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Carmichael's 2026 Honorary Mayor Mike Rockenstein (center) joins Carmichael Chamber of Commerce friends to present his campaign donation to First Tee-Sacramento. The non-profit's Vice Chair Steve Lawver stands to Rockenstein's left. Chamber president Rosie Buck kneels, front left.

**Story and photo
by Susan Skinner**

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - Businessman Mike Rockenstein has balanced his 2025 books with a donation of almost \$17,500 to the First Tee-Sacramento organization.

Carmichael's 2026 Honorary Mayor chose the non-profit to benefit from his election campaign. First Tee-Sacramento is part of a national organization that uses the game of golf to sponsor learning opportunities for school-age and underprivileged children.

Rockenstein's fundraising totaled more than \$26,000. His donation to First Tee's youth mentoring programs represents 75 percent of the war chest.

"This check recognizes the value that the First Tee organization brings to the community," Rockenstein told members of the Carmichael Chamber of Commerce.

"My campaign for the Chamber also demonstrates my passion for Carmichael."

Business consultant Rockenstein will don the mayoral sash and begin a

year of civic duties in January.

The 55-year-old Carmichael resident was one of four wannabes in a hard-fought campaign. He and his rivals together raised more than \$39,000. Local charities will benefit by more than \$25,000 from the campaign.

"Our candidates gave it their all," said Chamber of Commerce President Rosie Buck. "We were pleased by community support for each them. Mike Rockenstein is a welcome addition to our public profile. He will be a wonderful mayor." ★

Board Approves Flexible Housing Pool to Address Homelessness

**Sacramento County
News Release**

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On Dec. 9, the Board of Supervisors approved a multi-year plan to launch a Flexible Housing Pool (FHP), a coordinated, countywide system that aligns rental assistance, housing navigation and supportive services for eligible Medi-Cal members.

With this approval, this initiative will position Sacramento County at the forefront of statewide efforts to integrate health care, housing and homelessness response systems.

A Flexible Housing Pool helps residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness secure and maintain stable housing.

The Flexible Housing Pool is envisioned as a centralized program to serve as the fiscal and administrative intermediary for the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Transitional Rent and Housing Deposits benefits.

The program will prioritize Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHHB) participants experiencing homelessness with immediate housing needs to exit shelter in year one.

The county aims to expand the program over time to

include additional funding streams, including Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA), Providing Access and Transforming Health Capacity and Infrastructure Transition, Expansion and Development (PATH CITED), and Managed Care Plan (MCP) contributions.

The Flexible Housing Pool provides landlord engagement, risk mitigation and tenancy support activities across multiple programs and populations.

The program is envisioned to establish a centralized referral, tracking and reporting system to streamline access to housing resources across County departments and Managed Care Plan partners.

Recent state policy shifts have established both the mandate and the resources for a pooled housing model to enhance a coordinated housing system for Medi-Cal members with complex needs.

CalAIM Transitional Rent, effective Jan 1, 2026, requires Managed Care Plans (Anthem Blue Cross, Health Net, Molina Healthcare and Kaiser Permanente) to provide short-term rental assistance for eligible members, prioritizing individuals with behavioral health needs.

Behavioral Health Services Act, effective July 1, 2026,

requires counties to dedicate 30 percent of Behavioral Health Services Act funds to housing interventions.

The state also created the PATH CITED grant through the CA Department of Health Care Services (DHCS), of which Sacramento County was awarded \$5.8 million to fund both the assigned Flexible Housing Pool contract with Brilliant Corners and some additional components that will come in the future.

By aligning county, state and Managed Care Plan investments, the Flexible Housing Pool creates a sustainable platform that strengthens accountability, expands housing opportunities and builds long-term community trust.

Sacramento County Department of Homeless Services & Housing (DHS), in partnership with Sacramento County Department of Health Services (DHS), will function as the lead agency. Partnerships with Managed Care Plans and local housing providers are a critical piece to the success of this program. The county has selected Brilliant Corners to act as the third-party administrator of the program.

"We are honored to be selected as operator for the Sacramento Flexible Housing

Pool," said William F. Pickel, Chief Executive Officer of Brilliant Corners.

"For over a decade, we've operated Flex Pool programs across California, helping municipalities meet the needs of our unhoused neighbors by scaling access to housing opportunities in real time, while always grounded in a person-centered approach that ensures quality housing outcomes for a range of populations; even those with complex needs."

"We look forward to partnering with Sacramento County to operationalize its vision of coordinated, effective and compassionate housing approach that reduces homelessness and advances behavioral health recovery."

Brilliant Corners will administer rental subsidies, including CalAIM Transitional Rent and Housing Deposits, manage landlord incentives and risk mitigation, coordinate housing navigation and tenancy supports, including a robust landlord program and oversee financial, administrative and reporting systems for the Flexible Housing Pool.

Brilliant Corners will begin work on the Flexible Housing Pool immediately, and CalAIM Transitional Rent mandates will begin Jan. 1, 2026. ★

Contesting Traffic Tickets Made Easier

**Sacramento Superior
Court News Release**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Superior Court is launching a new innovation designed to make contesting eligible traffic tickets faster, easier and more convenient for the public.

Beginning Dec. 11, 2025, Sacramento County residents have access to the Judicial Council's expanded MyCitations platform, which now features "Online Trial by Declaration", a fully digital way to contest infraction citations without ever stepping foot in a courthouse.

This new tool allows individuals with certain traffic tickets to submit a written statement and upload supporting documents online. Judicial officers will review the submitted materials and issue rulings through the system. Decisions will then be emailed directly to the individual contesting the citation.

"We are excited to offer a streamlined, user-friendly option that gives our community greater flexibility and accessibility," said Brenda Allen, Director of Operations at the Carol Miller Justice Center, where traffic cases are processed.

"The ability to contest a ticket online - on your schedule - helps remove barriers and enhances access to justice for everyone."

"Request an Online Trial by Declaration" is the newest module in the MyCitations suite, designed for infraction violations that do not require a personal appearance in court. With a simple step-by-step process, users can explain what happened, attach evidence and submit everything electronically. A judge then reviews both the defendant's and the issuing officer's statements before making a determination.

Use this tool if: you were issued a ticket for infraction violations only; you want to contest the violation (plead not guilty) and complete your trial online; the due date to address your ticket has not passed; and your ticket or courtesy notice does not require a mandatory court appearance.

Do NOT use this tool if: you have already appeared in court, and/or you have already been sentenced, fined or paid your ticket, and/or have an active ability to pay petition.

The Online Trial by Declaration feature is also available for Nevada, San Francisco and Siskiyou counties.

The Online Trial by Declaration portal is available on the Sacramento Superior Court's website at <https://www.saccourt.ca.gov/traffic/citations-contesting.aspx>. ★



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Effie Yeaw to Launch 50th Anniversary Year



"For 50 years, the Effie Yeaw Nature Center has shown what is possible when a community comes together to care for its land, history, and future generations," Dewey said. Photo courtesy of Susan Maxwell Skinner

Effie Yeaw Nature Center News Release

CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG) - In 2026, the Effie Yeaw Nature Center will celebrate its 50th anniversary, a milestone that reflects its enduring role as one of the region's most cherished places for nature connection, environmental learning and cultural storytelling.

Established in 1976 and named for educator and conservation advocate Effie Yeaw, the Nature Center has spent five decades inspiring curiosity, nurturing stewardship and welcoming people of all ages to explore the natural and cultural history of the American River Parkway. Effie Yeaw's legacy, grounded in teaching, conservation and advocacy, continues to guide the center's mission.

"Reaching this anniversary is both a celebration and a responsibility," said Greg Dewey, President of the Board of Directors of the American River Natural History Association (ARNHA), the nonprofit that manages the Nature Center.

Dewey said, "The Effie Yeaw Nature Center has been a place of learning and inspiration for generations. As we look to the next 50 years, our focus is on strengthening the Nature Center, so it continues to thrive as a community treasure."

Honoring a Legacy, Looking Forward

Over the last half-century, Effie Yeaw Nature Center has welcomed hundreds of thousands of children, families, educators and visitors to experience the region's wildlife, oak woodlands, riparian habitats and the living cultural heritage of the Nisenan and others connected to this land. Its school programs, camps, community events and interpretive trails continue to play a vital role in fostering environmental literacy and appreciation.

"This milestone honors the volunteers, donors, educators and community partners who have shaped Effie Yeaw Nature Center over the last 50 years," said Rachael Cowan, interim executive director.

"Their dedication built a strong foundation – one that will continue to support the center's growth in the years ahead."

The 50th anniversary year will be united under the theme: "50 Years of Wonder: Celebrating the stories that unite people, place, and the natural world."

Community Invited to Celebrate

Community members are invited to take part in the anniversary year by rediscovering the trails, wildlife and cultural stories that make the Effie Yeaw Nature Center unique – and by sharing their own "Moments of Magic" from visits and experiences now or throughout the decades.

Whether it's spotting wildlife, learning something new or enjoying a quiet moment under the oaks, post photos or reflections using #EYNC50. Select stories and images may be featured throughout 2026.

American River Natural History Association also welcomes the wider Sacramento community to join the celebration through membership, volunteering, charitable giving or simply spending time in the Nature Study Area.

"For 50 years, the Effie Yeaw Nature Center has shown what is possible when a community comes together to care for its land, history, and future generations," Dewey said. "This anniversary celebrates that legacy – and invites all of us to help shape what comes next."

Learn more at www.effieyeawnature.org. ★

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Home for the Holidays

7841 Lemon Street, Fair Oaks | Offered at \$789,000

Charming and full of potential, this Fair Oaks multi-unit property sits on a generous .63-acre lot. It includes a 3-bed main home, a private 1-bed ADU, and a third expandable unit with kitchenette—each with central heat and air. Four garages and plenty of open space offer room for projects, parking, or future improvements. With great rental or multi-generational possibilities, and a location near Old Fair Oaks, the American River, shopping, dining, and trails, this property is a rare find.

1833 Discovery Village Ln, Gold River | Offered at \$599,000

Step into this charming single-story end-unit in the gated Discovery Village community of Gold River. This 2-bedroom, 2-bath home plus den offers vaulted ceilings, abundant natural light, and a cozy fireplace in an open-concept layout. The kitchen features quartz countertops, modern cabinetry, and bar seating that opens to a private fenced backyard. The spacious primary suite includes a spa-style bath, his-and-her sinks, walk-in closet, and direct patio access. Enjoy community pool, spa, and clubhouse access—all just minutes from shopping, dining, and scenic river trails.

6600 Indian River Dr, Citrus Heights | Offered at \$499,900

Welcome home to this move-in-ready 3-bedroom, 2-bath gem in a peaceful, established neighborhood. A spacious driveway and inviting curb appeal set the tone for this well-cared-for home featuring separate living and family rooms with a cozy fireplace and formal dining area. The kitchen offers granite countertops and white cabinetry, while the primary suite includes backyard access and a soaking tub. Outside, enjoy a private, low-maintenance yard with stamped concrete, a pergola, and a built-in firepit—perfect for relaxing or entertaining. Convenient to shopping, dining, and freeway access.

7401 Rothschild Ct, Elk Grove | Offered at \$629,000

Discover Del Webb Glenbrooke, a premier 55+ community with resort-style amenities and a friendly, welcoming vibe. This immaculate 3-bed, 2-bath Colby Model offers 1,644 sq. ft. of bright, open living with a great room, plantation shutters, and a kitchen featuring stainless steel appliances, ample storage, and a breakfast bar. The primary suite includes dual sinks, a step-in shower, and a walk-in closet. Enjoy an oversized, beautifully landscaped backyard with a covered patio, lawn, palm trees, and garden beds. Live steps from pickleball, tennis, bocce, a pool, spa, fitness center, clubhouse, and countless social clubs.

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Finding Their Voice

How Allison Puerner Inspires English Learners at Mira Loma

San Juan Unified School District News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

The classroom fell silent as English language development teacher Allison Puerner read aloud the folktale, “Jabu and the Lion.” Her tone was flat and steady, the words uncolored by emotion.

Then Puerner looked up and asked, “Can a storyteller read like this and still be interesting?”

The students did not hesitate. “No!” they answered together, laughter filling the room.

For the Mira Loma High School teacher, that moment captured an essential truth about teaching English: it’s not just about grammar or vocabulary. It’s about rhythm, emotion and connection.

Originally from Texas, Puerner grew up surrounded by stories and languages from around the world, thanks to her father’s travels.

“I always loved language,” Puerner said. “My family thought it was strange but it felt natural to me.”

Puerner’s passion led her to community college, where she helped classmates with essays. A professor noticed her talent and offered Puerner a tutoring job, setting her on the path to teaching.

After earning a master’s degree in teaching English as a second language, Puerner taught at De Anza College, Chico State University and Northern Arizona University.

Now in her second year at Mira Loma High School and her 10th in education, Puerner is known for her creativity, empathy and calm classroom energy.

Puerner’s level 1 English Language Development (ELD)



Allison Puerner is in her second year at Mira Loma High School teaching English language development and her 10th year in education. She has a a master’s degree in teaching English as a second language. Courtesy photo

classroom buzzes with activity and sometimes music. Between lessons, Puerner plays a few soft notes on her flute to refocus students.

“It’s a fun way to recapture attention,” she said. “But more than that, I want my students to feel cared for, the way I’d want my own kids to be treated.”

Her approach blends structure with joy. Puerner uses scaffolding, breaking lessons into smaller steps and repetition through play.

“Learning English takes persistence,” Puerner said. “But it should also be engaging and fun.”

Puerner also adapts her teaching to reflect her students’ backgrounds. After learning from an Afghan colleague that oral repetition is common in Afghanistan classrooms, Puerner added similar methods and saw strong results.

“I want to help students adjust to American classrooms while honoring where they come from,” Puerner said.

During a recent class, Puerner asked a student to act out scenes as she read “Jabu and the Lion.” Then, they switched roles. Soon, students were laughing and mimicking words such as “jumped” and “hungry,” learning meaning through movement instead of translation.

Around the room, hands shot up as students asked questions and eagerly volunteered to perform. Even the shyest students leaned forward with excitement.

“The energy in this group is amazing,” Puerner said. “They really want to learn and support each other.”

When chatter rose, Puerner lifted her flute and the soft notes brought instant quiet. Sometimes, Puerner playfully called out in



English language development teacher Allison Puerner wants students to be engaged and have fun while learning English. Courtesy photo

Farsi, “بی‌ش‌ب ب‌چ” (be quiet), a phrase she learned from her Afghan students. They grinned and quickly refocused.

Puerner often greets students in their native languages.

“I try to learn one word a week in each of my students’

languages,” Puerner said. “Sometimes I say it wrong and we all laugh. That’s the point. I want them to see that learning a language takes courage.”

“That humility helps build trust.

“If I can laugh at myself while learning, they can too,” Puerner said.

The supportive environment pays off. Every one of Puerner’s students improved by about 50 points on the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California last year, with several reclassifying as fluent English speakers.

Since Puerner prefers to be called Raney, her students affectionately call her “Ms. Raney.”

“Seeing them gain confidence is everything,” Puerner said. “My goal is to help them understand how reclassification opens doors to new opportunities.”

Her students agree.

“Ms. Raney encourages us to speak and makes the classroom comfortable,” said 11th-grader Nasibullah. “I’ve improved so much, especially in remembering new words.”

For Khatira, a 10th-grader, the change has been personal.

“At first, I was shy,” she said. “Now I can read better and speak with confidence. ELD is the best class I’ve ever taken.”

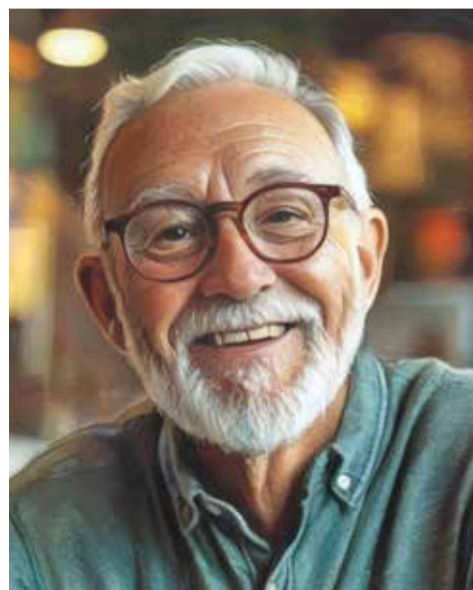
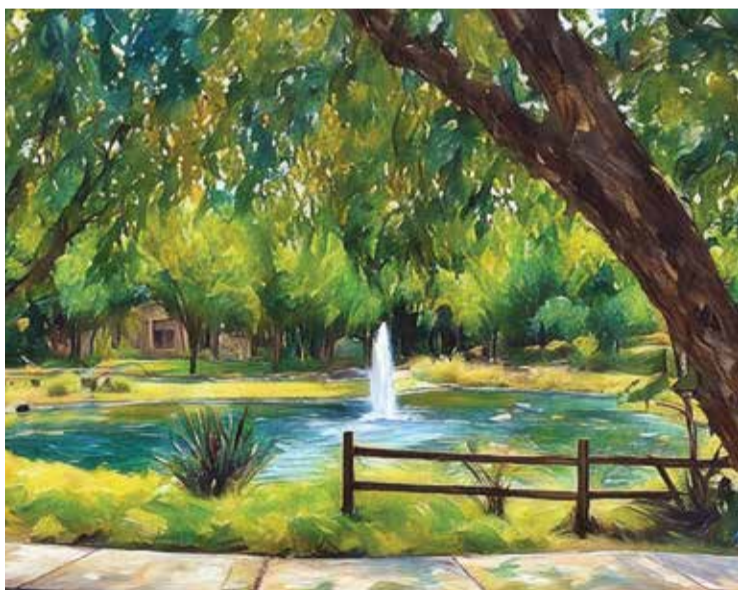
Puerner encourages families to join the learning process.

“The best way to learn a language is together,” she said. “Even learning one or two English words a week with your child shows them it’s OK to make mistakes.”

At the end of the lesson, Puerner watched her students laugh, act and listen, not just learning English but living it.

“To tell a story,” Puerner reminded them, flute in hand, “you have to be a storyteller.” ★

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BIA Calls on Local Governments to Lower Fees, Improve Affordability

North State Building Industry Association News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- Fees builders must pay to local governments in order to build a new home in the Sacramento region now average \$109,000 per home – and a new analysis shows that fees have hit the point where many proposed new home projects may not be built.

The study, conducted by Economic & Planning Systems (EPS) for the North State Building Industry Association, found that the fees charged for homes on standard-sized lots have risen by 25 percent since 2020.

Fees on homes on smaller lots – generally homes that can be profitably sold at lower prices – have risen by 15 percent since 2020 to an average of \$90,000. These rising fees are an important factor in reduced housing affordability, said Tim Murphy, the Building Industry Association's president and CEO.

"High fees mean that only higher-priced homes can be profitably built, which adds to the region's growing housing affordability crisis," Murphy said. "But the study shows that rising fee burdens have reached the point where some projects may not be feasible."

"Housing production in our region is already far below levels needed to meet the need for new housing. Rather than adding to the cost to build, our partners in local



"High fees mean that only higher-priced homes can be profitably built, which adds to the region's growing housing affordability crisis," Murphy said. "But the study shows that rising fee burdens have reached the point where some projects may not be feasible." Photo courtesy Freepik

governments need to carefully evaluate their fees and keep them as low as possible."

The study analyzed a comprehensive set of projects underway in Sacramento, Placer, El Dorado and Yolo counties. The Economic & Planning Systems study found that fees totaling between 15 percent and 20 percent of a home's sale price poses potential feasibility problems, while fees exceeding 20 percent may cause challenges. Fee ranges for six of the 16 higher density projects studied were at or above 20 percent, while two others were reaching that level.

"Homebuilders recognize that

they must pay their fair share for infrastructure needed to accommodate growth," said Clifton Taylor, president of Taylor Builders and the Building Industry Association's 2025 President.

"But the fees many jurisdictions are charging have gotten to the point where many projects simply won't pencil out," Taylor said.

"For our members to continue building the new homes the region needs, this study shows that jurisdictions need to be thoughtful and careful about how they set their fees, and that the total fee burden needs to be evaluated both in

terms of absolute dollar amounts and as a percentage of the finished home value."

Fees for new homes on standard-sized lots average \$125,000 in El Dorado County jurisdictions (up 30 percent from five years ago); \$114,000 in Yolo County communities (up 15 percent), \$109,000 in Sacramento County jurisdictions (up 24 percent); and \$95,000 in Placer County communities (up 17 percent).

Murphy noted that many local jurisdictions do work hard to keep their fees justified and affordable, and some have reduced fees

when studies show their levels were excessive.

"Builders and local officials all recognize that the region is in the middle of a worsening housing crisis that can only be resolved by finding ways to reduce costs and speed the development process to bring the supply of housing more into line with the demand," Murphy said.

Jamie Gomes, managing director at Economic & Planning Systems (EPS), and the lead analyst on the report, said while impact fees are an important tool for local jurisdictions to help fund expanded infrastructure and utilities, the impacts of the fees need to be considered as well.

"Higher than average impact fee burdens are usually only sustainable in higher-income developments or communities, where home prices may be unattainable for many buyers," he said. "High costs and fee burdens eliminate the ability to hit lower home prices that are attainable to broader household income ranges. That's why fees should be carefully evaluated."

Economic & Planning Systems is a land economics consulting firm that provides municipalities, developers and builders with realistic assessments of the feasibility of projects and works with local governments throughout the West in preparing development impact fee nexus studies and impact fee comparisons. ★

Probation Chiefs Elect President and Executive Officers

Chief Probation Officers of California News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) has selected its executive leadership team for 2026, naming Chief Esa Ehmen-Krause of Contra Costa County as President, Chief Izen Locatelli of Mendocino County as Vice President, and Chief Tamika Nelson of San Diego County as Secretary/Treasurer.

"California's probation departments are built on a balance of accountability and opportunity, helping those ready for change while protecting the communities we serve," Chief Ehmen-Krause said.

"It is a privilege to serve alongside the dedicated leaders of this association. I look forward to strengthening partnerships, advancing effective practices and supporting the incredible work happening in counties across the state."

Chief Ehmen-Krause, who has served as Chief Probation Officer in Contra Costa County for the last five years, will



Pictured from left are 2026 CPOC Slate of Officers Chief Tamika Nelson (San Diego), Chief Esa Ehmen-Krause (Contra Costa) and Chief Izen Locatelli (Mendocino). Courtesy photo

guide the association during a period of continued evolution in California's public safety landscape. She brings more than two decades of experience in youth services, community-based interventions and system reform.

Her leadership background includes advancing major reform initiatives as Assistant Chief Probation Officer in Alameda County, as well as earlier

roles within the Indiana Department of Corrections' Division of Youth Services. In Indiana, she earned recognition for implementing the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention's Performance-based Standards model and developing strategies to safely reduce youth facility populations.

"Chief Ehmen-Krause is a collaborative, thoughtful, and forward-thinking

leader," said 2025 Chief Probation Officers of California President and San Joaquin County Probation Chief Steve Jackson. "She brings people together to support better outcomes for our communities, an approach that will serve both the association and communities across the state."

The Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC) is an association of all 58 counties with a shared identity as law enforcement leaders. Chief Probation Officers of California is committed to a research-based approach to public safety that promotes positive behavior change.

Their leadership guides policy and practice in prevention, community-based corrections, secure detention for youth, and direct human services. Chief Probation Officers of California aims to prevent crime and delinquency, reduce recidivism, restore victims, and promote healthy families and communities.

For more information about The Chief Probation Officers of California, go to www.cproc.org. ★

Sierra Health and United Way Launch Match for Meals

Match For Meals News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - As local food banks' resources are stretched thin to serve record numbers of people experiencing food insecurity, Sierra Health Foundation and United Way California Capital Region are launching the Match for Meals campaign.

All donations made through Match for Meals until Jan. 31, 2026, will be matched up to \$300,000 by the two organizations to benefit Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services, Interfaith Food Bank of Amador County, El Dorado County Food Bank, Feeding the Foothills in Placer County and Yolo Food Bank. To donate, visit www.MatchForMeals.org or text Match4Meals to 41444.

Sierra Health Foundation will match donations up to \$200,000, and the local United Way will match donations up to \$100,000.

The announcement was made recently at a press conference at Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services, which supports more than 110 local agencies, including food pantries, community meal sites, senior centers, schools and nonprofits.

On average, nearly 320,000 people rely on Sacramento Food Bank's 200 distribution sites each month. In October, the food bank broke a 49-year record, serving more than 372,000 people.

Across the state in 2024, food banks distributed more than 950 million pounds of food and served more than 6 million people per month, according to the California

Association of Food Banks. Currently one in five Californians – almost 9 million – experience food insecurity.

"When one in five Californians is struggling to put food on the table, we are reminded that hunger isn't just a statistic, it's a reality for our neighbors, our friends and our families," said Dr. Dawnté Early, president and CEO, United Way California Capital Region.

Sierra Health Foundation is a private philanthropy investing in and serving as a catalyst for ideas, partnerships and programs that improve health and quality of life in Northern California and the San Joaquin Valley. Learn more: www.sierrahealth.org.

United Way California Capital Region has been a driving force across the region for more than 100 years, listening, responding and taking comprehensive action to meet local needs. From advancing youth opportunities to strengthening local communities and investing in families' financial security and health, United Way mobilizes communities to build a future where everyone can reach their full potential.

Working across Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo counties, the local United Way provides books and literacy tutoring, addresses housing and food security, leads the region's largest tax preparation initiative, works with foster youth across school districts, launched the region's first guaranteed income program and leads the Community Schools initiative in West Sacramento. Learn more: www.YourLocalUnitedWay.org. ★

CAL FIRE Transitions to New National Emergency Reporting System

CAL FIRE News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM) announced recently that fire departments across the state are beginning the transition to the National Emergency Response Information System (NERIS)—a secure, cloud-based platform built to modernize how emergency incidents are reported and analyzed.

Departments across the country are onboarding to NERIS as part of a phased national rollout led by the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), the Department of Homeland Security Science and Technology Directorate (DHS S&T), and the Fire Safety Research Institute (FSRI), part of Underwriters Laboratory (UL) Research Institutes. NERIS is replacing the 40-year-old National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS), and will provide local agencies with timely data tools, location-based analytics, and flexible options for incident reporting at no cost to departments.

"Modernizing emergency data collection is a critical step toward strengthening public safety," said Chief Daniel Berlant, California State Fire Marshal. "By utilizing NERIS, we are giving our departments better tools to protect our communities, manage resources effectively, and make informed decisions backed by current data."

The National Emergency Response Information System (NERIS) offers several key features designed to support public fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) agencies. The platform provides zero-cost access

for all public fire and EMS departments, ensuring that every agency can take advantage of its capabilities without financial barriers.

NERIS also prioritizes local data ownership, allowing departments to maintain full control over their records and information. Its GIS-based reporting tools deliver location-specific insights that support better planning and decision-making.

In addition, the system includes actionable dashboards that enhance operational awareness and performance tracking. To make adoption easier, NERIS offers streamlined onboarding, complete with help desk support and training tools.

Departments can begin the onboarding process today by visiting the NERIS website. The process includes account setup, administrator access, and records management system (RMS) integration, if applicable. "NERIS is purpose-built for today's fire service," said Steve Kerber, Executive Director of FSRI. "It's based on research and feedback from the field, and it delivers actionable information that improves emergency response and supports long-term planning and resourcing at the local, state, and national levels."

CAL FIRE – OSFM encourages all departments to complete onboarding as soon as possible to ensure a smooth transition. The current national data platform, NFIRS, will be formally decommissioned on January 1, 2026. For additional questions or technical support, departments can contact the NERIS Help Desk or the CAL FIRE – Office of the State Fire Marshal directly. ★

Stick a Fork in California: Gov. Newsom's Proposed Retroactive Billionaire Tax

IRS Study shows California is losing a taxpayer every minute to states like Florida, Texas, and North Carolina

By Katy Grimes,
California Globe

(CALIFORNIA GLOBE) - California Governor Gavin Newsom is pushing a retroactive billionaire tax targeting the roughly 220 billionaires residing in California in 2025, ignoring that these individuals are the most financially mobile and can live anywhere. Expecting them to remain in the state as if they will happily and willingly hand over even more of their wealth surely must be facetious.

SEIU is sponsoring the "2026 Billionaires Tax Act." The measure, recently listed on the Attorney General's website, would impose a one-time 5% tax on individual wealth exceeding \$1 billion, Marc Joffe wrote for the Globe this week. He explains the measure and more:

Although the tax would be levied based on 2026 net worth, it would apply to billionaires who resided in California in 2025, so theoretically it could not be avoided. Of course, billionaires are well equipped to defend themselves in court, so the constitutionality of this unprecedented tax will be rigorously tested.

Proponents assert that the measure would not cause billionaires to flee the state because of the one-time nature of the tax. Unlike federal wealth taxes floated by Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren, the SEIU tax would not be

applied each year.

But the flaw in this argument is obvious: if the state could impose a wealth tax once, it could do so again and again. So, yes, billionaires might well leave if this measure passes.

Why are California businesses and residents fleeing the once-Golden State in droves? We've asked and answered this question many times.

California has been bleeding residents and their tax revenue for many years with moves to states with no income tax or very low income tax: Florida, Texas, Arizona, Idaho, Tennessee, South Carolina, Nevada, and even Washington State.

California's own Chevron Oil Company moved its headquarters to Houston, Texas from San Ramon, CA where it has been based since 1879, one of the biggest businesses to flee the Golden State. Chevron is in good company joining X/Twitter, Space X, Oracle, Hewlett Packard, Charles Schwab, and Toyota Motor North America, Nissei America, Inc., The Joe Rogan Experience, Gordon Ramsay North America, The Rubin Report, to name just a few of the businesses leaving California because of the state's leftist/Marxist politics and regulatory environment.

Yet Gov. Newsom and Democrats are doubling down and still gouging taxpayers and businesses with some of the highest taxes,

fees and draconian regulations in the nation.

"Despite the towering deficit, Newsom and the Democratic Party continue to spend wildly on a boondoggle bullet train and to engage in last-minute redistricting to gerrymander the state further," Jonathan Turley writes. "They have also moved to extend Medi-Cal to illegal immigrants at a massive cost to the budget. Newsom is also pushing ahead with a Commission to pay reparations to black citizens."

Turley reports on just how bad California is:

"A study of IRS data by the National Taxpayers Union Foundation which found that California is losing a taxpayer roughly every minute, as states like Florida, Texas, and North Carolina attract new residents due to lower taxes and higher standards of living.

In comparison, Florida gains a new taxpayer every 2 minutes and 9 seconds while Texas gains one every 2 minutes and 53 seconds.

The result has been a bonanza for Florida, which is now collecting \$4 billion more per year for its budget.

The states losing taxpayers at the fastest rate are California, New York, and Illinois. Here is the rate of loss:

California: every 1 minute and 44 seconds; New York: every 2 minutes and

23 seconds; Illinois: every 6 minutes and 4 seconds; Massachusetts: every 11 minutes and 38 seconds; New Jersey: every 14 minutes and 14 seconds.

In 2023, we asked Why Did 352 California Companies Flee to Other States in Three Years? Here's why: Low-to-no income tax states gained \$391 billion from California during 2018 to 2021, coinciding with Gavin Newsom's election as governor.

As Economist Art Laffer and Chapman Economics Professor James Doti correctly said not long ago, Gov. "Newsom doesn't appear to see in the deleterious long-term effects of a highly progressive tax system. Case in point: The 'one-percenters' who pay 50% of the tax are voting with their feet by leaving California in droves."

They explained that the ten states with the lowest income taxes including Florida and Texas, gained a cumulative net inflow from all Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) classes of \$391 billion from California during the entire 2018 to 2021 period. Note that 2018 was the final year of Democrat Governor Jerry Brown. Gov. Newsom ran for governor in 2018 and was elected. He took office January of 2019, so the 2019-2021 belongs to Gov. Gavin Newsom.

"The 10 states that ranked the highest in income taxes

— California, New York and New Jersey are in this group — lost a cumulative net inflow in AGI of \$391 billion. The fact that the 10 states with the lowest income taxes gained in AGI the same amount as the loss in AGI for the 10 states with the highest income taxes is not a coincidence." ...

Where did these companies go?

Most went to Texas. Here's why:

"Texas offers a combination of unique competitive business advantages that no other state can claim: a business-friendly climate—with no corporate or personal income tax—along with a highly skilled and diverse workforce, easy access to global markets, robust infrastructure and a reasonable regulatory environment," Texas Governor Greg Abbott said when he recently announced that another major California business was moving to Texas. "California-based Ruiz Foods is moving its corporate HQ to Frisco," he said. "With an unrivaled business climate and skilled, diverse workforce, Texas is America's #1 economic destination..."

Newsom might find that lowering tax rates results in higher rather than lower tax revenues, as the Laffer Curve has shown time and time again.

"The Laffer Curve showcases the intricate relationship between tax

rates and government revenue, a concept popularized by economist Arthur Laffer in 1974. This theory posits that both excessively high and low tax rates result in reduced tax revenues, suggesting that tax cuts can potentially enhance revenue collection."

"As drawn, the Laffer Curve shows that at a tax rate of 0%, the government would collect no tax revenue, just as it would collect no tax revenue at a tax rate of 100% because no one would be willing to work for an after-tax wage of zero.

Turley has a new book coming out, Rage and the Republic: The Unfinished Story of the American Revolution, in which he explains "there is a common myth that the top five percent of this country do not 'pay their fair share.' However, putting that debate aside, the question is whether it will produce more revenue than it costs the state in the long run. As these politicians campaign on clipping the "fat cats" who are not paying their fair share, many are likely to follow the exodus to lower tax states with greater fiscal discipline."

Turley concludes, "what is clear is that Democratic states are not showing any greater fiscal discipline as they careen toward budget meltdowns."

And to think that Gavin Newsom is running for President on this atrocious record... ★

Enhanced Aviation Program Coming to Sacramento City College

Story and photos
by Nathan Felix
Valencia

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Representative Ami Bera gathered with leaders of the Los Rios Community College District, Sacramento County and regional aviation on Monday, Dec. 8 at the Modern Aviation Terminal Building to recognize Sacramento City College's (SCC) progress toward becoming an enhanced Air



Sacramento City College Student Karyme Perez talking about new enhanced aviation programs at Sacramento City College.

training that continuously contributes to the workforce."

Lower costs, local training and the opportunity to use financial aid towards their careers are some of the benefits students enrolled in Sacramento City College's enhanced aviation program receive.

Students are also given a chance to make personal connections with their instructors. They are given three semesters to absorb the needed information from the same instructors at Sacramento City College, while the academy gives the students only four months to learn the information from multiple instructors.

Representative Ami Bera said, "It's incredibly important that we have well trained aircraft controllers keeping us safe and confident in the skies."

Bera understands how important it is to have air traffic controllers as he flies back and forth across the country on a weekly basis, especially during the government shutdown.

With the shutdown and the shortage of controllers there are some instances where cargo needs to divert to Reno or the Bay before being transported to Sacramento.

Karyme Perez, who is in the Air Traffic Control Program at Sacramento City College, said, "The government shutdown made me even more



Adjunct Professor Sean Tener in an interview with CBS at the Dec. 8 event recognizing Sacramento City College's progress toward becoming an enhanced Air Traffic-Collegiate Training Initiative (AT-CTI).

motivated as a student. Seeing how much this affects us as a nation and the shortage of controllers that are needed right now, I feel students like me are even more motivated to be able to do this career and help out the community." Upon approval from the Federal Aviation Administration, the opportunity to pursue a career in aviation is going to be more accessible than ever before. ★



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08815
Holman Investments LLC, PO Box 984, Sutter Creek, CA 95685 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MontressaLee/MontressaLee Enterprises" 10416 Investment Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 4, 2025
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YAO 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08791
Accelerated Auto Wholesale LLC, 8049 Bothwell Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Accelerated Auto Wholesale" 8049 Bothwell Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 4, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08710
Logan Taggart, 9544 Achates Circle, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Valora" 9544 Achates Circle, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 1, 2025
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VALORA 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08667
Erin Alexis Boetzer, 2609 Stonehaven Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K9 Training Academy" 2609 Stonehaven Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 26, 2025
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TRAINING 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08850
K2 Restoration and Environmental Inc, 5704 Dry Creek Road, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "K2 Environmental Incorporated" 5704 Dry Creek Road, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025
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K2 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08206
John Gladding, 817 Fratis Street, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Brand G Design/Brand G Designs" 817 Fratis Street, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 4, 2025
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BRAND 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08764
Strengh In Numbers of CA, Inc, 7909 Walerga Road #112-266, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Strength In Numbers Company" 7921 Doe Trail Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
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STRENGTH 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08749
Adrian Armand, 3629 Gold Creek Lane, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Adrian Armand SNSF" 776 Revere Street #H, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 2, 2025
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ADRIAN 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08434
N'Guessan Sylvère Yao, 6100 Merry Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yao American Trading" 6100 Merry Lane, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 13, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08791
Accelerated Auto Wholesale LLC, 8049 Bothwell Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Accelerated Auto Wholesale" 8049 Bothwell Drive, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 4, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08710
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VALORA 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08667
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TRAINING 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-07587
Stacy Anderson, 176 Creekside Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Init2Winit Consultant Services/Init2Winit Health Solutions" 176 Creekside Circle, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 10, 2025
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STACY 1-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08821
Amy Dorene Kelly, 7435 Fairway Two Avenue #16, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Notary Services By Amy" 7435 Fairway Two Avenue #16, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 5, 2025
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NOTARY 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08829
Sue Her, 1401 21st #13747, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Image Worth Studios" 1401 21st #13747, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 5, 2025
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IMAGE 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08625
PDC Technology, Inc., 2377 Gold Meadow Way #10, Gold River, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PDC Tech" 2377 Gold Meadow Way #10, Gold River, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 24, 2025
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PDC 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08759
Dani's Helping Hands, Inc., 108 Remington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dani's Helping Hands 2" 108 Remington Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
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DANIS 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08630
MPJ Laundry Services, 5412 Madison Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sac Suds Laundry" 5412 Madison Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 25, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08862
Lissy Alex, 400 Fisher Circle, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kerala Emporium" 400 Fisher Circle, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025
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KERALA 1-9-26

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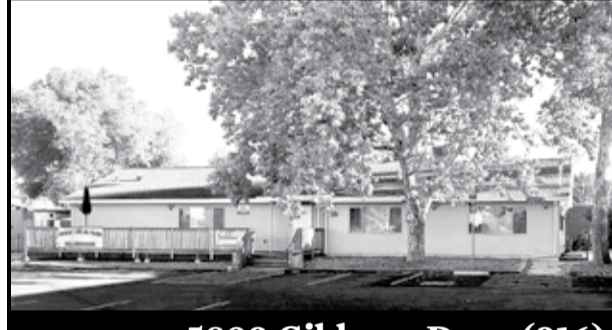
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Shipsierra.com/Shipurwhip.com" 4600 Roseville Road Suite #260, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 10, 2025
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SHIP 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08919
Andrew Nelson Nevins, 5820 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Unit 232, Sacramento, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "T.R. Fig" 5820 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Unit 232, Sacramento, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 9, 2025
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08933
KB'S Mart LLC, 12400 Fair Oaks Boulevard #511, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pows of Prosperity Custom Prints/POPCustomPrints" 12400 Fair Oaks Boulevard #511, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 9, 2025
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POWS 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08938
MK Elevated LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA, 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Let Mommy Sleep Southern California" 9787 Mojave Mountain Street, Las Vegas, NV 89166. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 1, 2025
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LET 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08660
Infinite Life Source, LLC, 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Ancient Soul" 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 25, 2025
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ANCIENT 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08938
Joshua raymond, 17 Avenida 2101, Guatemala Zona 15, 01015 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "East branch financial inst" 17 Avenida 2101, Guatemala Zona 15, 01015. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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EAST 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08969
Bombay Grill Inc, 861 Barros Drive, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Bombay Bar and Grill" 1315 21st Street, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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BOMBAY 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08832
Yasir Alfatayir, 3033 Olive Glen Court, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yas Locksmith" 3033 Olive Glen Court, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 5, 2025
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YAS 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09000
Terry Richard Joseph, 101 Withington Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Explicit Mechanical Services" 101 Withington Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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EXPLICIT 1-9-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-08684
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: NovaEdge Store, 3373 Misty Lake Drive, Antelope, CA 95843. Wali Hassany and Maisam Hassany, 3373 Misty Lake Drive, Antelope, CA 95843.
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on November 26, 2025 in the County of Sacramento. Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: November 26, 2025
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NOVAEDGE 1-2-26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV021358
Scarlett Rose Nielsen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Scarlett Rose Nielsen to Syrus Rose Nielsen.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 9, 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 8, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, 19, 2025
NIELSEN 12-19-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF 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

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 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: November 6, 2025
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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IGNATENKO 12-26-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV026376
Mohad Haroon Shams has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mohad Haroon Shams to Haroon Shams.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 17, 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 3, 2025

Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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SHAMS 12-26-25

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV021358
Scarlett Rose Nielsen has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Scarlett Rose Nielsen to Syrus Rose Nielsen.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on February 9, 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.
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Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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NIELSEN 1-2-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV028499
Boyd Reed Anderson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Boyd Reed Anderson to Silver Dann.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 13, 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: December 1, 2025
Richard C. Mladich, Judge of the Superior Court
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ANDERSON 1-2-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV026392
Jennifer Ann Wolf has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jennifer Ann Wolf to Jennifer Ann Krieger.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on January 26, 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: November 4, 2025
Richard C. Mladich, Judge of the Superior Court
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WOLF 1-2-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV029046
Kazuhiro Maclay has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kazuhiro Maclay to Robert Maclay.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 14, 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: December 3, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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MACLAY 1-9-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV029349
Carl La Morris Teer II has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Carl La Morris Teer II to Carlos La Morris Teer.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on May 19, 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: December 9, 2025
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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TEER 1-9-26

SUMMONS

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER: 25CV000737
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The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es): Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de telefono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Ali Nabavi, Coastal Crest Law Firm, APLC, 24310 Moulton Parkway, Suite O-1007, Laguna Woods, CA 92637, 949-751-6788.
Date: (Fecha) January 9, 2025
Clerk: (Secretario) /s/ K. Liderso, Deputy (Adjunto)
Publish: Dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2, 2026
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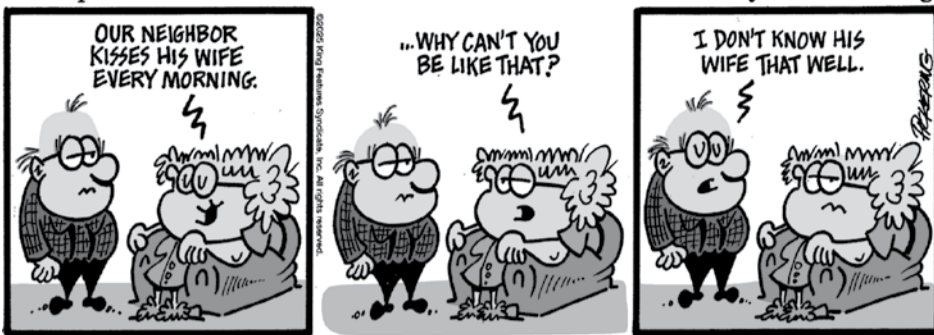
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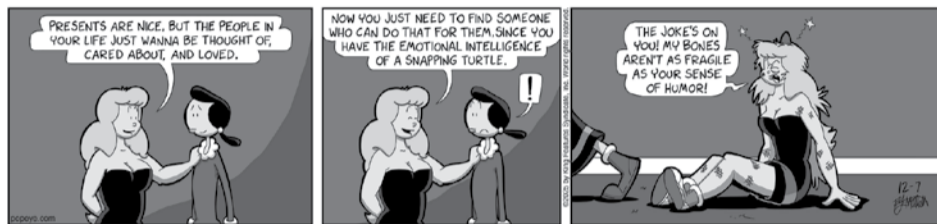
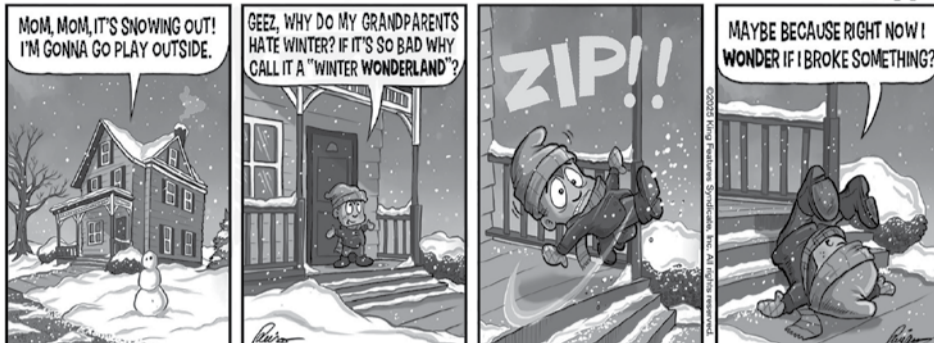
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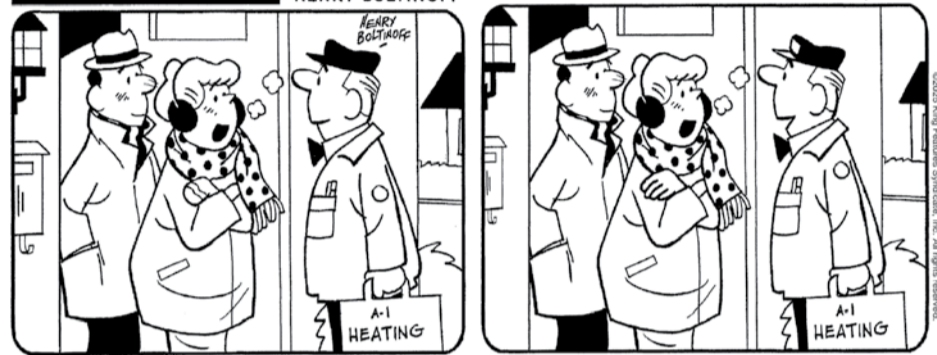
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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



The Sacramento Kings had a rough week. Whether it's at Golden One or on the road, the 2025-26 campaign has not been a pleasant experience.

Diehard fans will likely point to injuries, and you would have a point, but injuries alone cannot account for losing 20 games in the first 26 contests. There is more to the story.

The Kings as they are currently assembled do not match up with bigger teams. Does that mean that the Kings need to build a team that resembles the Oklahoma City Thunder? Well, it wouldn't be a bad idea, but easier said than done, it's important to note that there are a host of players under 6 feet, 6 inches that are difference makers in this league.

Well, I don't pretend to be able to read the mind of Scott Perry, but if you listen to him, he will tell you that he has autonomy and will be the architect of what is apparently going to be a rebuilding season. Perry has alluded to this experience likely taking three to five years, which no one wants to hear.

For me, I can condense the process to five players that I would keep at all costs.

Domantas Sabonis has had little time on the hardwood this season due to injury, but make no mistake about it, he is a difference maker. Any player that can lead the league in double-doubles, year over year, while also leading the league in rebounding three years running, is someone you need to covet. Sabonis also led the league in triple-doubles two years ago, so there you have an anchor on your team that simply needs to stay.

The Kings are guard heavy, but their young guards have yet to see their potential. Players like Nique Clifford and even Devin Carter have not had sufficient time for fans to see what could be an incredible upside. Keep these youngsters and remember why you made them number one draft choices.

Keegan Murray had a rookie season three years ago that was eye popping because he was living up to his hype. The NCAA scoring champ out of Iowa set a Sacramento franchise record of 11 consecutive threes, and a total of twelve three-pointers in one game.

Keegan's experience in Sacramento has been up and down, but this year could be a breakout year for the young baller that has not just the shooting ability, but a knack for defense as well. Keep him!

Maxime Reynaud is getting game time due to Domantas being sidelined and he is giving Kings fans a glimpse of what this seven-footer can do. He is my fifth pick to stay.

As our Sactown ballers lost three games last week by a total of 56 combined points, I glanced around the league to see who might be a player that could bring a steadiness to this lineup. One player, although a guard, was Austin Reeves, who managed to drop 51 points on the Kings earlier this season when both LeBron James and Luca Doncic were sidelined with injuries. The same Austin Reeves that just 4 years ago went undrafted by all 30 NBA teams and would eventually be signed to a two-way contract as a walk-on by the LA Lakers.

In high school, Reeves scored 73 points in one game and won back-to-back state titles. Reeves went on to play for Oklahoma averaging 32 points per game as a senior while making the NCAA tournament. How does the entire league miss on a talent that is having the time of his life playing in the NBA?

As I've said before, the Kings need to find someone that can assess talent and hit home runs. It needs to happen sooner rather than later, so right now would be just fine.

Are you listening, Doug Christie? You have a player sitting on your bench by the name of Doug McDermott that can shoot threes like everyone else shoots free throws, and he needs to find a place in your rotation. With six wins to show for the season, what are you waiting for?

Just as Austin Reeves was a welcome surprise, maybe McDermott could bring some much-needed energy to this team.

Stay tuned Kings fans because we're only 25 percent of the way into the season!

All the best and a very Merry Christmas!

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

Trump Sides with Agriculture Again in California's Never-Ending Water Wars



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

From the onset of his foray into presidential politics a decade ago, Donald Trump has been obsessed with managing California's water, often interjecting himself into decades-long conflicts over how the precious commodity should be divvied up.

During his first stint as president, Trump was heavily influenced by the Westlands Water District, a huge agricultural water agency in the San Joaquin Valley that sought more irrigation water for itself and other farm interests.

That relationship led to an extremely controversial contract that guaranteed Westlands as much as 1 million acre-feet of water each year from the federal Central Valley Project, solidifying the district's supply situation. Lacking water rights, Westlands had historically depended on temporary contracts to meet members' demands.

The new contract angered environmental groups because it threatened to reduce flows through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta for wildlife habitat. The groups sued and won rulings against the contract in trial and appellate courts.

After Trump moved back into the White House in January, he immediately picked up where he left off, issuing an order to federal water officials to maximize deliveries in California.

He also complained that

a shortage of water deliveries to Southern California was a factor in the rapid spread of deadly wildfires in Los Angeles County, claiming that the state's efforts to protect "an essentially worthless fish called a smelt" was at fault.

"Governor Gavin Newsom refused to sign the water restoration declaration put before him that would have allowed millions of gallons of water, from excess rain and snow melt from the North, to flow daily into many parts of California, including the areas that are currently burning in a virtually apocalyptic way," Trump wrote on his social media site, Truth Social.

Newsom's office rebuked the claim, saying, "There is no such document as the water restoration declaration — that is pure fiction."

Meanwhile, Trump's executive order pushed the Bureau of Reclamation to modify how it operates the Central Valley Project, a complex of reservoirs — including Lake Shasta — and canals that captures runoff from Northern California mountains and supplies water agencies in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys.

Last week, the bureau announced an operational modification that would increase annual water deliveries by 130,000 to 180,000 acre-feet from the Central Valley Project and another 120,000 to 220,000 from the State Water Project, the latter chiefly generated from the Oroville Dam on the Feather River. The two projects share management of the Sacramento River and its tributaries.

"This updated operations plan reflects our commitment to using the best available science to increase water deliveries while safeguarding the environment and honoring the legacy of the Central Valley Project's

90 years of service," Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum said in a statement.

The announcement sparked reactions, both pro and con, that reflect the state's long-running water allocation battles — praise from Westlands and other agricultural water agencies that are facing supply reductions from regulation of groundwater use and condemnation from state officials and environmental groups.

"These operational refinements reflect a thoughtful, data-informed approach that strengthens water supply availability for growers while maintaining California's commitment to environmental stewardship," Westlands said in a statement.

Newsom spokesperson, Tara Gallegos, had another take: "The Trump administration is putting politics over people — catering to big donors instead of doing what's right for Californians. As per usual, the emperor is left with no clothes, pushing for an outcome that disregards science and undermines our ability to protect the water supply for people, farms, and the environment."

For their part, state water officials say they have no intention of matching the Bureau of Reclamation's new operational rules.

So here we go again, another chapter in the war over water that began when California became a state 175 years ago. It's probably headed to the courts and will probably outlast not only Newsom's governorship but Trump's presidency.

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 About Remarrying and Benefits from an Ex-spouse



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am almost 57, divorced after a 14-year marriage. My former spouse is 15 years older than I and made significantly more money than me. I am required to retire from my job at age 60 but expect to keep working in some capacity.

I have a girlfriend of a similar age to me. She did not earn as much as her former husband as she mainly raised their children. She is also divorced from an older spouse who made more money than she did. I am trying to figure out if we will be penalized if we marry, or if it matters if we wait until after we reach 60 years of age. Can I claim my own benefits when I become eligible at 62, then claim survivor benefits later, whenever my former spouse passes? Is that affected if, or when, I remarry? I do not want to give up my potential survivor benefits from my ex-spouse. Are those affected if I remarry?

If I understand correctly, if I remarry even after 60, we would both forfeit divorced spousal benefits, is that right? Given that my girlfriend's former spouse

probably made more money than I, would she be forfeiting her former spousal benefits if we were to marry, even after age 60?

Lastly, I am considering retiring abroad as an expat. Any suggestions about how that would affect our Social Security benefits? **Signed: Starting Over**

Dear Starting Over: With certain exceptions, benefits from a living ex-spouse cannot be collected if you remarry (regardless of your age when you remarry). So, from what you've shared, whenever you remarry both you and your new wife will forfeit eligibility for benefits from your respective ex-spouses while they are living (FYI, there are exceptions for those who are disabled).

However, the rules are different for a surviving ex-spouse: if you remarry before age 60, you will forfeit your surviving ex-spouse benefit. But if you remarry after age 60, you retain eligibility to collect survivor benefits from a deceased former spouse. So, if you and your girlfriend remarry after you are both age 60, you will both still be able to claim survivor benefits based on your former spouses' records.

And, yes, it is possible for you to initially claim your own SS retirement benefit at 62 and claim your surviving ex-spouse benefit later (after your former spouse dies). Provided you remarry after age 60 you do not lose that option, but if you were to claim a surviving ex-spouse benefit before reaching your full retirement age (FRA), the monthly payment amount would be reduced (all SS benefits taken before FRA are reduced).

Note too, that if you plan

to continue working after you are first eligible for SS benefits, Social Security has an "earnings test" which limits how much you can earn from working while collecting early benefits. The limit changes yearly (for 2025 it is \$23,400) and if exceeded, SS will take back \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. And as you likely know, claiming at age 62 will also mean a benefit payment of about 30% less than available at your FRA of 67. So, if you plan to work after age 62 and plan to claim early SS, you should take the "earnings test" into consideration. FYI, the earning test no longer applies after you reach your full retirement age.

Now, regarding retiring overseas, be aware that Social Security has limits or where you can collect U.S. Social Security benefits. I suggest you use Social Security's Payments Abroad Screening Tool to find out if benefits are payable wherever you plan to retire abroad. That SSA tool can be found here:

www.ssa.gov/international/payments_outsideUS.html

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Europe Has Made Itself An Afterthought

of the U.S., "decline is a choice."

This isn't quite right with regard to Europe, whose great powers were kneecapped by the cataclysms of the early 20th century. France bore the brunt of World War I, suffering 1.4 million dead and 4.3 million wounded and a ruinous economic cost.

As for Britain, stretched to the max, it got steadily eclipsed in power and influence by the United States as World War II progressed. The less said about Germany's role in all this, of course, the better. And then the European colonial empires inevitably dissolved. So, Europe was going to be diminished compared to its glory days. Its current fecklessness, though, has indeed been a choice, borne of strategic fantasy and economic incompetence.

Strong militaries were deemed as a thing of the past, or something unnecessary as long as Uncle Sam was around. The Brits, for instance, are hard-pressed to maintain a 73,000-strong army, and the size of their once-storied surface fleet is at a historic low.

Europe imagined itself "a diplomatic superpower," but has learned to regret that "soft power" not backed up by hard power is of limited utility. Both the Nobel Committee and Amnesty International have considerable soft power, too, but no one pays attention to them regarding high-level geopolitical questions.

Economically, the EU "regulatory superpower"

has hobbled growth -- over the last 30 years, Western European labor productivity declined from 95% of the U.S. level to 80% -- while Europe's commitment to "net zero" greenhouse emissions has driven insane energy priorities. Years into the Ukraine war, Europe is still dependent on gas imports from Russia.

None of this means that the U.S. should go out of its way to give Europe the back of its hand. Whatever its other failings, Europe has collectively given Ukraine more aid than the United States, and was justifiably furious at the initial 28-point Ukraine proposal. That plan had the embattled country handing over to Moscow strategically important territory that is still in Ukrainian hands; agreeing to a limit on the size of its military; and the U.S. taking currently frozen Russian assets in Europe to rebuild Ukraine (getting 50% of any profits) and to pursue joint investment projects with Russia.

Negotiations with the Ukrainians have reportedly produced a more reasonable version, but it is Washington and Moscow that matter most here.

The analyst Robert Kagan famously wrote years ago that, in their divergent approaches to the world, "Americans are from Mars and Europeans are from Venus." Having long outsourced power politics to Mars, it turns out that Venus has limited influence even in her own backyard.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Pinnick and Cofield Named FCS Football Central Freshman All-Americans



UC Davis Football Freshman Caden Pinnick finished the season ranked among the best quarterbacks in the nation and was named Big Sky All-Conference. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Athletics



Defensive back Drew Cofield was one of two freshmen to be named FCS Football Central Freshman All-Americans. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Football

UC Davis Athletics News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Following impressive freshmen campaigns by Caden Pinnick and Drew Cofield, the pair of UC Davis football freshmen have earned FCS Football Central Freshman All-American honors as announced today.

Pinnick (redshirt freshman), who became only the second Aggie quarterback to throw for five touchdowns in an

NCAA playoff game, finished the season ranked among the best quarterbacks in the nation and was named Big Sky All-Conference.

While Cofield is one of two true freshmen in the nation to make every start at cornerback, stepping in and making an immediate impact in the UC Davis secondary. Entering the game, Pinnick ranked nationally third in passing efficiency, fifth in total passing touchdowns

and yards per pass attempt, eighth in total touchdowns, ninth in completion percentage and 10th in passing yards per game.

With 11 starts under his belt, Pinnick has racked up 2,804 passing yards, 29 passing touchdowns and with a line of 211-for-304 the Aggie quarterback is completing his passes at 69.4 percent.

And on the ground, Pinnick has added rushed for 411 yards and added three touchdowns on the ground. Cofield has

made every start this season, playing nearly every snap all season at one of the toughest positions in sports.

With 12 games in his pocket, Cofield has collected 32 total tackles, 2.0 tackles for loss and he's broken up a team-high nine passes. The Aggie freshmen has made 28 solo stops, and he's snagged two interceptions along the way making his presence known to every offense faced this season. ★

Eric Kubota Wins Tony Gwynn Lifetime Achievement Award

Athletics News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - A's Director of Scouting Eric Kubota has been named the winner of the Tony Gwynn Award, a lifetime achievement award presented annually by Baseball America for the greatest contributions to the game.

Kubota, who is entering his 41st season with the A's, has served as Director of Scouting for the past 24 seasons. During his tenure, the A's have drafted and signed 114 players who have reached the majors.

Among those players, 18 have been named All-Stars, three have been named American League Rookie of the Year, four have won Gold Glove Awards, and three have won Silver Slugger Awards. Hitters drafted under

Kubota have combined to record 14,896 hits and 2,190 home runs, while pitchers have collected 425 wins, 521 saves, and 6,143 strikeouts.

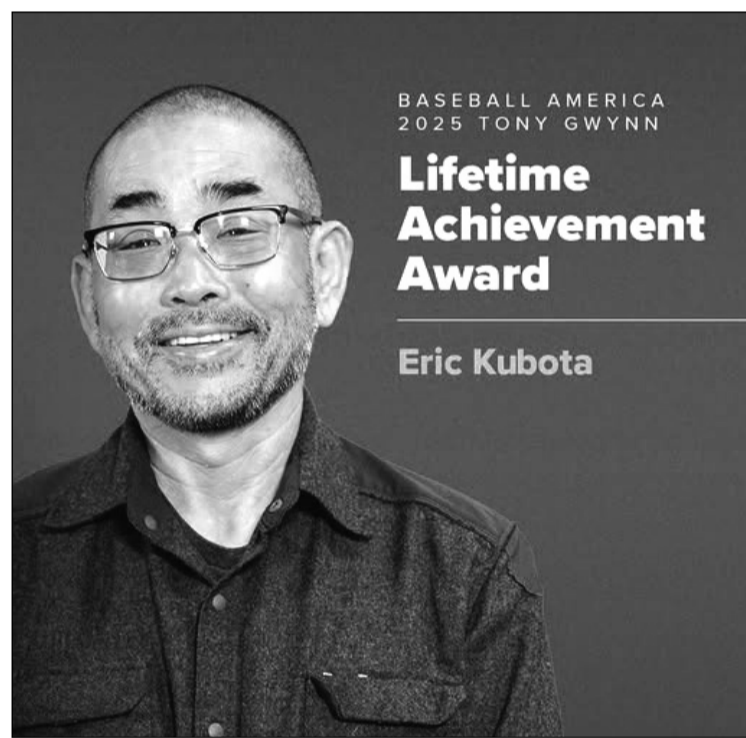
Kubota began his baseball career in June of 1984, while he was an undergraduate at the University of California, Berkeley, spending the better part of six seasons working in the A's media relations department. In November of 1989, he joined the baseball operations staff as an assistant director of scouting, and he was elevated to Pacific Rim coordinator in November of 1996, where he acted as a liaison between the A's and Asian baseball teams in addition to his scouting duties in Northern California and Hawaii.

Prior to assuming his current position, Kubota served as

the club's supervisor of international scouting for three seasons, overseeing the scouting staff and player evaluations in the Dominican Republic and Venezuela. In January 2014, he was honored as Scout of the Year by the Santa Clara County Hot Stove Committee and in 2022 he was named the Scout of the Year by the Scout of the Year Foundation.

Kubota graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in 1986 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science. He and his wife, Karen, have two children. ★

Kubota, who is entering his 41st season with the A's, has served as Director of Scouting for the past 24 seasons. Courtesy photo



Sacramento State Announces Change

Sacramento State News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Brennan Marion announced Dec. 5 that he will resign as the head football coach at Sacramento State to become the offensive coordinator at Colorado.

"I want to thank Coach Marion for his leadership during this past season," Director of Athletics Mark Orr said. "We look forward to continuing the success of Sacramento State football and will begin a national search for our next head coach immediately."

Marion was hired as the 13th head football coach in school history on Dec. 21. During his time with the Hornets, he secured the top-ranked recruiting class in the Football Championship Subdivision with 262.6 rushing yards per game and averaged 33.8 points per game. This past season, the team finished



Brennan Marion announced Dec. 5 that he will resign as the head football coach at Sacramento State. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State

with a 7-5 overall record and was 5-3 in Big Sky Conference games for sole possession of fourth place. Sacramento State ended the regular season ranked third in the Football Championship Subdivision with 262.6 rushing yards per game and averaged 33.8 points per game. "I love Luke Wood and

Mark Orr," Marion said. "They gave me the opportunity to live my dream as a college head football coach and they provided me with every resource to succeed. I'm grateful to the Sacramento community and University for embracing my family. Lastly to my team, I love our players and staff. They restored the pride in Sac State football through a lot of adversity and our relationships will last a lifetime. Thank you Sacramento State!"

Sacramento State is one of just 12 Football Championship Subdivision programs to win at least seven games in five of the last six seasons. During that time, the team made four National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Football Championship Subdivision Playoff appearances and was ranked in the top 25 for 50 weeks. ★

A's Select Ryan Watson in Major League Rule 5 Draft

A's select three pitchers in minor league portion

Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Athletics selected right-handed pitcher Ryan Watson from San Francisco in the Major League portion of the Rule 5 Draft, the club announced Dec. 10. In addition, the Athletics' selected right-handed pitchers Abel Mercedes, Darlin Pinales and Jorge Marcheco in the minor league portion of the Rule 5 Draft.

Watson, 28, was signed to a minor league contract by Baltimore in 2020 and was traded to the Giants on Aug. 9, 2024, for cash considerations. He is 24-17 with a 4.14 earned run average (ERA) in 157 games, including 34 starts, across five minor league seasons.

Mercedes, 23, posted a 2-0 record with a 4.35 ERA across 30 relief outings for Single-A Fayetteville during the 2025 season to go along with 66 strikeouts and 48 walks in 41.1 innings pitched. Overall, Mercedes is 6-12 with a 5.60 ERA across five minor league seasons.


Pinales, 23, was 1-3 with a 5.90 ERA across 35 relief outings for Single-A Visalia during the 2025 season with 56 strikeouts, 32 walks and a .217 opponents batting average. Overall, he is 10-11 with a 5.64 ERA, adding 229 strikeouts and 186.2 innings pitched over five minor league seasons. ★

Marcheco, 23, went a combined 5-7 with a 4.36 ERA between High-A Tri City and Double-A Rocket City during the 2025 season. He totaled 84 strikeouts, 23 walks and a 1.13 walks and hits per inning pitched (WHIP) across 27 games (12 starts). Overall, he is 23-23 with a 3.99 ERA spanning five minor league seasons.

Additionally, catcher Daniel Susac was selected from the A's organization by Minnesota in the first round of the Major League Phase of the Rule 5 Draft. In the minor league portion, catcher Abraham Gutierrez was selected by New York-AL (second round).

Susac was drafted by the A's in the first round (19th overall) in the 2022 First-Year Player Draft. He hit .275 with 19 doubles, 18 home runs and 68 runs batted in (RBI) for Triple-A Las Vegas during the 2025 season. Across four minor league seasons, the 24-year-old right-handed hitter has recorded 65 doubles, 39 home runs and 195 RBI.


Gutierrez, 26, was signed by the A's to a minor league contract on Dec. 4, after he was released by the Pittsburgh Pirates organization on Aug. 5. Across parts of eight minor league seasons, he batted .261 with a .346 on-base percentage, including batting .250 with a .333 OBP in 28 games with Triple-A Indianapolis this season. ★




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