She was a devout and active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Shirley was a devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her kindness and spirit will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Shirley is preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Velma Decious; and her brother Carl Decious. Those left behind to cherish her memory are her daughters, Shannon Mosher, Angela Longstreth and Nancy Brinton; her son, Levi Graham; grandchildren, Alyssandra Canaday, Kayla Mosher, Cheyenne Brinton, Cassandra Garvey, Sierra Bauer, Abigail Brinton, Tyson Graham, Dillon Brinton, Blake Brinton, Lincoln Graham, Paisley Longstreth, Levi Graham and Landen Graham; her great-grandchildren, Eleanor Canaday, Benny Moreno, Paxton Bauer, Jaxon Divine, Jayce Divine, Lucas Garvey, Charlotte Canaday and Willow Bauer; brother Ted Decious and other relatives and a host of friends.



**COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

**Business License Renewals Due**

Business licenses issued by the City of Galt will expire Dec. 31. Individual renewal notices have been sent to all businesses via email. Local businesses can renew online at CityofGalt.org. Your business license is due and payable annually on the first day of January. If payment is not received within 30 days from due date, a penalty will be incurred per Galt Municipal Code Title 5.

**TOPS Weekly Meetings**

TOPS, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly, holds meetings every Wednesday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 10 N. Mills Ave., Lodi. Meeting time: 10-10:45 a.m. Weigh-ins: 9-9:50am. No charge for first meeting.

**Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center**

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

Volunteer slots are available in two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays. Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members with questions.

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

**Nominate Your Neighbor**

The Galt Beautification Committee wants you to "nominate your neighbor." Has your neighbor recently completed a yard project? Does your neighbor have the best flowers in town or the best-looking yard? The Galt Beautification Committee wants to know. Send an email with pictures and why you are

nominating your neighbor to [planningdivision@cityofgalt.org](mailto:planningdivision@cityofgalt.org).

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

**Senior Bingo Weekly at Chabolla**

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

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

**Library Offers Older Adults Computer Time**

In cooperation with the Galt Commission on Aging, the Galt-Marian O. Lawrence Library will schedule a set time for older adults to use its computers, upon request.

Those 65 and older who want computer time can call the library at 916-264-2920. Staff will help set up the computer or tablet.

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

**Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults**

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

The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older.

Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533.

**'True Believers Finding Peace and Love' Meeting**

The discussion is offered at 3 p.m. every first Saturday of the month at Calvary Life Tabernacle, 446 Third St. For more information, contact Sue Ellen Williams at 818-290-4093.

**Recycle Household Batteries**

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

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

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

**Square Dance Classes Mondays**

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

The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall.

The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St.

For more information, call Sue Regadan at 916-835-8916.

**AA 24-Hour Hotline**

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

**Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings**

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

**Sunshine Food Pantry Donations**

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

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

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

**MEMORIAL**


**KENNETH AND ARLENE WILLIAMS • PASSED 10/28/2025 & 10/29/2025**

In Loving Memory of Kenneth and Arlene Williams Kenneth was born in Brule, Wisconsin, and relocated to Sacramento, CA, with his family during his teenage years. Arlene was born and raised in Sacramento, CA, continuing her deep family roots. They married soon after high school and raised a family of three daughters and one son. They also adopted and raised a grandson as their own. Arlene was a gifted homemaker who found joy in art & crafting. She was always busy creating beautiful gifts for her family and friends. Kenneth supported his family through a diverse range of skill sets, ultimately retiring from the railroad after 35 years of dedicated service. He cherished the memories of his numerous adventures, his family history, and rock-hounding excursions. Over their years together, they made homes in both Northern and Southern California, with a few years spent in Missouri in between. They moved to Oroville, CA, in 2018 to be with family. Their spirits will live on in the hearts of those they touched and will be deeply missed.

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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



In the NBA there are no white flags or throwing in the towel when the game is so lopsided that you can't bear to watch another minute. No, that option just doesn't exist.

After defeating the mighty Milwaukee Bucks on their home floor and backing that up with a win against the bay area Golden State Warriors, fans were beginning to raise an eyebrow. It appeared that the Sactown boys were starting to gel, but lopsided losses to Oklahoma City and the Minnesota Timberwolves removed any temporary euphoria that Kings fans might be feeling.

Exposed? 100% exposed and more than just a little bit embarrassing, and what did we get to hear from head coach Doug Christie? We were told once again that the Kings need to play better defense as they had just allowed 144 points on their home court.

Defense you say. In the past 12 months the Sacramento Kings have walked out the door Davion Mitchell, Jonas Valanciunas, and Isaac Jones, and what do they have to show in return. Not a single player, and my question is why did you give up on each of these players?

The Sacramento franchise is suffering from a prolonged attack of talent fatigue. That's a condition that renders front office's the inability to assess talent, and the Kings have been suffering from this malady for decades. Even a change in ownership didn't fix the problem, as Vivek Ranadive took over where the Maloofs left off, and the Sacramento fans believed that some semblance of normality would finally surface.

But alas, that has not been the case. G.M.'s and coaches have come and gone, but the same inability to assess talent remains.

Last night, fan favorite and the Kings best defender Keon Ellis remained on the bench for the first 3 quarters watching the game, before coach Christie seemed to remember that he was available and then came in when the game was long decided.

Russell Westbrook is the real deal and still has a load of game at the tender age of 36. Westbrook has quickly won the hearts of fans, and much like Domantas Sabonis he brings 100% effort every night.

Westbrook is a pleasure to watch and if used correctly can be a game changer.

Drew Eubanks has been a pleasant surprise that no one saw coming and backing up Sabonis as Domantas has battled nagging injuries early in the season, Eubanks has been more than earning his keep.

The play of Zach Lavine cannot be overstated as he has been stellar from start to finish and could easily be heading to an all-star invitation. LaVine has stepped up his defensive presence while leading the team in scoring nearly every night. His 3-point shooting is over 40% and is among the league leaders. Add to that the component of leadership, and it's safe to say the Kings would not have 3-wins were it not for Zach Lavine.

Once again, the Kings are getting what they paid for in DeMar DeRozan and much like Russell Westbrook, DeMar looks ageless.

So why have the Kings lost 7 or the first 10 games? I go directly to the inability to assess the talent that is already on this team.

Sitting Keon Ellis for 3 quarters for the 2nd straight game against a high-powered Minnesota team lacks understanding, but it's not just Ellis that is a head scratcher. Why has Doug McDermott sat on the bench for the first 10 games when he is a proven 3-point shooter and could be used as a rotational player. Not just garbage time, but minutes in the first half as well.

I fail to understand how the Kings can cut ties with Isaac Jones but retain other players that never even see a minute of action.

It didn't take the Detroit Pistons long to take advantage of the Kings mistake and add Mr. Jones to their roster.

Look for Isaac in the playoffs this year because that's where you will find him.

If I sound a little frustrated, you read this right. It's time to wake up and smell the roses and I'm talking to the Kings franchise. Let's act like we've been there before.

Let's not throw in the towel Kings Fans, but rather hope that the coaching staff wakes up soon!

All the best!

Your thoughts are always welcome at [vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com](mailto:vgharriskingsfan@gmail.com). ★

## Pro-Housing Laws Have Failed to Raise New Home Numbers



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

California YIMBY, an organization founded eight years ago to promote housing construction in response to an ever-increasing gap between demand and supply, held a victory party in San Francisco recently.

"Welcome to the most victorious of California YIMBY's victory parties," Brian Hanlon, founder and CEO of the organization, told attendees.

Its acronym (Yes In My Backyard) symbolizes its years-long battle with NIMBYs (Not in My Backyard), people and groups who have long thwarted housing projects by pressuring local governments that control land use.

YIMBY's party marked the passage of several pro-housing legislative measures this year, two of which have long been sought by housing advocates. Assembly Bill 130 exempts many urban housing projects from the California Environmental Quality Act, while Senate Bill 79 makes it easier to building high-density housing near transit stations in large cities.

"2025 was a year," Hanlon gleefully declared.

The celebratory atmosphere was understandable because this year's legislative actions capped a half-decade of ever-mounting state government activism on housing that followed Gov. Gavin

Newsom's 2017 campaign pledge to build 3.5 million new units of housing if elected.

That goal was wildly unrealistic, as Newsom should have known, but he did push hard for legislation to remove barriers to housing development. His housing agency also ramped up pressure on local governments to remove arbitrary hurdles that YIMBY-influenced officials had erected and to meet quotas for identifying land that could be used for housing.

However, the celebration omitted one salient factor: Pro-housing legislative and administrative actions have failed to markedly increase housing production.

New housing starts were around 100,000 a year when Newsom took office in 2019, and they are about that number today, with the net increase even lower.

As the Housing and Community Development Department admits in its statewide housing plan, "Not enough housing being built: During the last ten years, housing production averaged fewer than 80,000 new homes each year, and ongoing production continues to fall far below the projected need of 180,000 additional homes annually."

The Census Bureau calculates that since Newsom took office, 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.

Those are the numbers. But how data on housing is collected and collated has been a somewhat murky process,

and opponents of housing projects often challenge how they comport with quotas the state imposes on local communities.

Fortunately, the Census Bureau has unveiled a new statistical tool that should go a long way toward having complete data that includes not only conventional single- and multi-family projects, but alternative forms of housing such as backyard granny flats, officially known as Accessory Dwelling Units; basements or garages that are transformed into apartments; single-family homes converted into duplexes or apartments; mobile homes or office buildings that become housing.

The tool uses several sources of data but is heavily reliant on the Postal Service, which maintains a constantly updated roster of addresses that includes all housing types.

More accurate data should make it easier to overcome conflicts and may even reveal that California's pro-housing actions have had positive effects that current methodology misses.

"The housing crisis has persisted in part because we haven't been able to measure our progress accurately," an article about the new tool published by the Niskanen Center, a think tank, concludes. "With the Census Bureau's Address Count Listing File data, that excuse is gone. Now the question is whether policymakers will use this powerful new tool to finally build the housing America needs."

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. ★

## Social Security Matters

### Consider the "Wearing Out" Factor While Deciding When to Claim



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** Enjoyed your recent article on claiming SS benefits. I feel, however, any decision making should also include what I call the "wearing out" factor. Yes, financial need, health, and longevity are definite criteria for a decision. The inevitable problem (I just turned 83) is the speed at which many of us descend down the back side of that hill after we hit around age 65. Yes, one might live to 85-90 but as you age after 65, many physical limitations begin to appear. Only then does one realize their earlier retirement decision (waiting to max out SS) might not have been honestly evaluated to the extent needed. I speak from experience: after having reached 60 in excellent health, I took early retirement from work, then Social Security at 62, and glad I did so. I figure the degree of slope on the backside of that "hill" will increase with age (it did quickly for me), so one best start enjoying a retirement life as soon as financially possible. **Signed: Glad I claimed**

at 62.

**Dear Glad I Claimed at 62:** Thank you very much for your excellent perspective on the "wearing out" factor. And please know that I wholeheartedly concur with your opinion that waiting for a higher Social Security benefit is not always the most prudent choice. For perspective, however, we have found that far too many people claim Social Security as soon as they are eligible at 62 simply because "it is there," without fully analyzing whether that is the best option considering their personal circumstances.

You are correct -- enjoying your retirement life while you are still physically able is a valid consideration. And that is why we always suggest that evaluating both your financial needs as well as your health and life expectancy is important. Fulfilling one's "bucket list" is, indeed, an important consideration and if claiming Social Security at age 62 (after evaluating all factors) enables one to do that, then that is exactly the right choice. It obviously was for you.

Age does, indeed, tend to slow us down, so if taking the SS money early means being able to enjoy life while you still can, then that is a good decision. But having more money as you age can also make your "golden years" a lot more comfortable.

As we have recently witnessed, inflation has an insidious way of reducing

our financial comfort in retirement. Despite having a retirement pension from your primary working career, imagine how another 25% in your monthly Social Security payment (had you claimed at full retirement age instead of age 62) would help make your senior years more comfortable.

The fact is that no one can predict how long they will live nor whether they will do so in good health. All we can do is evaluate all our options under varying circumstances and make our claiming decision based on that analysis. And that is precisely what we advocate for at the AMAC Foundation's Social Security Service. In no way did I intend to say that claiming at 62 was never the right choice; only that everyone should look at their complete personal circumstances when deciding when to.

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## Yes, Test Our Nukes

ing nearly 30 a year during one stretch -- and only dropped the atomic bomb twice at the very outset of the nuclear age.

We have an extensive, sophisticated program to continually kick the tires of our nukes through the Stockpile Stewardship Program. It uses computer simulations and the like to establish that everything is in working order. But there is no substitute for explosive tests to ensure that the computer models aren't missing anything and to make it possible to adjust them with explosive data, especially as our arsenal has changed over the last 30 years.

We should have 100% certainty about the safety, security and reliability of our nuclear arsenal, upon which so much of our national security depends.

The claim that testing will raise international tensions doesn't make much sense. What is Russia going to do if we conduct a nuclear test? Invade Ukraine? Certainly, Pakistan and North Korea haven't been dissuaded from getting nukes. "Please, you should like us -- and forswear your own nuclear weapons -- because we don't do tests" isn't a compelling argument for any of our adversaries overseas. Otherwise, we wouldn't have had to bomb Fordow and Natanz.

China and Russia may already be conducting their own nuclear tests. In recent years, reports from both the State and Defense departments have said that Russia has violated the so-called zero-yield standard that it is supposed to be

honoring by conducting supercritical nuclear tests. (Since Russia routinely cheats on all its commitments, this is not a surprise.)

More to the point, both Russia and China have been developing new warheads and delivery vehicles. In other words, they acquired new weapons while we were testing, and have been acquiring new weapons while we haven't been testing. The consistent thread is developing systems to project their power and threaten us. These are cold-eyed countries that will do whatever they consider in their interest, regardless of how much we might like to think our moral example is affecting them.

Now, there's no doubt that getting our capacity to conduct an explosive test back up and running will take time, even if Trump and his team remain committed. The president might finish the new White House ballroom before any renewed testing, and Nevada, no doubt, won't be thrilled by once again hosting underground nuclear explosions.

Yet, Trump is acknowledging an important reality. We have nuclear weapons and they are a central part of our defense and, by extension, that of many of our allies. To not test them -- prudently and safely -- is an asinine leftover from the immediate aftermath of the Cold War that doesn't serve our interests or make the world safer.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2025 by King Features Synd., Inc. ★

# Council has Questions about Fiber-Optic Installation

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of Galt,” Interim Galt City Manager Chris Elias told the council.

Stern said unWired has completed similar fiber systems in Gustine and Coalinga and is wrapping up installations in Parlier and Wasco. A “high-level design” for Galt’s system is completed, with next steps involving company staff getting out into the city to fine tune the design.

“We hope to be constructing right after the first of the year,” Stern said.

Stern said unWired won’t install the system citywide all at once. Instead, it will divide Galt into 16 “distribution areas” (DA) consisting of 600 homes each. Installation begins in one distribution area, performed in seven individual phases, and as it is completed, crews move on to the next distribution area, eventually working

on two, three or even four distribution areas at once.

“And that’s why we think we can build this out in about 13 months,” Stern said. “UnWired Broadband is very experienced with this approach.”

Galt’s system will be connected to a central office that Stern said would be in the area. The company would update residents as installation progressed through their neighborhood.

Both Stern and Elias acknowledged there would be some disruptions to neighborhoods from installation, with crews working in city rights-of-way and easements.

Mayor Shawn Farmer asked if unWired would utilize existing underground conduits or install their own. Stern said that it would be a mixture of both. If conduit

is not present or unavailable for other reasons, crews would install it utilizing a trenchless system called “direct boring.” Any disruptions or damage to rights of way, easements or streets would be repaired by unWired to the original condition, Stern added.

While it’s a good service, Farmer said, not everyone in Galt would likely end up subscribing to unWired’s FTTH system but would be impacted by the installation. Elias said the city itself would benefit through leasing space for the company’s equipment, get reimbursed for staff time and would receive FTTH at no cost.

“I’m aware of that,” Farmer said. “No disrespect; I just think the general public is not going to be like, ‘Oh, we’re fine to be inconvenienced because the city is going to get a great deal on internet.’”

Farmer added that council members and city staff are already receiving complaints from residents impacted by construction projects along Cornel and Bernal roads as well as past projects. Elias agreed, saying there are always unknowns and potential problems on projects, and the city had questions about how those would be dealt with by unWired and the city.

Council members also voiced concerns about installation work blocking residents’ driveways, something Stern said they would not do, as well as the potential for additional infrastructure damage in the future. Residences and businesses have fiber optic connections made to the larger system only when they subscribe, something that would require additional trenching work.

Stern agreed to a council request to return to a future meeting with more details as well as additional unWired personnel who could address more specific questions. ★

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF AN INITIAL STUDY MITIAGTED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT, A GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT, A NORTH EAST AREA SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENT, A REZONE, AND A TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION MAP FOR THE SHEFFIELD SUBDIVISION PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the Galt City Council will hold a public hearing on the date and time indicated below, or as soon thereafter that the matter can be heard, to receive and consider all evidence and reports related to the project described herein.

**PROJECT TITLE:** Sheffield Subdivision Project

**PROJECT LOCATION:** The approximately 9.5-acre project site is located at 13315 Stockton Boulevard, in the City of Galt, California and is identified by Assessor’s Parcel Numbers (APNs) 150-0012-007, -025, and -026. The project site is flat and undeveloped with the exception of one vacant single-family residence. The site consists of annual grassland with scattered trees throughout. The Deadman’s Gulch drainage channel and associated riparian corridor are located along the eastern boundary and a portion of the northern boundary of the site. Surrounding existing uses include single-family residences to the north, across Deadman’s Gulch; Canyon Creek Park to the east; single-family residences, Ashboro Park, and undeveloped land to the south; and State Route (SR) 99 to the west, across East Stockton Boulevard, as well as undeveloped land and commercial uses further west, across SR 99. The project site is located within the Northeast Area Specific Plan (NEASP) and designated Maximum Density Single-Family Residential (R-1-C, SP). The City of Galt 2030 General Plan designates the project site as Low-Density Residential and the site is zoned Low-Density Single-Family Residential (R1A).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The Sheffield Subdivision Project (proposed project) would include the demolition of the existing on-site single-family residence, removal of the associated septic system, abandonment of the associated well, removal of 18 on-site trees, and subdivision of the site into 65 single-family residential lots ranging in size from 3,825 square feet (sf) to 7,170 sf. Subsequent to demolition and subdivision, the project would include the future development of 65 single-family residential units, an internal circulation network with associated sidewalks and landscaped areas, continuation of South Deadman’s Gulch Trail along the northern and eastern property boundaries, and frontage improvements along East Stockton Boulevard. In addition, off-site improvements would include roadway improvements southeast of the project site connecting the stub out of Lyonia Drive (north of Trellis Lane) across parcel 150-0030-012 (which is not part of the project) to the stub of Lyonia Drive to the east. Off-site improvements would also include development of the continuation of the aforementioned South Deadman’s Gulch Trail along the northern and eastern property boundaries and along the new Lyonia Drive connection. Primary site access would be provided by new driveways connecting East Stockton Boulevard on the west to Lyonia Drive to the south.

The proposed project would require approval of a General Plan Amendment to change the General Plan land use designation from Low-Density Residential to Medium Density Residential; a NEASP Map Amendment from R-1-C, SP to Medium Density Residential District Planned Development (R2-PD SP); a NEASP Text Amendment to increase the maximum allowable density of the Medium Density Residential-Planned Development (R2 SP) land use designation from six dwelling units per acre (du/ac) to eight du/ac; a Rezone to change the site’s zoning designation from R1A to Medium Density Residential-Planned Development (R2-PD); and a Tentative Subdivision Map. Design review would be a separate entitlement required for future development of the project site under a separate, future application. An Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) was prepared for the proposed project and has been circulated with a separate Notice of Intent for public review from September 19, 2025 to October 20, 2025.

**APPLICANT:** Aaron Ross-Swain, FDC Nor-Cal Corp  
555 University Ave, Suite 116, Sacramento, CA 95825

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING:**

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, December 2, 2025; 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter that the matter can be heard, in person at the Galt City Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive, Galt CA 95632.

The City of Galt encourages interested parties to attend public meetings and comment on the issues being discussed. If you wish to provide public comment and are unable to attend the meeting, written comments can be submitted to [pubcom@cityofgalt.org](mailto:pubcom@cityofgalt.org) by 4:00 pm on the day of the meeting. Comments will be distributed to City Council, made part of the official minutes, and posted on the City’s website prior to the meeting. Email/written comments will not be read out loud during the meeting.

For project specific questions or to review materials prior to the public hearing, please contact Kristyn Bitz, Principal Planner, at (209) 366-7230 or [kbitz@cityofgalt.org](mailto:kbitz@cityofgalt.org).

### NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Sections 65009, 66020, and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

Dated: November 7, 2025

/s/ Kristyn Bitz  
Kristyn Bitz, Principal Planner

/s/ Tina Hubert  
Tina Hubert, City Clerk  
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# Sacramento Ballet Offers Bold Visions, Timeless Classics



Sacramento Ballet Company artists Hiyori Ushikubo and Maxence Devaux are in "Connections" from Oct. 24 to Nov. 2. Photos courtesy of Tony Nguyen



Sacramento Ballet Company artists Jennifer Watembach and James Griffen, as the Princess Aurora and Prince Desiree, portray a pose from the famous "Wedding Pas de Deux" from "Sleeping Beauty." Sacramento Ballet will perform a new production of this beloved fairytale in February.



Sacramento Ballet Company artists Mia Steedle and Seungkyun Park, as the Sugar Plum Fairy and Her Cavalier, are in technically challenging roles in Sacramento Ballet's production of "Nutcracker."

## Sacramento Ballet News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento Ballet highly anticipated 2025-26 season has started.

Following the triumph of the 70th Anniversary Season, this year promises an extraordinary mix of breathtaking artistry, innovative choreography and unforgettable performances. With the support of season sponsors Western Health Advantage and Dignity Health, the 2025-26 season invites audiences to witness the magic of both beloved classics and daring new works.

"Our 2024-25 season was a milestone for us as we celebrated the legacy of Sacramento Ballet while embracing bold, new dance works," said Board President Alyssa Paoletti. "With the 2025-26 season, we're continuing to build on that momentum by showcasing our dancers' exceptional talent, reimagining a classic fairytale and pushing the boundaries of ballet through collaborations with some of the world's most exciting choreographers."

The season lineup includes the following shows: "Connections" (Oct. 24 to

Nov. 2), "Nutcracker" (Dec. 12 to Dec. 21), "Sleeping Beauty" (Feb. 13 to Feb. 15) "Visions" (March 20 to March 22) and Sacramento Ballet's annual "Beer & Ballet" (May 28 to May 31).

"It's always an honor to get to create on the company," said company artist Julia Feldman, who has been a member since 2010 and has choreographed numerous works on Sacramento Ballet. "I'm incredibly inspired by the artists in this company and excited to make ["Connections"] a piece that celebrates their strength, artistry and complexity."

Sacramento Ballet's beloved holiday tradition returns with a spectacular production of "Nutcracker" from Dec. 12 to Dec. 21, featuring live music by the Sacramento Philharmonic and Opera. This magical performance is sure to enchant audiences of all ages. Sacramento Ballet's "Nutcracker" features the talents of hundreds of young dancers from across the capital region. Each year, these young dancers ensure that Sacramento Ballet's "Nutcracker" maintains a hometown feel as they dance the roles of shooting stars,

candy canes, mice, toy soldiers, party children and more.

The season will culminate with Sacramento Ballet's annual "Beer & Ballet" performance from May 28 to May 31, where company artists step into the role of choreographer, creating original works on their fellow dancers. This truly unique experience offers a rare glimpse into the creative process while celebrating collaboration, artistry and community. Audience members will receive a complimentary drink from Bike Dog Brewing, adding a festive touch to this event.

Sacramento Ballet is more than a performing arts organization; it is an engine for growth, connection and vitality in California's capital. The arts generate significant economic activity, supporting local businesses, restaurants and hospitality industries while drawing visitors from across the state.

Beyond dollars and cents, cultural institutions such as Sacramento Ballet increase the quality of life within their communities by fostering creativity, empathy and shared cultural experiences

that bring residents together across backgrounds. As one of California's leading professional ballet companies, Sacramento Ballet proudly represents the region on local, national and international stages.

Sacramento Ballet's mission is to enhance the human condition through dance and to make it accessible to everyone. As the region's only professional dance company, Sacramento Ballet brings world-renowned dancers and choreographers to create groundbreaking work, while showcasing California's vibrant cultural landscape both locally and internationally.

Founded in 1954, Sacramento Ballet has remained a beacon of artistic excellence, offering innovative performances, educational programs and community outreach. With support from individual donors, corporations, foundations and government entities, Sacramento Ballet continues to inspire audiences through performances and initiatives that leave a lasting impact on the region. For more information, visit [sacballet.org](http://sacballet.org). ★

# Women's Empowerment Receives Two-Year \$50,000 Grant

## Women's Empowerment News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)**

- Women's Empowerment has received a two-year grant of \$50,000 in 2025 and 2026 from the Kelly Foundation to empower Sacramento women experiencing homelessness to find affordable housing as they look for jobs with upward mobility so they can eventually afford a permanent home for their families.

"We are proud that our extensive program provides a long-term solution to homelessness while also meeting immediate needs as women navigate the high cost and low availability of housing in Sacramento," said Lisa Culp, executive director, Women's Empowerment. "We are grateful to the Kelly Foundation for recognizing that this program is the critical steppingstone that Sacramento women need to transform their lives and rise from homelessness."

Grant funds will support Women's Empowerment's quarterly two-month program where each woman works one-on-one with a social worker, housing specialist and employment specialist. She attends classes and



The Kelly Foundation envisions a Greater Sacramento region where everyone has a chance to live in a safe and affordable home; access to meaningful work, a sustainable environment, healthy food, and quality education; and where each person's ability to thrive is connected to the well-being of the community. Photo courtesy of Women's Empowerment

support groups and receives free transportation assistance, onsite childcare, meals and more. Funding also will assist the nonprofit's lifetime services for graduates, including counseling, job search and retention support, financial assistance, paid job training and more. Program graduates can receive paid training in a variety of industries including property management, healthcare,

solar energy, mobility, manufacturing and more.

Grant funds also will support the group's Trellis Gardens transitional workforce housing program where graduates who have secured employment, but still cannot afford market-rate housing for their families, can live in cottages for 12-18 months as they work to increase income, savings and credit scores and

prepare to move into permanent housing.

"Offering support to organizations like Women's Empowerment reflects our ongoing commitment to strengthening the communities we serve," said Shawn Kelly Devlin, chairman of the Kelly Foundation. "We are proud to invest in their mission in creating pathways for women out of homelessness and into

economic stability."

Women's Empowerment offers the most comprehensive job-readiness program in the Sacramento area designed specifically to help women break the generational cycle of homelessness for themselves and their children. In 2024, 155 graduates secured employment or enrolled in advanced training or school, and 89% of graduates maintained or improved their housing. Since 2001, 1,969 women have graduated from the program with more than 4,000 children. Women's Empowerment is funded through private donations from the community and grants. To make a donation: [www.womens-empowerment.org](http://www.womens-empowerment.org).

The Kelly Foundation envisions a Greater Sacramento region where everyone has a chance to live in a safe and affordable home; access to meaningful work, a sustainable environment, healthy food, and quality education; and where each person's ability to thrive is connected to the well-being of the community. The Kelly Foundation was founded in 1988. In 2009, the River City Bank Foundation merged with the Kelly Foundation. For more information: [www.kellyfoundationsacramento.org](http://www.kellyfoundationsacramento.org). ★

# Sacramento Superior Court Bench Selects Kelly Sullivan as CEO



As Chief Deputy Executive Officer, Kelly Sullivan, oversaw key areas of the court, including court operations, judicial services, master calendar services, jury services and information technology. Photo courtesy of the Sacramento Superior Court

## Sacramento Superior Court News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Superior Court judges have selected Kelly Sullivan, the court's chief deputy executive officer, to serve as the next court executive officer (CEO) on Oct. 16.

"The court is fortunate to have such a talented and dedicated leader ready to step into this role," said Presiding Judge Bunmi O. Awoniyi. "Throughout her 20-year career with our court, Kelly Sullivan has demonstrated exceptional judgment, professionalism and a deep commitment to serving the public

and supporting the work of our judges and staff."

As Chief Deputy Executive Officer, Sullivan has overseen key areas of the court, including court operations, judicial services, master calendar services, jury services and information technology. She has been instrumental in advancing the court's strategic initiatives, expanding access to justice and strengthening operational efficiency.

"We are confident that Kelly Sullivan will continue to advance the court's mission of access to justice and operational excellence," added Judge Awoniyi. "She has earned the respect of colleagues across

every division and brings both continuity and innovation to the position."

Upon accepting the court executive officer appointment, Sullivan expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve.

"It is an honor to be entrusted with this responsibility," said Sullivan. "Our court has exceptional judicial officers and an outstanding team of employees who work every day to serve our community with fairness and integrity. I look forward to continuing that work in partnership with them."

The court executive officer serves as the court's highest-ranking non-judicial

officer, responsible for overseeing all administrative and operational functions, including fiscal management, human resources, information technology and court services.

The Sacramento Superior Court is the trial court for Sacramento County, handling a wide range of cases, including all civil, criminal, family law, probate and juvenile matters. It operates out of seven locations in the county, employing 700 staff members.

Sullivan succeeds former Court Executive Officer Lee Seale, who retired from court service on Aug. 1. ★

# Happy National American Teddy Bear Day!



There is nothing quite so comforting to a child than a friend who takes the form of a stuffed Teddy Bear. According to daysoftheyear.com National American Teddy Bear Day brings to light the important role these sweet creatures can take and shows appreciation for the icon that the Teddy Bear has become in American culture today.

Teddy Bears first got their name in the early 1900s. The story goes that then President Theodore Roosevelt had been on a hunting trip in Mississippi in 1902, when his hunting buddies had captured a small bear cub.

Saying that it would be unsportsmanlike to kill that little bear, the story about the president being kind to animals spread. Many political cartoons were created, and his nickname "Teddy" was attached to bears.

From there, the development of Teddy Bears gets a bit murky because some people attribute it to a woman, Margarete Steiff, who made a stuffed bear for her nephew after visiting a zoo in 1903.

But it seems the larger marketing of the idea for stuffed Teddy Bears was

implemented by Morris Michtom in 1903. He was a shop owner in Brooklyn who had seen a caricature that had been drawn of the president and decided it would be fun to market the stuffed bears in his shop as "Teddy" bears.

So, he got permission from the president, and the bears began selling like wildfire!

Established in honor of the former United States President Theodore Roosevelt, National American Teddy Bear Day brings appreciation to the joy, delight and comfort that these little stuffed creatures bring to the lives of children in the United States and all over the world. Wow, what a history lesson!

Remember the store "Build a Bear"? I think there is one at the Galleria in Roseville and another in the Walmart

Super Center in Stockton. That was one of the best gifts to give. A child can build a memory that is soft and cuddly.

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It's a twofer day. It is National Pickle Day, everyone! Did you remember? I am sure it is No. 1 on your list today.

Oh, you didn't know? Don't worry; be as cool as a cucumber, because there's still time to munch on some pickles.

No matter whether you like Gherkin, Dill, Lime, Bread and Butter, Branston, Cornishon, Polish, the list goes on.

If you like them made in either brine or vinegar, you can be sure these fermented morsels are so much more than hors d'oeuvres. These crunchy, briny, and slightly tangy snacks, often found nestled beside a sandwich, can turn an ordinary meal into a savory delight.

Granted, they don't hold much value in terms of nutrition, except maybe for their moderate vitamin K as well as high sodium contents, and they don't usually garnish the healthiest meals ... but if it's wrong to pump your blood full of pickle sodium, then you don't want to be right.

And once you eat all the pickles out of the jar, you might just drink the juice. No, not for me.

The leftover juice goes into the pickle container with new pickles. Yes, I have a special container just for pickles. The juice is also used for potato salad and mixed in tuna salad, to give just enough tang.

Pickles are not just cucumbers anymore. Zucchini and other squash give a new twist to eating vegetables, and there are pickle-flavored sunflower seeds, potato chips, ice cream and milkshakes. I wonder if pickle flavor will become as popular as Pumpkin Spice?

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Thirteen days until Thanksgiving. Are you ready? Of course you are. You are preparing a feast for your family and friends. Don't forget the cranberry sauce and the pickles. One more week and the schools will be out for Thanksgiving Break. Time does fly by when the holidays start.

Until next week – be strong, be courageous and make a memory. ★

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# ABOUT TOWN

## Continuing through Sunday, Nov. 16

**“Annie” Presented by St. Peter Community Theater** – at the St. Peter Church Auditorium. Times vary, check the website for specific shows: splodichurch.org. 2400 Oxford Way, Lodi.

## Continuing through Wednesday, Nov. 19

**Thanksgiving Food Drive** – sponsored by the Galt Chamber and supporting the Sunshine Food Pantry and Resource Center, Inc. For more information, call 209-745-2529.

## Friday, Nov. 14

**SJDC Agriculture & NR Foundation Fundraiser and Live Auction** – 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Jackson Hall at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. This will be an evening to support student scholarships and activities. Ticket price includes a steak and shrimp dinner. For questions or additional information call 209-954-5235. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

## Saturday, Nov. 15 and Sunday, Nov. 16

**NorCal Reptile Show** – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. At the Lodi Grape Pavilion. This

event brings you thousands of reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates, arts, supplies, live animal exhibits, and more all under one roof. Tickets available at norcalreptileexpo.com. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

## Saturday, Nov. 15

**Trout Bout at Oak Grove Regional Park** – 6 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Shumway Oak Grove Regional Park. Come fish 2,000 lbs. of Rainbow Trout and win prizes. Kids fish free, \$5 for anglers 16 and older (valid California fishing license required). \$6 cash parking fee. More information at sjparks.com. 4520 W. Eight Mile Road, Stockton.

**Galt Auto Swap Meet & Car Show** – 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Galt Market Grounds. Free parking, \$5 admission, kids 12 and under are free. Turn your old car parts into cash and grab a swap meet space for \$20 each in advance, \$25 at the show. See cars for sale; enjoy a car and truck show with trophies awarded. For more information, call 209-513-8651. 610 Chabolla Ave.

## Sunday, Nov. 16

**6 Senses Native Plant Trail Adventure** – 11 a.m. at Shumway Oak Grove Regional Park. Meet at the Nature Center for this interactive walk. Use your five

senses to connect with the Oak Woodland and establish a “sense of place” for each of us. Perfect for adults and families. Free event, \$6 cash parking. 4520 W. Eight Mile Road, Stockton.

## Ongoing Events

**Galt Café & Cars** – every second Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at Café Latte. Open to cars, trucks, bicycles, motorcycles and anything else with wheels. Next event is Dec.13. 1000 C St.

**Galt Commission on Aging Bingo** – Mondays from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Chabolla Community Center. 610 Chabolla Ave.

## Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the following upcoming events: (G) Marian O. Lawrence Library, 1000 Caroline Ave.; and (WG) Walnut Grove, 14177 Market St.

Friday, Nov. 14: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (G) English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Wednesday Nov. 19: English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

## Veterans Meetings

**American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units** – fourth Wednesday

each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. Next meeting will be Nov. 26. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave., Elk Grove.

**American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233** – fourth Thursdays at 7 p.m., Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m. Due to the holidays, the next meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 20. No meeting in December.

**Post 233 Family Breakfast** – first Saturdays at 9 a.m., Mimi’s Cafe, Elk Grove. For more information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

**Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 233** – first Monday each month at 5:45 p.m. at the Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

**Marine Corps League Detachment #1238** – first Thursday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

**VFW Post 2073** – second Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. For more information, call 916-684-3849. ★

# POLICE LOGS

During the time period of Nov. 4 to Nov. 10, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in nine arrests.

## Nov. 4

2:17 a.m., Narcotics Violation/Adult Arrest, McDonald's, East Stockton Boulevard.

7:06 a.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Walnut Avenue.

8:26 a.m., Identity Theft reported, McIntyre Street.

5:43 p.m., Vandalism reported, Caversham Way: two male subjects and two female subjects both wearing white and gray hooded-sweater and light pants, in an older white pickup truck, got out and allegedly kicked garage door, causing damage. Reporting party declined case report.

6:30 p.m., Vandalism reported, Cottrell Court: White Chevy truck, subjects exited vehicle and allegedly kicked reporting

party’s garage door, causing damage.

7:22 p.m., Vandalism reported, Beeler Way: Garage door was dented with water bottles.

10:58 p.m., DUI/Adult Arrest, North Lincoln Way/Elm Avenue.

## Nov. 5

5:41 a.m., Burglary reported, Tractor Supply Company on Twin Cities Road: two Coleman motorcycles taken.

8:54 a.m., Vandalism reported, Beeler Way: Garage door kicked in.

10:56 a.m., Fraud reported, Wells Fargo Bank on C Street.

1:19 p.m., Vandalism reported, Jordine Way: Garage door damage.

2:14 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Galt Police Department on Industrial Drive.

4:30 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Carillion Boulevard/Ambrogio Way.

8:21 p.m., DUI/Adult Arrest, Strattons

Pizzeria, South Lincoln Way.

10:28 p.m., Vandalism reported, Golden One on Carol Drive: Damage to ATM machine.

## Nov. 6

6:34 a.m., Domestic Violence/Adult Arrest, Galt Mobile Estates on North Lincoln Way.

1:17 p.m., Fraud reported, Rancho Seco Care Center on F Street: Checks altered; financial loss occurred.

## Nov. 7

10:58 a.m., Vandalism reported, Barsetti Winery on Fourth Street: Front of business damaged.

11:58 a.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Towns Health Services on Spaans Drive.

2:32 p.m., Recovered Stolen Vehicle, Meladee Lane.

5:43 p.m., Vehicle Accident/Injury,

Carillion Boulevard/Chelsham Avenue.

8:57 p.m., Hit and Run/Non-Injury, McDonald’s on East Stockton Boulevard.

10:15 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Chevron, Simmerhorn Road.

## Nov. 8

4:39 p.m., Vandalism reported, Bay Terrace Court: Back neighbor shooting a pellet gun, broke window.

7:03 p.m., Theft reported, Walmart on Twin Cities Road: Debit card stolen.

## Nov. 9

7:27 p.m., Recovered Stolen Vehicle, Branding Iron Way.

## Nov. 10

6:28 a.m., Stolen Vehicle, Hudson Bay Apartments on Lake Park Avenue.

11:20 a.m., Burglary-Auto reported, Industrial Drive/Pringle Avenue. ★

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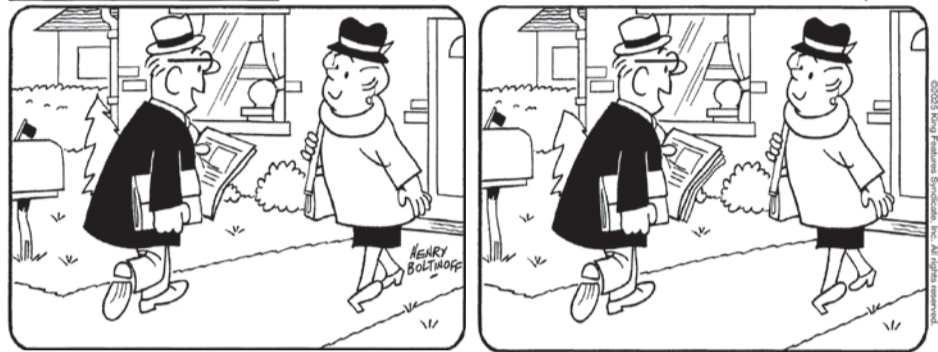
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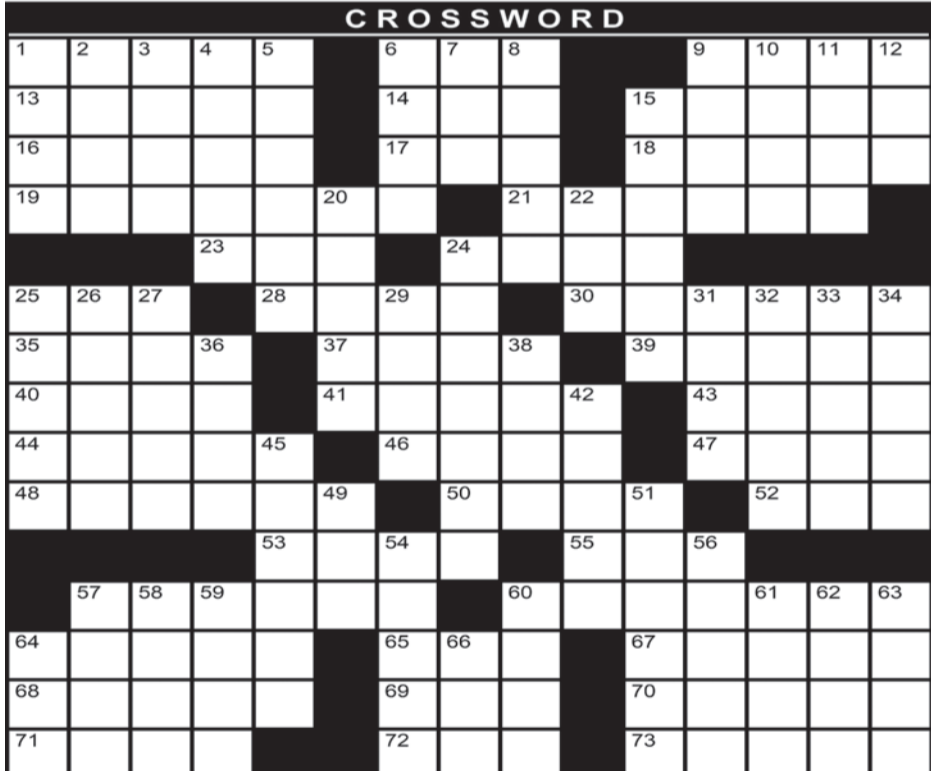
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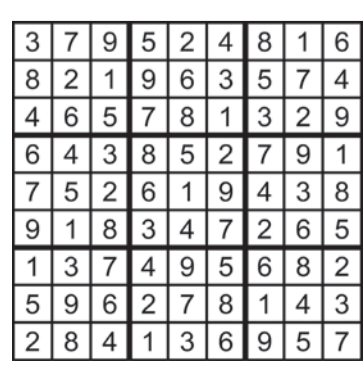


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# LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE



## Liberty Ranch Hawks' Perfect Season Ends in Playoff Quarterfinals



Lexi Williams swats down a pass intended for a Mesa Verde player.

**Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor**

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Liberty Ranch Hawks flag football team saw its undefeated season come to an end in the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section quarterfinals, falling 19-14 to the fifth-ranked Hilmar Yellowjackets on the final play of the game in a hard-fought defensive battle.

The fourth-ranked Hawks entered the post-season with a perfect 10-0 record and championship aspirations after dominating the regular season with their balanced offense and stingy defense.

Liberty Ranch put together one of the most dominant regular seasons in section history of

this new sport, outscoring league opponents 526-12 while scoring over 900 points total. Quarterback Kamrynn Blevins tallied over 50 touchdown passes on the year, while receiver Madisyn Robinson hauled in 20 touchdown receptions to lead the team in those categories.

The Hawks went undefeated in league play for the second consecutive year, cementing their status as the program to beat in their division.

Liberty Ranch opened playoff action with an emphatic statement, blanking Mesa Verde 54-0 in the program's first-ever playoff victory. The Hawks offense exploded for 13 points in the first quarter and added 28 more in the second to seize complete control.



Ella Garcia runs the ball for a touchdown.

The quarterfinal clash against Hilmar proved to be a completely different contest. Both defenses dominated early, with the first quarter ending scoreless. Hilmar broke through in the second quarter, putting up 13 points before halftime.

The Hawks showed resilience in the second

half, scoring six points in the third quarter and eight more in the fourth. But Hilmar answered with six of its own to escape with the 19-14 victory on the game's final play.

The Yellowjackets went on to capture the section title with a dramatic 13-12 victory over Colfax, validating the competitive



Madisyn Robbins snags an interception in the Mesa Verde playoff game.



Makenlee Robbins and Kamrynn Blevins break up a pass on defense.

nature of their win over the Hawks.

"We had a great season," said Liberty Ranch head coach Andy Peterson. "Lost a disappointing second round game on the last play of the game to the team that went on to win the championship. We have everybody but one starter returning and a JV team with all freshmen that went 14-1 coming back. We should be very strong

for the next three years." With nearly the entire roster returning and a talented JV squad preparing to move up, the Hawks' future looks bright.

The program's consecutive undefeated league seasons, record-breaking offensive production and first playoff victory in program history have established Liberty Ranch as a section powerhouse for years to come. ★

## Liberty Ranch Jr. Hawks Shine on Super Bowl Weekend

**By Paige Lampson Sports Editor**

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Liberty Ranch Jr. Hawks delivered a thrilling Super Bowl weekend at Liberty Ranch High School Stadium, showcasing big-time plays, standout performances and a long-awaited championship victory that brought hardware back to Galt.

**8U: Heart, Grit and Big Plays Despite a Narrow Loss**

The Jr. Hawks 8U squad battled wire-to-wire against a tough Corning Lions team, ultimately falling just short in a 24-22 nail-biter that came down to the final possession.

Liberty Ranch lit up the field with explosive moments throughout the contest. Running back Trey Messersmith broke free for two electrifying 50-yard touchdown runs, giving the home crowd plenty to cheer for and keeping the Hawks in contention. On defense, Joe Springmyer came up with a huge interception in the second half, shifting momentum and keeping the Hawks within striking distance.

Despite the final score not going their way, coaches highlighted the team's toughness, growth and relentless effort throughout the entire

season. The 8U Hawks left everything on the field and represented Liberty Ranch with pride.

**10U: Total Domination and a Championship for the Hawks**

The 10U Hawks came out firing and controlled the game from the opening whistle, cruising to a dominant 46-6 victory over Corning to claim the Super Bowl title.

MVP of the day: JoJo Armstrong, who delivered one of the most explosive first quarters in Jr. Hawks history. On his first play from scrimmage, Armstrong exploded for a 52-yard touchdown run. On his second touch, he added a 36-yard touchdown. Not finished yet, Armstrong recorded a 35-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown on the defensive side of the ball: all in the opening quarter.

Four different Liberty Ranch players found the end zone, highlighting the depth and offensive firepower of the 10U squad. The defense was equally impressive, limiting Corning to just six points while forcing multiple turnovers and controlling the line of scrimmage.

The victory marks Liberty Ranch's first Super Bowl championship in four



The Jr. Hawk 10U Champions with their coaches and cheerleaders celebrate their win. Courtesy Photo

years, a major milestone for the program and a testament to the dedication of players, coaches and families throughout the season.

From big-play energy to championship execution, Super Bowl weekend at Liberty Ranch High School Stadium was one to remember.

Coaches, staff and cheerleaders all played a crucial role in the teams'

preparation and success, and the 10U squad brought the rings home in style.

"As a first-year president and 12U head coach, I couldn't be more excited about where our program is headed," said Liberty Ranch Jr. Hawks president Trevor Messersmith. "We have the best players, parents, staff and coaches around. This season was full of success:

two regular-season championships, our 12U going undefeated until the league title game and both our 8U and 10U teams earning their way to the Super Bowl. There's a ton of talent, hard work and dedication in this program. It's a great day to be a Hawk, and around here success isn't given; it's earned."

With strong performances across multiple age

groups and a championship banner now hanging in the rafters, the future looks bright for Liberty Ranch Jr. Hawks football.

The program's commitment to development, teamwork and competitive excellence was on full display throughout Super Bowl weekend, proving that the Hawks are a force to be reckoned with for years to come. ★

# LOCAL SPORTS → COVERAGE



## Galt Warriors Cross Country Advances to Section Championships



The boys' freshman cross country race is off and running.

By Paige Lampson  
Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Galt High School cross country program is headed to the CIF San Joaquin Section Championships in Folsom with multiple teams and individual qualifiers earning their spots through impressive subsection performances.

The Girls Frosh/Soph Team dominated its Division 4 race, capturing first place to punch its ticket to sections. The Freshman Boys also advanced with a solid fourth-place finish in their D4 race. Individual qualifiers advancing include sophomore Daniel Crownover (Sophomore Boys), senior Alejandro Herrera (Boys Varsity) and senior Emily Razo (Girls Varsity).

The Girls Frosh/Soph squad delivered a complete team effort in the 2-mile race, led by sophomore Joseline Jimenez, who finished 13th overall with a time of 16:15. Freshman Kaylee Meixner followed in 17th place (16:27), with sophomore Danielle Aragon taking 22nd (16:57) and freshman AnaLucia Alvarado close behind in 24th (17:00). Freshman Jade Garcia placed 44th (17:54), and freshman Allison Miller rounded out the scoring in 79th (20:59).

“One of our top Freshman Girls had an injury, so for all the girls to step up as a team and win was awesome,” said Galt Head Coach Bruce Peterson.

The Boys Freshman team overcame challenges to secure its fourth-place finish and section berth in the 2-mile race. Christian Juarez led the Warriors with a 13th-place finish in 13:08. Isaac Rodriguez placed 17th (13:29), followed by Cristian Gomez, also in 17th (13:39). Jayden Sirben secured 23rd place (13:57) while Damian Miller took 29th (14:42). Also competing were Aaron Garcia (14:50),



Elliott Kramer runs in the boys' varsity race.



Morgan Jones runs in the girls' varsity race.

Trevor Rojas (15:49), Wyatt Wymer (18:02) and Diego Flores (18:10).

“The Boys Freshman team also had outstanding races considering some of our



Amilio Gomez runs in the sophomore race. Courtesy photos



Freshman Christian Juarez runs for the Warriors.

kids were sick this weekend,” Peterson noted.

Sophomore Daniel Crownover earned his section berth with a strong sixth-place finish in the Boys Sophomore 2-mile race, clocking 12:30.40. David Espinoza Terrones finished 33rd (13:46), with Aaron Gonzalez (14:27), Mason Garcia (14:59) and Amilio Gomez (15:45) also contributing. The Boys Sophomore Team finished ninth overall.

In the Boys Varsity 5K race, senior Alejandro Herrera qualified individually

with a time of 18:08. Junior Mateo Mejia Beas (21:27), Elliott Kramer (22:20), Edwyn Gallardo (23:02), Rylan Graviette (23:08), Jayden Tacket (23:50) and Julian Alvarado (24:13) also competed.

Senior Emily Razo advanced from the Girls Varsity 5K race with a time of 22:26. The Girls Varsity team achieved its highest group placement since 2022 by finishing 12th at the subsection meet. Also running were Morgan Jones (24:54), Courtney Brouwer (26:11), Paola Corral (26:49) and another runner at 28:21.

“I’m proud of our runners’ performance, especially given the challenges of illness and injury leading up to the race,” said Peterson. “Our team has strong young runners who have excelled this year. It is exciting for everyone that they were able to advance to the CIF SJS Section Championships.”

The Warriors will compete at the Section Championships at the Willow Hills Course in Folsom on Saturday, Nov. 15, looking to cap off a successful season with strong performances at the section level. ★



Jeremiah Belaski (No. 7) has the catch for Galt.



Oliver Suttentfield (No. 54) fights off a defender on his way to the end zone.



Oliver Suttentfield (No. 54) runs alongside teammate Jackson Jenks (No. 4) as he scores a touchdown.



With Waterford facing a group of Warriors, Nash Nelson (No. 72) has a quarterback sack. Photos Courtesy of Selina Nicole Photography

## Jr. Warriors Dominate Jr. Sabercats 20-0 in Playoff Opener

By Paige Lampson  
Sports Editor

**GALT, CA (MPG)** - The Jr. Warriors Jr. Novice team opened its postseason in impressive fashion, shutting out the Waterford Jr. Sabercats 20-0 in the first round of the playoffs at Warrior Stadium on Friday Nov. 1.

These two teams met once during the regular season, with the Jr. Warriors earning the win. But in this playoff rematch, the Sabercats came ready to compete, matching the Warriors’ intensity from the opening kickoff.

The first half was a defensive battle. Each squad traded stops and big tackles, refusing to let the other gain momentum. Linebackers filled gaps, defensive backs blanketed receivers and both offensive lines struggled to establish control at the line of scrimmage. At halftime, the scoreboard remained locked at 0-0, as neither team could break through.

Coming out of the break, the Jr. Warriors made key adjustments on both sides of the ball. Their offense began to find rhythm,

leaning on a strong ground attack that steadily wore down the Sabercats’ defense. The Warriors’ offensive line created holes, and their running backs showed patience and power, grinding out tough yards on every carry.

Midway through the third quarter, the Warriors finally struck first with a powerful touchdown run to take a 6-0 lead. The score energized the home crowd and shifted the game’s momentum decisively in the Warriors’ favor.

That score lit a spark throughout the entire roster. The Jr. Warriors’ defense continued to dominate, forcing turnovers, breaking up passes and shutting down every Sabercat drive. The defensive front seven consistently pressured the Waterford quarterback, while the secondary made critical plays in coverage.

The offense fed off that energy, adding two more touchdowns in the fourth quarter to extend the lead and seal the victory.

By the time the final whistle blew, the scoreboard read Jr. Warriors 20, Jr. Sabercats 0. It was a complete team

performance from start to finish: discipline, toughness and execution on full display.

“Our kids showed tremendous heart tonight,” said Jr. Warriors President Noel Campos. “To come out and play that kind of defense in a playoff game, and then finish strong when it mattered most: That’s what championship teams do. We’re proud of their effort and excited to see what they can do next week.”

With the win, the Jr. Warriors advance to the second round of the playoffs, where they’ll look to carry their momentum and continue their postseason run.

The victory marks another chapter in what has been an outstanding season for the Jr. Novice squad, which has consistently demonstrated resilience and teamwork throughout the year.

The Jr. Warriors will await their next opponent as they prepare for the second-round matchup, keeping their championship aspirations alive with a dominant playoff debut. ★