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Hosted by the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce and presented by Sacramento County Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez, the Kids Commerce Biz Expo & Career Fair marked the culmination of a six-week program in partnership with Junior Achievement. Courtesy photo

By Omella Rossi

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The inaugural Kids Commerce Biz Expo & Career Fair showcased the entrepreneurial spirit of Mesa Verde High School students on Nov. 5, giving young innovators a platform to present their business ideas and compete for cash prizes.

Hosted by the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce and presented by Sacramento County Supervisor Rosario Rodriguez, the event marked the culmination of a six-week program in partnership with Junior Achievement.



Senior Ashley Guzman took home the first-place prize of \$1,000 for her innovative nail salon concept. Courtesy photo

The initiative guided students through the basics of creative problem-solving, entrepreneurial thinking and rapid business planning.

“As a first-year program, we were extremely pleased with the level of engagement from the students and our collaboration with Mesa Verde High

School teacher, Spencer Murrish,” said Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Sheri Merrick “Approximately 35 students participated in the six-week course and two students were selected to advance to the Biz Expo for the opportunity to compete for cash prizes.”

Senior Ashley Guzman took home the first-place prize of \$1,000 for her innovative nail salon concept designed to create a peaceful, calming experience for clients who experience anxiety or prefer a quieter alternative to traditional salons. Her presentation included a

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Sacramento County Clerk of the Board Appointed



Todd Stermer

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, at its Nov. 4 meeting, unanimously concurred with the County Executive’s appointment of Todd Stermer as the county’s new Clerk of the Board, effective Dec. 1.

“Todd Stermer brings an outstanding blend of experience, innovation and public service to the Clerk of the Board’s Office,” said County Executive David Villanueva. “His commitment to accessibility, transparency and operational excellence will continue to enhance how we serve the Board, County departments and the public.”

Stermer currently serves as the city clerk for the City of Fresno, a position he has held since 2021. In that role, he oversees the administrative support and functions of the Clerk’s Office and service to the City Council and various legislative bodies.

While leading at the City Clerk’s Office, Stermer led significant improvements to accessibility and efficiency. He introduced live AI-generated translation in 61 languages, incorporated American Sign Language interpretation into City Council meetings and enhanced communication access for the deaf and hard-of-hearing community through new assistive technologies.

Stermer is an active leader in professional organizations in the industry. He served as a past chair of the Central California Clerks Association and past voting board member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. He is a recent member of the California Municipal Clerks Association Board, a Master Municipal Clerk and a Notary Public. Stermer was also a previous member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and California Municipal Clerks Association Legislative committees, which monitored, analyzed and lobbied for legislation impacting Municipal Clerks.

Prior to his current position, Stermer served in several roles for the City of Fresno from 2008 to 2021, including senior budget analyst, senior management analyst, assistant city clerk and legal assistant. ★

Council Approves Negotiations with Republic Services

By Shaunna Boyd

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights City Council members at their Nov. 12 meeting considered a \$1.47-million contract for design services with REY Engineering Inc. for the 2026 and 2027 Pavement Restoration projects.

General Services Director Regina Cave said that the cost of the design service is already included in the project funding allocated in the current budget and the scope of work will be to “put together what we call the means and the methods, which are our construction documents to be able to put these projects out to bid.”

Staff were also able to add 32 streets to the plan, for an updated total of 254 streets, or 51.1 centerline miles, to be resurfaced throughout the city. Major arterials are planned for work in 2026, including Greenback Lane, Sylvan Road and Fair Oaks Boulevard.

The council voted unanimously to

approve the contract.

The council also considered ideas to expand the city’s urban forest, which would provide numerous benefits, such as improved air quality, stormwater management, shade, habitat and property value enhancement. Staff presented potential programs to be funded through the city’s tree mitigation fund, which has a current balance of approximately \$900,000.

Community groups could apply for grants to plant trees in public spaces. Residents with new babies would be eligible for a large-tree giveaway, providing immediate shade and aesthetic benefits to families. An urban forest photo contest, previously held in 2018, could be revived as an annual event to increase community engagement and raise awareness.

There are also several sections of the Old Auburn Multi-Use Trail that lack adequate shade, so funding could be allocated to plant additional trees along the route. Many parking lots in the city also lack tree cover,

so a matching grant program could assist commercial property owners in installing trees to increase the shade canopy, improving comfort and business appeal.

Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa said the tree giveaway should also include those who buy a new home in the city. Vice Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff recommended that the photo contest have separate categories for youth, amateurs, and professionals. With council support for all the ideas, staff will create official policies for consideration at a future meeting.

Council then discussed whether to enter into negotiations with Republic Services for a new 10-year service contract for residential garbage and recycling collection, or to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to consider other providers.

Citrus Heights has contracted with Republic Services for more than 20 years and residents currently have one of the lowest rates in the region,

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at around \$33 per month for standard collection. The current contract ends in 2027, so the city can now enter a 60-day negotiation period with Republic Services, a process expected to cost the city \$50,000. If an agreement is not reached during that time, a request for proposal can then be released at an estimated cost of \$125,000.

During public comments, some residents recommended moving forward with a request for proposal to ensure competition and encourage innovation. Representatives from other collection providers also supported a request for proposal as an opportunity to offer their services to the city.

Many residents spoke in support of maintaining a contract with Republic Services. They said that the company is a valued community partner that supports the residents and provides excellent service with a high level of customer satisfaction.

Councilmember Tim Schaefer recommended moving forward with a request for proposal, stating that it's "good governance"

to ensure the city is receiving the best price possible. Vice Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff agreed that a request for proposal would provide transparency and ensure fiscal prudence.

Councilmembers Porsche Middleton and Kelsey Nelson, and Mayor Karpinski-Costa, suggested entering into the 60-day negotiation period with Republic Services to see what it will offer, and if the council is not satisfied with the proposed terms, then release the request for proposal and make comparisons.

With council consensus to start negotiations, Schaefer requested that a 2x2 (two council members and two Republic Services representatives) committee take part in those negotiations to provide feedback on a potential contract prior to its consideration at a future council meeting. The council agreed and staff will begin the negotiation process.

The Citrus Heights City Council will not hold a meeting on Nov. 26 due to the Thanksgiving holiday, so the next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 10. ★

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polished brochure and original nail art designs.

Second place and a \$750 award went to senior Jose Cabanas, who presented a forward-thinking concept for an artificial intelligence company focused on helping businesses reduce overhead costs by automating routine administrative tasks.

The chamber credited Junior Achievement with providing the curriculum that made the program possible.

"We covered Creative Problem Solving, Think Like an Entrepreneur and Rapid Business Planning," said Merrick. "This provided the students with the foundation needed to start to consider becoming an entrepreneur."

Local business leaders also joined the effort, mentoring students and providing real-world feedback during the course. Among them were Dr. Gabrielle Rasi of Almond Orchard Dental Care, Stephen Veldhuizen of VeldTech IT & Network Solutions, Miranda Viani of All Stage Canine Development and Allison Bermudez from the City of Citrus Heights.

"Everyone that attended the event truly was impressed with the program and with the students that were able to attend," said Merrick. "We had vendor booths for some of our local businesses so that the students could continue to learn what promoting a

business looks like and get feedback from professionals on lessons they've learned."

For the chamber, the event represented more than just a competition; it was an investment in the city's future.

"This is what economic development looks like," said Merrick. "This is work-force development at its purest form. This is homegrown talent and we want to keep it right here in Citrus Heights."

Reflecting on the students' efforts, Merrick said that the most inspiring part of the experience was their determination.

"The resiliency of these kids and what a lot of them are going through at home is sometimes hard to hear," said Merrick. "However, they have that fighting spirit and came up with some amazing business ideas and I hope they never stop working to achieve their goals."

After a successful launch, the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce plans to make the Kids Commerce Biz Expo an annual event.

"Year one is always the hardest because of the unknowns," said Merrick. "But we've already come up with creative ways to incorporate even more students next year and expand participation. We're also connecting our winner with Junior Achievement so they can compete in the NAWBO program and perhaps win even more prizes." ★



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Veterans Day Observed After Co-Founder's Passing

Sylvan Cemetery Honors Local Heroes



The Veterans Day observance included program of patriotic music and popular favorites performed by the all-volunteer Ben Ali Shriner Band which has been performing in the Sacramento region for more than 40 years.

Story and photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights Veterans Community Center presented its annual "Salute to Veterans" luncheon concert and flag retirement ceremony on Veterans Day, Tuesday, Nov. 11.

This year marked the first Veterans Day observance at the historic center at 6921 Sylvan Road without co-founder Jeanne Rounsavell, who died on her birthday on Aug. 10 at age 86.

Rounsavell helped found the nonprofit Veterans Community Center in 2013 with her late husband, Jim Rounsavell, with the goal of creating a place where all veterans could feel welcome and supported. Jim Rounsavell died in 2021.

Volunteers from the Sunrise Christian Food Ministry in Citrus Heights served a lunch of hot dogs, chili, apple pie and other desserts to a substantial crowd who gathered on the center grounds.

This year's Veteran's Day observance also provided a special moment to honor, celebrate and remember the lasting legacy of Jeanne Rounsavell

whom many fondly called "Mom," pausing to remember her warmth, dedication and kindness.

The Veterans Day observance included a program of patriotic music and popular favorites performed by the all-volunteer Ben Ali Shriner Band which has performed in the Sacramento region for more than 40 years.

Guests were invited later in the afternoon to participate in the flag retirement ceremony in honor or memory of a veteran.

The Veterans Community Center was originally built in 1862 as a schoolhouse and was called Sylvan School. Years later, it became a central meeting place for the community and served as its community center for more than 40 years.

Acquired by the couple in 2013, the center, which has yellow paint and a rooftop cupola acknowledging the schoolhouse it once was, has become a place for veterans of all military branches in the community to gather among their peers.

The center serves up to 150 veterans each month by providing meals twice a week. In addition, veterans and their guests are

welcome to use the center's recreational amenities and educational resources during weekday hours, said facilities manager Vince Robles.

Inside the center, surrounded by reminders of the building's rich history and current purpose, Jeanne Rounsavell's framed portrait looks over the top of a well-played piano.

The Veterans Community Center also provides a "Safe Room" center for all military veterans, particularly seniors, disabled and those who suffer with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), providing emotional and physiological benefits through socialization, activity, counseling and recreational therapies.

The center is secured by the Veterans Golf Park for Disabled Vets, a nonprofit corporation (number 3412764), continuing to carry forward the vision of Jim and Jeanne Rounsavell, who were veterans.

Voluntary donations to support the center's programs and activities are always welcome, Robles said.

The Veterans Community Center is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Brunch and lunch alternate on Wednesdays. The center serves lunch to veterans on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a suggested donation from 11 to 11:30 a.m. The center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

For a complete full list of weekly and monthly activities during November, visit online.veteranscommunitycenterch.com or email info@veteranscommunityctr.org. ★



Veterans and community members, including military and first responders, gathered at the annual Sylvan Cemetery Veteran's Day service. Courtesy photo

Story and photo by Elise Spleiss

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Sylvan Cemetery's Veteran's Day service last week opened with the traditional Posting of Colors (flags) by the Citrus Heights Police Department Color Guard and music by the Folsom Harmony Express men's choir entertaining attendees.

Emcee Jim Montenton, a member of the Sylvan Cemetery Board and American Legion Post 637, opened the service reminding the almost full house that this is a special year: the 250th anniversary of the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and the U.S. Marine Corp.

Sacramento County Supervisor Rosario Rodriquez greeted attendees and thanked those who have served.

Former Sacramento County Supervisor Sue Frost and her husband, Jack, surprised the crowd, as they were visiting from Arkansas.

Citrus Heights Police Chief Alex Turcotte talked about how many veterans return from their military service and exchange their military uniform for a blue one as a police officer, a different color as a fireman or other security jobs to continue to protect their community.

Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa thanked all veterans and the families that have stood with them. She read a piece that "Freedom has a heartbeat that beats within the hearts of all veterans."

Citrus Heights City Manager Ash Feeny thanked all veterans for what they have done and the many that continue to

serve in different ways. He spoke about the Veterans Memorial Project now at Citrus Heights. Funds are being raised for the design and eventual construction of an almost full-scale replica of the Vietnam Wall in Washington D.C. To learn more, visit www.chvmp.org.

American Legion Commander Charles Stone said those who serve not only serve the people but the idea that this country is worth fighting for. Veterans came from all over, from big cities to small towns, from all professions, to answer the call to service. Stone also thanked all the family relatives who made their service possible.

Deborah Bartlett with the Daughters of the American Revolution said, "They say you die twice, once when you stop breathing and again when your name is spoken for the last time."

Of the 761 from California who died during the Global War period, four are from Citrus Heights.

Three Daughters of the American Revolution members, including Sue Frost read from cards depicting the service history of those four, one who died in Afghanistan, two in Baghdad and one in Iraq. At the end of the service, they dedicated a Trex bench made from plastics they had collected.

Finishing out the day, Monteton reminded attendees that 1,400 veterans are buried at the Sylvan Cemetery, including nine from the Civil War.

The Harmony Express group sang, "God Bless America" followed by the three-volley (rifle) salute and Taps. ★

Lakeview Village Honors Their Veterans

By Elise Spleiss

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - Lakeview Village Mobile Home Park's deep-rooted appreciation for their veterans was evident Nov. 11 throughout the annual Veteran's Day breakfast in Citrus Heights.

Tucked away off Van Maren Lane near the corner of Old Auburn Road, the close-knit adult community of 500 is largely made up of active seniors.

Resident Diane Weber coordinated this year's Veterans Day event. After working for the Veteran's Administration for 20 years, she continues finding ways to work with veterans wherever she can. The clubhouse on Nov. 11 was

packed with nearly 125 veterans, Lakeview residents and guests.

A continuous slide show on a classroom size screen presented each veteran's unique story told through photos from their past.

Resident Dennis Ford was responsible for creating each veteran's page on the slide show. Close to 50 men and women veterans submitted a photo or photos from when they served, as well as a photo of themselves today. Included in the slideshow was their branch of service, war/conflict and where they were deployed.

Some of Lakeview Village's residents served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam and many have received multiple

awards, including the Purple Heart. Veterans having served during peace time also shared their stories.

Breakfast overseer Paul Marsh and his volunteers served more than 100 plates of creamed chipped beef on a biscuit (SOS), a traditional dish which was a military staple from World War I through the Vietnam War.

Citrus Heights Mayor Jayna Karpinski-Costa greeted the audience, reiterating how powerful the photos were.

"I can almost picture the war you were in when I see the youngster picture," Karpinski-Costa said.

Upon entering the clubhouse, guests were greeted by Veterans Community Center volunteers.

Later, Veterans Community Center President Michelle Grant gave a brief history of the center, including the legacy that community center co-founder Jean Rounsavell left them when she recently died.

Grant invited all veterans to visit the community center which offers many services but whose main purpose is for veterans to gather, be uplifted and develop a camaraderie with those who have had the same experiences. As the morning ended, the band played patriotic music, including the Armed Forces Medley.

Behind the main hall, a wall honoring past and present veterans continues to tell their stories.

A collage with the faces of

all veterans who have lived there, "Lakeview Veterans Yesterday and Today," hangs next to a glass case of military memorabilia donated by families, including medals, photos, statues, a deactivated hand grenade and bullets.

Residents will be back in the clubhouse on Dec. 4 for the annual Teddy Bear Luncheon where they will welcome Citrus Heights Police Department members and deliver hundreds of teddy bears they have collected. The teddy bears are handed out during the holiday season and also placed in the backs of police cars. The teddy bears are handed out to young crime victims with the hopes of bringing children comfort in a moment of distress. ★

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Saving a Divided Democracy, One Club Membership at a Time

Why America Needs More Clubs and Fewer Spectators

By Patsy McGavock, JustServe.org

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

How does an ordinary person help save a divided democracy? Fifty years of data suggest: start or join a club and bring others with you. Do things, not view things, together.

In 1830, a French aristocrat studying American democracy noticed something unique: Americans form clubs. We formed lots of them. Alexis de Tocqueville called associations the “great free schools of democracy,” where every day Americans practiced the skills of self-government, skills such as listening, leading, trusting, and solving problems through collaboration and compromise.

Nearly 200 years later, it feels we face a crisis of isolation and division. But the answer, perhaps surprisingly, hasn't changed: we need to be together. Regularly. In person. Whether it's a civic club, neighborhood barbecue, sports league or choir practice, the future of our democracy depends on it.

“There is no America without clubs,” said Pete Davis, civic advocate and co-director of the 2024 documentary “Join or Die,” which explores the life's work of social scientist Robert Putnam. “What happens when a society built on associations stops saying ‘Sign me up’ and starts saying, ‘I'm not really a joiner?’”

The film's answer is clear: we come apart. Putnam first raised warning in the 1990s, using an analogy: while Americans still bowled, they now bowled alone. Every area of civic life, including dinner parties, picnics and family meals, had declined steadily since the 1960s, many by 50%. Trust in government had declined 75% to 25%.

Through decades of research, Putnam found the most successful democracies, those that were stable, effective and trusted; shared one key trait: dense

networks of civic and social connection.

“Politics, yes,” he said, “but more importantly, reading groups, soccer teams, newspaper readership. It was layers of social trust.”

Sorting dozens of variables to rank newly independent democratic Italian regions in the 1970s, Putnam found the correlation between civic engagement and democratic success was, in his words, “a straight line that almost never happens in social science.”

In short, democracy doesn't start in Washington; it starts locally.

So why the decline?

When reviewing Putnam's research, U.S. Congress couldn't agree on a cause. But Putnam and others observed: “We let the rhythms of American life change.” We lost our tempo of weekly, monthly and annual civic gatherings.

Over time, we moved indoors with our TVs, online with the web, and became twitter-pated by social media. We grew tired: longer commutes, busier schedules, increasingly hostile national discourse. Slowly, we lost the warmth and accountability of face-to-face interaction, especially where we disagree.

As labor organizer Jane McAlevey bluntly put it: “You have to show up face to face, toe to toe, and engage in serious and meaningful conversation. Then you realize you have more in common than you don't.”

“And then you all meet for choir practice later,” added Putnam.

We turn the corner when we stop watching, stop scrolling and start showing up.

We're also losing hope and the emotional toll hits young people hardest. Gen Z and Millennials report record levels of burnout, loneliness and despair. In a *Fortune* interview, baby-boomer NYU professor Suzy Welch recalled asking a 25-year-old freelancer why she

and her peers felt “just so burnt out,” when boomers worked just as hard. The reply stopped her: “But you had hope.”

Welch reflected: “We all did. We believed that if you worked hard, you were rewarded. That's the disconnect.”

Restoring hope in young people with them, not just for them, is essential to renewing our divided democracy.

There's reason for hope. We've done this before.

In the early 1900s, during America's Gilded Age, the country faced deep social upheaval with industrialization, drastic financial inequality, party gridlock and a sense that America was falling apart. Yet, these divisions drove people to connect to make change. They knew they needed each other to do it. They formed clubs.

By 1910, a third of adult men belonged to at least one club. The General Federation of Women's Clubs grew from its 1890 founding to more than 1,000 chapters in eight years. African American clubs, student organizations, company clubs, civic clubs, local sports leagues and unions all multiplied.

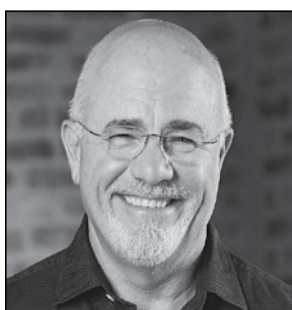
The result? A 60-year upswing in democratic health, even through depression, hard public discourse and two world wars. Average Americans turned it around. We can again.

As Putnam said, “The future of your country is in your hands. You can decide to change history.”

Learn how in the next issue of *Community Connection*. Until then, I'd love to hear from you.

Ponder this: *What do you love to do—and how can you connect with 10 other people to do it, together and regularly?* Email me. Let's start a movement—together.

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Dave Ramsey

Dave Ramsey Says Lack of Knowledge, Immaturity or Worse?

Dear Dave,

My girlfriend and I have been dating seriously for a little over a year. We're both 28, and I know I love her, but there's something that worries me. She's very smart, but at the same time, she's not very responsible with money. I know that no one is perfect, but sometimes she'll get behind on her bills in order to do things like buy clothes or go to concerts. How should I approach talking to her and explaining my concern about this? I'd like to ask her to marry me sometime next year.

—Lincoln

Dear Lincoln,

Congratulations on finding the lady you want to marry! I'm also glad you're looking at things from a mature point of view where the future is concerned.

Dating is fun. And marriage is wonderful, when you've found the right person to spend your life

with. But there's something I want you to keep in mind. In a marriage, real life shows up in a hurry. That's why it's so important that couples be on the same page when it comes to their lives together, their hopes and dreams—and their finances. Unexpected things can arise that make life hard, even when you're with someone you love.

If I were you, I'd move slowly and see if she starts showing some signs of getting her spending under control. To be honest, her financial behavior is pretty immature right now. Sometimes when folks act this way, it's just a phase. Or, it's a case where they weren't taught how to properly manage money when they were younger.

If this is the case here, I'd recommend talking to her about it gently, explaining your concern and maybe introducing her to the idea of living on a monthly budget. If you're already doing this, it would be the perfect opportunity to demonstrate how it works for you, and how it would make han-

dling finances as a couple easier in the future. That way, once she understands the process—and the value of having a plan for spending money on paper before the month begins—it will be easier for her to stick to it.

But if it doesn't work, and this way of living turns out to be a character flaw, I promise you it will cause issues later on. And those issues will begin to cloud every other aspect of your relationship.

Best of luck, Lincoln. God bless you both!

—Dave

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



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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



November 5 seems like a long time ago, but that's the last time the Sacramento Kings won a basketball game. Since then, it has been a string of defeats that now registers six with an average deficit of 20 points per defeat.

When things are going this badly, it's important to look for a lifeline. A sliver of hope or a whisp of sunlight on a dreary day.

Fans are looking forward to the return of 4th year man Keegan Murray to help right the ship.

While Keegan has not ascended to the level of an all-star, Keegan has made definite strides in particular with regards to his defensive presence and his rebounding.

Domantas Sabonis is off to a slow start due to injuries and is still ranked 4th in the NBA in rebounding, but he needs some help. Drew Eubanks has been a pleasant surprise coming off the bench and keeping the Kings in games, but Jonas Valanciunas has been sorely missed.

Gone are the days when the celebrated big man would come off the bench and give the Kings perhaps the best one-two punch in basketball.

Fans will forever scratch their heads and ask the question why, as the Kings allowed Valanciunas to walk out the back door and sign with the Denver Nuggets. Not surprisingly, the Nuggets are in the top 10 in rebounding while the Kings rank 25th in the league.

But the conundrum is not just the lack of rebounding or even the lack of talent on this Sacramento team. It resides in their inability to work together as a team and play up to their individual ability. Cohesive they are not, and sadly the answer at point guard in Dennis Schrader has been a bust when he's in the starting lineup.

Head coach Doug Christie sent Schrader to the bench when his contribution became almost nonexistent, and surprisingly Dennis responded when 2 stellar games in a row.

Yes, there is talent on this team, but knowing how to place the talent so the team begins to flow has been a mystery.

Ten games back with a 3-11 start is far from what the Kings franchise had

expected, and it has prompted pundits and fans alike to begin calling for a complete rebuilding of the team.

What that represents to Kings fans is the likelihood that your favorite player may soon be playing for another franchise, and it's a hard pill to swallow.

For me, over the course of just one year, I saw Davion Mitchell, DeAaron Fox, Trey Lyles, Jonas Valanciunas, and Isaac Jones all cast to the winds, and I believe the Kings would be a much better team with a much better record if they had all 5 of these players back.

Bad decisions simply must stop. Some were made from the Monte McNair administration, but some are from current brain trust with Scott Perry at the helm. Make no mistake about it, Vivek Ranadive has had his hand in many if not all the player fax paus, and if things are going to change for the better, the owner must start letting the GM and coaches have some level of autonomy.

But fans are buying tickets and going to games with expectations. How can the players and coaches turn humbling defeats into victories.

Coaches must start analyzing the talent on this team and putting them in positions to win. That means using the strengths of every player and giving him the opportunity to use those strengths.

The Kings have a player under a guaranteed contract that has played in one game for limited minutes by the name of Doug McDermott. McDermott has a reputation for sinking 3's with great consistency but he has all but been forgotten.

Yes, there are bigger fish to fry than this example, but it starts with the coaching, and getting a maximum effort out of every player every night. Fans need to see that the players care as much as they do.

This team can still win games and even back-to-back games. Let's keep rooting for this squad and see if we can make some noise.

Don't lose heart Kings fans. These players are our extended family, and we need to treat them that way!

All the best!

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

California is a High-Tax State

Are More Taxes Balm for Its Budget Deficits?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

California has long had the reputation — backed by copious data — of being a high-tax state, which made Gov. Gavin Newsom's declaration last June, in a prerecorded State of the State address, a bit startling.

"Here's the truth Republicans never tell you: California is not a high-tax state," Newsom said.

Later he clarified his assertion, saying California's taxes on low-income residents are relatively lower than those in red states.

"Catering to big business and the rich is also why red states tax their lowest earners far more than California does. They punish you when you're struggling, but give you a free pass when you're wealthy," the governor said.

There's some truth to that. California's very progressive income tax system, with the nation's highest marginal rate of 13.3%, makes its state budget highly dependent on taxing incomes of its wealthiest residents, while those in low- and moderate-income brackets pay little or no income taxes.

Nevertheless, taxes imposed by state and local governments put California in the highest ranks of the 50 states, not only in total — more than \$400 billion a year from all sources — but in per capita terms

— more than \$10,000 each — and as a percentage of its \$3.6 trillion in total personal income.

The Washington-based Tax Foundation ranks Californians' state and local tax burden 48th, one of the highest in the nation, out-taxed only by New York and New Jersey.

"California combines high tax rates with an uncompetitive tax structure, yielding one of the worst rankings on the Index," the Tax Foundation says.

The state's \$322 billion 2025-26 budget counts on \$297 billion from about a dozen different taxes, while cities, counties, school districts and other local agencies take in another \$100 billion or so, primarily from property taxes and local shares of the sales tax.

The budget anticipates \$207 billion in general fund revenues. So far revenue is running a bit ahead, but general fund spending is budgeted at \$226 billion. Maneuvers to cover the gap include shifting \$7.1 billion from emergency reserves, pushing the June 2026 state payroll into the following fiscal year and tapping special funds for loans.

State budget experts call it a "structural deficit" that will continue indefinitely in the absence of either sharp spending reductions or tax increases.

There's little appetite for the former in a Legislature dominated by Democrats but some support for the latter. The California Taxpayers Association recently reported that legislators proposed more than \$16 billion in new taxes and fees during the recently concluded 2025 session.

The battle over taxes

appears to be headed for the 2026 ballot, with two pro-taxation measures being pushed by public employee unions and other left-leaning groups and one that would create a new hurdle for local tax increases.

One proposal, backed by the California Teachers Association, would make permanent a temporary tax increase on high-income Californians, first approved in 2012 to close a budget deficit and later extended to 2030 via a ballot measure. All of its revenue, as much as \$15 billion a year, would go to K-12 schools and community colleges.

A second measure, sponsored mainly by the Service Employees International Union-United Healthcare Workers West, would impose a one-time 5% tax on the wealth of California's billionaires, raising about \$100 billion, which would be spent at the rate of \$25 billion a year to cover the state's structural deficit and prop up health care services.

The third, sponsored by the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, would overturn a state Supreme Court ruling and re-impose a two-thirds voter approval requirement on all proposed local taxes designated for particular purposes.

California is a blue state with relatively high taxes now. Do voters want to add more or make it difficult to add more?

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

Did the Obama-era Social Security Tax Cuts Hurt the Program?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be retiring early next year but my question to you is: During the Obama administration, payroll taxes that employees pay were cut in half from 6.2% to 3.1%, while the employer's part stayed the same at 6.2%. This continued for around a year I think. This was an attempt at giving people a tax cut, which I think was a bad idea or maybe the wrong way to have done it. How much damage do you think this may have caused to Social Security? **Signed: Soon to Retire.**

Dear Soon to Retire: FYI, the Obama-era cut in the employee portion of FICA payroll taxes and SECA (self-employment tax) was a temporary measure, which has long since expired. However, the legislation which enabled that cut in employee FICA/SECA taxes also included

a provision to replenish the Social Security Trust Funds from the General US Treasury in an amount equal to the estimated loss of tax revenue to the Trust Funds. So, in effect, there was little or no impact on the Social Security Trust Funds.

FYI, the Trustees of Social Security have been projecting for many years that the Social Security reserves would be fully depleted in the mid-2030s, unless Congress takes action to reform the SS program. Unfortunately, Congress has not yet taken any meaningful action to accomplish that reform, and the current projection from the Trustees is that all Social Security reserves will be depleted in about 2033, necessitating an across the board cut of about 21% in everyone's benefit. Time is running short, and we see signs that Congress is finally starting to seriously discuss Social Security reform.

At AMAC, we have developed and submitted to various Congressional Representatives a reform plan which would restore Social Security to full solvency. You can see AMAC's suggested plan at www.amac.us/social-security-guarantee. And

AMAC is working every day in Washington, D.C. to promote Social Security reform to avoid future cuts in benefits. We believe and hope that Congress will eventually reform the Social Security program to avoid future benefit cuts but, unfortunately, not until they can muster sufficient bipartisanship to make the hard choices needed. To this end, contacting your Congressional Representative to demand Social Security reform now would be a good thing to do. The longer Congress delays reform, the harder the choices will be.

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Yes, Ozempic for All

rect that Americans should eat better and work out more. But our body mass index has been increasing for about 150 years, as we've made calories cheaper and more abundant over time. As it happens, the things that we like to eat or drink that are bad for us -- fast food, soda, chips, cookies -- are cheap, convenient and taste good.

Even if we manage to convince people that they should eat more fruit, vegetables and legumes, while taking a Peloton class every day, not everyone is going to do it as a matter of lifestyle constraints, individual preference or simple lack of willpower.

There's also the fact that once you put on weight, physiological changes make it more difficult to shed it.

About 40% of Americans are obese. Wouldn't it be great for them -- and for American society at large, which spends roughly \$170 billion a year on obesity-related medical costs -- if there were a safe, relatively convenient way for them to slim down?

Lo and behold, here it is. The GLP-1s started out as a treatment for diabetes and have exploded in popularity as weight-loss drugs.

Trump's reflex to make it easier for people to obtain Ozempic and the like -- while, not incidentally, boosting his reputation as the nation's foremost deal-maker -- is the correct one. Drug pricing is complicated, but by expanding the sale of the drugs direct to consumers, the companies can reduce prices. Meanwhile, Medicare will do

more to cover the drugs, also bringing down their cost.

According to Gallup, about 12% of Americans report having used a GLP-1 drug at some point for weight loss, a stunning increase from about 6% in early 2024. Not coincidentally, Gallup is also now showing a slight dip in obesity. From 2008 -- when the polling organization regularly began asking about weight -- to 2022, the percentage of obese Americans increased by 14 percentage points, to nearly 40%.

Where any number of fashionable diets and continual government exhortations for more physical exertion have failed (before RFK Jr., Michelle Obama was urging, "Let's Move!") drugs to slow digestion and reduce the urge to eat are working.

The percentage of Americans using GLP-1s will inevitably keep growing, especially if prices continue to go down, if more oral GLP-1s come online in addition to injectables, and if other medical benefits of the drugs emerge. GLP-1s could easily match the saturation level of statins, the cholesterol-reducing drugs.

By all means, we should all eat more arugula. Until then, we have found a pharmaceutical path to alleviating an ongoing health crisis. President Trump and the drug companies are to be congratulated for their creative cooperation to make it available to more Americans.

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

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DOJ Sues California Over Prop 50's 'Power Grab'

*The Lawsuit Cites the Equal Protection Clause:
'Our Constitution Does Not Tolerate This Racial Gerrymander'*

By Megan Barth,
California Globe

Today (Nov. 13), the U.S. Department of Justice, led by Attorney General Pam Bondi, announced they have joined a lawsuit against California's redistricting ballot initiative, Proposition 50, which overwhelmingly passed in a special election last week. The lawsuit names Governor Gavin Newsom and Secretary of State Shirley Weber as defendants (see below).

"Race cannot be used as a proxy to advance political interests, but that is precisely what the California General Assembly did with Prop 50," said Jesus A. Osete, Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights. "Californians were sold an illegal, racially gerrymandered map, but the U.S. Constitution prohibits its use in 2026 and beyond."

In a social media post, AG Bondi states, "Newsom should be concerned about keeping Californians safe and shutting down Antifa violence, not rigging his state for political gain."

In an emailed statement to the Associated Press, Bondi continued, "California's redistricting scheme is a brazen power grab that tramples on civil rights and mocks the democratic process. Governor Newsom's attempt to entrench one-party rule and silence millions of Californians will not stand."

Newsom spokesperson Brandon Richards responded in a statement, "These losers lost at the ballot box and soon they will also lose in court."

The lawsuit cites, "Race cannot be used as a proxy to advance political interests, but that is precisely what the California General Assembly did with Proposition 50 — the recent ballot initiative that junked California's pre-existing electoral map in favor of a rush-job rejiggering of California's congressional district lines."

The AP reports: "The Trump administration accuses California of racial gerrymandering in violation of the Constitution by using race as a factor to favor Hispanic voters with the new map. It asks a judge to prohibit California from using the new map in any future elections." (Last) week, The Globe reported that the



Gov. Newsom signs ACA 8, redistricting on ballot. Photo courtesy of gov.ca.gov

United States Supreme Court could rain on Newsom's Prop 50 parade by finding that redistricting by race is unconstitutional, in that race-based redistricting could violate the Constitution's Equal Protection Clause.

A case currently with the U.S. Supreme Court about racial gerrymandering could nullify California's just-passed Proposition 50, the mid-decade redistricting scheme Governor Gavin Newsom and Democrats cooked up ahead of the 2026 midterm elections to secure more Democrat seats in Congress by redrawing district maps, or "gerrymandering" numerous California Republicans out of their congressional districts.

The Supreme Court will decide in *Louisiana v. Callais* whether the state's intentional consideration of race to create these voting districts violates the Constitution's Equal Protection Clause. The Supreme Court could also invalidate Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and require race-neutral maps.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 is a landmark U.S. federal law that prohibits racial discrimination in voting, aiming to protect the voting rights of all citizens, particularly racial minorities.

The high court appears ready to strike down Louisiana's 2024 congressional map as unconstitutional racial gerrymandering — a violation of the 14th Amendment's equal protection clause.

Elections Law attorney Mark Meuser explained in detail that "The Supreme

Court could soon change how every congressional map in America is drawn, including California:"

"*Callais v. Louisiana*, a case that could reshape redistricting for decades.

Here's what's at stake: for years, federal courts have interpreted the Voting Rights Act (VRA) to require states to gerrymander congressional districts so minority groups are virtually guaranteed the ability to elect a representative of their same race. *Callais* challenges that approach, arguing that the current interpretation of the VRA violates the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution because it forces states to make race the predominant factor in drawing district lines.

Democratic-aligned advocacy groups have weaponized this reading of the VRA to carve out safe Democratic seats. Instead of drawing compact districts that follow cities, counties, and communities of interest, states are pressured to create bizarre, snake-like districts designed to hit racial targets. The result is a distorted Congress.

In 2024, Donald Trump won the presidential election decisively, yet Republicans hold only a razor-thin margin in the House. That mismatch is not by chance. When districts are drawn to guarantee that one party always wins, it shifts power away from the people and toward special interests. It lets political insiders and activist groups pick the politicians who govern us, rather than letting voters choose their representatives.

If the Court agrees with *Callais*, the decision could dramatically limit the use of race in redistricting nationwide. That means the gerrymandered maps Gavin Newsom is pushing with Prop 50 could be ruled unconstitutional. This is one of the most important redistricting cases in decades. The outcome could restore fairness, compactness, and accountability to how congressional districts are drawn."

The DOJ's lawsuit uses the public statements made by California Democrats as the basis for their complaint:

In the press, California's legislators and governor sold a plan to promote the interests of Democrats in the upcoming midterm elections. But amongst themselves and on the debate floor, the focus was not partisanship, but race.

"[T]he first thing" that map drawer Paul Mitchell "did in drawing the new map"—the "number one thing that [he] first started thinking about"—was to create a new "majority/minority Latino district." And legislators focused—not on the purported voter dilution of Democrats elsewhere across the country—but on the supposed dilution of the voting power of racial groups in other states. They feared that a "Latino voice in Texas is worth one third of the representation as a white voice." That Texas would "slid[e] back" to the days of "Black Codes and Jim Crow." And that Texas legislators would "silence the voices of Latino voters." Proposition 50 would serve as a "shield" against "racist maps," they told each other, so that minorities in California could "stand up and be counted." The end result is a map that manipulates district lines in the name of bolstering the voting power of Hispanic Californians because of their race.

Our Constitution does not tolerate this racial gerrymander.

Should the Supreme Court find that states have gerrymandered districts based on race, thereby violating the Equal Protection Clause, an estimated 30 states may be impacted and forced to redistrict ahead of the 2026 midterm elections, in a outcome that could lead to Republicans drawing 19 more seats and Democrats losing up to a dozen local seats, primarily in the South. A decision by the Supreme Court is expected as early as next Spring. ★

Prop. 50 Passage Sets Off a Chain of Political and Legal Maneuvers

By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

When California voters overwhelmingly passed Proposition 50 on Tuesday (Nov. 4), they set in motion political and possibly legal maneuvers that will ultimately determine whether its overt purpose, increasing Democratic congressional members by five or more seats, becomes reality.

The first is a political scramble among politicians in both parties to determine who will run where in next year's congressional elections.

Ambitious Democrats are lining up to run in the newly gerrymandered districts, some of which have been tailored to favor particular candidates.

The most obvious example is a district that stretches from the heavily Republican northeastern corner of the state to the northern suburbs of San Francisco, seemingly made to order for Mike McGuire, the outgoing president pro tem of the state Senate. In creating that district, Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature aim to unseat Republican Doug LaMalfa, who now represents northeastern California in Congress.

The plan would, if successful, shrink Republican districts from nine to four, meaning that in some areas, such as in inland Southern California, current GOP incumbents would be compelled to either retire or joust among themselves for survival.

Prop. 50's political impacts hinge on the assumption that maps ratified by the ballot measure actually are in effect for next year's elections. While it's likely they will be used, there's a possibility that courts will intervene.

By happenstance, Prop. 50's pro-Democrat gerrymander and the recent pro-Republican gerrymander in Texas are occurring just as the U.S. Supreme Court weighs a major case involving the federal Voting Rights Act. Its outcome could impact both.

The Voting Rights Act, passed by Congress in 1965 to bolster the civil rights of minorities, particularly Black people in Southern states, prohibits any voting procedure "which results in a denial or abridgement of the right of any citizen of

the United States to vote on account of race or color."

While the law bars exclusionary voting laws, it has been widely interpreted to require creation of districts specifically to increase chances for racial groups to elect representatives from their communities.

California's independent redistricting commission, in plans drawn after the 2010 and 2020 censuses, adopted that interpretation, and the newly gerrymandered districts do as well.

However, the interpretation is being challenged before the Supreme Court in a case out of Louisiana, and its conservative members, a majority, have indicated both during arguments and in past rulings that they may consider it to be racial discrimination against white voters.

"This court held that race-based affirmative action in higher education must come to an end," Solicitor Gen. D. John Sauer wrote in his brief in the Louisiana case. The same is true, he said, for using the Voting Rights Act to draw legislative districts that are likely to elect Black or Latino candidates.

President Donald Trump's Justice Department monitored Tuesday's (Nov. 4) voting and could contend that California's new congressional maps are discriminatory and should be suspended until the Supreme Court renders its decision.

Trump seemed to hint about intervention in a Truth Social post Tuesday (Nov. 4) denouncing Prop. 50 as a "GIANT SCAM" and said that mailed ballots, by far the most prominent form of voting, disenfranchise Republicans and are "under very serious legal and criminal review." He closed with "STAY TUNED!"

In 2001, the threat of intervention by Republican President George W. Bush's administration thwarted plans by California's Legislature for a gerrymander favoring Democrats, forcing them to make a deal with Republicans on maps that maintained the partisan status quo.

Even a brief interruption could undermine what Newsom and the Legislature seek in Prop. 50 because candidate filing for congressional districts opens on Dec. 19, and if the new maps are in legal limbo, current districts would be used for the 2026 elections. ★

McGuire Challenges GOP Rep. LaMalfa for New Prop. 50 Seat

By Maya C. Miller,
CALMatters.org

California Senate President Pro Tem Mike McGuire has officially launched his challenge to longtime Republican Rep. Doug LaMalfa in a congressional district drastically redrawn by Proposition 50.

The Santa Rosa Democrat, who will hit his 12-year term limit in the Legislature next year, was widely viewed once the new maps were drawn as a prospective challenger to LaMalfa, a rice farmer from Oroville who has represented the North State in Congress since 2013.

LaMalfa's current district stretches from Siskiyou County and much of the Oregon-California border down through rural Shasta and Sutter Counties. Under the new voter-approved Prop. 50 maps, the district shifts south out of Modoc County and jogs westward to pick up parts of Sonoma County and McGuire's home base of Santa Rosa.

McGuire will face heavy skepticism from some northern rural residents in the 1st Congressional District, who just a few years ago tried to secede from liberal California to form the conservative "state of Jefferson" with rural parts of southern Oregon.

In an apparent effort to head off inevitable accusations of being out of touch with rural life, McGuire spent much of his launch video doubling down on promises to prioritize farmers' needs and "make sure rural communities get their fair share."

"I know these roads. I



Senate President Pro Tem Mike McGuire speaks during a press conference before Gov. Gavin Newsom signs the Election Rigging Response Act at the Capitol Annex Swing Space in Sacramento on Aug. 21. Photo by Miguel Gutierrez Jr., CALMatters

know these towns," McGuire says as he strolls down a tree-lined country road, a white pickup truck clearly visible in the background. "This district is big, it's rural, and now more than ever, it needs a fighter."

After devastating wildfires that wiped out thousands of homes and killed dozens in Sonoma and Napa counties in 2017, McGuire made wildfire prevention his signature issue in the Legislature. Following the Palisades and Eaton fires in January, McGuire ushered through an ambitious 13-bill package that expanded insurance coverage and sped up rebuilding of damaged homes after destructive fires.

His critics have said McGuire's singular focus on wildfire issues sometimes clouded his ability to balance and prioritize other policy areas, especially once he ascended to the role of pro tem last February, succeeding the well-regarded former Sen. Toni Atkins and becoming the chief traffic cop for which bills could come to the Senate floor.

McGuire also developed a

reputation for holding out on negotiations until he could extract a win for his policy priorities or his constituents: He was the top recipient of budget "earmarks" for local projects back home, funds that he will surely tout as major wins during his campaign.

During last-minute negotiations on a multi-pronged climate and energy policy deal earlier this fall, Gov. Gavin Newsom had to make an eleventh hour visit to the Capitol to push McGuire and his team onto the same page as him and Assembly leadership.

McGuire promised in his launch video to deliver "no drama, no BS, no gimmicks" if elected to Congress. And while he mostly shied away from the argument that he would flip a seat from Republican to Democratic control, he did acknowledge that he would push back on the Trump administration.

"Don't worry, I will always stand up to the destructive policies of Donald Trump," he said in the video. "I'm all in — every damn day." ★

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ALL 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07773
Blauberg CA LLC, 830 Morris Tumpike, Suite 201, Short Hills, NJ 07078 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Blau & Berg Company" 2710 Gateway Oaks Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 17, 2025
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BLAU 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07676
Hanita Ayu, 653 Howe Avenue Apt #21, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Addis Flavor House" 1120 Fulton Avenue Unit N, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 14, 2025
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
ADDIS 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07903
Panagiotis Alevizos, 4223 Privas Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Extra Care Audio Video" 4223 Privas Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 23, 2025
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EXTRA 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-06958
Firestone Nam LLC, 11642 Victory Boulevard #1001, North Hollywood, CA 91606 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rosalee Consulting/Firestone Creative" 2108 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 16, 2025
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ROSALEE 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07905
Ricardo Martinez Castro, 3940 Cleardale Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "RMC Tile and Stone" 3940 Cleardale Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 23, 2025
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RMC 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07888
Stroy Inc., 6133 W 4th Street, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Showerin.com/Showerin" 6133 W 4th Street, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 22, 2025
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SHOWERIN 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07915
Jorge Soto, 14 Ness Court, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Capital City Creations" 14 Ness Court, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 23, 2025
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CAPITAL 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07687
4001 Restaurant Inc, 4001 Freeport Boulevard Suite 110, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Onigiri Burger" 4001 Freeport Boulevard Suite 110, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 15, 2025
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ONIGIRI 11-21-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07962
Zimei Gao, 2848 Arden Way Suite 210A, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jolly Bunny" 2848 Arden Way Suite 210A, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 24, 2025
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JOLLY 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07977
Felipe Nunez, 32 Twin Leaf Court, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Seguro Electric" 32 Twin Leaf Court, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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SEGURO 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07203
Catherine Wai Hin Ng, 879 Florin Road, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Paramita Acupuncture Clinic" 1721 Eastern Avenue, Suite 10, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County September 25, 2025
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PARAMITA 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07845
Elias Martinez Jr., 8152 Follett Court, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Encino E & I Lawn Care" 8152 Follett Court, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of

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Publish: November 7, 14, 21, 28, 2025
ENCINO 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07717
CONF LLC, 53 Village Green Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pipeliners/Pipeliners Drain Cleaning Plumbing and Pipelining" 53 Village Green Drive, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 16, 2025
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PIPELINERS 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF202507467
Ali Muhieddine, 11779 Battenburg Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Alibaba Auto Sales" 11779 Battenburg Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 8, 2025
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ALIBABA 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07764
Arcade Eder, LLC, 2108 N Street #11996, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pixual" 2108 N Street #11996, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 17, 2025
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PIXUAL 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08040
Wesley Colton Morris, 7716 9th Street, Elverta, CA 95626 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Morris & Sons" 7716 9th Street, Elverta, CA 95626. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 28, 2025
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MORRIS 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08057
BBQ & Tree LLC, 5103 Richon Vista Court, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Scratch Again" 5103 Richon Vista Court, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 28, 2025
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SCRATCH 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07984
Brady Drouin, 1401 21st Street Suite R., Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Drouin Advisory" 1401 21st Street Suite R., Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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DROUIN 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08069
One3One3 Inc, 2620 T Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sun Up Market" 2620 T Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 28, 2025
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ONE 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08011
Anton Brandon Romero, 6517 Creekmont Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Recess and Refresh" 2512 Fair Oaks Boulevard #121, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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RECESS 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07647
SA Management CA Inc, 2377 Gold Meadow Way, Suite 100, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Manemy Aesthetic" 2377 Gold Meadow Way, Suite 100, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 14, 2025
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MANEMY 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07988
Richard Sparks, 6549 Saint Edgewood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DVB CULT/DVB CVLT" 6549 Saint Edgewood Court, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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CULT 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07943
Daniel Kassity and Tara Kassity, 4120 Douglas Boulevard #306-366, Granite Bay, CA 95746 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "McDonald's #10358" 7850 Lichen River, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 24, 2025
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MCDONALDS 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08145
Matthew Howard McGill and Michaele Carter McGill, 8516 Oakview Lane, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The McGill Team" 8516 Oakview Lane, Fair Oaks,

CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 30, 2025
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MCGILL 11-28-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08139
Pentabridge LLC, 9502 Village Tree Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Matching Support Services (MSS)" 3550 Watt Avenue Suite 190-2, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 30, 2025
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MATCHING 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08286
Ricardo Meza, P.O. Box 276801, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Westview Logistics" 8905 Gold Leaf Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2025
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WESTVIEW 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07982
Joe Gabbard and Ike Gabbard, P.O. Box 1992, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "California Colors" 8151 Deseret Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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CALIFORNIA 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08032
Sacramento Based Adult Day Services, Inc, 620 Bercut Drive, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kingdom Living ADHC/Kingdom Living Adult Day Health Care" 620 Bercut Drive, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 28, 2025
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KINGDOM 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08161
Ruslana Shylo, 3660 Rollins Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dreamland" 3660 Rollins Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 3, 2025
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DREAMLAND 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07834
Tilford Enterprises LLC, 9280 Greenback Lane, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TE Auto Sales" 9280 Greenback Lane, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 21, 2025
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TE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07981
Pacheco Water Trucks, 19960 Cold Springs, Reno, NV 89508 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pacheco Water Trucks" 19960 Cold Springs, Reno, NV 89508. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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PACHECO 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08268
Jennifer Tracy and Nancy A. Tracy, 1764 4th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Woven Web Designs" 1764 4th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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WOVEN 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08123
Mic Locker LLC, 6616 Vierna Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DelCampo Sound" 6616 Vierna Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 30, 2025
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DELCAMPO 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08265
Francisco Javier Cano, 8727 Lakha Circle, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Stable 916" 8727 Lakha Circle, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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STABLE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08258
Mark Mroz, 6733 Lincoln Oaks Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Winko Group" 6733 Lincoln Oaks Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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WINSKO 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08263
Caitlin Mae Schullstrom, 3399 Egmont Way, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mae Babe Studio" 3399 Egmont Way, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of

Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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MAE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08278
Alexander David Martin, 7919 Tanana River Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Trusted Care Pest Control" 7919 Tanana River Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2025
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TRUSTED 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08284
Surinder Singh, 1730 Harwood Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GHS Trans" 1730 Harwood Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2025
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GHS 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08243
KVlash Rancho LLC, 9000 Caselman Road, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K&V Lash Studio" 10364 Rockingham Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 4, 2025
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KV 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08244
KV Lash LLC, 9000 Caselman Road, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K&V Lash Studio" 6833 Stockton Boulevard Suite 425-435, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 4, 2025
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LASH 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08245
KV Lash LLC, 9000 Caselman Road, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K&V Lash Studio" 6611 Folsom Auburn Road Suite F, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 4, 2025
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KVLASH 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07700
Imani Muhammad-Hernandez, 1001 15th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Crowné" 1001 15th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 15, 2025
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CROWNE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08162
Inna Suzanska, 4308 Mascon Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lady and Gentleman Kids" 4308 Mascon Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 3, 2025
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LADY 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08285
Harjinder Singh, 3812 Water Mist Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HSK Trucking" 3812 Water Mist Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 6, 2025
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HSK 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07944
Prinze Foundational Planning, Inc., 2377 Gold Meadow Way, Suite 100, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Guidestone Wealth" 2377 Gold Meadow Way, Suite 100, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 24, 2025
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GUIDESTONE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07923
Michelle Lancashire, 9708 Latana court, Elk Grove, CA, 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Capital Hair Studio" 1500 7th Street Unit 1C, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 23, 2025
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CAPITAL 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07965
Block Pro Services LLC, 4032 Senate Avenue, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cubby Colors/Cubby Colors LLC" 4032 Senate Avenue, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 24, 2025
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CUBBY 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08232
Christian Bruce and Jordan Cote, 3631 Truxel Road, Sacramento, CA 95834 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "OneCity/One City" 3631 Truxel Road, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 4, 2025
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ONE 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07630
Victor Al Richard Mendoza, 110 Globe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Step by Step Innovations & Remodeling" 110 Globe Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 14, 2025
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STEP 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08180
Dmytro Lyushenko, 730 1st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dmytro Lyushenko Immigration Consulting/Lyushenko, Tuholukov Immigration Consulting" 730 1st Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 3, 2025
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DMYTRO 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08267
Alekozay LLC, 8929 Paulhaus Way, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "American Gas & Liqueur" 5682 Main Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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AMERICAN 12-5-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07945
Oksana Stasyuk, 3330 Bryant Court, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Next Chapter" 3330 Bryant Court, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 24, 2025
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WESTCAL 12-12-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08402
F.O.A.M Collective Females/ Fellas on A Mission LLC, 8465 Elk Grove Florin Road Suite 100 #2025, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "F.O.A.M Luxe Events/F.O.A.M Collective Apparel" 2108 N Street, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 12, 2025
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FOAM 12-12-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08389
Apex Group International Inc., 1618 Alhambra Boulevard Suite 2635, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Attract-X/Apex Labs" 1929 P Street Unit A, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 12, 2025
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ATTRACT 12-12-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08228
Matthew Smith, PO Box 276794, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Smith Custom Stoneworks" 3435 Routier Road #76, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 11, 2025
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SMITH 12-12-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07514
United Construction Management Corp, 1225 8th Street Suite 210, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "United ECM/United Engineering & Construction Management" 1225 8th Street Suite 210, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 8, 2025
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UNITED 12-12-25

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-03711
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: ProTechSupply; Lablink; ReBio, 4121 Citrus Avenue Suite 8, Rocklin, CA 95677.
DNK Industries, LLC, 4121 Citrus Avenue Suite 8, Rocklin, CA 95677.
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on May 16, 2025 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: October 15, 2025.
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PROTECH 11-21-25

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF202503993
The following person(s) has/

have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: WestView Home Group, 8905 Gold Leaf Way.
Ricardo Meza, 8905 Gold Leaf Way, Sacramento, CA 95826.
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on May 28, 2025 in the County of Sacramento.
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: May 28, 2025.
Publish: Nov 21, 28, Dec 5, 12, 2025
WESTVIEW 12-12-25

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024700

Lisa White Carey has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Lisa White Carey to Lisa Beth White.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 18, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 16, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
CAREY 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV019619

Teresa Lindsey Kleker has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Teresa Lindsey Pschandel aka Teresa Lindsey Kleker to Hannah Joy Kleker.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 15, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 20, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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KLEKER 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024567

Allen Edward Allen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Allen Edward Allen to Keith Edward Allen.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 10, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 15, 2025
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
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ALLEN 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024929

Morgan Price has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Liberty Rose Coyle to Liberty Rose Price.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 15, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 20, 2025
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
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PRICE 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024515

Irene Sweat has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Irene Sweat to Katherine Irene Holder.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 8, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 16, 2025
Richard C. Miadich h, Judge of the Superior Court
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SWEAT 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV019545

Alicia Leavitt has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Angelica Marie Jimenez-Leavitt to Angel Marie Leavitt.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 13, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 18, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
LEAVITT 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV025269

Austin Leland Buckley has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Austin Leland Buckley to Austin Leland Fox.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 14, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 22, 2025
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
BUCKLEY 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024852

Ahmad Wahid Merajuddin & Malalai Safi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohammad Waris Safi to Mohammad Waris Tokhi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 10, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 16, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
MERAJUDDIN 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024852

Ahmad Wahid Merajuddin has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ahmad Wahid Merajuddin to Ahmad Wahid Tokhi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 15, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 16, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
AHMAD 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV024869

Malalai Safi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Malalai Safi to Malalai Tokhi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 15, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 16, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Oct 31, Nov 7, 14, 21, 2025
SAFI 11-21-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV025319

Tamrat Tadesse Tamrat and Kidist Wolde Neri has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Robel Tamrat Tadesse to Robel Tadesse Tamrat.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 19, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 23, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
TAMRAT 12-5-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV026087

Atrin Kalantaripourdarranji has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Atrin Kalantaripourdarranji to Atrin Kalantari.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on December 16, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: November 4, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
ATRIN 12-5-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV020744

Lee Andrew Feijo has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Lee Andrew Feijo to Lee Andrew Davis JR and Lucas Malcom Feijo to Lucas Lee Davis and Mason Lee Feijo to Mason Lee Davis and Emersyn Makena Owens to Emersyn Makena Owens Davis.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 2, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 2, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of

the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
FEIJO 12-5-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV026408

Michael Erick Jorgensen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Michael Erick Jorgensen to Michael Erick Holmes.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 26, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: November 4, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
JORGENSEN 12-5-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV025503

Abdul Wasi Niazi & Lida Niazi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Usra Niazi to Dina Niazi.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 21, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: October 24, 2025
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
NIAZI 12-5-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV026139

Rosalia Zubillaga has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rosalia Zubillaga to Rosalia Spoonhunter.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 2, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: November 3, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
ZUBILLAGA 12-5-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARIAN F. BOTHA
CASE NO. 25PR003593

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Marian F. Botha.

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

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows December 9, 2025, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

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

statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Gordon G Bones, 5860 Esrig Way, Sacramento, CA 95841; 916-965-6647
Publish: November 7, 14, 21, 2025
BOTH A 11-21-25

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BONNIE J. ECKHARDT
CASE NO. 25PR003660

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Bonnie J. Eckhardt.

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

The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Esther Raich, 404 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630; 916-985-3466
Publish: Nov 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
ECKHARDT 12-5-25

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LIEN SALE 12/4/25 10AM
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CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-007

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS AMENDING CHAPTER 38 OF THE CITRUS HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE ORDINANCE PREPARED BY THE SACRAMENTO METROPOLITAN FIRE DISTRICT, NO . 2025-02, AND THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

The foregoing is a summary of an ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Citrus Heights at its meeting of **November 12, 2025**.

AYES: Councilmembers: Middleton, Nelson, Schaefer, Lopez-Taff, Karpinski-Costa
NOES: Councilmembers: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers: None
ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

The full text of the adopted ordinance is available in the City Clerk's Office, 6360 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621, (916) 727-4704 or www.citrusheights.net.

Amy Van
City Clerk
Citrus Heights Messenger 11-21-2025

CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS NOTICE OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-006

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CITRUS HEIGHTS AMENDING CHAPTER 18, OF THE CITRUS HEIGHTS CODE RELATING TO BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2025 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE, CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE, CALIFORNIA ENGERY CODE, CALIFORNIA WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE, CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE, CALIFORNIA EXISTING BUILDING CODE, CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, AND CALIFORNIA REFERENCED STANDARDS CODE; AND ADOPT THE CITRUS HEIGHTS PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, CITRUS HEIGHTS SIGN CODE, CITRUS HEIGHTS SWIMMING POOL, SPA AND HOT TUB CODE, CITRUS HEIGHTS MOVING BUILDINGS CODE

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THE GOD OUR ANCESTORS CONDEMNED US TO TRY TO EAT US. NOW HE'S GONE. ALL WE'VE KNOWN IS SERVING HIM. NOW WHAT?

I HEAR THERE'S A CULT THE COUNTY OVER LOOKIN' FOR NEW RECRUITS. YOU ELEVATE NOT LEARNING LESSONS TO A SUPERPOWER.

THERE YA BOTH ARE! THANKS FER COMIN' T GOT US, BULL! YOU'RE THE BEST!

PARDON ME, BEFORE YOU TWO GO WE WANT TO APOLOGIZE.

WE SHOULD HAVE NEVER USED MAGIC TO WRECK YOUR SHIP BUT WE WERE DESPERATE TO END THE CURSE. STILL, IT WAS WRONG.

YOU CAUSED THE WRECK!!

I KINT PRETEN I AINTSK MAD, YA ENDANGERED ME OLIVE. BUT YA FELT TRAPPED, AN I BELIEVES IN FERGIVENESS.

SO I HOPES YA KIN FERGIVE ME FER NOT BEIN' ABLE T'STOP WOT'S BOUT THAPPEN.

WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?

REALITY HASNT HIT HIM YET.

I GUESS HE THINKS KARMA IS REAL.

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

SON, I HOPE WHEN YOU GET BIG YOU FIND A CAREER YOU ENJOY AS MUCH AS I DO FARMING.

YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY. "FIND A JOB YOU LOVE AND YOU'LL NEVER WORK A DAY IN YOUR LIFE."

BUT I'VE HEARD YOU COMPLAIN ABOUT GETTING UP AT DAWN AND YOUR BACK ALWAYS HURTING?

YEAH, WELL, IT'S A LOVE-HATE RELATIONSHIP.

HOCUS-FOCUS
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Henry Boltinoff

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

FLAG ON THE PLAY! PASS INTERFERENCE ON UNCLE BILL...

I CHALLENGE THE CALL...

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GRIN & BEAR IT
BY WAGNER

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TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

AFTER YOU CHECK IN HOME, HUGO

C'MON OVER AND WE'LL DO OUR HOMEWORK AND THEN WATCH TV

START WITH MATH? I HATE MATH

SOCIAL STUDIES? WE CAN DO THAT ON THE BUS TO SCHOOL

SCIENCE? DURING SUPPER

ENGLISH? DO THAT DURING STUDY PERIOD

SPELLING? DO IT BEFORE BREAKFAST

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Just Like Cats & Dogs
by Dave T. Phipps

WHAT WOULD I GIVE FOR A NICE WINDY DAY IN THE DIRECTION OF MY NEIGHBOR. IT WOULD REALLY CUT OUT THE MIDDLEMAN.

Differences: 1. Club has less hair; 2. Man has less hair; 3. Cap is different; 4. Nose is different; 5. Shoe is different; 6. Golf bag strap is different.

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- Type of haircut, pl.
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- *What rain does in famous nursery rhyme
- What accomplish- es do
- Ring like a bell
- Sign of life
- Lascivious look
- Pretentiously artistic
- Tiny island
- *Bring her back! (2 words)
- Nicholas II of Russia, e.g.
- Inmate with life sentence
- *One for Sorrow (Two for ...)
- Melville's "Pequod," e.g.
- More fancy
- Request for tailor
- Encoded message
- Land measure
- Omit
- *Hush-a-bye, baby. ___ still"
- Take a base
- Hokkaido native
- Veal serving
- Beehive State native
- What Cupid did (2 words)
- *Tip me over!
- Lt.'s inferior
- Plant louse
- "Pay as you earn" tax system
- *How do your ears wobble? (3 words)
- Sacha Cohen's middle name
- Render speechless
- Medley
- Apathetic
- Not tanned
- Nearly
- Bird's groomer
- It's open to interpretation
- #57 Down, pl.

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- It's soothing
- Do as directed
- British Broadcasting Corporation, colloquially
- Take a leisurely walk
- Chill-inducing
- Procrastinator's word
- *What the old lady swallowed
- *She's been to London to visit the Queen
- Paella pot
- ___-friendly
- Expose to moisture
- One way to cook fish
- Mountain climber's spike
- Brother's daughter
- *Who stole the cookie from the cookie ___?
- Semolina source
- Sunny prefix
- Kind of acid
- Perceive by touch
- Frost over (2 words)
- One of the Muses
- Find new tenant
- *What Jack Horner pulled out
- Not miss
- * ___ of ___ he had ten thousand men
- Beer garden mug

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River City Water Polo Makes History

Girls Capture Third Straight Title, Boys Return to Championship Stage

River City High School Athletics News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The 2025 season marked another historic chapter for River City High School Water Polo. Both the varsity boys' and varsity girls' programs advanced to their respective Monticello Empire League (MEL) Championship Games, a testament to the depth, talent and culture of excellence continuing to thrive within the program.

The varsity girls once again set the standard, defeating league rival Rodriguez High School 22-11 to capture their third consecutive league championship and second straight Monticello Empire League title. The victory also secured the best record in program history and cemented River City High's status among the Sacramento Section's Division I elite.

Led by the dynamic scoring tandem of Reagan Eisberg and Cat Hadba-Guimaraes, widely regarded as one of the most prolific offensive duos in California, the Lady Raiders combined relentless offense with disciplined defense anchored by senior Reese Castro. The team now heads into the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Sac-Joaquin Section Playoffs with confidence and championship experience, opening against



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Laguna Creek High School in the first round.

The defending Monticello Empire League Champion

varsity boys also returned to the title stage, falling just short in a hard-fought 13-16 battle against Rodriguez. Despite the loss, the

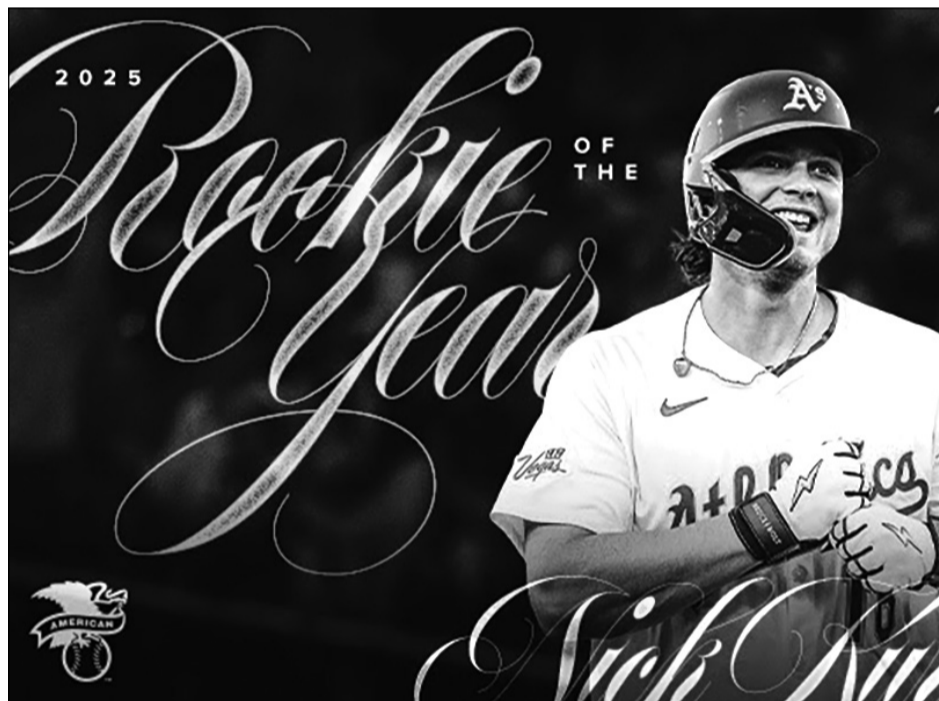
Raiders showcased grit, maturity and tremendous promise for the future. The young squad, featuring only one junior in the

starting lineup, is anchored by a talented core of sophomores and freshmen, including stand-out goalie Elijah Stone-Eisberg, one of the section's top young keepers. Offensively, the Raiders were powered by one of the region's most dangerous scoring tandems, Brendon Bryner and Caleb Eisberg, with defensive leadership from Joshua Diaz, Preston Caldwell, and Shane Castaneda.

The appearance marked another milestone in River City High's continued rise, following the boys' 2024 league championship, and reaffirmed that the foundation for sustained success is firmly in place. The boys now turn their attention to the postseason, opening California Interscholastic Federation play against Rocklin High School.

As both programs prepare for playoff action, River City Water Polo has firmly established itself as one of the most competitive and respected programs in the region, built on hard work, unity and the relentless pursuit of excellence. ★

Big Amish is the 2025 AL Rookie of the Year



A's shortstop Jacob Wilson finished as the runner-up, marking the first time a team has had the first and second place finishers in American League Rookie of the Year Voting since 1984. Photo courtesy of the Athletics

Athletics News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - First baseman Nick Kurtz has been named the 2025 Jackie Robinson American League Rookie of the Year Award winner. Kurtz won the award unanimously with all 30 first-place votes. He is the 14th player to win the AL award by a unanimous vote.

Kurtz slashed .290/.383/.619 with a 1.002 OPS in 117 games played this season after making his MLB debut on April 23. He led American League rookies in home runs (36), RBI (86), runs (90), walks (63), and extra-base hits (64). Kurtz joins Aaron Judge (2017) and Albert Pujols (2001) as the only rookies in MLB history to hit at least 35 home runs, score at least 90 runs, and record an OPS of at least 1.000.

His 36 home runs were the second most in a season by an A's rookie, trailing only Mark McGwire's 49 home runs in 1987.

On July 25 at Houston, Kurtz went a perfect 6-for-6, tying the MLB record for home runs (4), extra-base hits (5), and total bases in a game (19). He won both American League Rookie of the Month as well as American League Player of the Month for July.

Kurtz joins Mark McGwire (1987) as the only A's first basemen to win AL Rookie of the Year. This year, he has already won the Player's Choice Outstanding Rookie Award, Sporting News Rookie of the Year, and the Louisville Slugger Silver Slugger Award for first basemen.

A's shortstop Jacob Wilson finished as the runner-up, marking the first time a team has had the first and second place finishers in American League Rookie of the Year Voting since 1984. Wilson was the starting shortstop for the 2025 All-Star Game and was the first rookie shortstop to be elected by the fans. ★

Aggies Earn Third Rider of the Week Sweep



Chloe Fares, Eliza Plum, Cavan Smith, and Mya Clader were each recognized for their standout performances during the Aggies' doubleheader weekend on Nov. 8 and 9. Courtesy photo

UC Davis Athletics News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - For the third time this season, University of California, Davis swept the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Rider of the Week awards following back-to-back victories over Delaware State and UT Martin.

Equestrian team members Chloe Fares, Eliza Plum, Cavan Smith and Mya Clader were each recognized for their standout performances during the Aggies' doubleheader weekend on Nov. 8 and 9.

Fares continued her strong season over in fences with high-scoring, point-winning rides over both meets. She notched an 82 aboard Cici to capture the first of four points for the Aggies against Delaware State. The sophomore then delivered a Most Outstanding Player (MOP)-winning 86 on Salty versus UT Martin, the top score of the event, outscoring her opponent by an outstanding 20 points to help UC Davis secure both weekend events.

Plum was a steady performer for horsemanship, picking up key points in both meets. The sophomore edged her Delaware State opponent with a 66.5 riding Cinch,

then posted a standout 76 on Brady versus UT Martin, earning herself MOP honors and a spot in the UC Davis individual records book. That led the Aggies to a 3-0 sweep in the event.

Smith delivered commanding rides in flat across both meets. She opened the weekend with an 84 aboard Kevin against Delaware State, defeating her opponent by a whopping 21 points to clinch the event's final and fourth point for UC Davis. The freshman then carried that momentum against UT Martin, earning an 86 on Cooper to win by another large margin of 18 points, claiming the MOP honors as the Aggies took the event three to one.

Clader anchored the Aggies' reining team with back-to-back winning rides. She earned the lone reining point against Delaware State with a 65 on Aspen, then turned in the event's top score of 70.5 aboard Delta versus UT Martin to capture MOP honors. The senior now boasts six winning rides this season, continuing to set the tone for the UC Davis Western lineup.

The Aggies are back at home to battle against No. 5 Oklahoma State at 9 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22. ★

Blake Willey and Chibi Ukaegbu to Join U.S. U-19 National Team

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - U.S. Soccer announced that Republic FC midfielder Blake Willey and defender Chibi Ukaegbu were selected to the U.S. U-19 Men's National Team roster for its training camp in Wrexham, Wales from Nov. 9 to Nov. 19.

They are the only players representing a United Soccer League Championship club on the roster.

The camp included friendlies against Germany on Nov. 12, Wales on Nov. 15 and Japan on Nov. 18.

The 18-year-olds signed their first professional contracts with Republic FC ahead of the 2024 season, following a successful tenure with the club's

youth academy.

Willey had a breakout year this year. After becoming the second-youngest player to start in a Republic FC season opener, Willey went on to set a new club record for homegrown players with 27 appearances, 19 starts and 1,590 minutes in the regular season. Willey's three assists ranked first among the league's top young players, earning him two Team of the Week selections. In May, Willey competed with the U.S. U-18 National Team in the Union of European Football Associations (UEFA) Friendship Cup and appeared in every game to help the team bring home the championship trophy.

Roseville-native Ukaegbu set a new career high with 19 appearances and

949 minutes played across all competitions this year. In league play, Ukaegbu is among the top five in defenders under age 20 with 36 clearances, 16 interceptions and 49 duels won. Ukaegbu also spent time playing up two age groups with the U-20 Men's National Team, earning training camp call ups in January, September and October.

Season ticket memberships are now on sale for the 2026 season, offering a range of benefits including discounts on merchandise and access to exclusive fan experiences, as well as priority access to seats in the new Republic Stadium at The Railyards. For more information, or to buy a membership today, visit online SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships. ★



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Annual CHPD 'Operation Family Cheer' Accepting Donations

By Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The Citrus Heights Police Department is accepting family nominations through Sunday, Nov. 23 and donations of food, unwrapped gifts and other items for its 17th annual Operation Holiday Cheer Family Gifting Event, a community-driven program that supports families in need throughout Citrus Heights.

Donations will be accepted at the Citrus Heights Police Department headquarters, 6315 Fountain Square Drive, during regular daily business hours (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) through Friday, Dec. 5.

Since the program began, the Citrus Heights community has come together to help more than 680 families, including more than 4,200 adults and children, enjoy a brighter, more joyful holiday season.

"The program's success is made possible entirely through the generosity of our community," said a Citrus Heights Police Department representative.

Residents can nominate a family for consideration by completing an online application at: www.citrusheightspd.net or in person at the Citrus Heights Police Department.

A downloadable nomination form is available at <https://www.citrusheights.net/FormCenter/Police-Department-24/Family-Gifting-Event-Family-Nomination-F-170>.

To qualify, the nominated family must reside in the city of Citrus Heights, have at least one child under the age of 13, have an actual or specific need and have had a recent hardship or distressing event during this last year.

This beloved community tradition is part of Operation Holiday Cheer, a series of efforts by the Citrus Heights Police Department and city partners to bring

joy, comfort and support to local families during the holiday season.

Formerly known as the Holiday Referral Program, the Family Gifting Event is a collaborative effort between the City of Citrus Heights, Citrus Heights Police Department, local service clubs, schools, businesses and community members.

Donations of non-perishable food, cleaning supplies, hygiene items, new toys, gift wrap and wrapping materials are most needed.

Every donation, no matter the size, directly supports families here in Citrus Heights, according to the Citrus Heights Police Department.

Whether you donate, adopt or nominate, every effort might help make the season a bit brighter.

Do you know a Citrus Heights family who could use a little extra cheer this year? Citrus Heights residents can nominate a family for consideration by completing the Family Gifting Event - Family Nomination Form.

Completed nomination forms can be emailed to ohc@citrusheights.net or faxed to 916-727-4973.

Nominated families will be selected to receive gifts and a variety of donations that will be collected throughout the holiday season, including non-perishable food items, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, new unwrapped toys, gift wrap and gift-wrapping supplies.

Donations of gift cards and monetary donations are also welcome and can be dropped off in the Citrus Heights Police Department Lobby during daily business hours or mailed to Citrus Heights Police Department headquarters, Attention: Holiday Cheer Coordinator, 6315 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. ★



Inaugural Business of Distinction Award Recognized

By Thomas J. Sullivan

CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG) - The City of Citrus Heights has recognized the Byers Gymnastics Center, with locations in Citrus Heights, Roseville and Rocklin, as the recipient of its inaugural quarterly "Business of Distinction" award.

The award was presented to representatives of the Byers Gymnastics Center at 7700 Sunrise Blvd. by city communications officer Marisa Brown at the recent State of the City address held at Citrus Heights City Hall.

In all, some 30 local businesses were nominated for the inaugural Business of Distinction Award. The city intends to present a Business of Distinction award each quarter, with each nomination cycle highlighting a new theme.

"The nominations and selections are tailored to celebrate different strengths of our business community," Brown said. "The award is a shared expression of gratitude for the businesses that make daily life in Citrus Heights a better place to live and work."

The recent award theme of "Civic Heights" recognizes the Byers Gymnastics Center as a business which makes "Citrus Heights stronger by living out its core values, demonstrating the shared values of diversity, innovation, integrity, teamwork, respect, responsive customer service, and trust."

"Byers Gymnastics Center has helped Citrus Heights children build confidence, strength, and a lifelong love for movement. From the moment kids start walking through their high school



Representatives of Byers Gymnastics Center hold the inaugural "Business of Distinction" award plaque presented by the City of Citrus Heights before the recent "State of the City" address acknowledging the business for living out its core values, demonstrating the shared values of diversity, innovation, integrity, teamwork, respect, responsive customer service and trust. Photo courtesy of City of Citrus Heights

years, Byers provides a supportive space for both recreational and competitive athletes to grow," Brown said in her remarks prior to the start of the State of the City address.

"The Byers team believes gymnastics is the foundation of all sports: teaching strength, flexibility, coordination and focus that benefit children far beyond the gym. Their programs are designed not just to develop physical ability, but to instill discipline, teamwork, and self-assurance," Brown said. "Beyond the gym floor, Byers is deeply woven into the Citrus Heights community. Each year they participate in events like the Sunday Funday event and they host activities such as Toddler Time, Parents' Night Out and birthday celebrations, all centered around creating joyful opportunities for families to connect."

"Through their commitment to quality instruction, responsive service, and a welcoming environment,

Byers Gymnastics Center continues to make a lasting impact on hundreds of local families and reflects the spirit and values that make Citrus Heights strong," Brown said.

A local representative from Byers Gymnastics did not respond to a request for further comment concerning the recent award.

"The city of Citrus Heights is proud to recognize the businesses that make our community stronger. Local businesses not only drive our economy but they also embody the values, innovation, and resilience that define our city," Brown said.

In 2026, future quarterly award themes for the city's next Business of Distinction award include "Legacy Business," "Top of the Trade" and "Blight to Bright."

For more information including the quarterly nomination process, visit <https://www.citrusheights.net/1447/Business-of-Distinction-Awards>. ★

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