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Enhanced Aviation Program Coming to Sacramento City College



Sacramento City College Student Karyme Perez talking about new enhanced aviation programs at 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 Traffic-Collegiate Training Initiative (AT-CTI).

Pending the final approval by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Sacramento City College would be one of only two institutions in the nation to have dual certification for students to train for both tower and en route air traffic control.

This major milestone gives students a chance to complete the Federal Aviation Administration training in Sacramento instead of needing to travel to Oklahoma City where the Federal Aviation Administration Academy is located, providing students

with benefits while attending school and a chance to be hired upon graduation.

Adjunct Professor in the Air Traffic Department at Sacramento City College Sean Tener said, "We are helping California advance their economic growth by providing education and training that continuously contributes to the work force."

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

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CalKIDS Expands Access to Education Resources

CalKIDS News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - CalKIDS, California's landmark scholarship program for college and career training, awarded laptops to eight families across Sacramento and California as part of a statewide initiative to expand access to essential learning tools and increase awareness of the CalKIDS Scholarship Accounts available.

The giveaways, conducted in partnership with Audacy radio stations, were designed to reach families where they already spend their time and to help bridge the digital divide that continues to impact students across the state.

Today, a reliable laptop is more than a convenience; students need one to complete basic school assignments, apply to colleges, explore career and technical education programs, and access the digital tools that support long-term academic success.

For many families, the impact has been immediate.



A CalKIDS Laptop Giveaway winner smiles after receiving a new HP Chromebook, along with KRTH-101 gear from CalKIDS partner Audacy. Courtesy photo

One Sacramento parent shared that the new laptop will support all three of her sons, who are required to use a computer for school. Until now, the family relied solely on rented devices and had never been able to purchase one of their own. She said

they were incredibly grateful to finally have a laptop at home, one that will ease the stress of keeping up with schoolwork.

"The path to higher education starts with access, and when families learn about CalKIDS and receive tools

like laptops, it becomes easier to take that first step," said Cassandra DiBenedetto, executive director, ScholarShare Investment Board.

"These efforts are about removing barriers, increasing awareness, and making sure every family knows that California is investing in their children's futures."

As CalKIDS continues its statewide outreach, the program is working with trusted partners including schools, community-based organizations, and hospitals to remind families that millions of dollars in CalKIDS Scholarships are still available to claim.

Children born in California on or after July 1, 2022, automatically receive up to \$175 in a CalKIDS Scholarship Account, and eligible public-school students in grades 2 through 12 can receive up to \$1,500 to help offset the cost of higher education.

Families are encouraged encouraged to learn more, check eligibility and claim their child's CalKIDS Scholarship by visiting CalKIDS.org. ★

CalCCA Challenges CPUC Decision Raising Energy Bills

California Community
Choice Association
(CalCCA) News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - California Community Choice Association (CalCCA) recently filed a Petition for Writ of Review with the California Court of Appeal, Third District, challenging a recent California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) decision that retroactively changes the methodology used to calculate the Power Charge Indifference Adjustment (PCIA), a key component of electric rates for more than 15 million Californians who receive service from Community Choice Aggregators (CCAs).

State law requires the CPUC to ensure "ratepayer indifference," meaning neither IOU customers nor CCA customers should experience cost shifts due to retail choice. To accomplish this, the CPUC compares each utility's procurement costs with the current market value of its generation portfolio and applies the resulting difference -- positive or negative -- to customer bills as a PCIA charge.

For many years, the PCIA produced higher charges for CCA customers. But in 2024 and 2025, rising market prices increased the value of utility portfolios, resulting in lower PCIA charges for some CCA customers. Although the existing methodology was developed with utility support in 2018 and applied consistently for years -- including during periods when utility customers benefited -- the CPUC acted once it began to increase rates for utility customers.

In an abbreviated four-month proceeding and with the support of the IOUs, the CPUC adopted Decision 25-06-049, altering the methodology for setting market price benchmarks used in the PCIA. The decision was justified by concerns about transaction volumes underlying one benchmark for 2025, despite no evidence in the record showing that the existing benchmark was inaccurate. The CPUC then applied the new methodology retroactively to 2025 rates already in effect.

CalCCA's petition argues that the CPUC's action violates the statutory prohibition against retroactive ratemaking, which protects rate stability and prevents after-the-fact changes to approved rates. The petition also asserts that the CPUC lacked adequate findings or evidence to change the existing methodology.

For more information, visit www.cal-cca.org. ★

Stomper Spreads Holiday Cheer

Taxpayers Deserve the Real Story on Capitol Annex Costs



Stomper participated in ABC10's Stand Against Hunger fundraiser, donating \$50,000 to the cause. Photo courtesy of the Athletics

Athletics
News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - With the holidays right around the corner, the Green & Gold stayed busy spreading cheer throughout the Sacramento community. Here's a look at November's highlights.

In partnership with ABC10, the Athletics proudly supported this year's Stand Against Hunger fundraiser with a \$50,000 donation. Stand Against Hunger is a holiday-season campaign

dedicated to raising funds and awareness for local food banks, helping fight food insecurity across the Greater Sacramento region.

West Sacramento Dia de los Muertos Celebration

Stomper brought joy and energy to the West Sacramento Día de los Muertos Celebration, joining families and community members honoring loved ones. The celebration offered a special moment for the community to come together and share stories,

culture and connection.

West Sacramento Veteran's Day Parade

Stomper marched alongside veterans, families and local organizations at the West Sacramento Veteran's Day Parade. The parade honored the bravery and service of those who have served in the armed forces. It was a privilege to celebrate the service and dedication of our veterans alongside the West Sacramento community.★



By Assemblyman
Josh Hoover

This month the Joint Legislative Rules Committee released a document entitled the "State Capitol Annex Project Construction Update," touting it as a step toward transparency in a taxpayer-funded endeavor that has long been cloaked in secrecy. Yet this marks the first formal public update since 2021 -- a glaring indication of just how opaque the process has remained.

As a state representative and longtime resident in Sacramento County, I have consistently voiced concerns about key decisions regarding the Capitol Annex Project and the persistent lack of openness from its inception. In a recent KCRA 3 interview, state lawmakers in charge of the project even defended the use of non-disclosure agreements (NDAs) to keep information about the project a secret. This level of secrecy prompts serious questions: What exactly is being concealed from the public, and why?

Last year, I highlighted the troubling choice to outsource granite cutting to Italy, sidestepping

California's rigorous labor standards. The latest project update defends this move as "the most budget-conscious and affordable option." While fiscal prudence is commendable, it serves as a stark acknowledgment of the burdensome business climate in our state. Moreover, it appears at odds with California's broader policy objectives, including supporting domestic jobs and sustainable practices.

Since being elected to the Assembly three years ago, I have repeatedly sought detailed financial data and revised project costs, only to be met with silence. Frustrated by this stonewalling, Assemblyman Joe Patterson and I sent a letter to Governor Gavin Newsom last month urging decisive action to inject overdue transparency into the project. The governor's office merely redirected us back to the Joint Rules Committee -- the very entity that has ignored our inquiries.

Regrettably, the most recent project update falls far short of addressing these issues. It recycles familiar details, attributes delays to litigation stemming from the Legislature's own flawed decisions and offers a litany of justifications for anticipated cost escalations. Most alarmingly, it appears to resurrect plans for a Visitor Center that would require the demolition of the historic West Steps, despite recent assurances that this element would be

scrapped. We must prioritize preserving the West Steps and ensuring every taxpayer dollar is spent wisely.

For almost four years, the Joint Legislative Rules Committee has withheld updated cost projections for the sprawling 525,000-square-foot Capitol office building and parking garage. This report is no exception, offering vague allusions to expenses without substantive details. It concedes overruns but provides scant clarity on their impact to California taxpayers. No fresh cost estimates have emerged since the 2021 figure of \$1.1 billion, though the update dangles a promise of a "robust fiscal outlook" in 2026. Color me skeptical.

Californians deserve better than excuses and evasion. True transparency demands full disclosure now -- not nebulous pledges for the future. As lawmakers, we owe it to our constituents to lift the veil on this project and hold ourselves accountable for every decision made with public funds.

Assemblyman Josh Hoover represents the 7th Assembly District in Sacramento County, which includes the cities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, and Rancho Cordova and the unincorporated communities of Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Foothill Farms, Gold River, Mather, McClellan Park, North Highlands, Orangevale and Rosemont. You can follow him on X @joshua_hoover or contact his office at Assemblymember.Hoover@assembly.ca.gov. ★

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New Year, New Laws

California Highway Patrol News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The California Highway Patrol (CHP) is committed to keeping the public informed so they can make the safest choices for themselves and their families. As part of this effort, the California Highway Patrol is highlighting new public safety laws passed during this year’s legislative session and signed by Governor Gavin Newsom. Unless otherwise noted, these laws take effect Jan. 1, 2026.

Crimes: Burglary Tools (AB 486, Lackey)

Assembly Bill 486 makes it a misdemeanor to possess a key programming device, a key duplicating device, or a signal extender with the intent to commit burglary. The offense can result in up to six months in county jail, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both.

This bill expands existing law by adding those three tools to the list of tools illegal to possess with the intent to commit burglary.

Electric Bicycles: Required Equipment (AB 544, Davies)

Assembly Bill 544 mandates that electric bicycles must have a red reflector or a solid or flashing red light with a built-in reflector on the rear during all hours of operation, not just during darkness as the law previously required.

The bill also allows the California Highway Patrol-developed online electric bicycle safety and training program to fulfill the safety course requirement for minors who receive a helmet violation involving electric bicycles.

Off-highway Electric Motorcycles (SB 586, Jones)

Senate Bill 586 defines an “off-highway electric motorcycle” or “eMoto” as a vehicle that: is designed primarily for

off-highway use; is powered by an electric motor that does not require a motor number; has handlebars for steering, a manufacturer-provided straddle seat, and two wheels; and is not equipped with manufacturer-provided pedals.

This bill also classifies an off-highway electric motorcycle as an off-highway motor vehicle (OHV), subject to the same rules and regulations. This includes a requirement that a person operating an off-highway motor vehicle wear a safety helmet and that every off-highway motor vehicle not registered under the Vehicle Code display an identification plate or device issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Pedestrian Safety: School Zones: Speed Limits (AB 382, Berman)

Assembly Bill 382 allows local authorities to lower the school zone speed limit from 25 to 20 miles per hour by ordinance or resolution through Jan. 1, 2031. After this date, the speed limit will automatically decrease from 25 to 20 miles per hour in school zones when proper signage is posted.

State Highway Work Zone Speed Safety Program (AB 289, Haney)

Assembly Bill 289 authorizes the Department of Transportation to establish a work zone speed safety system

pilot program. The program will utilize a fixed or mobile radar or laser systems to detect speeding violations and capture a clear photograph of a vehicle's license plate. Citations will be issued to the vehicle's

registered owner with specified requirements and procedures for program implementation, citation issuance, review and appeal.

Vehicles: Highway Safety (AB 390, Wilson)

Assembly Bill 390 expands the “slow down and move over” law to include any highway maintenance vehicle or stationary vehicle using flashing hazard lights or warning devices such as cones and road flares. Drivers approaching such a vehicle must move into a lane that is not next to

the stopped vehicle or slow down to a safe speed if changing lanes is not possible.

Traffic Safety: Speed Limits (AB 1014, Rogers)

Assembly Bill 1014 authorizes the Department of Transportation to reduce a speed limit by five miles per hour on a highway, and mandates warning citations during the initial 30 days after a speed limit is lowered.

Vehicle Removal (AB 875, Muratsuchi)

Assembly Bill 875 authorizes a peace officer to impound a vehicle for at least 48 hours if the vehicle has fewer than four wheels but does not meet the definition of an electric bicycle, is powered by an electric motor capable of exclusively propelling the vehicle over 20 MPH on a highway and the operator is not licensed to operate the vehicle or is a class 3 electric bicycle being operated by a person under 16. A safety course may be required as a condition of release if the impoundment involves a child under 16 years old operating a class 3 electric bike as described in Section 312.5 of the Vehicle Code.

The following public safety laws were passed during the 2024 legislative session and will go into effect in 2026.

Electric Bicycles, Powered Mobility Devices and Storage Batteries (SB 1271, Min)

Beginning Jan. 1, 2026, Senate Bill 1271 focuses on improving the safety standards for electric bicycles, powered mobility devices, and related lithium-ion batteries. It requires these devices and their components, such as batteries and charging systems, to be tested by accredited laboratories to meet specific safety standards.

The bill also mandates labeling these products to show compliance with safety regulations, ensuring consumers are informed. Furthermore, it prohibits distributing, selling, or leasing e-bikes and related equipment unless they meet these standards, aiming to reduce risks like fire hazards and electrical malfunctions.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2028, the bill would prohibit a person from renting or offering for rental an electric bicycle, powered mobility device, charging system, or storage battery unless it has been tested to the specified safety standard.

Autonomous Vehicles (AB 1777, Ting)

Upon the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) adoption of necessary regulations, AB 1777 creates new authority for a law enforcement officer to issue a “notice of autonomous vehicle (AV) noncompliance” to an autonomous vehicle manufacturer for an alleged traffic violation committed by one of their vehicles.

Beginning July 1, 2026, AB 1777 establishes additional requirements for how AVs that operate without a human operator in the vehicle interact with first responders, including a requirement for manufacturers to provide a two-way device in the vehicles to communicate with first responders.

The mission of the California Highway Patrol is to provide the highest level of Safety, Service, and Security. ★



Enhanced Aviation Program Coming to Sacramento City College



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). Photo by by Nathan Felix Valencia

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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 motivated as a student. Seeing how much this affects us as a nation and the

shortage of the 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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Free Car Seat Program Protects Children

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), has awarded Sacramento County Public Health a \$137,039 grant to continue and expand the reach of the car seat safety program in partnership with Dignity Health, Mercy San Juan Medical Center. The grant program runs through Sept. 30, 2026. This is the fifth consecutive year Sacramento County Public Health has received grant funding for its car seat safety program.

“Car seat safety saves lives but only when families have the knowledge and resources to use them correctly,” said Dr. Kasirye, Sacramento County public health officer. “With funding from the Office of Traffic Safety and our partnership with Dignity Health, Mercy San Juan Medical Center, we’re doing our part to make sure every child can travel safely.”

Car crashes are one of the leading causes of deaths and injuries for children and many of these injuries are easily prevented using child safety seats and seat belts. Using a properly fitted child safety seat can reduce the risk of car crash deaths by 71 percent for infants and 54 percent for toddlers ages 1-4, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

The goal of the car seat program is to give every child in Sacramento County access to the safest possible travel environment. The program provides child safety seat inspection and education classes; child passenger safety technician and recertification courses; no-cost child safety seats for families in need and community outreach efforts in underserved communities

In 2025, the car seat safety program distributed more than 400 car seats to families in need. Over 1,300 parents, grandparents and caregivers learned about correct car seat use and installation through online workshops, in-person classes, community health fairs and school resource fairs, among other events.

“The value and importance of car seats cannot be overstated, as they are directly tied to the safety



“Car seat safety saves lives but only when families have the knowledge and resources to use them correctly,” said Dr. Kasirye, Sacramento County public health officer. Photo courtesy Freepik

and lives of children. Many of our clients come from countries such as Afghanistan and various Arab nations, where car seats are not commonly used, and where their importance is not fully recognized,” said Zalmai Ahadi, a caseworker at Al-Misbaah – a faith-based nonprofit that partners with Dignity health to distribute car seats and educate parents.

“The collaboration and educational programs offered by Mercy San Juan Car Seat Program have a vital and life-saving impact for immigrant families.”

The program hosts workshops specifically targeting underserved and refugee communities, offering resources in multiple languages to make certain families, regardless of background or ability to afford a car seat, are equipped to protect their children on the roads.

According to Loran Abassi, program manager with the Refugee Enrichment & Development Association (REDA), one client arrived in

Sacramento in April 2025 with his five-month-old twins and was struggling to navigate life in a new country while learning how to be a first-time father. Unfamiliar with U.S. car seat laws and without the financial means to purchase car seats, he faced a critical safety gap for his children.

The Dignity Health Mercy San Juan Car Seat Program provided him with hands-on education about car seat safety and two car seats for his twins. He walked away with knowledge and tools to transport his children safely as he began a new chapter for his family in Sacramento County.

The program’s success hinges on community involvement. Certified Child Passenger Safety Technicians (CPSTs) are an integral part of the program and offer hands-on assistance at car seat inspection events. They’ve helped install over 600 car seats properly for families to make sure their children are safe.

“It has been a great privilege to do my part in ensuring that underserved and low-income

families in our community have access to appropriate child safety seats, regardless of their socioeconomic status,” said Allison Boltz, a community injury prevention educator at Mercy San Juan Medical Center. “Caregivers often share their gratitude and the sense of relief that comes with knowing that they are really doing their best to keep their children safe in their car.”

Iris Austin, the First Lady at Higher Heights Community Church, shared the story of a mother who attended one of the workshops with her mother-in-law, who recalled that her own son had been in a serious car crash as a child and still carries the scar today. During the training, the grandmother became emotional, reliving the fear and trauma of that experience.

A technician with the Dignity Health, Mercy San Juan Car Seat Program took time to walk with her to her vehicle and check the car seat installation, which was found to be incorrect. When it was gently corrected, the grandmother expressed

overwhelming gratitude, saying she never wanted her grandson to go through what her son had endured.

The Child Passenger Safety Program is designed to meet families where they are, whether that’s a workshop at their church or local health center, so they can receive a free car seat or learn about the importance of safe travel for their children.

Interested participants are encouraged to make a car seat safety check appointment at Methodist Hospital or Mercy San Juan Medical Center, and can call the Car Seat Hotline at (916) 864-5779 with any questions.

For more information about the program, visit Sacramento County Childhood Illness and Injury Prevention or contact Riley Stoltenburg at (916) 875-6094 or StoltenburgR@sac-county.gov.

Funding for this program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). ★

First Flu-Related Death of the Season Confirmed

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County Department of Health Services, Public Health Division (SCPH) is reporting the first influenza-related death of the 2025-26 flu season.

The individual, who was a child, had no underlying medical conditions and died of complications of influenza (also known as the flu). At this time, vaccination status is unknown.

Some people are at high risk of developing serious influenza-related complications. This includes people 65 years and older, people of any age with certain chronic medical conditions (such as asthma, diabetes, or heart disease), pregnant women, and young children under 5 years old.

Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by flu viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. The flu is different from a cold. The flu comes on suddenly. People who have the flu often feel some or all of these symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, fatigue



Influenza is a contagious respiratory illness caused by flu viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. Photo courtesy Freepik

(tiredness), or vomiting and diarrhea.

Most people who get the flu recover in a few days to less than two weeks, but some people will develop complications (such as pneumonia) as a result of the flu, some of which can be life-threatening and result in death.

According to the California Department of Public Health, everyone over 6 months of age should receive the flu vaccine each year.

In addition to vaccination, the public is encouraged to take the following steps to protect themselves and others against flu, COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses: wash hands thoroughly and frequently,

cover coughs and sneezes, stay home from work or school when sick, consider indoor masking in crowded places, improve ventilation by opening windows or moving events outdoors, and disinfect frequently used surfaces.

For those at higher risk who do get sick, get tested and talk with your healthcare provider about treatment options.

Flu vaccines can be accessed at your healthcare provider’s office and many local pharmacies.

For more information, visit Sacramento County Department of Health Services, Public Health Division’s list of flu and covid vaccination locations at www.sacounty.gov. ★

Volunteers Needed to Help Understand and Address Homelessness



This community effort will not only help to determine the number of people experiencing homelessness in the Sacramento region but will also help us to: understand why people in our community become homeless; create better policies, programs and services; track progress in reducing homelessness. Photo courtesy Freepik

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Want to help Sacramento better understand and address homelessness? You’re invited to volunteer for the 2026 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count.

This community effort will not only help to determine the number of people experiencing homelessness in the Sacramento region but will also help us to: understand why people in our community become homeless; create better policies, programs and services; track progress in reducing homelessness and secure federal funding which supports local shelters and services.

The Point-in-Time (PIT) count will be held 5–11 p.m. on Jan. 26 and 27. Registration is required by Jan. 15.

“While it captures only a snapshot in time, the Point-in-Time (PIT) Count offers valuable, community-wide participation and insight. It helps us better understand homelessness in our region and ensures our community can continue accessing funding that directly supports our neighbors who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness,” said Dr. Trenton Simmons, chief program officer of Sacramento Steps Forward.

No experience is required for volunteers, with mini training video segments and other materials provided ahead of the nights of the count to help volunteers know what to expect. Volunteers will meet at one central location before heading out to predetermined routes across the County.

Volunteers will use a mobile phone app to record the number of people they encounter who said they would be sleeping outdoors or in vehicles. They also will conduct a brief survey with those willing to participate to better understand who is experiencing homelessness in Sacramento, for how long and what kinds of services could best assist them.

While volunteers focus on people living unsheltered outdoors, the overall Point-in-Time (PIT) Count includes those staying in respite centers and shelters.

To canvass, a volunteer must be at least 18 years old, be willing to travel by foot and car to predetermined locations and be willing to use their personal smartphone and flashlight.

Ready to be part of resolving homelessness in our community? Register now at www.sacramentostepsforward.org/data-and-analytics/2026-sacramento-point-in-time-count/ ★

When Shopping This Holiday Season, Don't Forget to Get Health Insurance for 2026

By Covered California

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The holidays are upon us, and for many, that means rushing to shop for all the things that make this time of year special. While looking for deals, don't forget to pick up health insurance for 2026.

Finding the right plan amidst all the holiday action may feel overwhelming. Am I getting the right coverage for my family? What's a deductible versus a copay? Will I have coverage for my pre-existing condition?

Covered California can help you navigate the complexity of health insurance. It's a free service that helps you explore your options and find the plan that meets your needs — and your budget. With Covered California's Shop and Compare Tool at CoveredCA.com, you simply enter some basic information, like your ZIP code and income, to see prices for a variety of health and dental plans from brand-name insurance companies.

This year, the state of California is offering extra help paying for your plan. Individuals with annual incomes under \$25,800 and families of four with incomes under \$53,000 can get a Silver plan for \$0. These subsidies are only available through Covered California.

"As we get closer to year-end holidays and family celebrations, health insurance may be one of the last things you're thinking about — but being insured is one of the best ways to protect the physical, mental and financial health of you and your family," said Covered California Executive Director Jessica Altman.

"To ensure that you have coverage for all of 2026, you need to sign up by Dec. 31, and Covered California is here to help you every step of the way."

No matter where you get health insurance, being covered is critically important. Research shows that people without health insurance have worse health outcomes, are more likely to be hospitalized for avoidable health issues and face more financial hardships while accessing care. In fact, medical costs are the leading reason for bankruptcy in the United States.

It's safe to say that having some kind of health insurance is better than having none at all.

"Without [health insurance], I could be looking at huge, huge, huge medical bills," said Melanie, a Covered California enrollee



Research shows that people without health insurance have worse health outcomes, are more likely to be hospitalized for avoidable health issues and face more financial hardships while accessing care. Photo courtesy Freepik

and early retiree from Orange County.

"There's just peace of mind that if you have a really bad year, maybe you're going to pay seven or eight thousand dollars, but you're not going to pay 700 or 800 thousand dollars."

In the Sacramento area, a 45-year-old couple earning around \$43,000 could get a Bronze plan for \$0 for 2026. Compare that to the estimated \$1,800 penalty the California Franchise Tax Board would charge them for not having

insurance, and the value is clear.

While looking for health insurance, it pays to shop around. Using the Shop and Compare Tool, households renewing their Platinum plans can find another plan through their current insurer with 23 percent lower premiums per month. Those in Gold plans can sign up with their same insurer with 23 percent lower premiums per month. People with Silver 70 and 73 plans can find a new plan through their

current insurer with 39 percent lower premiums per month.

Every plan offered through Covered California includes free preventive care, including annual checkups and screenings, mental health and substance abuse services, and even free children's dental insurance.

"We know that when people are insured and get the health care they need, they're healthier and they're able to be more successful in work, school and life," said Dr. Monica Soni, chief medical officer for Covered California.

"As we head toward the end of the year, make sure to put health insurance on your holiday list, because you can't use your health insurance if you don't get health insurance. A Covered California plan ensures that you receive a free, annual preventive care checkup to get a head start on a healthy 2026."

Learn more about your options by visiting CoveredCA.com, where you can easily find out if you qualify for financial help and see the coverage options in your area. You can also keep up to date on important changes to health insurance.

Those interested in learning more about their coverage options can also get free and confidential assistance over the phone, in a variety of languages, from one of more than 14,000 certified agents and community-based organizations throughout the state.

Have a certified enroller call you and help you for free.

Call Covered California at (800) 300-1506.

Additionally, those who qualify for Medi-Cal may enroll on CoveredCA.com year-round.

Get a jump start on healthy living in 2026 by finding a comprehensive health insurance plan through Covered California. To get coverage for all of 2026, you need to sign up by Dec. 31. Covered California is here to help all Californians find the right plans, answer your questions, and connect you to the care you need.

"Whether you sign up for a platinum or a bronze plan, you get high-quality coverage from brand-name insurance companies, at a price that fits most any budget," said Altman.

"As we get closer to the end of the year, now is the time to shop and compare plans to make sure you and your family get the coverage you need." ★

SMUD Partners with Cub Scouts to Recycle Christmas Trees



Trees recycled through SMUD will be used to provide free wood chips to customers. Courtesy photo Freepik

SMUD News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Give your Christmas tree the proper holiday send-off. Instead of tossing it in the trash, recycle it. You'll be doing our local landfills a big favor.

SMUD is once again partnering with local Cub Scout Pack 128. Cub Scouts will pick up trees on Jan. 3, 2026, from their local area and bring them to SMUD to be mulched for free, which will then be used for SMUD's free wood chip program offered to residential customers.

As one of the Cub Scouts' main fundraisers of the year, they collect trees from residents in East Sacramento neighborhoods for a donation, and SMUD turns them into wood chips. This helps fund many of the Cub Scouts' community service and learning projects

throughout the year.

Community members are also welcome to bring their trees to the SMUD Corporation Yard, 6100 Folsom Blvd, on Jan. 3, 2026, between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., or to the following designated tree recycling locations:

North Area Recovery Station, 4450 Roseville Road, will be open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3 and Sunday, Jan. 4.

Kiefer Landfill, 12701 Kiefer Blvd, will be open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3 & Sunday, Jan. 4.

Elder Creek Recovery & Transfer, 8642 Elder Creek Road, will be open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3.

Sacramento Recycling & Transfer Station, 8491 Fruitridge Road, will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday until Jan. 5. ★

Folsom - Dan Russell Rodeo Arena, Rodeo Park, end of Stafford St., will be open 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10.

Please remove all tinsel, lights, tree stands and nails. Flocked trees will not be accepted.

If you have more than five trees, you need a voucher and must follow Sacramento County's Holiday Tree Recycling Program rules for them to be accepted for free.

SMUD provides wood chips for free to its customers for use in landscape projects, gardens, playgrounds and parks. To pick up wood chips, be sure to bring your own tools to load the chips and bags to carry them in, or a tarp to cover a pickup load. Wood chips can be picked up from 6100 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. ★

Sacramento Region Community Foundation Offers More Than 40 Scholarships

Nearly \$1 Million in Scholarships are Awarded Annually



Benny Goodman Foundation Scholarship recipient Abigail Canafe at UC Berkeley graduation. Photo courtesy of Abigail Canafe

Sacramento Region Community Foundation News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Region Community Foundation invites interested students from throughout the region to consider applying for one or more of the 40-plus open scholarships available through the organization.

Ranging from \$1,000 to \$10,000, many of the open scholarships are based on financial need while some are focused on academic status or earmarked for a specific cause or area of study. Criteria are diverse and determined based on the specific wishes of local individuals who donated to establish the scholarships.

Opportunities exist to support former foster youth, English language learners, students living with chronic illness, those interested in veterinary medicine or sustainable agriculture and more. The deadline to apply for the majority of the open scholarships is by March 13, 2026.

As one example, Abigail Canafe was a student at UC Berkeley in 2021 and received the Benny Goodman Foundation Scholarship which supports students studying jazz or classical music. The impact of this funding affected her so profoundly that she now volunteers as a scholarship evaluator with the foundation.

Canafe said, "As a past scholarship recipient, I want to give back to the Sacramento

Region Community Foundation and continue helping future students fund their education."

"Investing in young people – or lifelong learners – is one of the most powerful ways we can strengthen our region's future," said Kerry Wood, CEO of the Sacramento Region Community Foundation. "Scholarships reduce financial barriers and, just as importantly, they tell students that their community believes in them. We strongly encourage students from throughout the region who are interested in furthering their educational goals to review and apply for the variety of open scholarships that the foundation is proud to offer."

In 2024, more than \$1 million in scholarships were awarded by the foundation, which supported 400 students as they worked to achieve their educational goals. Since its founding in 1983, the foundation has distributed more than \$275 million in scholarships and community grants, demonstrating its long-term commitment to regional opportunity.

For descriptions and eligibility requirements, students interested in exploring and/or applying for open scholarships, or community members considering making a tax-friendly gift of any amount to support future scholarship awards, should visit www.sacregecf.org/students.

Information about the Sacramento Region Community Foundation and charitable giving can be found at www.sacregecf.org. ★

Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

The holidays are almost behind us, but our beloved Sacramento Kings saw to it that Kings fans were treated to an early Christmas gift. Two unlikely wins in the past four games, thrilling the hometown fans with electric wins over the Houston Rockets and the Dallas Mavericks gave every Kings fan a gift to remember.

A closer look at the Mavericks game gave fans a chance to stare and wonder, who is that guy sinking 3 for 6 shots from the 3-point line and adding 9 big points to the win total. None other than all but forgotten Doug McDermott, who ignited the team and created havoc for the visiting Mavericks team.

As I have expressed, McDermott is a weapon and should be used as such. He presents an immediate problem for opposing defenses when he enters a game, and against Dallas he was exactly that.

The Kings lit the beam with a 113-107 win over the visiting Mavericks, and for once McDermott had a reason to shower after the game.

I was pleased to see that his insertion into the Dallas game was not an anomaly, as McDermott saw action in Sunday night's game against the Lakers as well. Despite the fact that McDermott was only 1 for 4 from 3-point land, just seeing a rotation that had him playing a part was gratifying for me, and I hope it marks a change in Doug Christie's approach to in-game rotations moving forward.

In spite of their record, the Kings have real talent on this team and were it not for injuries and the inability to put lineups on the floor that represent sense, the likelihood of Sacramento approaching a 500 record at this point in the season is not out of the question.

Are there moves that need to be made? Yes, and they will come, but in the meantime, let's use the talent we currently have and see more wins like the ones over Houston and Dallas.

Not to be overlooked is the sensational play of ageless wonder, Russell Westbrook. A pivotal piece in the win over Houston, Westbrook added 21 crucial points, sinking 5 shots from beyond the arc, while adding 13 rebounds and 4 assists. King's fans are watching a legend in action, and as he thrives on both ends of the court each night, no one would believe he is 37 years old. If you haven't yet bought a ticket to see this future hall-of-famer play, I exhort you to do so as quickly as you can. He is worth the price of admission, and you will say you've seen one of the great basketball players of all time.

In the Kings' recent win over Dallas, Westbrook passed Magic Johnson on the all time assists list, moving into 7th place. It remains to be seen if this will be Westbrook's last season, but if he continues to play at the pace he is now, there's every reason to believe that Kings fans may be in for one more season.

Domantas Sabonis is sorely missed, yet Sacramento finds ways to win in spite of their focal piece missing, and in the win over the Mavericks the Kings did not have the services of either Zach Lavine or Keegan Murray.

What that should tell Kings fans is that not only is there talent on this team, but team chemistry and rotations matter. I am hopeful that the appearance of Doug McDermott is just one small step in the right direction.

What will this team resemble with a healthy Domantas Sabonis in the paint, and Christie making rotations that make sense?

If there is anything good about an injury, in the case of Domantas, it forced Christie into playing 7' rookie Max Renaud, and he has responded in a big way.

Renaud had 12 points and 14 rebounds in the win over the Rockets and added 19 points in the win over Dallas.

Can Domantas and Renaud play side by side? Only time will tell, but I have long wondered if Sabonis could thrive as a number 4, and with Renaud in the lineup there is a chance we could witness just that.

Stay tuned Kings fans, because a move is in the offing, and it's my prayer that this next move is auspicious.

All the best for a happy and prosperous New Year!

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

Very Odd Election Year Starts with Republicans

Possibly Leading the Governor's Race



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

The 2026 campaigns for governor, a raft of other statewide offices, 52 congressional seats and 100 slots in the state Legislature officially begin today with the onset of candidate filing. It could be one of the oddest election cycles in California's 175 years as a state, albeit one that puts the state's convoluted politics in the national spotlight.

There are so many Democrats running for governor that it's theoretically possible for a Republican to win the office, despite the state's deeply blue political profile, especially with the possibility of even more Democratic hopefuls jumping into the mob -- as a herd of kangaroos is dubbed in Australia.

Meanwhile, both incumbent members of Congress and aspirants will be running in districts that have been radically gerrymandered to shrink Republicans' tiny delegation even more, as Democrats seek to regain control of Congress.

The possibility of a Republican governor, although very scant, stems from the state's top-two primary election system. All candidates, regardless of party, will appear on the same June 2 primary election ballot, and the two with the highest percentages of the vote -- no matter how small those shares may be -- will face each other in the November election.

With upwards of a dozen Democrats now running and the possibility of others, it's possible the two Republicans in the mix so far -- Riverside County Sheriff Chad Bianco and former television commentator Steve Hilton -- could theoretically finish one and two with perhaps as few as 10-15% of the votes each.

It's not likely if the Democratic cohort shrinks in the next few months as the weakest contenders drop out, lacking enough money or poll support to continue. However, the lack of a natural Democratic frontrunner and the seeming lack of party leadership strong enough to cull the herd bolster the mathematical possibility of a GOP upset.

Had former Vice President Kamala Harris or U.S. Sen. Alex Padilla decided to run, either would have been the immediate frontrunner. But by opting out, they left a vacuum.

At the moment, former Congresswoman Katie Porter is leading the Democratic pack, albeit with scarcely double-digit support in the polls. She and former Controller Betty Yee are the only two women now running with Harris. Lt. Gov. Eleni Kounalakis and former state Sen. Toni Atkins out. Porter also gained recognition during her unsuccessful bid for a U.S. Senate seat last year.

Billionaire Tom Steyer is currently the most visible contender, spending some of his immense wealth on television and internet ads to depict himself as a populist who rails against "Sacramento politicians" and promises to reduce electric bills -- not unlike how Donald Trump achieved success.

Beyond Porter, former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and former Attorney General and Biden cabinet member Xavier Becerra appear to be the strongest Democratic strivers. However, everyone is still waiting to see whether Attorney General Rob Bonta or Los Angeles businessman Rick Caruso will opt in.

Having so much uncertainty this late in the game is very unusual. However, at some point, perhaps around February or March, when the Democratic field finally begins to shrink, it will be possible to sort out the truly viable candidates from the wannabes and do some realistic handicapping.

Until then, as Willie Brown, the former state Assembly speaker and San Francisco Mayor and one of the state's most astute politicians, put it to Politico:

"The field is not considered of a quality that you as a Democrat would expect in California. We're still pretty much carried away with stardom, with individuals who have some impact ... We don't have any candidates like that at the moment."

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

I'm on SS Disability; Should I Switch to Regular Social Security?



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

Dear Rusty: Should I take my Social Security now at age 62, or wait till I am 65? I've been collecting SS disability due to health issues and was curious if I should wait or claim my regular Social Security retirement benefits now.

Signed: Disabled but Wondering

Dear Disabled but Wondering: If you are now collecting Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) benefits and you are still disabled, it would be a disadvantage to claim your SS retirement benefits at this time (age 62), or even at age 65. That's because your SSDI benefit is the same as your full retirement age (FRA) amount, as calculated for you at the point you became disabled. Born after 1959, your FRA is age 67, but you are already receiving your FRA benefit while on SS disability even though you have not yet reached your full retirement age. That full SSDI benefit will automatically convert to become your SS retirement benefit when you reach your full retirement age.

If you were to claim your normal SS retirement benefit any earlier than your SS full retirement age of 67, the amount you get would be reduced for claiming early. At your current age, you would likely get between 75% and 80% of what you are now receiving on SSDI (depending on your exact age in the month you claim), and at age 65 you would get about 87% of what you are now receiving on Social Security disability.

In other words, as long as your disability continues and you remain eligible for Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, you should not switch to your normal SS retirement benefit, because you would get less money. And the resulting benefit reduction would be permanent.

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The Bondi Beach attack in Australia was shocking, but not at all surprising. Some of the details were distinctive -- an idyllic spot on the Pacific Ocean instantly turned into a killing field, a father-son terror squad -- but the basic picture of a radicalized Muslim immigrant targeting a gathering of Jews was dreadfully familiar.

These events follow the same pattern because the fundamentalist version of Islam is, at its root, hostile to Jews. Let's say that there was a refugee flow of Unitarians, and some portion of those Unitarians was antagonistic to traditional Christians, such that they vandalized their businesses, harassed them in the streets and launched massive protests in favor of overseas Unitarian terror groups. In that case, we'd obviously cast a skeptical eye on Unitarian immigration.

Yet, this hasn't been true of Muslim immigration. Mainstream political parties across the West that have championed this open-handed policy are, understandably, losing ground to restrictionist parties that are more clear-eyed about the realities of immigration.

Antisemitism comes in all sorts of varieties, whether Christian, Muslim or secular. Still, it'd startle us to learn that someone attending a fundamentalist Christian church went and shot up a Jewish event, whereas it's not that unusual in an adherent of fundamentalist Islam.

Now, there are different interpretations of Islam, and it's not the role of an outsider to say which is correct. The key point is that important Muslim authorities and countless millions of the faithful embrace a fundamentalist version influential in war-torn areas of the broader Middle East that have sent so many refugees to the West.

The fundamentalist Muslim Brotherhood -- Hamas is the Palestinian branch -- was markedly antisemitic well before the establishment of the state of Israel. As one analyst has noted, its anti-Jewish agitation included "boycotts, graffiti and physical violence."

Sound familiar? A randid paranoia about the Jews runs through this worldview. The 20th century Muslim Brotherhood ideologue Sayyid Qutb referred to "the tricks played by world Jewry so that the Jews may penetrate into body politic of the whole world and then may be free to perpetuate their evil designs."

The original 1988 Hamas charter reads like a transcript of the Candace Owens podcast, except with an armed wing attached. It avers that the Jews "strived to amass great and substantive material wealth," and used it to take "control of the world media." They are responsible for the French and Bolshevik revolutions, indeed, "most of the revolutions we heard and hear about." They founded "secret societies, such as Freemasons, Rotary Clubs, the Lions and others in differ-

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ent parts of the world for the purpose of sabotaging societies."

They started World War I and World War II -- indeed, "there is no war going on anywhere, without having their finger in it." The document pronounced its support for Muhammad's prediction: "The Day of Judgment will not come about until Muslims fight the Jews (killing the Jews), when the Jew will hide behind stones and trees. The stones and trees will say O Muslims, O Abdulla, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him."

On top of all of this, it is believed that any territory once ruled by Muslims (i.e., all of Israel) must be retaken for Islam, and there is a feeling of bitter resentment at the power and success that the Jewish state has been able to amass while Muslim countries in the region have been torn apart by civil strife and stifled by catastrophically poor governance.

All of this is a toxic brew, and yet a swathe of the Muslim world is beholden to these beliefs. It is foolish to think that some element of Muslim immigrants to the West won't share this worldview and act on it -- to our great regret.

Australia welcomed a large influx of Muslim immigrants over the last several decades and accommodated a surge of antisemitism after Oct. 7. The resulting atrocity at Bondi Beach was heartrending and all too predictable.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Sprout Automotive, LLC, 300 E. Rio Salado Parkway, Tempe, AZ, 85281 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Carvana Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram" 3610 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 27, 2025
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CARVANA 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08565
KND Jumparound LLC, 10499 Ambassador Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "KND Jumparound" 10499 Ambassador Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 20, 2025
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KND 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08769
Michael Aurelio and Eileen Aurelio, 7361 Verdugo Way, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Love ME Salon Suite" 7401 Winding Way Suite 3, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
LOVE 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08902
Brian Night King, 4337 Garden Oak Court, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Redline Environmental Services" 4337 Garden Oak Court, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 9, 2025
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
REDLINE 1-9-26

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
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
BRAND 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08764
Strength 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
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
STRENGTH 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08844
Kimnan H. Ablang and Lance O. Ablang, 2340 Sunrise Boulevard, Suite 22, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Howard's Donuts" 2340 Sunrise Boulevard, Suite 22, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025
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HOWARDS 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08942
Eugene Fedorishin, 9549 River Rose Way, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Barber Gene" 9549 River Rose Way, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
BARBER 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08920
NextDream Innovations LLC, 7351 Hedge Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ByteSizeChronicles.COM/UrbanCompare.COM" 7351 Hedge Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 9, 2025
Publish: Dec 19, 26, Jan 2, 9, 2026
BYTE 1-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08328
Sierra Logistics Solutions, 4600 Roseville Road Suite #260, 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 FBNF2025-08718
MK Elevated LLC, 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA, 95812 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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08984
Verdandi Group, LLC, 1651 Response Road Suite 350, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Callidora Cosmetics" 1651 Response Road Suite 350, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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CALLIDORA 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08989
Medic Health LLC, 65 Quinta Court Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Medic" 65 Quinta Court Suite D, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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MEDIC 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08868
Auto Star, LLC, 5850 Franklin Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95824 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Auto Star" 5850 Franklin Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95824. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025
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AUTO 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09031
Manish Sehgal, 4870 Watseka Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sehgal Trucking" 4870 Watseka Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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SEHGAL 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08778
Steven Weaver, 1571 Waterwheel Drive #6, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sub2loans" 1571 Waterwheel Drive #6, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 3, 2025
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SUB 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09024
David Rapaport and Estee Rapaport, 9224 Sweetdale Court, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "JellyBee Toffee/Jelly Bee Toffee" 9224 Sweetdale Court, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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JELLYBEE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09029
Naomi Scott and Kristopher Scott, 10841 Ballantrae Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dough It Up! Bakery" 10841 Ballantrae Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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DOUGH 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09061
Lilit Simonyan, 11079 Yakima River Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mademoiselle Spa & Wellness Center" 11079 Yakima River Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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SPA 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08729
Philana Tauriette Boyd, 6149 Jeanine Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "True Presence Counseling" 7996 Old Winding Way #310, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 2, 2025
Publish: Dec 26, Jan 2, 9, 16, 2026
TRUE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08596
Diana Russell, 1329 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-3, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gilded Beauty Spa" 1329 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-3, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 21, 2025
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GILDED 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08946
Howe Bout LLC, 1537 Howe Avenue, Suite 118, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Howe Bout Nails Salon" 1537 Howe Avenue, Suite 118, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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HOWE 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09081
Mercedes Ramirez, 2781 Bridgeford Drive, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "La Columna Barber & Beauty Salon" 2108 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of

Sacramento County December 16, 2025
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BARBER 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08973
Pentabridge LLC, 9502 Village Tree Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MSS Matching Support Services" 3550 Watt Avenue Suite 190-2, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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MSS 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08987
Ledger and Bean Collective LLC, 4239 Erie Court, Santa Clara, CA 95054 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ledger and Bean/Active Scoops" 1401 21st Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 11, 2025
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LEDGER 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-07707
Yordanos Beyene, 8028 Tetotom Parkway, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Adeli Kitchen/Tesi Adel" 4900 Madison Avenue Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 15, 2025
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ADELI 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09084
Quierra Trammel, 7643 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden State Events/Golden State Event Company" 7643 Van Maren Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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GOLDEN 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09044
G. Boparai MD LLC, 44 Brightwood Circle, Danville, CA 94506 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Med Center Medical Clinic" 6600 Madison Avenue Suite 7, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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MED 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09019
A La Zen Homes, 585 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A La Zen Homes/Zen Homes" 581 Grand Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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ZEN 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08719
A2Z Specialty Solutions, 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A2Z Solutions" 50 Iron Point Circle Suite 140, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 1, 2025
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A2Z 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08259
Fallon Golf Inc., 11511 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fit Golf" 11511 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 5, 2025
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IFIT 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09105
James Ernest Ballas, 2845 37th Street #16, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A1 Response Lock-n-Key" 2845 37th Street #16, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 17, 2025
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A1 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09073
Oswaldo Ezequiel Gonzalez, 4741 Camino Royale Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Onyx Auto Glass" 5416 Jackson Street Apt 18, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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ONYX 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08970
Oswaldo Ezequiel Gonzalez, 4741 Camino Royale Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "OGP Landscaping Maintenance" 4741 Camino Royale Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 10, 2025
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OGP 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08447
Car Mall LLC, 6538 Twin Park Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Car Mall Auto Sales" 6538 Twin Park Drive, Citrus Heights, CA

95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 14, 2025
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CAR 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-08396
Roberto Evan Delgado and Zoe Woomer, 9109 Castlebar Way, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Ink Worms Printing Services" 9109 Castlebar Way, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 12, 2025
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INK 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09068
Origin Solar USA Inc, 910 Pleasant Grove Boulevard #353, Rosevale, CA 95678 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Origin Solar USA" 9198 Greenback Lane #200, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 15, 2025
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ORIGIN 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09093
Gabriel Gutierrez, 2756 Primo Way, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "GGB Services" 2756 Primo Way, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 16, 2025
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GGB 1-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2025-09038
Tyree Jovan Montgomery, 1068 Hayer Circle, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Vantage View Security Group" 1068 Hayer Circle, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 12, 2025
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VANTAGE 1-16-26

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE**

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ADMINISTER ESTATE OF J.
ELIAZAR RUIZ RAMIREZ AKA
ELEAZAR RUIZ RAMIREZ
CASE NO. 25PR004042

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of J. Eliazar Ruiz Ramirez aka Eleazar Ruiz Ramirez.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows January 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

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

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

The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Uriel A. Pena, ESQ, Legado Legal, APC, PO Box 3372, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741; 916-238-8935
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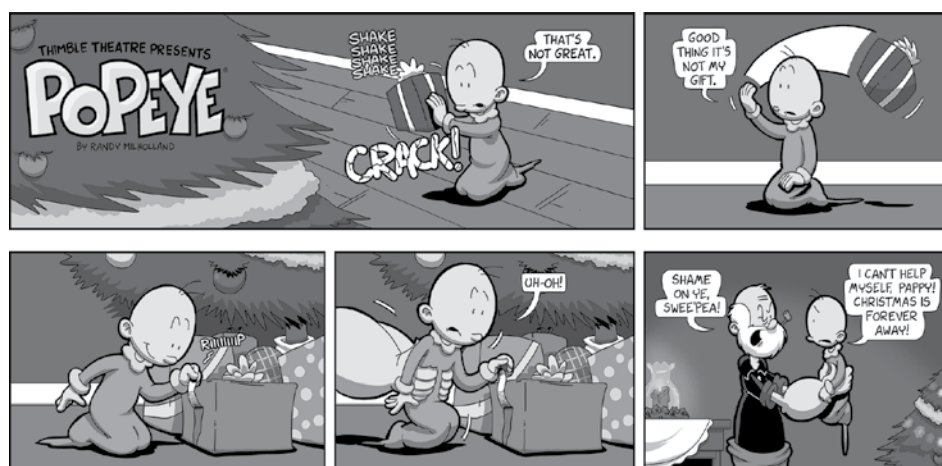
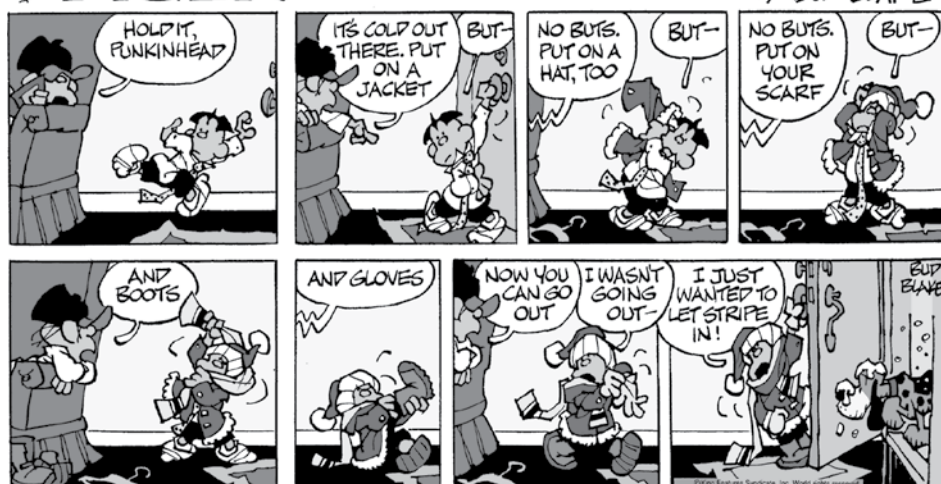
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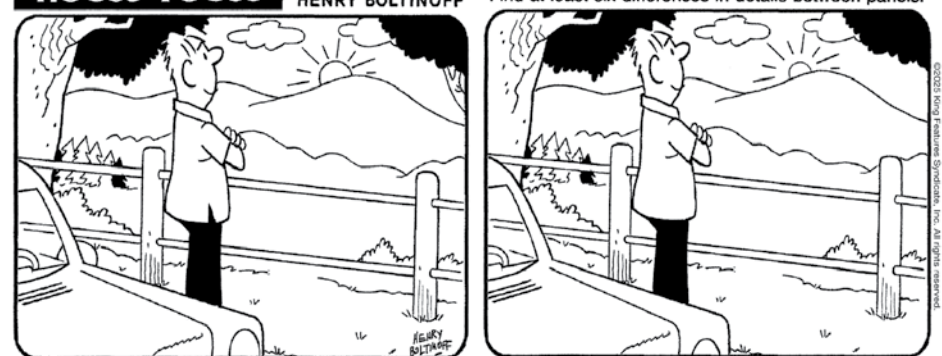
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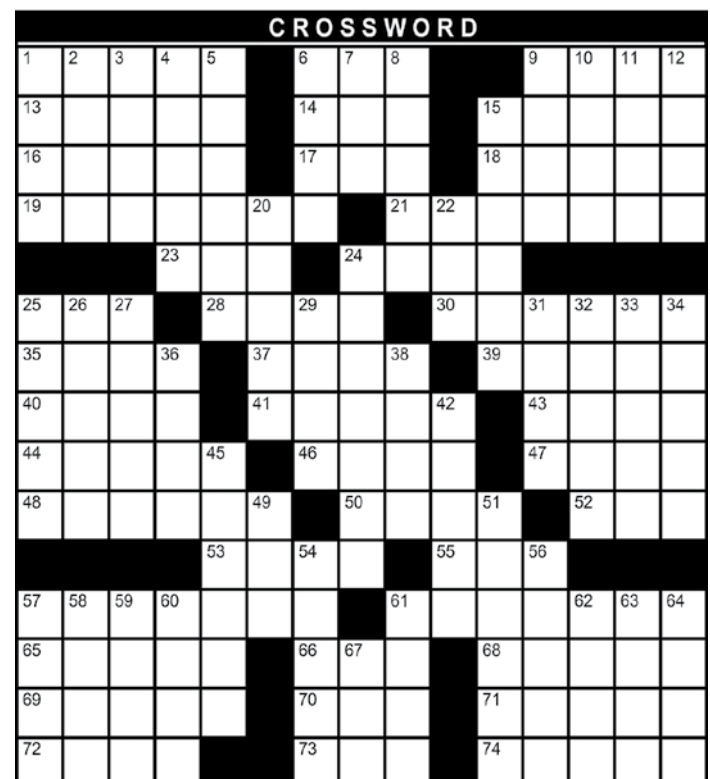
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1. Laura Ingalls' notebook
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 14. "Fat chance!"
 15. Afrikanners' ancestors
 16. Cake spread
 17. Chowed down
 18. Clear the blackboard
 19. "Barn chore"
 21. "John Deere, e.g."
 23. Nirvana's "Come as You _____"
 24. Spasm of pain
 25. Broadband access overseer, acr.
 28. Mark for omission
 30. Recessed space
 35. _____ and the Real Girl," movie
 37. "Shoot!"
 39. E in baseball box score
 40. Oil org.
 41. Intelligent
 43. A mixture or medley
 44. Children's respiratory disease
 46. Foggy view?
 47. Politicians, for short
 48. In a sympathetic manner
 50. Ski hill ride
 52. Maiden name indicator
 53. Bald eagle's nest
 55. Repeated Latin dance step
 57. "a.k.a. harvester"
 61. "Opposite of pasture"
 65. "Common varieties are yellow, red and white"
 66. Tall tale
 68. Smooth, in manner
 69. Audience's approval
 70. "_____ at ease"
 71. Stomach sore
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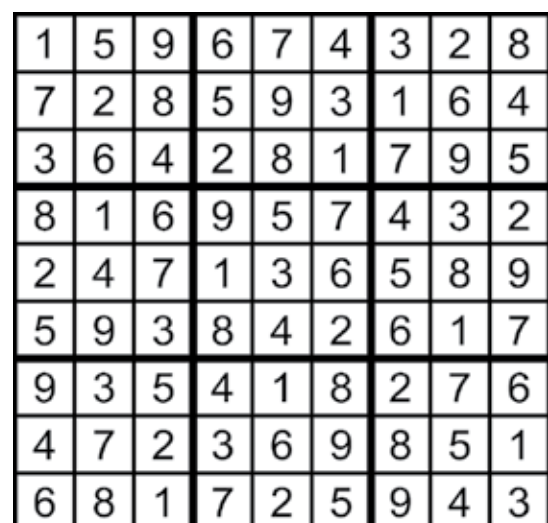


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| 2. Locus, pl. | 54. Indiana Jones' find, e.g. |
| 3. Seed coat | 56. Not a minor |
| 4. Form of Japanese poetry | 57. For boys and girls |
| 5. Encircle | 58. Popular fairy-tale beginning |
| 6. Deep pile carpet | 59. Stephen King's "The Green _____" |
| 7. *Cereal grass | 60. *Male pig |
| 8. Sorority letter | 61. Abe Lincoln's hat material |
| 9. Cleopatra's necklace | 62. Tatted cloth |
| 10. Thermostat option | 63. Done |
| 11. Guesstimate phrase (2 words) | 64. Seaside bird |
| 12. Olympic cast-out, e.g. | 67. UN labor grp. |
| 15. Charles Darwin's vessel | |
| 20. Must-haves | |
| 22. Ribonucleic acid, acr. | |
| 24. Fine | |
| 25. *Group of chickens | |
| 26. Birthplace of Caprese | |
| 27. Oedipus' successor | |
| 29. *Baby sheep | |
| 31. * _____ rotation | |
| 32. Acrylic fiber | |
| 33. Bridal veil fabric | |
| 34. With a jagged margin | |
| 36. Gulf War missile | |
| 38. *Pasture-raised chicken's morsel | |
| 42. Vanish without this? | |
| 45. Lamentation | |
| 49. Japanese capital | |

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Psyk and Pinnick Named Stats Perform All-Americans

UC Davis News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - After a season ranked near the top in multiple categories, helping UC Davis football make another deep run into the postseason, both Jacob Psik (first team) and Caden Pinnick (freshman) have earned Stats Perform All-American honors, making both Aggies two-time All-Americans following the 2026 season.

Psyk, already an FCS Football Central All-American (second team) and Buck Buchanan Award finalist was named to the First Team putting him among the best defensive linemen in the nation. While Pinnick doubled up on his Freshman All-American honors, having already been named a Freshman All-American by FCS Football Central.

Up front Psik was nearly unstoppable all season and his non-stop engine earned him unanimous first team All-Big Sky honors. Psik ended his season with 9.5 sacks and 15.5 tackles for loss, adding to his 48 total tackles (35 solo stops) while he added a pair of blocked kicks and five quarterback hurries.

With the most sacks by an Aggie since 2018 and the second most in a single season since 2013, Psik made his presence known on every snap and he ended the season leading the conference in forced fumbles (three), total sacks and tackles



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for loss and on the national stage he ranked 13th in fumbles forced, 17th in total sacks and 16th in tackles for loss.

Under center Pinnick put together one of the best seasons by a quarterback in the nation, making 12 starts while on his way to being named a Jerry Rice Award Finalist. The Aggie signal caller finished the season with 3,206 passing yards and 32

passing touchdowns, while averaging 267.2 passing yards per game with a passer efficiency of 172.4. On the ground Pinnick added 437 yards and three touchdowns, averaging 3.5 yards per carry.

Pinnick finished the season ranked nationally third in passing efficiency, fourth in total passing touchdowns and yards per pass attempt (9.3), eighth in total

touchdowns (11) and passing yards per game and ninth in completion percentage (70-percent).

About UC Davis Athletics UC Davis, the No. 2 ranked public university by the Wall Street Journal, is home to 40,000 undergraduate students and 12,000 employees. Ranked #1 in Agriculture and Forestry as well as #1 in Veterinary Medicine, UC Davis is located in a true

California college town nestled between world-class destinations such as the San Francisco Bay Area, Napa Valley and Lake Tahoe. Over 650 Aggie student-athletes compete in 25 Division I varsity sports, with 16 sports transitioning to the Mountain West Conference beginning in 2026-27.

For more information, visit <https://ucdavisaggies.com/> ★

Republic FC Adds Goalkeeper Jacob Randolph



"I'm excited to join the Sacramento Republic organization and community," said Randolph. "I'm extremely grateful for this opportunity and I'm ready to fight for trophies with this Indomitable club." Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Republic FC announced Dec. 16 the addition of goalkeeper Jacob Randolph. He will be added to the team's roster, pending league and federation approval. Per club policy, the terms of the contract were not disclosed.

"Jacob is a great addition to our goalkeeping squad," said Republic FC Head Coach Neill Collins. "He knows what it takes to be a part of an elite defensive team and we feel that he's going to add even more depth to our roster as we battle for multiple trophies."

The 6'5" shot stopper spent the first two seasons of his career with Eastern Conference club Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC. In 11 appearances across all competitions, he recorded four clean sheets and from 2024-2025 was a part of the top defense in USL Championship with 28 clean sheets and just 56 goals conceded during the regular season. This past November, he and the Riverhounds won the first USL Championship title in club history.

"I'm excited to join the Sacramento Republic organization and community," said Randolph. "I'm extremely grateful for this opportunity and I'm ready to fight for trophies with this Indomitable club."

Randolph was a standout during his five-year college career. He first attended Barton College from 2019 to 2021 and in 34 appearances recorded a 0.91 goals-against



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average and an 80% save success rate. His 10 clean sheets rank third in program history, earning him two All-Conference Carolinas selections and three Defensive Player of the Week honors. He spent his senior and graduate year at the University of North Carolina, Wilmington and in 17 games recorded seven clean sheets.

Season ticket memberships are now on sale for the 2026 season, offering a range of benefits including discounts on merchandise and access to exclusive fan experiences, as well as priority seat selection in the new Republic Stadium at The Railyards. As a special year-end incentive, fans who purchase a Season Ticket Membership between now and December 17 will receive an exclusive, limited-edition Republic FC Holiday Sweater. For more information, or to purchase a membership today, visit SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships. ★

Izzi Joins Staff as Senior Associate Athletics Director for Development

Sacramento State News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Veteran college athletics administrator Michael Izzi has been named the Senior Associate Athletics Director for Development at Sacramento State, announced Director of Athletics Mark Orr.

In his role, Izzi will work collaboratively with University Advancement and oversee all fundraising activities for Intercollegiate Athletics.

"To have someone with Michael's experience in college athletics join our department is exciting," Orr said.

"His proven record of success in fundraising, program development, and team building makes him an exceptional addition to our athletics leadership team."

Izzi brings over 30 years of leadership experience in collegiate athletics, development and strategic advancement. His distinguished career includes serving as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at both UC Irvine and Cal State Northridge, as well as Senior Associate Athletic Director at Stanford University, where he helped raise over \$300 million in athletics gifts.

"I am excited to be working at Sacramento State during this new era of college athletics," Izzi said. "The school has bold vision of what its wants to accomplish and I look forward to playing a role in elevating the student-athlete experience."

Throughout his career, Izzi has led major capital campaigns – such as a \$100 million stadium renovation and \$70 million in scholarship endowments – And has built strong partnerships with athletes, donors and campus leaders.

At California State University, Northridge, he made a number of notable coaching hires, strengthened the department's compliance efforts, expanded the corporate partnership program and improved student-athlete academic

achievement.

While the Director of Athletics at UC Irvine, the Anteaters were routinely in the top five of the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA)'s Division I-AAA Directors' Cup Standings. Forty-four UC Irvine teams finished in the nation's Top 25 final rankings in his tenure and a total of 79 teams have had representation in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) postseason. Those totals included three NCAA championships in men's volleyball as well as the

school's first trip to the NCAA Tournament in men's basketball. Under Izzi's leadership, UC Irvine Athletics saw a dramatic increase in the department's fundraising efforts, raising

money for two new buildings, the Santora Elite Training Center and Al Irwin Academic Center, to enhance the student-athlete experience. Izzi was a member of The Big West Council, in addition to the Championships Committee and an Athletics Administrator Liaison. He was also a member of the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Administrative Committee.

Prior to his arrival at UC Irvine, Izzi served over 16 years in athletics administration at Stanford. He was the primary supervisor for several sports and led one of the most successful athletic fundraising efforts in college sports. He implemented fundraising strategies that led to more than \$30 million in renovations to Maples Pavilion, more than \$100 million in renovations to Stanford Stadium, \$70 million in scholarships endowments and the endowment of several staff positions.

A former student-athlete at UCLA, Izzi received his bachelor's in sociology from UCLA. He is the father of two sons, Weston and Conrad, as well as daughter, McKenna. ★