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Cordova Tree Lighting Fun for All



Attendees had fun on stage posing with Santa at the 26th annual Cordova Community Christmas Tree Lighting at Village Green on Nov. 30.

**Story and photos
by Rick Sloan**

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - The 26th annual Cordova Community Christmas Tree Lighting on Sunday, Nov. 30 at Village Green Park drew hundreds of attendees and lived up to its reputation while ushering in the holiday season with a bang.

There was plenty of fun for all ages, including hayrides, live nativity, food trucks, Santa Claus, train rides and snow! Although the weather



Snow would periodically fall as holiday music played, creating a winter wonderland.

was overcast and 47 degrees, it did not deter the community from attending and taking in all the excitement that ended in a spectacular fireworks display. The tree was lit by Rancho Cordovan of the Year, Kevin Sims, Cordova High music director.

The 26th annual Cordova Community Christmas Tree Lighting is presented by the Cordova Community Council.

This year's sponsors included the City of Rancho Cordova; *Continued on page 14*

Apply Now for 2026-27 Sacramento Grand Jury

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Applicants are now being sought for new jurors to serve on the independent watchdog Sacramento County Grand Jury.

The application period opened Nov. 21 and closes Jan. 2.

Nineteen Sacramento County residents and 11 alternates will be selected from among qualified applicants. The one-year term for volunteer jurors runs from July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027.

The Sacramento County Grand Jury is appointed to provide oversight of Sacramento County, its cities, public schools, including community colleges, and special district agencies and operations.

The grand jury has a different function from that of a jury. Unlike cases presented in a courtroom, grand jurors review and investigate the performance of county, city and local governing entities, recommending changes for improving local government.

The grand jury is authorized to hear criminal indictments and is tasked with visiting regional detention facilities, along with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office Crime Lab and the Sacramento County Coroner's Office.

The grand jury also investigates complaints submitted by the public and issues reports of its findings. Past grand jury reports and government responses can be found online at sacgrandjury.org/reports.aspx.

To serve on the Sacramento County Grand Jury, you must be a U.S. citizen 18 years old or older, a Sacramento County resident for at least one year, and available to serve 25 to 35 hours a week. Applicants must also be able to speak, read and write the English language.

In addition, grand jury members can not have been convicted of a malfeasance in office, a felony or any other high crime; are not elected public officers; and have not served as grand jurors within the last year.

The deadline to apply to be on the grand jury is Jan. 2. The 2026-27 Sacramento County Grand Jury will be empaneled next June. Grand jurors receive a small stipend for their volunteer work.

For more information about the Sacramento County Grand Jury, applicant criteria and how to apply, visit online <https://bit.ly/SCGrandJury2627>. Or call 916-874-7828 or go online to saccourt.ca.gov for more information. ★

Bigger Than Anything I Dreamed Of

**Story and photos
by Margaret Snider**

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - Carrie Johnson, executive director for the Rancho Cordova Food Locker, spoke at the Rancho Cordova Luncheon on November 21, 2025. She delivered a brief history of Rancho Cordova's Food Locker. The name as of next year, Johnson said, will be the Food Hub. The simple and small Food Locker will have expanded into a no-cost grocery store.

"It's so much bigger than anything that I ever dreamed of," Johnson said. "It started at St. John Vianney Parish with a group of folks who really thought that there was a need in the community." A couple of years ago, the City of Rancho Cordova requested a feasibility study and Johnson was consulted.

With the help of former State Assembly member Ken Cooley and the Department of Health and Human Services, a grant was awarded for



Dan and Amanda Regan, owners of the Rancho Cordova Grocery Outlet, flank luncheon speaker Carrie Johnson, executive director, Rancho Cordova Food Locker. Photo by Margaret Snider

\$2.5 million for capital improvements to the Food Locker. "With that money we bought property on Don Juan Drive," Johnson

said, "and this is the future home of what has been called the Rancho Cordova Food Locker." Women's group Impact

100 donated \$100,000 to help. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints helped with a *Continued on page 3*

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SacRT Holiday Bus Returns to Spread Cheer and Support Foster Youth



SacRT is proud to launch the 2025 Holiday Bus today, offering fare-free rides and festive cheer across the Sacramento region throughout the month of December. Courtesy SacRT

Sacramento Regional Transit News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) is proud to launch the 2025 Holiday Bus today, offering fare-free rides and festive cheer across the Sacramento region throughout the month of December. This year, SacRT has partnered with Stanford Sierra Youth & Families, a local nonprofit dedicated to empowering foster youth and families, to raise awareness and support for children and teens in need.

The Holiday Bus will operate on a different route each day starting Dec. 1 through Friday, January 2, 2026, and is free to ride. Riders are encouraged to “pay it forward” by donating to Stanford Sierra Youth & Families via the onboard farebox or QR code.

“The SacRT Holiday Bus is a joyful tradition that brings our community together,” said Henry Li, SacRT General Manager/CEO.

“This year, we’re honored to partner with Stanford Sierra Youth & Families to support foster youth and families across our region. We invite everyone to ride, donate, and help us spread holiday cheer while making a meaningful impact.”

Upcoming Holiday Events
In addition to daily bus service, SacRT

is using the Holiday Bus to help spread the word and raise awareness at local community events throughout the season.

SacRT and Stanford Sierra Youth & Families will host a special “Stuff the Bus” donation drive to collect new, unwrapped toys, games and clothing for foster youth. Holiday characters, hot chocolate and festive fun will be part of the celebration. The special event takes place 8 a.m. to noon Dec. 6 at Rancho Cordova Certified Farmers’ Market at Sunrise Station.

The SacRT Holiday Bus will roll through downtown at 10 a.m. Dec. 13 as part of the annual Santa Parade, bringing holiday magic to thousands of spectators.

“We are thrilled to partner with SacRT this holiday season,” said Dr. Laura Heintz, CEO of Stanford Sierra Youth & Families. “Every donation collected through the Holiday Bus campaign helps us provide stability, support, and joy to the youth and families we serve during a time that can be especially difficult. Together, we can make the holidays brighter for those who need it most.”

The SacRT Holiday Bus travels on a different SacRT bus route every day between Carmichael, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Rancho Cordova and Sacramento. For the schedule and more details on events featuring the Holiday Bus, visit sacrt.com/HolidayBus. ★

Home Sales Remain Above Average During October



Building Industry Association-member builders reported 507 home sales, an 18 percent increase from September and a decline of 5 percent from October 2024. MPG file photo

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - New home sales in the Sacramento region rose modestly in September and remained above the historical average for this time of year, the North State Building Industry Association announced on Nov. 11.

Building Industry Association-member builders reported 507 home sales, an 18 percent increase from September and a decline of 5 percent from October 2024. This year’s total marked the fourth-highest October in the past decade. Since 1997, October sales have averaged 386.

Building Industry Association President and CEO Tim Murphy said that many prospective buyers appear to be waiting for mortgage rates to fall further before committing to a purchase. Mortgage rates have dipped below 6.5 percent but, he said, many buyers believe rates might continue to decline.

Murphy said that sales are also being supported by incentives offered by many area builders to help improve affordability. These incentives can make homeownership attainable for

more families, Murphy said, and he encouraged prospective buyers to visit new home communities while the offers remain available.

Interest rates are only one factor affecting affordability, according to Murphy. He said that the Building Industry Association will continue working with local governments to reduce regulations that slow construction and to lower development fees, which now average more than \$100,000 per home.

Roseville recorded the most sales in October with 99, followed by Rancho Cordova with 92. Elk Grove reported 63 sales, while Plumas Lake reported 43 and Lincoln reported 41. Sacramento ranked sixth with 40 sales. Other totals included Natomas with 29, El Dorado Hills with 27, Rocklin with 20 and Antelope with 10.

The Building Industry Association’s data includes 199 new home communities across El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties.

The association noted that it is no longer publishing detailed home price data, due to confidentiality requirements from builders. ★

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Run, Give and Celebrate

PAL's Holiday Run Supports Youth and Toys for Local Kids

By Omella Rossi

RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG) - The Police

Activities League (PAL) of Rancho Cordova is gearing up for its annual Holiday Run on Dec. 13, a festive event that not only promotes fitness but also supports local youth and families in need. The race, which will begin at 8:30 a.m. in front of Rancho Cordova City Hall, is set to bring together runners and walkers of all ages for a day of community, competition and giving back.

The event offers multiple race options, including an untimed 1.2-mile family walk/run, a 5k for both adults and youth and a 10k for adults and youth. The run serves as both a celebration of the holiday season and a key fundraising event for the Police Activities League, a nonprofit organization dedicated to mentoring and engaging youth in a variety of social, educational, recreational and leadership activities.

The Holiday Run also doubles as a Toy Drive to benefit the Christmas in Cordova program, which provides



More than 200 resilient runners and walkers showed up to support the 2024 Rancho Cordova Police Activities League Holiday Run. Photo courtesy of City of Rancho Cordova

gifts to nearly 1,400 children in the Rancho Cordova area. Organizers are encouraging participants to bring an unwrapped toy to donate, helping to ensure that local children have something to open on Christmas morning. Donations can also be made online via Amazon using the following link [https://](https://www.amazon.com/registries/guest-view/1CO0A8L112HYD)

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Race participants will be treated to a number of fun perks, including a long-sleeved race shirt, a Santa hat (while supplies last for the first 300 registrants) and a commemorative race medal. Early registration is encouraged, as those who sign up

after Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. are not guaranteed a T-shirt or medal until after the new year.

Same-day registration and packet pickup will begin at 7:30 a.m. on race day, with pre-race packet pickup available on Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Rancho Cordova City Hall. The race will feature a

new course, with the start and finish lines located in front of City Hall at 2729 Prospect Park Drive.

Registration is still open with the following prices: the 1.2-mile family walk/run is \$28.74; both the 5K and 10K for youth (17 and under) are \$28.74; and the 5K and 10K for adults are \$44.79.

In addition to the race, attendees can enjoy a festive atmosphere with a variety of vendors and special appearances by Santa Claus.

Sponsors for the Holiday Run include the City of Rancho Cordova, the Cordova Community Council, Raley's, Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume, Golden State Water Company, and The Old Spaghetti Factory, among others.

The Police Activities League offers several other youth-focused programs and events throughout the year, including the Positive Altitude trip to Mather Airport, Junior Giants Baseball, the Outdoor Adventure Club and the Get Fit with PAL fitness programs.

For more information, including how to register and donate, visit <https://palholidayrun.com/>. ★

Bigger Than Anything I Dreamed Of

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huge donation, Johnson said, to purchase the refrigeration unit. Catholic Charities has been supportive all along. "People stepped up in a huge way, and so did the community, with people walking in and handing us checks and boxes of food," Johnson said. In 10 days, \$83,000 was donated. "That helped us to keep going, and we are super excited the new Food Hub will open at the end of April, first part of next year.

We're that close."

Local company Tankersley Construction will be helping with the renovation at the site. "We were really fortunate to meet the Tankersleys . . ." Johnson said. "When I met with them, one of things I had to say, and I had to be honest, was 'I have some of the money for the project, but I don't have all of the money. So, if you're willing to walk this journey with me, I'm going to find the money.' They said yes."

The construction on Don Juan has begun. The exterior has been redone, and the windows are in. There will be a community room. "We know the folks that we serve have other things going on in their lives. And we now will partner with other nonprofits in this community to bring them onto our campus to help support these families."

Dan Regan, independent owner-operator of Rancho Cordova Grocery Outlet, said that he

met Johnson about a year ago. Johnson asked if Regan's store could sell her bags for the Food Locker. "My wife and I talked and we sold them to her at cost," Regan said. "She was very thrilled, as it provided her with a substantial savings." He continues to let Johnson know when special savings are available so she can take advantage of them.

Atlas Disposal general manager Terrence McNamara said that Atlas provides free trash pickups

for the Food Locker. "In addition to the free service," McNamara said, ". . . We are sponsors of theirs; the work they do is very important and useful for the Rancho Cordova community."

Walter Little, who helped found the Food Locker 35 years ago, said, "We have now someone in a leadership position who really thinks along those lines again. We're going to have to get out of the way or we're going to get run over by it." ★



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Society For the Blind Receives \$10,000 From Maximus Foundation

Maximus Foundation News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Society for the Blind in Sacramento has been named a 2025 grant awardee from the Maximus Foundation and will receive \$10,000 to deepen its impact and scale solutions for people living with low vision or blindness.

"Maximus Foundation has been one of our most steadfast partners in our work to ensure individuals living with low vision or blindness can discover, develop and achieve their full potential," said Shari Roeseler, executive director, Society for the Blind. "We have received support every year since 2006 from the Maximus Foundation, now totaling \$140,000. We are truly grateful to Maximus and its employees for prioritizing people with vision loss and ensuring they have the tools to succeed."

Society for the Blind provides low-vision eye care, life and job skills training, mentorship, and access to tools to maintain independence for more than 5,000 youth, working-age adults and seniors experiencing vision loss each year. In addition to its onsite Low Vision Clinic and assistive technology store, the nonprofit offers orientation and mobility, independent living skills, assistive technology and braille classes to ensure people with vision loss can stay active, employed and live life to the fullest. They also provide a program for seniors, support groups for caregivers and parents of children with vision loss, a braille production program and hosts events open to the public.

Society for the Blind is one of 60 nonprofits nationwide who received Maximus grants to support a range of causes, including fighting food insecurity, reducing homelessness, inspiring youth potential and promoting



Society for the Blind clients practice their orientation and mobility skills with white canes. The nonprofit organization recently received a grant from the Maximus Foundation. Photo courtesy of Maximus Foundation

healthcare access. "This new chapter is about more than funding programs – it's about fueling transformational impact as partners, and that's why Society for the Blind has been named a 2025 grantee," said Dr. Arvenita Washington Cherry, president and chairperson, Maximus Foundation. "By listening to the voices of our colleagues and partnering with organizations addressing urgent needs, we are helping remove systemic barriers and creating pathways to healthier, more resilient communities."

For more than 70 years, Sacramento-based Society for the Blind has continued to create innovative ways to empower individuals living with low vision or blindness to discover, develop and achieve their full potential. Since 1954, Society for the Blind has grown from a dedicated group of volunteers to a nationally recognized agency and the only comprehensive rehabilitative teaching center that provides services for a 27-county region of Northern California. Learn more or donate: www.SocietyfortheBlind.org.

The Maximus Foundation is an independent, colleague-led nonprofit established in 2000 by the Maximus Board of Directors. For 25 years, the foundation has supported nonprofits working to strengthen communities, evolving alongside the company's broader commitment to social impact and deepening its focus on people-centered, community-led values. Operated by the Maximus corporate giving team, the foundation reflects the voices and choices of Maximus colleagues across roles and employment types, who help shape philanthropic efforts through a nomination and voting process. The corporation matches every staff contribution dollar-for-dollar, creating a shared approach to giving rooted in lived experience and community connection. Guided by a mission to drive meaningful impact through strategic partnerships, the foundation supports nonprofits deeply connected to their communities and focused on addressing the root causes of social challenges. Learn more: www.maximus.com/foundation. ★

Officer Proudly Serves

By Rick Burke, Navy Office of Community Outreach

SAN DIEGO, CA (MPG) - Petty Officer 2nd Class Kyren Mounsombath, a native of Sacramento, serves aboard USS Oakland, a U.S. Navy warship operating out of San Diego.

Mounsombath graduated from River City High School in 2015.

The skills and values needed to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Sacramento.

"I learned to stay adaptable to my environment and the people I may work with," Mounsombath said.

Mounsombath joined the Navy nine years ago. Today, Mounsombath serves as an operations specialist.

"I wasn't sure if I wanted to go to college but my stepdad, Keo Thouchalanh, previously served in the Navy for 20 years as an electrician's mate and thought it would be better for me to join the Navy until I decided on what to do after my time in service," Mounsombath said.

A Littoral Combat Ship (LCS), USS Oakland is a fast and agile warship designed to operate in near-shore environments to counter 21st-century threats. Crews aboard the ship can operate unmanned aerial systems and unmanned underwater vehicles. These ships can operate independently or in high-threat scenarios as part of a networked battle force that includes larger, multi-mission surface combatants such as cruisers and destroyers.

The U.S. Navy is celebrating its 250th birthday this year.

According to Navy officials, "America is a maritime nation and for 250 years, America's Warfighting Navy has sailed the globe in defense of freedom."

With 90% of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of undersea fiber-optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity



Kyren Mounsombath joined the Navy nine years ago and now serves as an operations specialist. Photo courtesy of Navy Office of Community Outreach

of the United States is directly linked to recruiting and retaining talented people from across the rich fabric of America.

Mounsombath has many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during military service.

"My proudest accomplishment was doing live fire spotting from a helicopter on San Clemente Island," Mounsombath said. "This helps the Navy by supporting their ground troops in doing this type of live fire weapons training."

Mounsombath serves a Navy that operates far forward, around the world and around the clock, promoting the nation's prosperity and security.

"Serving in the Navy means having the opportunities that I wouldn't have the chance to see, and it's helped me out when I wasn't sure how to move forward for myself," Mounsombath said.

Mounsombath is grateful to others for helping make a Navy career possible.

"I would like to thank my mother, Sally Thouchalanh, for supporting me and letting me join the Navy," Mounsombath added. ★

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And Another Thing 'Tis the Season

looking at elected officials in the general election next year.

E-bikes have become a popular form of transportation. Riders seem to think they don't need to obey traffic laws. They wear dark clothing, don't use lights and speed through stop signs and stop lights. Many don't wear helmets. The requirements for helmets vary from place to place depending on local laws. Wearing a helmet is always safer.

My wife and I were able to go to our Rancho Cordova Community Christmas Tree lighting. I think there were more people there to enjoy the celebration than in the past. There were different rides like the hat ride and train ride from the Sacramento Valley Live Steamers. There was also a Live Nativity scene and snow occasionally.

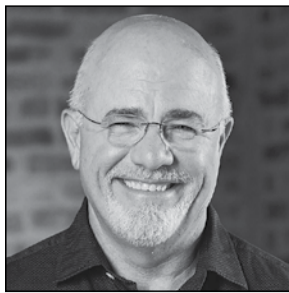
Then, when it was time, City Council Member David Sander began to count down to turn on the lights. Rancho Cordovan of the year, Kevin Sims, had the honor of pushing the button. When the lights came on, fireworks

began. It was enjoyed by the many people who were able to come to our Village Green Park and begin celebrating the Christmas season.

I believe many people in Rancho Cordova will enjoy the upcoming Christmas. I looked at some classic Christmas quotes including "Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" and some reflective sayings such as Winston Churchill's, "Christmas is a season not only of rejoicing, but of reflections."

Other popular quotes include the idea that "Christmas is a necessity. There has to be at least one day of the year to remind us that we're here for something else besides ourselves." (Eric Sevareid), and "It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air." (W.T. Ellis). My own feeling about Christmas is that I hope all of the readers of my column will be able to share those warm feelings throughout this season Christmas and after it, too.

From Bob McGarvey, God bless, and see you next time. ★



Dave Ramsey

Dave Ramsey Says She'll Be Just Fine

Dear Dave,

My mom is 76, and the only debt she has is about \$60,000 left on her mortgage. She has \$600,000 in retirement accounts, plus a long-term care insurance policy. But she has just \$25,000 in a money market account with check-writing privileges for everyday bills and purchases. To be honest, this worries me. She has always lived within her means, so am I wrong to be concerned? She has also been talking about paying off her mortgage, and I'm not sure how I feel about that, either. I'd love your opinion.

– Kelly

Dear Kelly,

You sound surprised that she'd still be in the stock market at her age. In my mind, that's not a bad thing at all. It might not be what the typical financial planner would tell you to do, because for the most part they'll try to get you to be super-conservative with your money as you get older. But from the way you've described things, it sounds

like she's not planning on using this money, but using the income from the money. If that's the case, she won't whittle it all down to nothing. So, if she's in good mutual funds—not single stocks—I think she'll be just fine.

Now, let's talk about the mortgage. I would absolutely recommend she go ahead and pay it off. If she can do that at age 76 and still have \$540,000 left, that's the way to go. Let's pay off the house, and then she can start taking her income off a percentage of the remainder. She won't need much with the house payment out of the way, because she won't be sending money to the bank to pay the anymore.

– Dave

The Best Laid Plans...

Dear Dave,

My wife and I have been talking about paying off our mortgage in the next two or three years. Do you think we should make this happen by paying extra toward the house, or invest that money on top of the 15% we're putting into retirement?

– March

Dear March,

If I were in your shoes, I'd pay extra on the house.

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And if something unplanned or unforeseen happens, it sure would be a nice thing to own your home free and clear, wouldn't it?

– 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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STAR 12-19-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08589
Anatoliy Gontar, 7948 Gander Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A+ Trading" 7948 Gander Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
TRADING 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08441
David Salomon Lopez Guiza, 3829 Altos Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DG Construction" 3829 Altos Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 14, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
DG 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08493
Alpha Golden Health Care LLC, 8043 Scythe Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Forbs Care Home" 7011 Forbs Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 18, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
FORBS 12-26-25

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FORBS 12-26-25

STATEMENT 2025-08567
7992 California LLC, PO Box 2888, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Slocum House" 7992 California Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 20, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
SLOCUM 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08619
Ruslan Mubarakshin, 2980 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sactown Locks" 2980 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 24, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
SACTOWN 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-07503
Joel Dickson Chiropractic Corporation, 11294 Coloma Road Unit H, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Evolved Spine Chiropractic" 11294 Coloma Road Unit H, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 8, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
EVOLVED 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08540
AK Distributors LLC, 3005 Stone Creek Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Zain Foods" 3005 Stone

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08540
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Creek Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 19, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
ZAIN 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08499
Rai Acquisition One, LLC, 1840 Prairie City Road Suite 100, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Steve's Pizza Folsom" 1840 Prairie City Road Suite 100, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 18, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
STEVES 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08575
Eagle Auto Works LLC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eagle Auto Works & Tire Zone" 2539 Teska Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
EAGLE 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08179
Keith E. Jones, 17 Quay Court Apt 3, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Let's Ride Transportation" 17 Quay Court Apt 3, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 3, 2025
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RIDE 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08534
Sinbad Group Inc., 3033 Hurley Way Suite 103, Sacramento, CA, 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sinbad Market & Bakery" 3033 Hurley Way Suite 103, Sacramento, CA, 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 19, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
SINBAD 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08681
Michael Tyler ShROUT Reitmeier, 7589 Limerick Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "NovaTech Solar Solutions" 7589 Limerick Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 26, 2025
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
NOVATECH 12-26-25

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2025-08683
R Davis LLC, 4796 Winding Way, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Milagro Centre" 6241 Fair Oaks, Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 26, 2025
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MILAGRO 12-26-25

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MILAGRO 12-26-25

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

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 #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

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV026087
Atrin Kalantarpourdarraji has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Atrin Kalantarpourdarraji 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

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV026099
Olena Ignatenko has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Olena Ignatenko to Olena Oleynik and German Ignatenko to German Oleynik.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 2, 2026,
Dated: November 6, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: December 5, 12, 19, 26, 2025
IGNATENKO 12-26-25

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV027508
Magda Christy Taraya Perez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Magda Christy Taraya Perez to Magda Taraya Perez Knapp.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 21, 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: November 14, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, 19, 2025
PEREZ 12-19-25

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Dated: September 2, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 14, 21, 28, Dec 5, 2025
FEIJO 12-5-25

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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

STATEMENT OF ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

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.
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Dated: November 3, 2025
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
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ZUBILLAGA 12-5-25

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIF

Water Forum Receives \$333,000 for Salmon Habitat

First Installment of County Secured Property Taxes Due

Water Forum News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Water Forum has received a \$333,000 grant from the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB) to plan the next generation of rearing habitat improvements for young salmon and steelhead on the lower American River.

The funding will help the Water Forum, in partnership with the Bureau of Reclamation and Sacramento County Regional Parks, identify and design up to 10 new habitat sites — covering roughly 30 acres — within the American River Parkway.

These future projects will focus on creating side channels and seasonally inundated shaded areas where juvenile salmonids can rest, feed and grow before migrating to the ocean. These sites are essential for helping Chinook salmon and Central Valley steelhead survive increasingly challenging river conditions.

“This investment from the Wildlife Conservation Board strengthens our region’s long-standing commitment to science-based river stewardship,” said Ashlee Casey, Water Forum Executive Director.

“By supporting our efforts to combine best-available science with a collaborative stakeholder process, Wildlife Conservation Board is an integral partner as we work to improve conditions for our native salmon and steelhead.”

Water Forum Habitat and Science Program Manager Erica Bishop said, “Young salmon need places away from the faster, main river channel to grow before they begin their journey to the ocean. This grant, paired with other funding, lets us take a careful look at



Young salmon need places away from the faster, main river channel to grow before they begin their journey to the ocean. Image by Ray_Shrewsberry

the river and recent data, and design the best possible projects — so when funding becomes available, we’re ready to build.”

A Statewide Effort to Support Habitat and Climate Resilience

The Water Forum’s award is part of a larger funding package approved by the Wildlife Conservation Board on Nov. 20. In total, the Board awarded \$87.1 million for 16 projects in 14 counties, supporting habitat restoration, salmon recovery and the return of culturally significant lands to Tribal stewardship. Several of these initiatives advance the State’s Salmon Strategy, which focuses on improving river health and climate resilience across California.

About the Water Forum

The Water Forum includes a diverse group of water providers, environmentalists, business groups, and local governments working to balance water supply needs with protection of the lower American River. Learn more at waterforum.org. ★

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The deadline for paying the first installment of 2025-26 Sacramento County property taxes is coming up. Payments are due no later than Dec. 10, 2025. Late payments will incur a 10- percent penalty for each tax bill. Partial payments are not accepted.

Payment must be received in the Tax Collector’s Office by 5 p.m. Dec. 10, postmarked with a legal postmark or paid through the county’s property tax website by Dec. 10.

The Tax Collector also wants to remind property owners to include the appropriate installment payment stub from the tax bill or property tax website or write the parcel number of the property on the check being submitted to make sure that you receive proper credit for the payment.

You can visit the property tax website at county-taxes.net/sacramento/property-tax.

Payment can be mailed to P.O. Box 508, Sacramento, CA 95812-0508. Be sure to mail your payment early enough to ensure a timely postmark and avoid penalties.

Property taxes can be paid by online e-check or credit card on the property tax website or over the telephone at 1-844-430-2823, using the 14-digit parcel number. For a 2.29 percent convenience fee, a contractor will process your credit card payment if

you elect to pay the annual property tax bill using a credit card. This convenience fee is not revenue to Sacramento County. There is no fee to make a payment via e-check.

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Payments can also be made by cash, check, money order, credit card or pin debit card at the Tax Collector’s Office, located at 700 H St., Room 1710, Sacramento. The county does not accept in-person e-check payments at this time. The convenience fee to pay by credit card is 2.29 percent and the fee to pay by pin debit is \$1.95. If you elect to pay in the office and have your payment stubs (coupons), you can go directly to the cashier located at 700 H St., Room 1703.

If you use your bank’s Online Bill Pay service, a paper check will be printed and mailed to the Tax Collector. Because the check is sent without

a payment stub, enter the parcel number, current year’s bill number and installment being paid in the online account number field for payment identification. The date on the check issued by your bank is considered the postmark, so make sure you are aware of the bank’s timeline for issuing the check. Some banks take five to seven business days before the check is issued and penalties will apply if the check is dated after Dec. 10, 2025.

If you have not received a tax bill, you can obtain your tax bill information and payment stubs (coupons) at the Tax Collector’s website, over the automated telephone system at 844-430-2823 or by contacting the Tax Collector’s Office at 916-874-6622.

Sacramento County offers an online email subscription service for property tax information to receive e-mail notifications when the annual secured property tax bills are available each year and reminders before the first and second installments delinquent dates. This service is provided at no cost to subscribers.

Visit www.saccounty.gov and enter your email address or mobile number under the “Connect with us” header, located at the bottom of the page.

Failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the property owner of their liability to pay taxes in a timely manner or give the Tax Collector reason to cancel penalties imposed for late payment. ★

Watt/I-80 Transit Center Phase Change Underway

Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT) News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) is announcing the next major phase of the Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project, with important changes beginning in December.

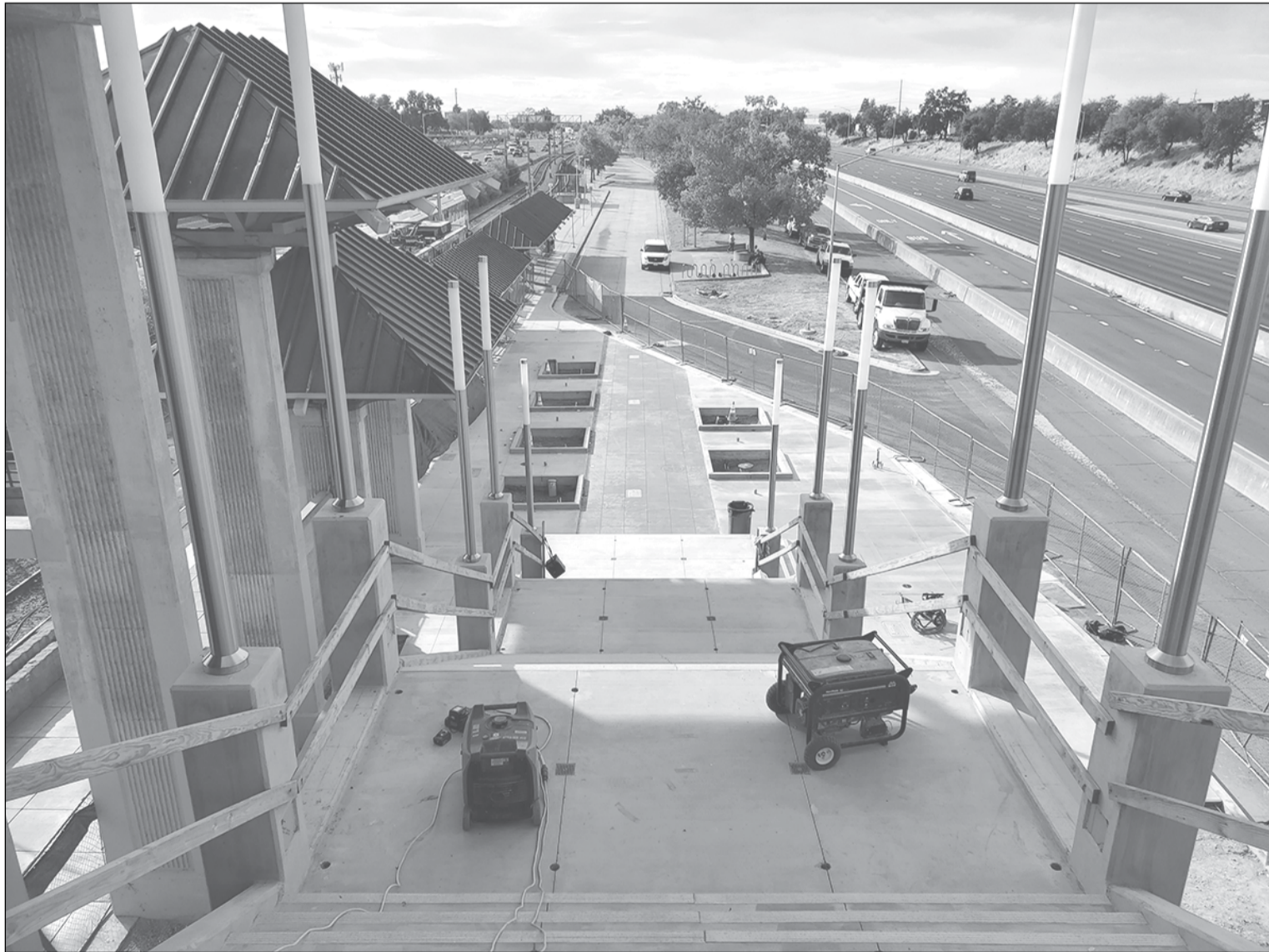
On Wednesday, Dec. 3, after press time, construction was set to shift to the northbound (east side) of Watt Avenue. This shift marked the project’s next phase start, which includes demolition and reconstruction of the east side bus plaza, stairway and pedestrian connection under Watt Avenue.

During this phase, the northbound bus stop (upper level) will close. Riders will use the temporary bus stop near the Wendy’s at Watt Avenue and Longview Drive. Pedestrian detour signage will guide riders to safely cross at Longview Drive. The east side elevator and stairs will remain open through Sunday, Dec. 14.

On Monday, Dec. 15, the southbound (west side) of Watt Avenue will reopen to the public, marking the completion of the construction’s first major phase.

Key improvements and changes effective Dec. 15 include the reopening of southbound bus stops serving Routes 1, 26, 84 and 93. The west side elevator and stairs will be back in service. A new open-air stairway connecting Watt Avenue to the transit center will open.

Also, on Dec. 15, the east side elevator and stairs will close for



Construction on the Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project was set to shift to the northbound (east side) of Watt Avenue on Dec. 3, after press time. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT)

construction. These changes will remain in effect through summer 2026.

Riders are encouraged to plan ahead and follow posted signage for temporary bus stop

locations. For the latest updates, visit the Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project webpage at sacrt.com/WattI80.

The Watt/I-80 Transit Center Improvement Project, which

began in July 2024, is a comprehensive effort to modernize one of the region’s busiest transit hubs.

Improvements include widening of the Watt Avenue

Bridge, new open-air stairwells, upgraded bus and pedestrian plazas, enhanced safety features and accessibility, improved on-ramp infrastructure and new landscaping. ★

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Sacramento Superior Court Hosts Adoption Day Event

Sacramento Superior Court News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento Superior Court finalized and celebrated the adoptions of children from foster care on Adoption Day, Nov. 15.

Adoption Day is an opportunity to increase public awareness of the need for adoptive parents and educate prospective adoptive parents about the adoption process. It is also a time to celebrate local families who have opened their lives to children needing permanent homes.

“Courthouses are often stressful places to visit but this is a special opportunity to witness love and joy, and we are delighted to host this annual adoption day event,” said Juvenile Court’s Presiding Judge Kristina Lindquist.

Adoption Day in Sacramento County is a collaborative effort between multiple agencies.

“I am proud of the hard work our court staff and community partners put into this successful event, as well as the collaboration, dedication and care they put into every single case throughout the year,” Lindquist said.

During Adoption Day, judges



The Sacramento Superior Court finalized the adoptions of 26 children from foster care at the Juvenile Courthouse on Nov. 15. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Superior Court

and court staff were joined by community partners, including the Department of Child and Family Adult Services, Court Appointed Special Advocates of Sacramento (CASA), Parent Cooperative Community, Sacramento Sheriff’s Department Youth Services Unit, Sacramento Public Library, Zeta Phi Beta and Wayfinder.

“All children deserve to have a family and strong connections for life. Adoption is a great work of love and provides a child the

opportunity to develop secure attachments and be supported to achieve optimal physical and emotional growth and health overall,” Sacramento County’s Deputy Director of Child Protective Services Melissa Lloyd said about adoption.

Adoption Day festivities included adoption proceedings, refreshments and children’s activities, such as face painting and balloons.

The Nov. 15 event from 9 to 11:30 a.m. was at the Juvenile

Courthouse, 9605 Kiefer Blvd., Sacramento.

“We are glad to celebrate the adoptions that are occurring on Adoption Day but we should also take this time to reflect that there are many more children and youth who are still looking for permanent homes,” Lindquist said. “It is important to raise awareness of the need in our community for additional foster and adoptive families. Every child deserves the love and connection of a supportive family.”★



Adoption Day in Sacramento County is a collaborative effort between multiple agencies. Lend a Heart is an all-volunteer organization that provides animal-assisted therapy to the Sacramento area and surrounding counties with teams of certified handlers and therapy dogs. An adoptee plays with one of the therapy dogs on Adoption Day. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Superior Court

Keeping Your Peace Through the Holidays



A group sits at a table for a holiday feast. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - While many residents spend the season preparing Thanksgiving meals, lighting the menorah, decorating their homes or planning festive gatherings, others experience the holidays as a period of heightened stress.

Feelings of overwhelm stemming from financial strain, social pressures, loneliness or challenges related to substance use are common this time of year.

To support residents navigating these emotional ups and downs, the Sacramento County Department of Health Services is sharing guidance to promote behavioral health and help the community cope with

holiday-related pressures.

Health officials say that the first step is acknowledging how you feel. Recognizing signs of stress or disruptions to normal routines can make it easier to respond early. Maintaining consistent sleep schedules and mealtimes can also support emotional stability during a busy season often filled with additional events.

The Sacramento County Department of Health Services also encourages residents to make a plan for managing stress. Whether it’s taking a walk, relaxing in front of the television or connecting with friends through online games, identifying enjoyable activities provides a reliable outlet when

emotions run high.

Connecting with others is another key recommendation. A quick phone call, text message or social media check-in can lift both your spirits and the recipient’s. Officials emphasize that reaching out, no matter the method, helps strengthen support systems.

County health professionals also urge residents to remain mindful of alcohol and substance use. For individuals in recovery or those who find holiday gatherings triggering, planning ahead can be critical. Strategies such as having an exit plan, contacting a trusted person or choosing a nonalcoholic drink can help prevent setbacks. Resources are available for anyone concerned

about their use or their ability to cope.

Knowing when and how to seek support is essential. Residents experiencing serious feelings of depression, anxiety or isolation are encouraged to reach out for help. The 9-8-8 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline connects callers to local crisis centers, and in situations requiring in-person support, Sacramento County’s Community Wellness Response Team could be dispatched.

The Behavioral Health Services Screening and Coordination Team operates a 24/7 hotline offering brief screenings and referrals to appropriate mental health services at 916-875-1055 or 888-881-4881. The Mental Health

Urgent Care Clinic at 2130 Stockton Blvd., Building 300, in Sacramento provides walk-in crisis services for all ages and can be reached at 916-520-2460.

Sacramento County officials remind residents that holiday stress is common and that it is acceptable and encouraged to seek peace wherever possible. They emphasize that no one needs to face these challenges alone and recommend turning to friends, family members or professionals for support.

More information and additional behavioral health resources can be found on Sacramento County’s Behavioral Health webpage at dhs.saccounty.gov/BHS/Pages/BHS-Home.aspx. ★

Help Pets Safely Enjoy Holidays

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The holidays bring gatherings, festive décor and plenty of special meals but the season can also present hazards for household pets, according to Sacramento County’s Bradshaw Animal Shelter.

Shelter officials are encouraging pet owners to plan ahead to ensure that celebrations remain safe for cats and dogs.

Food is among the most common holiday risks. While some seasonal dishes are safe for pets in small portions, such as plain turkey or chicken without skin or bones, plain sweet potato or pumpkin, simple fruits and vegetables, and xylitol-free peanut butter, many traditional items should be kept out of reach.

Chocolate, onions, garlic, grapes, raisins, sugar-free foods containing xylitol,

cooked bones, alcohol and raw dough are dangerous and life-threatening for pets. The shelter urges owners to stick with pet-specific treats when in doubt and to secure trash bins to prevent scavenging.

Decorations also pose potential dangers. Tinsel, ribbon and string can cause intestinal blockages if swallowed. Glass ornaments can break and injure pets, while holiday lights and electrical cords might tempt chewers. The shelter recommends keeping candles out of reach or opting for flameless versions to avoid burns or fires.

Several popular holiday plants can be toxic as well. Poinsettias can cause mild stomach upset, while mistletoe and holly can lead to vomiting and diarrhea. Lilies are especially dangerous for cats and should be avoided entirely. Artificial greenery can offer a festive alternative

without the risk.

In addition, the shelter notes that the holiday season’s busier household routines can be stressful for animals. Visitors, parties and frequent door openings could overwhelm pets or create opportunities for escape. Officials advise providing a quiet retreat, reminding guests not to feed pets table scraps and ensuring collars, ID tags and microchip information are up to date.

If a pet ingests a potentially harmful substance, owners should contact their veterinarian immediately or call the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) Animal Poison Control Center at 888-426-4435.

Bradshaw Animal Shelter staff wish the community a safe and happy holiday season and encourage residents to keep their pets in mind as they celebrate. ★

Holiday Airport Travel Ramps Up

By MPG Staff

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento International Airport (SMF) has prepared for another busy holiday travel season, with passenger volumes expected to exceed last year’s total.

Between Thanksgiving and the New Year, hundreds of thousands of travelers will pass through the Sacramento International Airport.

During the Thanksgiving period, the busiest day was expected to be Sunday, Nov. 30.

For the winter holidays (Dec. 24 to Dec. 31), 30-percent more seats are available compared to the same week in 2024, which means the potential for even more travelers at the Sacramento International Airport.

“We know how important these trips are for our passengers,” said Sacramento County Department of Airports’ Airport Operations and Public Safety Deputy Director Sheri Thompson-Duarte. “We’re ready for a safe, efficient and festive holiday season and we encourage travelers to plan ahead so they can start their journeys stress-free.”

In addition to preparing for higher passenger volumes, travelers will find new dining options throughout the terminals.

Sidewalk Juice and West Coast Sourdough are now open in both terminals, offering fresh sandwiches, soups and smoothies, while Terminal A welcomes Golden Grove Market and a new Starbucks location.

Travelers can make their holiday trips smoother by arriving early and allowing extra time for the busiest travel days. Airport officials recommend getting to the terminal at least two-and-a-half hours before domestic flights and three hours before international departures to accommodate parking, check-in and security screening.

Drivers should check parking availability in advance, as the parking garage and daily lot often fill quickly during peak morning hours. Officials suggest using an Economy lot and taking a shuttle to the terminal. Real-time parking updates are available on the Sacramento International Airport website at flysmf.gov.

Those picking up arriving passengers can avoid curbside congestion by using the airport’s free cell-phone waiting lot until the passengers are ready for pickup.

Travelers are also encouraged to pack smart and review Transportation Security Administration (TSA) guidelines for carry-on items, especially when bringing food, gifts or liquids. ★

Defendant Sentenced for Killing Unhoused Man

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - On Oct. 10, the Honorable Matthew Gary sentenced Richard Bradford to 76 years to

life in prison. On Aug. 5 of this year Bradford was convicted by a jury of second-degree murder. The jury also found true the allegation that Bradford discharged a firearm causing death as well as the aggravating factor that he used a weapon.

Bradford was also convicted of felon in possession of a firearm. The Court further found true that Bradford has two prior strike convictions and additional aggravating factors; that the defendant had served a prior prison term and that his prior

convictions were numerous and of increasing seriousness. On Oct. 8, 2023, Bradford murdered Joshua Rash, who was living in an encampment. Bradford had gone to the encampment to take the victim's dog. The victim armed

himself with a metal pole to prevent Bradford from taking his dog. Bradford then shot the victim in the chest and left him underneath a bridge on Gerber Road. When the victim's body was found, his dog was sitting by his side. ★

Antelope Shooting Murder Suspect Convicted

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Randall Watanabe was convicted by a jury of first-degree murder with the special circumstance that murder

was committed in the commission of an attempted robbery found true. Watanabe was also convicted of attempted robbery, assault with a semi-automatic firearm and discharge of a firearm at an inhabited vehicle.

The jury also found true allegations that Watanabe personally discharged a firearm causing death and personally used a firearm in the commission of a felony. Watanabe met with the victim, Antonio Chacon, at

an Antelope park to conduct a drug sale. During the meeting, Watanabe produced a gun and attempted to rob the victim. When the victim tried to drive away, Watanabe shot him in the back, causing the victim to crash his car, and

the victim died at the scene. Watanabe faces a maximum sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole. Sentencing is set for 9 a.m. Dec. 12 in Department 32 before the Honorable James Arguelles. ★



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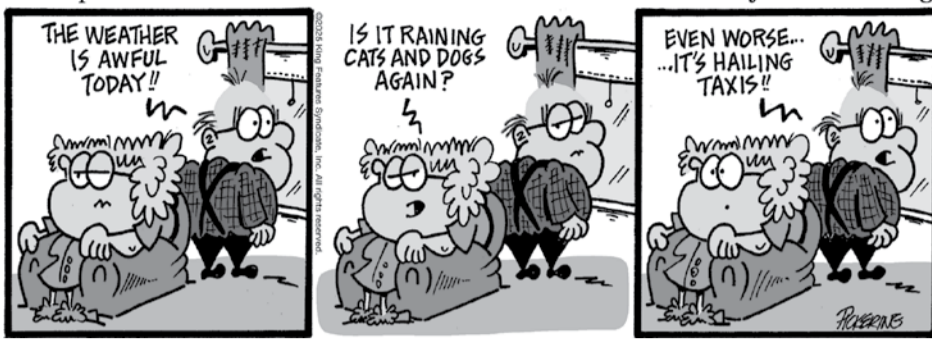
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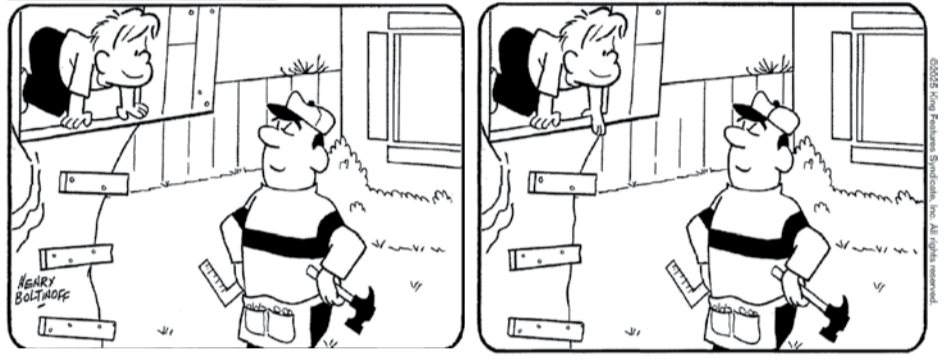
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By V.G. Harris



Will the real Sacramento Kings please stand up. Yes, Kings fans, it's been a conundrum to say the least, and in spite of a 5 and 16 record to start the season, bright spots have actually surfaced.

Stuck with 3 paltry wins just one week ago, the Sactown boys went into the city of Denver, and handed the first place Nuggets a surprising 128-123 defeat. Perhaps equally surprising was the 117-112 win over the Timberwolves just 2 nights later before a roaring crowd at Golden One Center. Both victories came with big man Domantas Sabonis sidelined with a knee injury, leaving fans and pundits wondering what can these guys do if they play like this at full strength?

Well, that's certainly a good question, but we can all remember what the team looked like 3 seasons ago when Domantas arrived in Sacramento and led the Kings to 48 wins and a playoff berth. That team led the NBA in scoring but also had a vaunted point guard by the name of DeAron Fox.

I think it's important to take a closer look at these back-to-back wins that the Kings recently put together and try to find a common thread. It's actually very obvious. In both wins the Kings shot remarkably well from the free throw line, something that has been seemingly impossible for this team to do. Against the Nuggets the Kings went 22-23 missing amazingly only one shot the entire night. Two nights later against the Timberwolves the Kings went 26-28 from the line missing only 2 shots.

Now compare that with Sunday night's game against the Grizzlies. 59% from the free throw line in a tight game converting on only 13 of 22 attempts in a 115-107 loss.

Unfortunately, the game against the Grizzlies has been the pattern we've seen all too often when the Kings put together that alarming 8-games losing streak.

So, even with Domantas Sabonis sidelined, the Kings are capable of taking down some of the best teams in the NBA, but making their free throws is absolutely critical!

Unfortunately, the Kings are among the worst shooting NBA teams when it comes to free throws, and as we've seen, if wins are to come that pattern has to change.

Doug Christie can talk all he wants to

about defense and playing for 48 minutes, but if his team can't convert from the line the stats don't lie.

But the Sacramento Kings can only play the players on the court, and this year's pattern of substitutions has been a head scratcher. Last year's first round draft choice Devin Carter has been all but forgotten as he sits game after game on the pines. A solid defender, good rebounder, and efficient scorer around the rim, Devin appears not to be in the Kings future and fans want to know why.

The coaching staff talks about a youth movement while second year player Isaac Jones was recently cut from the team. 6'9" with a huge wingspan, Isaac was scooped up by the first place Detroit Pistons almost immediately, and it won't surprise me to see them utilize Jones moving forward.

The number 1 problem has been identified and it's the inability to shoot free throws with any consistency, but what is #2?

The coaching staff and entire franchise can't evaluate talent! Drafting talent over the years, and talent that resides already on the team.

Allowing Jonas Valanciunas to get away was a huge mistake, and one that has benefited the Denver Nuggets greatly.

No one could see or even imagine a Kings team with Domantas at the #4 and moving Valanciunas to the #5.

Any way you look at it, the Kings shot themselves in the foot when they let Jonas walk away.

Defensive standout Keon Ellis is getting less and less playing time, logging all of 6 minutes in the loss to the Grizzlies, and fans attending home games have taken to collectively calling, "we want Keon, we want Keon!"

This is not a good look, but it begs the question, why? Why do fans have to beg the coach to play a player that could obviously help the team?

Player evaluation, it's as simple as that.

Don't put all the blame for a 5-16 record solely on the players and give the coaching staff a pass.

All the best!

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

New Studies Gives Lowdown on California's Sky-High Living Costs



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

We Californians know, or should know, that while living in this state has many positive aspects, we are paying through the nose for the experience.

A flurry of recent studies drives home how deeply California residents must dig to meet costs of living that are either at or near the highest of any state.

One comes from the Legislative Analyst's Office, the Legislature's advisor on the state budget, delving into the astronomical costs of buying a home.

The LAO study found "California home prices far exceed the rest of the country." Mid-tier homes, those roughly in the middle of the price range, are more than twice as expensive as the typical mid-tier home elsewhere in the U.S. Monthly payments for such homes run about \$5,500 in California, 74% more than what they were 25 years ago.

The study also found that the annual household income needed to qualify for a mortgage on a mid-tier California home in September was about \$221,000 — more than two times the median California household income in 2024, which was \$102,000.

For a bottom-tier home, about \$136,000 in annual income is needed to qualify for a mortgage — about 33%

higher than median household income was in 2024.

The data illustrate why California has the second lowest rate of home ownership in the nation. Just 55.3% of Californians live in homes they or their families own, slightly higher than New York's ownership rate.

It's not surprising that hundreds of thousands of California residents, unable to aspire to home ownership, have decamped for more affordable states, such as Texas, where home prices are a fraction of California's.

Those who do migrate to other states find not only are houses much less expensive but fuel for their cars and utilities to light, heat and cool their homes are markedly less expensive.

The Center for Jobs & the Economy, an offshoot of the California Business Roundtable, continuously monitors energy costs in California and other states. Its latest report says gasoline, averaging \$4.64 a gallon in California, is as much as \$1.50 a gallon higher than in Texas and other states. California's electrical power rates are roughly twice as high.

Another take on California living costs comes from the Transparency Foundation, a conservative economic think tank.

It gathered a wide variety of factors and calculated living costs for an upper-middle class California family with a \$130,000 annual income. It concluded the family would pay \$29,753 more per year than the national average for housing, utilities, health care, taxes and other costs of living.

"This report should be a wake-up call to all Californians, that they are

being unfairly punished by the bad policies imposed on them by their politicians — and they are literally paying the price for it," Dave McCulloch, the foundation's chairman, said in a statement about the report.

A new poll by the Public Policy Institute of California confirms that Californians worry about living costs. Nearly a third of those polled said they, or someone in their household, have reduced food purchases to save money.

The California Farm Bureau revealed that a traditional Thanksgiving dinner for 10 people will cost a California family \$72.61, well above the national average of \$55.18.

Finally, there's a new report from WalletHub, a website devoted to personal finance, implying that Californians are taking on more debt to pay their rising bills.

In this year's third quarter — July through September — the average California household added \$880 in new debt, increasing the total owed to \$259,773, second only to residents of Hawaii.

All together, Californians' personal debt increased by \$11.8 billion during the quarter.

Now it's nearly \$3.2 trillion, just a bit lower than their \$3.6 trillion in annual personal income.

A truly staggering number.

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 Is Social Security Really a "Good Deal?"



By Russell Gloor, [AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor](http://AMAC.org)

Dear Rusty: You've said in the past that most people recoup their SS contributions within five years of starting benefits, thus Social Security "is an exceptionally good deal." Your calculation is correct but misleading; if it were not, SS would have been insolvent long ago. I will, in fact, get "my" contributions back in about five years, but my employer's contributions will take another five years, and that is money that my employer could have been paying me, so they are really "my" contributions. But even that ignores the time value of money. I did a calculation as if my contributions, along with those of my employer, were invested in an account earning 5% per year. That would provide me the equivalent of SS income for 24 years, approximately what my life expectancy was when I retired. So, it's not a bad deal, but it is hardly exceptional. It is roughly the equivalent of me investing that money throughout my career and using the total to buy an annuity.

Of course, Social Security does have the advantage of certainty, at least until it goes broke. My portfolio

would not earn a steady 5% every year, though that is at the low end of what financial managers would expect over a long period. And it does force people to save, many of whom would otherwise make no provision for retirement. **Signed: Realistic Senior**

Dear Realistic: Thanks very much for your feedback on my previous article. I think it's important to draw a distinction for SS contributions made by an employer, because that is not money the individual personally pays, but rather an obligation for employers to help fund the Social Security program. Without that federal obligation, it is doubtful that employers would, instead, provide employees with equivalent additional compensation, so the thought that these are really your contributions is not a fair assessment. Indeed, they are contributions which happen to be tied to your earnings level (to a cap), for which employers receive relief on their corporate income tax, and likely would not make if not required by law.

As you have noted, Social Security has the advantage of certainty, something which is lacking when it comes to investing the equivalent amounts in the financial markets. And, as you have hinted, there exists a substantial failure by future American retirees to save adequately for their retirement, a problem well known in most financial circles. Thus, the certainty of Social Security makes it a crucial part of everyone's retirement planning — and it will be there! Despite all the

angst attributed to the current financial issues facing the program, there is little doubt that Social Security is here to stay. The question is — what reform is needed to make the program fully solvent for generations of future Americans? The Association of Mature American Citizens (AMAC) has developed a proposal to sensibly reform Social Security and avoid the currently projected 2033 date that the SS Trust Funds are expected to be depleted (which will necessitate an across-the-board cut for everyone). We have little doubt that the reform needed will happen (it would be political suicide for Congress if it did not), and hopefully soon. You can read about AMAC's proposed solution at this link: www.amac.us/social-security-guarantee.

Again, thank you for your feedback and commentary. Please know that we very much appreciate your thoughts and are always willing to discuss these issues.

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The Epstein Conspiracy in Plain Sight

Regardless, populists have a different narrative at hand that is consistent with the known record. Namely, that some of the most privileged members of our society — at the very top of the financial, academic, political, media and social worlds — had no standards or ethics, and embraced Epstein as a friend and consigliere.

Epstein knew influential people, so influential people felt that they should know him. They considered him fun, and useful — for advice, for banter, for introductions, for information and for donations. The emails suggest that Epstein missed his calling as a high-level, seamy advice columnist to the rich and powerful.

About the reputation of the woman you are having an affair with? Seeking advice on how to gain political influence in Europe? Wondering how you're handling your interactions with a potential mistress? Looking for insights about Donald Trump? Trying to survive sexual harassment allegations? Need a reference for a gastroenterologist? Well, then, ask Jeffrey Epstein.

He emailed with former Harvard president Larry Summers, the linguist Noam Chomsky, venture capitalist Boris Nikolic, Emirati businessman Sultan Ahmed bin Sulayem, Trump activist Steve Bannon, the journalist Michael Wolff, the artist Andres Serrano, the department store scion Jonathan Farkas and former White House counsel Kathryn

Ruemmler, among others. It's not as though Epstein was particularly insightful, but if he knew so many important people, he must know something, right?

As for his scrape with the law, clearly all had been forgiven and forgotten. If he was in the good graces of the social wrangler Peggy Siegal, whose job was to get bold-faced names to accept invitations, he must be OK. For some of Epstein's correspondents, it was part of his appeal that he was disreputable. Larry Summers, who leaned on Epstein for romantic advice, asked him at one point: "How is life among the lucrative and louche?"

Epstein's social currency is one reason that he got off so easily the first time he was prosecuted — he hired the best, most connected defense attorneys, who outclassed and intimidated his prosecutors.

As for Trump, he is guilty of enjoying Epstein's company a couple of decades ago, presumably for the same reason so many others did. But he had a falling out with Epstein long ago. Trump didn't have anything to do with him at the time that so many others in these emails were socializing with Epstein, confiding in him and asking him for insight on Trump. That's a disgrace, and it's always been in plain sight. In the Epstein story, it's not so much follow the money — although that's important and still mysterious — as follow the social network.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.
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Sacramento State Volleyball Secures Five Major Big Sky Honors

Sacramento State News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento State volleyball's remarkable 2025 campaign continued as the Hornets collected five major awards in the annual All-Big Sky Conference selections, highlighted by sophomore outside hitter Victoria Marthaler being named Big Sky Most Valuable Player.

The Hornets earned four individual specialty honors, the most of any program in the league, with Marthaler taking MVP, senior setter Kate Doorn named Setter of the Year, junior Reese Ampí earning Libero of the Year and freshman outside hitter Keonahi'ilani Solaita selected Freshman of the Year.

In addition, senior middle blocker Ashlynn Archer, one of the nation's top performers at her position, was named first team All-Big Sky.

Marthaler and Doorn joined Archer on the first team, tying the program record with three first-team selections in a single season.

The honors arrive as Sacramento State concludes the regular season with a 19-9 overall record and 12-4 conference mark, finishing second in the Big Sky standings.

Marthaler became the eighth Hornet, and the first since 2023, to earn Big Sky MVP honors. One of the nation's top six-rotation outside hitters, Marthaler leads the Big Sky and ranks sixth nationally with 4.96 kills per set, while adding 5.46 points per set, eighth-best in the country. She has posted double-figure



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kills in 25 matches, including eight with 20 or more and three with at least 30.

A three-time Big Sky Offensive Player of the Week, Marthaler is averaging 5.72 kills per set in conference play. Her current season average would rank fourth in program history.

Doorn, the first Hornet ever named Big Sky Setter of the Year, guided one of the league's most efficient offenses. Sacramento State leads the Big

Sky in points per set (17.62) and hitting

percentage (.265) in conference matches, a figure 38 points higher than the next closest team. Doorn averages 9.16 assists, 0.41 aces, 2.38 digs and 0.54 blocks per set, and owns 11 double-doubles this season. In league play, Doorn leads the conference in aces (0.48 per set) and ranks second in assists (10.13 per set).

Doorn is just two assists shy of 3,000 for her collegiate career.



Caden Pinnick Named Jerry Rice Award Finalist

Republic FC to Host Open Tryouts on Jan. 10 and 11



The Jerry Rice Award includes true and redshirt freshmen, and all 13 Football Championship Subdivision conferences are represented by a finalist. The recipient, to be selected by a national voting panel, will be announced on Dec. 3, after press time, and honored at the Stats Perform National Awards Show on Jan. 3 in Nashville, Tennessee. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Athletics

UC Davis News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - No. 8 University of California, Davis football redshirt freshman Caden Pinnick has been named a finalist for the Jerry Rice Award, putting him among the best 25 freshmen in the nation.

Pinnick becomes the first Aggie to be named a Jerry Rice Award finalist since Rex Connors earned the nod in 2022. A multi-national player of the week and conference player of the week honoree, Pinnick ranks among the top quarterbacks in the nation across several categories.

During the season, Pinnick tied a conference

record with three straight Big Sky Offensive Player of the Week awards and twice was named a National Offensive Player of the Week.

The Aggie quarterback ended the year among the best quarterbacks in the Big Sky Conference, racking up 2,527 total passing yards, 24 passing touchdowns and an average of 252.7 passing yards per game in 10 starts. Pinnick had a season completion percentage of 71 percent, rushed for 312 yards and scored three times on the ground.

In the conference, Pinnick finishes the regular season leading in passing yards per completion, passing efficiency, points

responsible for per game and yards per pass attempt.

Pinnick also finishes top five in the conference in completion percentage (second), completions per game (fifth), passing touchdowns (second), passing yards (fifth), passing yards per game (fifth), points responsible for (third) and total offense (second).

Nationally, Pinnick ended the season ranked fifth in the nation in passing efficiency, 10th in passing yards per game, 12th in passing touchdowns and 24th in total passing yards.

The Rice Award, celebrating its 15th anniversary season, is named after legendary Hall of Fame wide receiver Jerry Rice, who starred in the Football Championship Subdivision at Mississippi Valley State University. Past recipients include Cooper Kupp, Chase Edmonds, Trey Lance, Cam Ward and Shedeur Sanders.

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Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - As Republic FC prepares for the 2026 United Soccer League (USL) Championship Season, the club will again host open tryouts, an opportunity for local talent to showcase their abilities in front of professional coaching staff with the goal of earning an invitation to the team's preseason training camp.

This year's tryouts on Jan. 10 and 11 at Bartholomew Sports Park in Elk Grove are open to athletes ages 16 years and older. Players are encouraged to sign up early and take advantage of \$50 off discount that runs through the end of the year.

"We've shown that we can successfully identify top-caliber players for both our first team and academy through tryouts and we look forward to another year of quality competition," said Republic FC President Todd Dunivant.

Open tryouts play a key role in the club's roster development. Since 2014, six players have signed with the first team after impressing at tryouts, often using the opportunity to springboard successful careers.



Each year, at least one person is guaranteed an invitation to join the team for training camp, which provides trialists the opportunity to train alongside professional soccer players and compete against teams from various soccer leagues, further providing exposure to talent scouts. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

In 2023, defender Aldair Sanchez attended tryouts after his second college season and launched his pro career after a strong training camp. In two seasons with the Indomitable Club, Sanchez became one of the most consistent young players in the league.

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The wide range of

paths was demonstrated by two attendees from the 2025 tryout. Miles Rice, a senior at Chico State, and Tag Chalmers who had formerly featured for Central Valley Fuego, both stayed with Republic FC throughout preseason. Rice went on to sign a short-term contract with USL League One side Charlotte Independence, while Chalmers inked to a USL Academy Contract and trained with Republic FC's first team throughout the year.

For more information on tryout registration and requirements, visit [SacRepublicFC.com/Tryouts](https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=1431279) or email Tryouts@SacRepublicFC.com. ★

Registration Now Open for Republic FC's Winter Break Camps

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento Republic FC has opened registration for its 2025 Winter Break Camps. This December, players ages 4 to 16 can join the club for two fun and engaging camp experiences led by a professional trained and licensed coaching staff.

The only winter soccer camp run entirely by a local professional club, the program will focus on developing individual technical skills in a supportive, development-focused environment.

Each camp will include expert instruction, an official Republic FC camp T-shirt, and a ticket to a 2026 home match at Heart Health Park.



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Players will have the opportunity to gain new skills, meet new friends and prepare for their upcoming season.

The first camp will be held on Monday, Dec. 22 at Promontory Community Park in El Dorado Hills. Players ages 4 to 6 will train from 9 to 10:30 a.m. while players ages 7 to 16 will participate from 9 a.m. to noon. The second camp will take place on Dec. 23 at Woodland Sports Park in Woodland, following the same age groups and times.

Registration for both camps is now open. Families are encouraged to sign up early to secure their spot.

Register online at <https://clubs.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=1431279>. ★

Cordova Tree Lighting Fun for All

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