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## Chamber to Spotlight Honorees



Susan Maxwell Skinner (center) will be named 2026 Carmichael Person of the Year at the March 25 Community Awards Dinner in Carmichael. Joining Skinner are fellow honorees Kendra Johnson, Natalya Sachuk, Suraj Gill, Barbara Safford, Aiman Nasrawi, Kosim Latipov, Donna Miller and Erin Schirm. Photo courtesy of Carmichael Chamber of Commerce.

By MPG Staff

**CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG)** - The Carmichael Chamber of Commerce has announced their 2026 People of the Year Honorees. Among those named are photojournalist and singer Susan Maxwell Skinner, who has been named Carmichael Person of the Year for 2026.

Skinner has been a dynamo for Carmichael interests for decades. She has performed at park concerts, led the Chamber of Commerce and has written a book about the town where she and late husband, bandleader John Skinner, established a home.

Skinner will join other VIPs during the annual Community Awards

Dinner on March 25. The Milagro Centre, located at 6241 Fair Oaks Blvd, Carmichael, will open their ballroom to host this Carmichael Chamber of Commerce celebration.

There will be no shortage of honorees named. Yianni's restaurant/bar owner Rania Tzikas will receive Businesswoman of the Year laurels. Aquamarine Jewelers founder, Aiman Nasrawi, will become Businessman of the Year.

The fundraiser event will share proceeds with the 2026 Nonprofit of the Year, Meristem. This Fair Oaks Boulevard learning center aids young adults with autism and other neurological disorders.

Award recipients are chosen by

Chamber members and local leaders. This year, a new honor for Excellence in Leadership was designed for Montessori Project Principal Laurien Spiller.

"Teachers from Laurien's school were voted Best Teacher for two years running in our Best of Carmichael contest," explained Chamber President Rosie Buck. "The school was also voted Best Public School in 2024. As its Principal, Laurien has shown extraordinary leadership in shaping future leaders."

A retired San Juan District teacher and powerhouse of local volunteerism, Donna Miller will receive a Carmichael Spirit award.

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## Mushroom Poisoning Amid Statewide Outbreak

**Sacramento County  
News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Recent rain has contributed to widespread growth of Death Cap mushrooms in California. Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH), in alignment with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), is urging residents not to pick or eat wild mushrooms as the risk of potentially deadly amatoxin poisoning is high. Since Death Cap (*Amanita phalloides*) and Western Destroying Angel (*Amanita ocreata*) are easily confused for safe-to-eat lookalike mushrooms, all mushroom foraging should be avoided.

Sacramento County Public Health confirms four cases of amatoxin poisoning in Sacramento County caused by people accidentally picking and eating Death Cap and/or Western Destroying Angel mushrooms.

This comes amidst a continuing statewide outbreak linked to the consumption of wild, foraged mushrooms. There's been reports of severe liver damage in both children and adults, resulting in three adult deaths and three liver transplants statewide to date.

Between Nov. 18, 2025, and Jan. 6, 2026, the California Poison Control System (CPCS) has identified 35 hospitalized cases across Northern California and the Central Coast, spanning regions from Sonoma to San Luis Obispo. Affected individuals range in age from 19 months to 67 years and include family groups and individual cases.

Most cases are in the Monterey and San Francisco Bay Area, though Death Cap mushrooms can be found across the state, particularly adjacent to oaks, other hardwoods and some pines. Information provided by affected individuals indicates that mushrooms were collected from various locations, including county, city and park lands.

Sacramento County Public Health and Sacramento County Regional Parks remind residents that wild mushrooms can be poisonous even if they resemble edible varieties and remain toxic even after cooking, boiling, freezing or drying.

"We understand that people may not realize the risk of mushroom foraging right now, because these mushrooms can closely

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## Art Social Returns for 2026

By MPG Staff

**CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG)** -The Carmichael Chamber of Commerce Art Social is back for 2026, inviting the community to begin the new year with an evening centered on creativity, connection and shared purpose. More than a night out, Art Social offers a meaningful after-hours experience that supports the Sacramento Fine Arts Center and celebrates the power of the arts to bring people together.

Guests will enjoy exclusive access to the Sacramento Fine Arts Center, 5330 Gibbons Drive, during a private evening event that includes a guided viewing of the gallery spaces and a curated shopping experience featuring trinkets and small handmade gifts available for purchase inside the center. The event is designed to feel welcoming and social, offering attendees time to explore, connect, and engage with art at their own pace.

Art Social 2026 brings together artists, supporters of the arts, students,



As the new year begins, Art Social 2026 invites attendees to turn resolutions into action by supporting local arts, investing in community, and surrounding themselves with inspiration. Photo courtesy of Carmichael Chamber of Commerce

educators, and community members of all generations. Whether you are a longtime arts advocate or a community college student beginning your creative journey, the event offers something for everyone. The evening will feature refreshments, live art demonstrations, hands-on interactive art stations, and an atmosphere that encourages curiosity and conversation.

As the new year begins, Art Social 2026 invites

attendees to turn resolutions into action by supporting local arts, investing in community, and surrounding themselves with inspiration.

Tickets are \$40 general admission, \$35 for Carmichael Chamber Members and Sacramento Fine Arts Center Members and \$20 for American River College (ARC) Students (with valid ID) and Carmichael teachers/educators.

The first 40 tickets sold will include an exclusive

Art Social poster.

Each ticket includes refreshments, interactive art experiences, and exclusive after-hours gallery access. All proceeds directly benefit the Sacramento Fine Arts Center.

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# Society for the Blind Receives \$25,000 from Kaiser

*Funds will help expand services for youth and working-age adults losing vision*

**Society for the Blind News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Kaiser Permanente has granted \$25,000 to Society for the Blind in Sacramento to expand its programs for youth and working-age adults with vision loss across the region so they have the blindness skills, academic assistance and job-readiness training to be successful and independent.

“People with vision loss have an unemployment rate of nearly 70%, and 80% of our program participants are low-income, so workforce preparedness is essential to ensuring they gain financial stability and independence,” said Shari Roeseler, executive director, Society for the Blind. “We are grateful to Kaiser Permanente for recognizing the important gap we can fill by ensuring people with vision loss can find and maintain employment.”

Society for the Blind provides low-vision eye care, life and job skills training, mentorship, and access to tools to maintain independence for more than 5,000 youth, working-age adults and seniors experiencing vision loss each year.

Kaiser Permanente funding will help Society for the Blind expand its Core Skills program that enrolls 100 to 200 new clients from across



**A Society for the Blind instructor helps a client learn assistive technology. The nonprofit recently received a grant from Kaiser Permanente to expand its programs for youth and working-age adults.** Courtesy photo

the region each year. The program works with clients ages 17 and up, offering training and assistance in searching for and applying for jobs online, creating a professional cover letter and resume, and mock interview sessions.

Clients learn how to use assistive technologies to perform work functions and to confidently explain their ability to do the job for which they are applying. Youth participants also learn appropriate dress for the workplace, social and

interpersonal skills, budgeting and finance.

“Kaiser Permanente partners with organizations in our community, like the Society for the Blind, to help promote economic opportunity and job readiness for those in need,” said Jay Robinson, senior vice president and area manager, Kaiser Permanente Sacramento and South Sacramento. “By investing in workforce development programs and training opportunities that lead to financial stability

we are working to improve the overall health and well-being of the communities we serve.”

For more than 70 years, Sacramento-based Society for the Blind has continued to create innovative ways to empower individuals living with low vision or blindness to discover, develop and achieve their full potential. Since 1954, Society for the Blind has grown from a dedicated group of volunteers to a nationally recognized agency and

the only comprehensive rehabilitative teaching center that provides services for a 27-county region of Northern California. Learn more or donate: [www.SocietyfortheBlind.org](http://www.SocietyfortheBlind.org).

Kaiser Permanente is committed to helping shape the future of health care and is recognized as one of America's leading health care providers and not-for-profit health plans. Founded in 1945, Kaiser Permanente has a mission to provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of its members and the communities it serves. Kaiser Permanente currently serves nearly 12.6 million members in eight states and the District of Columbia. Care for members and patients is focused on their total health and guided by their personal Permanente Medical Group physicians, specialists and team of caregivers. Expert and caring medical teams are empowered and supported by industry-leading technology advances and tools for health promotion, disease prevention, state-of-the-art care delivery and world-class chronic disease management. Kaiser Permanente is dedicated to care innovations, clinical research, health education and the support of community health. For more information: [about.kp.org](http://about.kp.org). ★

# Nominations Open for 5 Over 50 Award

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - If you know someone who makes Sacramento County a better place to live and is 50 years old or older, now is your chance to celebrate them. Each year, the 5 Over 50 Award recognizes people who make a difference in our community. The Sacramento County Adult and Aging Commission is now

taking applications for its 5 Over 50 Volunteer Award. Nominees must be 50 or older, actively involved in volunteer work, and residents of Sacramento County. If you know someone who meets the criteria and has made an impact in Sacramento County, nominate them for the 5 Over 50 Volunteer Award. Learn more about the application process and access the form by visiting the Adult and Aging Commission page at: <https://dcfas.saccounty.gov/SAS/Pages/Adult-and-Aging-Commission.aspx>.



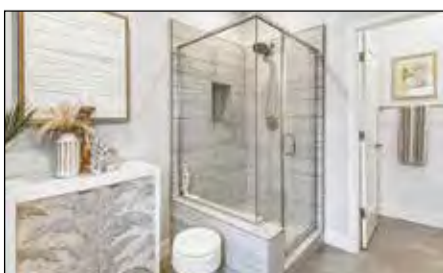
**Each year, the 5 Over 50 Award recognizes people who make a difference in our community.** Photo by Kampus via Pexels

Sacramento County. Sacramento County's Adult and Aging Commission members look forward to celebrating the winners. Winners will also be featured on Sacramento County's website and YouTube channel. Learn about last year's winners at: [www.saccounty.gov/us/en/articles/2025-articles/celebrating-5-over-50-award-winners.html#sc.tab=0](http://www.saccounty.gov/us/en/articles/2025-articles/celebrating-5-over-50-award-winners.html#sc.tab=0). ★

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# Mushroom Poisoning Amid Statewide Outbreak

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 resemble edible types,” said Dr. Olivia Kasirye, Sacramento County Public Health Officer. “That’s why we’re urging residents to avoid wild mushroom foraging altogether and to seek immediate help if exposure is suspected.”

Sacramento County Public Health is coordinating with the California Department of Public Health and California Poison Control on case investigation, tracking and public outreach.

**What Residents Can Do**

Avoid picking and eating wild mushrooms during this high-risk season when Death Cap mushrooms are abundant. Death Cap mushrooms are still poisonous even after cooking, boiling, freezing or drying.

Purchase mushrooms from trusted grocery stores and retailers and exercise caution when buying mushrooms from street vendors.

Keep children and pets away from wild mushrooms.

Seek help immediately if you or someone you know has eaten a poisonous mushroom. Contact the CPCS hotline: 1-800-222-1222. Do not wait for symptoms to appear. Treatment is more difficult once symptoms start.

Initial symptoms, such as watery diarrhea, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, and dehydration can occur within 6 to 24 hours following ingestion of these toxic mushrooms and usually go away within a day. However, this brief improvement can be deceptive, as patients may still develop serious to fatal liver damage within 48 to 96 hours after eating the mushrooms. ★



**Avoid picking and eating wild mushrooms during this high-risk season when Death Cap mushrooms are abundant. Death Cap mushrooms are still poisonous even after cooking, boiling, freezing or drying.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County



**SCPH is urging residents not to pick or eat wild mushrooms as the risk of potentially deadly amatoxin poisoning is high.** Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

# Chamber to Spotlight Honorees

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Ambassador of the Year honors will go to Barbara Safford, an eight-year Friends of the Library leader.

Influencer Christina Lardie, who has amassed almost \$5,000 Instagram followers, uses her social media profile to champion neighborhood interests. “She has dedicated countless hours to promoting businesses,” noted Buck. “For that, she earns our Chamber Champion award.”

Recognition will honor field officers of elected legislators. While their bosses are VIPs, humble staffers answer the phone to public concerns.

“These people are boots-on-the-ground in community life,” said Buck. “It’s important for the Chamber to acknowledge such vital contributors.”

Public Service awardees are Josh Gumacal (for Congressman Ami Bera); Kosim Latipov (for Senator Roger Niello); Natalya Sachuk (for Assemblyman Josh Hoover) and Kendra Johnson (for Supervisor Rich Desmond).

A timely Carmichael Legacy award will go to the ACR Solar business. Al Rich has been hands-on in solar service since 1979 and plans to hand the company baton to his son later this year.

New Business of the Year recognition will honor Surge VR Arena. Operated by Suraj Gill, the high-tech company has established a niche market for fans of virtual sport.

Principal honoree Susan Skinner is a legend with a stepladder. The New Zealand-born photojournalist has



Rania Tzikas has welcomed customers of Yianni’s Bar and Grill for more than 12 years. The owner/manager will be named Businesswoman of the Year on March 25. Photo by Susan Maxwell Skinner

chronicled (and often choreographed) Carmichael events for decades. The photojournalist has researched the colony’s history and archived scores of early pictures. Her award-winning photography is showcased in a coffee-table book (Carmichael Americana) that she defines as “a

love letter to the small American town.”

The Chamber honor lands Skinner among exulted company. Former Persons of the Year include Sheriff John McGinness, broadcaster Kitty O’Neal, Supervisor Susan Peters, basketball star Vlade Divacs and baseball legend Dusty Baker. Last year’s winner was Milagro Centre figurehead Susan Davis.

“I’m surprised and thrilled,” said the 2026 recipient. “I’ve aimed to spotlight community interests and to applaud exemplary values, like patriotism and civic responsibility. I feel this award recognizes both my husband and me. John Skinner was a mentor behind my growth as an American.”

Chamber of Commerce President Rosie Buck said Skinner’s name surfaced so often in Person of the Year nominations that her selection was quickly cemented.

“Susan’s become something of a household name,” considered Buck. “She’s at an incredible number of events, so everybody knows her. Through pictures and stories, she’s spotlighted what is best about our community. Susan’s work keeps Carmichael on the map.”

Anyone can attend the March 25 gala at the Milagro Centre. Tickets are \$90 for Chamber members; \$100 for general admission. Catering is by Bella Bru. Business or cocktail attire is suggested. Sponsorships are available. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

For information or reservations, visit [www.carmichael-chamber.com](http://www.carmichael-chamber.com) ★

# Band Director Honored with Jazz Education Award

## Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation (SacJEF) has chosen Josh Murray, band director of Rio Americano High School, for its prestigious jazz educator award. The honor is presented every two years at the annual Teagarden Jazz Festival at Sacramento State, and recognizes a regional jazz educator with a long, consistent record of providing traditional jazz education.

This year’s award will be presented at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7 at Capistrano Hall, on the Sacramento State campus.

An accomplished saxophonist, Murray has been Band Director at Rio Americano High School since 1998. Rio’s AM Jazz Ensemble has been a finalist at the Essentially Ellington Festival twelve times, was chosen as winners of the 2019 national “Perform With Bob Mintzer” competition, recently hosted and opened a concert with Wynton Marsalis and the Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra, and has performed worldwide on tours of Japan, China, Argentina, Italy, Spain, Australia, Ireland, Austria, The Czech Republic and South Korea. Rio’s musicians and bands have won dozens of DownBeat Magazine Student Music Awards and are four-time winners of the Charles Mingus



Pictured is Josh Murray, band director of Rio Americano High School, and winner of the Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation jazz educator award. Photo courtesy of the Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation

Festival’s combo category. Murray’s performing credits include shows with Wycliffe Gordon, Phil Woods, Donny McCaslin, Jimmy Smith and the Drifters. He is a contributing author to Teaching Music Through Performance in Jazz, Vol. 2, was selected as a “Sacramento Hero of the Arts” and was awarded the California Music Education Association (CMEA’s) Jazz Education Award, both in 2024.

Since its inauguration, the Teagarden Jazz festival has benefitted from Murray’s dedication to early jazz education with combos from Rio Americano participating at each year’s event and his students consistently

recognized with performance excellence awards and scholarships.

“The primary goal of the Foundation is to pass the torch of jazz music to the next generation,” said Nancy Parker, president of the SacJEF board. “Some of our recent festival clinicians and current band directors at the Teagarden Festival were once Josh’s students. There is no finer example of the spirit of our mission than inspiring students to go on to educate the next generation of jazz performers, teachers and fans. He is truly deserving of this award.”

The Teagarden Jazz Festival, sponsored by the Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation in partnership with Sacramento State’s

Jazz Studies Program, is one of the most uniquely educational jazz events in the country as the only dedicated student event focused exclusively on the performance and preservation of Traditional Jazz. More than \$14,000 in individual scholarships and awards are offered as part of the educational, non-competitive festival. It occurs annually in February.

The Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation supports and promotes the education of early jazz for young musicians and educators, teaching teamwork

and collaboration skills that build confidence, belonging and fulfillment. We create and support joyful environments for music performance and artistic expression.

Through donations and endowments, the Foundation sponsors and manages programs such as The Teagarden Jazz Camp (two one-week annual summer jazz camps); Teagarden Jazz Festival: for Young Musicians; Music Lessons Awards (presented annually to approximately 25 young musicians so they can afford private music

lessons with an emphasis on Jazz); TNT (The New Traditionalists, a regional honor band of High School jazz musicians); Instrument Match (a program to match donated instruments with youth musicians); The Trad Jazz Project (a partnership with local schools to sponsor clinics and music instructors to teach traditional jazz in school band programs).

For more information on the Sacramento Jazz Education Foundation and its programs, visit [www.sacjef.org](http://www.sacjef.org). For the festival, visit [www.teagardenjazzfestival.org](http://www.teagardenjazzfestival.org). ★

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# Raley's Marks 40 Years of Hunger Relief

*New grant-funding round supports critical infrastructure needs at food banks*

**Raley's Food for Families  
News Release**

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - For 40 years, Raley's Food For Families has been a steadfast partner in the fight against hunger. Since 1986, the organization has donated more than 81 million dollars and 70 million pounds of wholesome, nutritious food to its existing network of 12 Feeding America food bank partners and their subsequent network of more than 2,400 agencies.

Now, as Raley's Food For Families marks this significant anniversary, the organization is demonstrating its long-term dedication with the launch of its renewed 2026 Infrastructure Grant Program with applications open now through Feb. 2. The grant initiative builds on immediate hunger relief efforts by investing in infrastructure that enables sustained, meaningful impact for years to come.

"For four decades, Food For Families has been privileged to donate millions of pounds of food and to provide support to hungry families across our communities. This milestone is a moment to celebrate that impact and recommit to the long-term work of food security," said Julie Teel, president of Food For Families Board of Directors. "By focusing on infrastructure, we're strategically making funds available so these vital community partners can strengthen their ability to get food to those who need it most."

The new grant cycle builds on the success of the inaugural 2025 Infrastructure Grant Program, which distributed just over \$340,000 to support critical needs identified by food banks and their partner agencies. The first funding round made a significant impact, including funds for refrigeration units, box trucks, forklifts, and pallet jacks, along with many smaller infrastructure items, such as shelving units.

"These investments directly translate to increased food access for

families by allowing food bank staff and volunteers to work more efficiently, ultimately serving more people with the same resources. For example, a single pallet jack can save 76 manual trips per truckload," said Teel. "The grant funding is a tangible example of the profound commitment Raley's has made to the communities it serves."

The 2026 Infrastructure Grant Program will prioritize grants that directly increase food access rather than focus on food education. Eligible applicants include partner agencies, food pantries, and closets affiliated with Raley's Food For Families' Feeding America food bank partners including Alameda County Community Food Bank, Central California Food Bank, Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano, Food Bank for Monterey County, Food Bank of Northern Nevada, Feeding the Foothills, Redwood Empire Food Bank, Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services, Second Harvest Silicon Valley, Second Harvest Food Bank of Santa Cruz County, Second Harvest of The Greater Valley and Yolo Food Bank

As a way to celebrate and recognize its long-term food bank partner network, Raley's will also highlight the work of one partner food bank each month throughout 2026. For more information about the 2026 Infrastructure Grant Program, including application deadlines and specific requirements, food bank partners should reach out to their Feeding America food bank partner.

"We're honored to mark 40 years of food security leadership and real-world impact," said Teel. "Raley's Food For Families has remained committed in its mission to alleviate hunger by providing nutritious food to those in need. The organization's longevity reflects a deep-rooted belief that food security is foundational to community health and opportunity." ★



Raley's Food For Families is celebrating 40 years of food bank donations and doubling down on its commitment to helping their community with the renewed 2026 Infrastructure Grant Program opening this month. Photo courtesy of Raley's Food for Families

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## Aerospace Museum Awarding Aviation Scholarships

**Aerospace Museum of California  
News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Thanks to the generosity of its major donors, the Aerospace Museum of California is proud to announce the return of its Private Pilot License (PPL) Scholarship Program. In 2026, the Museum will award three scholarships of \$12,500 each to exceptional and highly motivated students between the ages of 16 and 22 who aspire to become pilots.

Applications for the scholarship program are now open and will close on Feb. 14 at 11:59 PM Pacific Standard Time. Interested applicants can find full details and submit their application at <https://www.aerospaceca.org/ppl-scholarship>.

Unlike traditional financial aid programs, the Aerospace Museum of California's Private Pilot License Scholarship is designed as a comprehensive pilot development pipeline. In addition to financial support, scholarship recipients benefit from one-on-one mentoring, structured progress tracking, and clear accountability milestones.

Scholars are also actively engaged in museum programs and STEM outreach initiatives, reinforcing the Museum's commitment to education and community impact. The program is built around a core objective of achieving a 100 percent Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Private Pilot License certification success rate among scholarship recipients.

The ideal candidates for the program are students who demonstrate a strong and sustained desire to pursue a career in aviation. Additional consideration is given to applicants who are already involved in aviation-related organizations or activities, such as Civil

Air Patrol, the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), or flight schools. Applicants with prior flight training or those who have already completed the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Airman Knowledge Test are also strongly encouraged to apply.

To be eligible, applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 22 and able to begin flight training within 30 days of receiving the scholarship award. Recipients must commit to ongoing mentoring, meet structured progress milestones, and complete a minimum of four hours per month of volunteer service with the Aerospace Museum of California.

The Museum's motto, "Where Dreams Take Flight," reflects more than inspiration; it represents a proven pathway into aviation careers. Through this scholarship program, the Aerospace Museum of California continues to transform passion for flight into real-world opportunities, helping the next generation of pilots earn their wings.

For questions or additional information, interested parties may contact the Aerospace Museum of California Scholarship Coordinator at [Scholarship@AerospaceCA.org](mailto:Scholarship@AerospaceCA.org).

The Aerospace Museum of California encourages educators, parents, aviation mentors, and community members to share this opportunity with aspiring pilots.

About the Aerospace Museum of California

The Aerospace Museum of California is dedicated to preserving the history of aviation and aerospace while inspiring future generations through education, outreach, and hands-on experiences in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). ★

## Lawsuit Seeks Habitat Protections for California's Southern Sierra Nevada Fisher



The fishers of the southern Sierra Nevada are medium-sized furry carnivores. Photo courtesy of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Center for Biological Diversity  
News Release**

**FRESNO, CA (MPG)** - The Center for Biological Diversity sued the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Jan. 15 for failing to finalize critical habitat protections for the Southern Sierra Nevada fisher.

"The Fish and Wildlife Service's delay in protecting the forested lands that Southern Sierra Nevada fishers call home threatens the very survival of these adorable mammals," said Andrea Zaccardi, carnivore conservation legal director at the Center. "By protecting the places where fishers live we can help them recover while also safeguarding California's cherished wild landscapes."

The fishers of the southern Sierra Nevada are medium-sized furry carnivores who are in the same family as weasels, mink, martens and otters. They depend on features found in old-growth forests such as tree cavities and downed wood.

Only found in North America, fishers were once well distributed throughout their historical range. But habitat destruction and climate change have contributed to their range-wide decline. Continued threats related to wildfires and wildfire suppression, increased temperatures resulting from climate change, disease and predation, exposure to

rodenticides, collisions with vehicles and potential effects associated with small population size put the fishers at further risk of decline.

Following years of efforts by the Center and other conservation groups, the Service listed the southern Sierra Nevada population of the fisher as endangered in May 2020. The agency first proposed 554,454 acres of critical habitat in California's Tulare, Kern, Fresno, Madera, Mariposa and Tuolumne counties in 2021, and added more than 40,000 acres in late 2022. Despite those proposals, the agency never finalized critical habitat designation and protections for the Southern Sierra Nevada fisher.

The designation of critical habitat is an important step in the fisher's recovery. A Center study found that plants and animals with federally protected critical habitat are more than twice as likely to move toward recovery than species without it.

Last year the Service denied federal protections to a separate population of fishers found in northern California and southern Oregon, despite significant range loss due to logging, historic trapping, rodenticide poisoning and climate change.

The lawsuit on Jan. 15 was filed in federal court in the District of Columbia. ★

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# Defendant Convicted of Grooming Victim Through Xbox

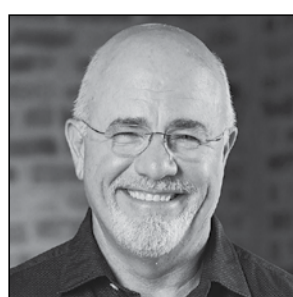
**Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On Dec. 10, 2025, Javier Arizmendi (age 57) was convicted by a jury of two counts of lewd act upon a child, kidnapping for child molest, contacting a minor with intent to commit kidnapping, sex assault or other specified offenses and arranging to meet with a minor for lewd purposes.

Javier Arizmendi met the then 10-year-old victim while playing the video game Xbox Live. Arizmendi groomed the victim, giving him access to things on Xbox Live that cost money. Arizmendi then

began sending the victim sexual messages and made a plan to have the victim join him in Los Angeles to engage in a sexual relationship with him. Arizmendi drove to Sacramento, picked up the victim in his car and began driving back to Los Angeles. Arizmendi eventually drove the victim back home after the victim got upset when he touched the victim. Arizmendi later admitted to detectives his intentions of engaging in a sexual relationship with the victim in Los Angeles.

Arizmendi faces a maximum sentence of life in prison. Sentencing is set for Feb. 20, in Department 10 before the Honorable Ernest Sawtelle. ★



Dave Ramsey

# Dave Ramsey Says Delegation: Transferring the Fire

Dear Dave,

I've owned my own live events business for five years now. We've started really growing over the last year, but there are so many moving parts, and I've begun to feel like things could spin out of control at any minute. Do you have any tips for relieving all this stress, and my fear of losing control?

- Russ

Dear Russ,

I get what you're saying. I really do. Years ago, I went through these same feelings when my company began to really grow and pick up steam. Fanning flames, putting out fires and burning the candle at both ends can seem as necessary as breathing for most driven business leaders.

Don't misunderstand. There's nothing wrong with being driven to achieve your goals and build something great. But the truth is this: Your business will never grow beyond your

ability to let go and delegate. That's why, as an entrepreneur, it's vitally important to learn how to delegate the right way.

Delegation is one of the most misunderstood—and abused—areas of leadership. It isn't handing off tasks you hate. It's all about recognizing and developing your team's abilities and skills, then trusting them to take on responsibility. Transferring the fire in your heart to the right team members (transformational leadership) sets everyone up to burn brighter. But you'll need to intentionally shift your mindset from doing the work to leading it. You can start this by beginning to see yourself more as a catalyst, coach and consultant, instead of the muscle for all the heavy lifting.

If this sounds hard, it's because it is. At the outset, it'll be one of the most difficult things you'll ever do in your business. But if you slow down just a little, and develop a great training plan and delegation process now, I promise you things will grow incredibly later.

Done properly, delegation will lighten your load, and stress, so you can focus more on strategy and vision. It will also increase project ownership and company loyalty, while giving others a growth path and the motivation to learn new skills. As you activate this momentum, your whole team will become stronger, faster and better. It will also show your team that you believe in them.

And in time, watching your team do tasks as good as, or better than you, will feel rewarding beyond anything you ever imagined.

- Dave

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

# Defendant Sentenced for Sexually Assaulting Two Girls

**Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release**

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - On Dec. 11, the Honorable Carlton Davis sentenced Christopher Cole to 475 years to life in prison. On Oct. 27, Christopher Cole was convicted by a jury of eight counts of lewd act upon a child and one count of committing a sex act with a child under 10 years old.

The jury also found true that there were multiple victims; substantial sexual contact with a victim under the age of 14 years old; use of obscene material depicting sexual conduct; the victims were particularly vulnerable; the crime was carried out in a manner that indicates planning, sophistication, or professionalism; and the defendant took advantage of a position of trust or confidence. An

allegation that Cole has a prior strike conviction for voluntary manslaughter was also found true at the sentencing hearing.

Christopher Cole sexually assaulted two girls when they were 4 to 5 years old and 7 to 9 years old. Cole sexually abused one of the victims many times, including sodomy and various other sex acts. Cole showed the second victim pornographic material involving oral copulation, then made her perform the act on him several times. During one of the incidents, Cole committed the act with both of the victims at the same time.

Under current California law, Cole (age 44) will become eligible for release at an Elder Parole hearing once he turns 50 years old and has served 20 years of his 475-years to life prison sentence. With his in-custody credits, that will be in approximately 18 years. ★



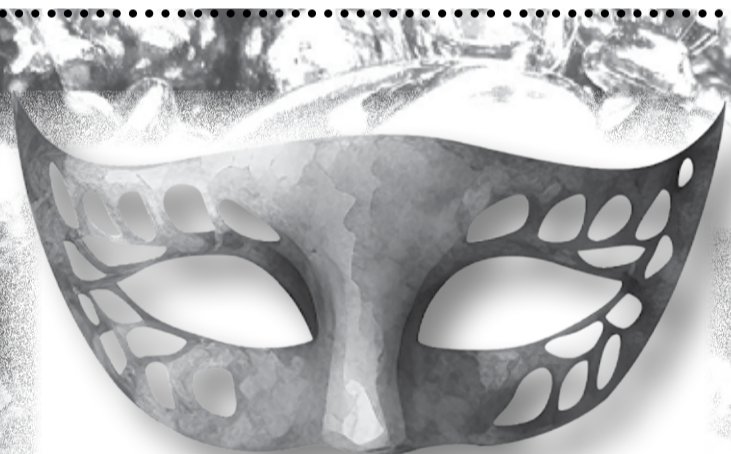
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09435  
Peter Mann MD Inc, 7634 Girard

Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mole Removal Sacramento" 631 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 30, 2025  
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MOLE 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00043  
AMIZZ Corporation, 3162 Osuna Way, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Homerun Plumbing" 3162 Osuna Way, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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HOMERUN 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09255  
Thach Ngo, 9168 Firecrest Court, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TJ Nail & Spa" 8335 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 23, 2025  
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TJ 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00205  
Cedric D. Word, 3030 Hurley Way #32, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "C.D. Word" 3030 Hurley Way #32, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 7, 2026  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026  
CD 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00129  
Sarah Dardick Mental Health & Professional Clinical Counselor, PC, 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Wildman Therapy" 1401 21st Street, Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026  
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WILDMAN 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00418  
Justin Richard Hodnett, 8825 Oak Avenue, Orangeville, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hodnett Family Therapy" 8825 Oak Avenue, Orangeville, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 13, 2026  
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HODNETT 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00124  
Maria Pascoal, 9340 Appalachian Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Creative Joy Collective" 9719 Lincoln Village Drive Suite 500, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026  
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CREATIVE 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00144  
Jacob Kline, PO Box 22073, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Amicus Investigations" 1415 69th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95822. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026  
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AMICUS 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00447  
Borhany LLC, 3720 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "NEXI Digital Hub/Arash" 3720 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 13, 2026  
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NEXI 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00373  
Hashmatullah Nazimi and Qandagha Omarzai, 2740 Fulton Avenue #214, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Brothers Walk" 2740 Fulton Avenue #214, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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BROTHERS 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00396  
David Lee William Newman, 4120 Douglas Boulevard, Suite 306-145, Granite Bay, CA 95746 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Artifex Customs/Artifex Crafted" 5940 Rosebud Lane Suite 5, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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ARTIFEX 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00063  
Deanna Garcia, 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "HomeBotLife" 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026  
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HOME 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00140  
Tankersley Construction, Inc.,

11415 Sunrise Gold Circle Unit 1, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tankersley Build Co" 11415 Sunrise Gold Circle Unit 1, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 6, 2026  
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TANKERSLEY 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00520  
Harbans Ranu, 105 Sprig Court, Singh, 6401 Feliciter Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Prestige Senior Care" 6600 Cowboy Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 15, 2026  
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PRESTIGE 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00504  
The Moore Foundation LLC, 836 57th Street Suite 519, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Moore House of Hope" 6811 Bowling Drive, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026  
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MOORE 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08864  
North Valley Power LLC, 4640 Northgate Boulevard Suite 115, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Switch" 4640 Northgate Boulevard Suite 115, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 8, 2025  
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SWITCH 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00518  
Brooke Bowen, 3308 Churchill Road, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Brookie Bee's Childcare & Preschool" 3308 Churchill Road, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 15, 2026  
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BROOKE 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00083  
Mohammed Ahmed, 202 Gainsborough Circle, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rebel Hosting" 202 Gainsborough Circle, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026  
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REBEL 2-13-26

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS**

Business Name(s) "Total Clean Scoop Team" 2908 Notre Dame Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026  
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TOTAL 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00337  
Tian Li, 2809 T Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Tian Chao Herbs & Acupuncture" 2809 T Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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TIAN 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09099  
Liudmyla Shybinska, 4824 Yucca Way, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ReLife Massage Therapy" 6830 Antelope Road, Suite C, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 17, 2025  
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RELIFE 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00532  
Sevenddoors Corp, 5960 S. Land Park Drive #1142, Sacramento, CA 95822 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PMI Northbay/PMI American River" 1100 11th Street Suite 305, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026  
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PMI 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00376  
The Regal Hall LLC, 9261 Folsom Boulevard Suite #700, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Levant Kabob" 9261 Folsom Boulevard Suite #700, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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LEVANT 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09304  
St. HOPE Academy, PO Box 5447, Sacramento, CA 95817 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "40 Acres Market/Underground Books" 2814 35th Street, Sacramento, CA 95817. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 26, 2025  
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ACRES 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09201  
Kenyon Plastering of Livermore, Inc., 4001 W Indian School Road, Phoenix, AZ 85019 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Kenyon Construction of Northern California" 63 Trevano Road Suite D, Livermore, CA 94551. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
KENYON 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08550  
Sandhu Pizza Inc, 10419 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sandhu Pizza" 10419 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County November 20, 2025  
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SANDHU 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00439  
Travis Wayne Ward, 3605 Magpie Lane Space 25, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Way Ward Construction" 3605 Magpie Lane Space 25, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 13, 2026  
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WAY 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00601  
Eagle Auto Works LLC, 2539 Tesla Way, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eagle Auto Works" 2539 Tesla Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
EAGLE 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00051  
Cherry Island ABC LLC, 5341 Old Redwood Hwy, Suite 202, Petaluma, CA 94954 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cherry Island Grill/The Taphouse at Cherry Island" 2360 Elverta

Road, Elverta CA 95626. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026  
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GRILL 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00053  
Cherry Island Golf, LLC, 5341 Old Redwood Hwy, Suite 202, Petaluma, CA 94954 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cherry Island Golf Course" 2360 Elverta Road, Elverta, CA 95626. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026  
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GOLF 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00524  
Kate Dana, 2403 Post Oak Lane, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "La Vida Kate Dana" 2403 Post Oak Lane, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 15, 2026  
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LA 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00526  
Susan Vue, 1400 Response Road Apt 143, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Myzz Piggyz Tiger Bite" 1400 Response Road Apt 143, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 15, 2026  
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MYZZ 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00643  
Araht Herrera Salazar, 8 Cribari Court, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Herrera Painting" 8 Cribari Court, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 22, 2026  
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HERRERA 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09121  
Ryan Michael Harrington, 7344 Filbert Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Harrington Restorations" 7344 Filbert Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 18, 2025  
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HARRINGTON 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00561  
Daniel Vesokie, 50 Fullerton Court #102, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Affiliated Financial Partners" 50 Fullerton Court #102, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026  
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AFFILIATED 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00474  
Copeland Group USA, LLC, 1203 West Loop 281, Longview, TX 75604 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TNT Insurance Group" 1203 West Loop 281, Longview, TX 75604. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026  
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TNT 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09187  
Citrus Heights Beauty College, Inc, 7518 Baird Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Citrus Heights Beauty College" 7518 Baird Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025  
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BEAUTY 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09369  
Ibeth Gonzales, 6129 Heath Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AVD Auto Detail" 6129 Heath Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 29, 2025  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
AVD 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00674  
Adnan Arar, 721 North B Street #32, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "4F Motors" 721 North B Street #32, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 23, 2026  
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MOTORS 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00257  
MLA Enterprises Inc., 1089 Brock Circle, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Citadel Printing" 1089 Brock Circle, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed

with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 9, 2026  
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CITADEL 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00645  
EZ Floors Inc, 7900 Winding Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fair Oaks Flooring/EZ Floors" 7900 Winding Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 22, 2026  
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FLOORS 2-20-26

**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2024-06160  
The following person(s) has/ have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME of: Ride4Less Auto Sales, 7000 Franklin Boulevard Suite 625, Sacramento, CA 95823.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on August 9, 2024 in the County of Sacramento.  
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: August 9, 2024.  
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RIDE 2-20-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV031520  
Raquel Morales Nunez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Diego Alcaraz Morales to Diego Morales.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 25, 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: December 30, 2025  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: January 9, 15, 23, 30, 2026  
NUNEZ 1-30-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV00118  
Ruling Zhang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ruling Zhang to Emily Ruling Zhang.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 5, 2026  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
SINGH 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000696  
Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook to Kavion Valentino I'Zell Powell.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 24, 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: January 12, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
COOK 2-20-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000209  
Jonathan David Schieffer has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jonathan David Schieffer to Jonathan David Adair.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 22, 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 22, 2025  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
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ANJUMAN 1-30-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV027193  
Heather Elizabeth Pocan has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Heather Elizabeth Pocan to Heather Elizabeth Gaston.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 24, 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 10, 2025  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
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POCAN 1-30-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV024704  
Stephanie Rosalyn Gaines has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stephanie Rosalyn Gaines to Stephanie Rosalyn Brown.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 31, 2025  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
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GAINES 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV001016  
Marilyn Lisset Silva has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Marilyn Lisset Silva to Delilah Mari Silva.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 23, 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: January 6, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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GUTIERREZ 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV031035  
Jermaine Dante Jackson has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jermaine Dante Jackson to Jermaine Dante Despanie and Vivienne Mae Jackson to Vivienne Mae Despanie and Camille Nai Jackson to Camille Nai Despanie.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 23, 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: December 23, 2025  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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JACKSON 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000094  
Akal Ustat Singh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Akal Ustat Singh to Akalustat Singh.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 5, 2026  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
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SINGH 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
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#26CV000118  
Ruling Zhang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ruling Zhang to Emily Ruling Zhang.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 5, 2026  
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IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 5, 2026  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#25CV024704  
Stephanie Rosalyn Gaines has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Stephanie Rosalyn Gaines to Stephanie Rosalyn Brown.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 3, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 25, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: December 31, 2025  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
GAINES 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV001016  
Marilyn Lisset Silva has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Marilyn Lisset Silva to Delilah Mari Silva.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 23, 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: January 6, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
GUTIERREZ 2-6-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000094  
Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook to Kavion Valentino I'Zell Powell.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 24, 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: January 12, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
COOK 2-20-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

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**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000760  
Jonah Arturo Weston has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jonah Arturo Weston to Jonah Arturo Wheeler.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 24, 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: January 13, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026  
WESTON 2-13-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV001086  
Kyle Glenn Junker has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Kyle Glenn Junker to Kyle Glenn Sanders.  
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on March 19, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.  
Dated: January 22, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
JUNKER 2-20-26

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME**

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME  
#26CV000696  
Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Karon Valentino I'Zell Cook to Kavion Valentino I'Zell Powell.  
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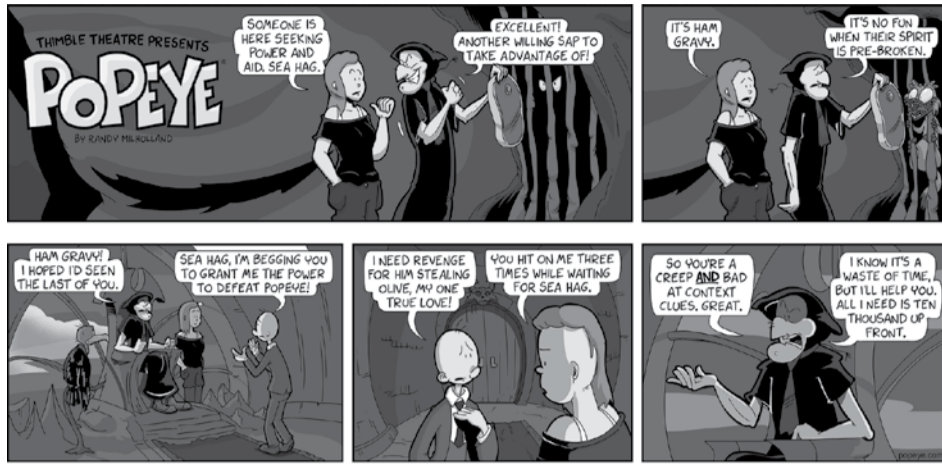
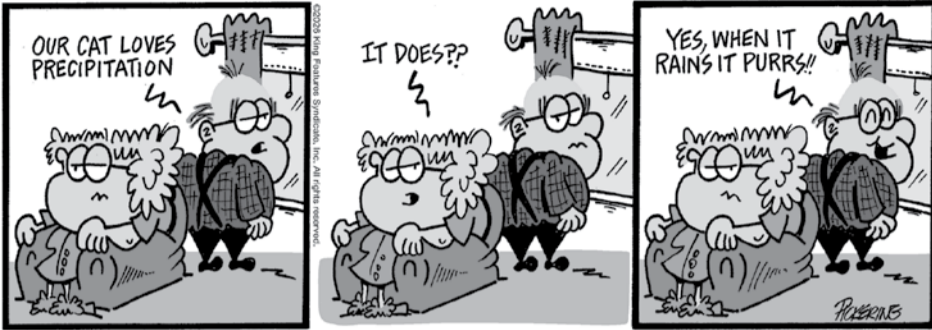
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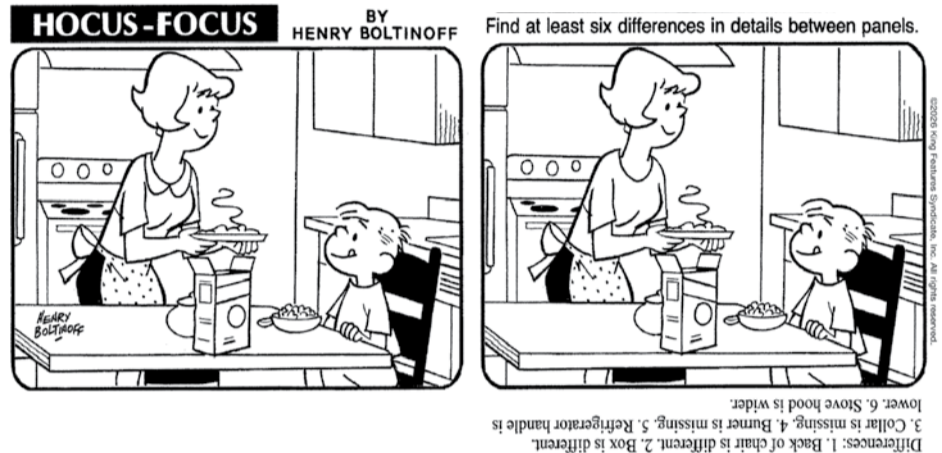
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# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



For forty years the city of Sacramento has had a love affair with the Sacramento Kings basketball team, and a 12-35 record halfway through the 2025-26 season is not likely to change that. The fans in Sacramento truly know the definition of loyalty, and although there is much to be concerned about, faithfulness seems to be ubiquitous in River City.

A recent 4-game winning streak left me somewhat amazed at the euphoria it created despite nearly the worst record in the NBA this season.

The checker at the supermarket smiled from ear to ear when he saw my Kings jacket and couldn't stop talking about the multiple wins in a row. The same thing occurred in my local bank, and even the person at the Starbucks drive through had an encouraging word for the hometown club.

Yes, the Kings are a part of the fabric that makes up a smorgasbord of people in the capitol city and win or lose these fans are here to stay.

As the Kings have embarked on a 7-game road trip, the losing ways have once again surfaced, and the 139-116 loss to the Detroit Pistons brought back the grim reminder that there is much to be corrected with the current team.

The Kings were led in scoring by none other than Malik Monk with 19 points and a surprising 3 blocks to lead the team in that category as well. Not long ago demoted to the bench inexplicably for 3 games, coach Christie has been awakened by chants from the hometown fans calling for Monk to play, and many are asking the question, why was he on the bench to start with? Well, that is not the only conundrum, as Domantas Sabonis has been asked to come off the bench in lieu of rookie Maxime Raynaud, ostensibly as they continue to monitor his knee that kept him sidelined for 13 consecutive games.

The question most asked is why are the rotations so frenetic, and is there any method to this madness?

There is plenty of talent on this team to go around but finding the right amount of playing time for each player and having a core group on the court that can find

a rhythm has been seemingly absent this entire season.

I believe fans are hungry for some consistency, and quite likely the players are probably there as well.

Without question, anything resembling the playoffs seems to be a pipe dream this season, but when I hear fans talk about the aspect of tanking for the sake of a better draft choice, I draw the line.

If the coaching staff and ownership wants to focus on playing the younger players this year, I'm fine with that, but the idea that moves are intentionally being made to lose games is contrary to anything I believe the city of Sacramento wants to see.

I'm convinced every fan wants to see 100% effort, and it's entirely possible we'll see another winning streak if that's the case.

Not lost in all of this is the question of 2-time all star and rebounding champ Domantas Sabonis. Word out of the Kings camp is that Sabonis is on the trade market, and I have to question the logic in that.

When Sabonis arrived, the Kings had not had a real center since the departure of Demarcus Cousins's, and no one has exemplified the spirit of basketball more than the effervescent Domantas Sabonis. Add to that his production on the court, leading the NBA in both rebounding and double-doubles year over year, and it begs the question, why would you want to trade one of the best centers in basketball.

I have heard the flip side that says, look what we can get for him, but have you looked at the result of trades the Kings have been involved with? Remember just one year ago the Kings sent one of the premier point guards in the NBA to San Antonio so that we could suit up Zach Lavine.

There is a lot to like about Zach Lavine, but losing DeAaron Fox immediately changed the face of the franchise and not in a good way.

So, stay tuned Kings fans because there is still much to root about, and I for one have not lost faith!

All the best!

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## Newsom Wants to Overhaul State Oversight of California Schools



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Gov. Gavin Newsom dropped a brief and vaguely worded section into his State of the State address earlier this month, suggesting an overhaul of how California's vast public education system is managed.

"It's long overdue that we modernize the management of our educational system," Newsom said, "and so in the budget I'll be submitting tomorrow, I'm proposing that we unify the policymaking by the State Board of Education and the Department of Education, allowing the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to align our education policies from early childhood through college."

The budget's passage on this was longer, but still failed to explicitly say what Newsom had in mind.

The proposal cited two reports that bemoaned the multiple, often overlapping and sometimes competitive, state and local entities that govern the schools. One was California's so-called Master Plan for Education, published in 2002, and the other was from Policy Analysis for California Education, or PACE, a multi-university think tank, that had been issued just weeks earlier.

The budget proposed to "move oversight authority of the management of" the state Department of Education and local districts under the California Board of Education.

Thus, without saying so directly, Newsom would strip the elected state superintendent of schools of managerial authority over the state Department of Education, relegating the officeholder to an ombudsman or advisor. Management would be vested in the Board of Education, which is appointed by the governor, and an appointed executive director.

"These changes will strengthen governance of California's education system to provide coherence and meaningful accountability to address the needs of students, parents, teachers, school staff, and administrators," the budget proposal declared.

The current superintendent, former state legislator Tony Thurmond, complained that he was not consulted about what would be a major overhaul of responsibility for a system that serves nearly 6 million students and is the largest single portion of the state budget.

"This governance proposal doesn't establish any structures proven to move the needle on student outcomes," Thurmond, who is running for governor, said, "and instead shifts authority to implement TK-12 education programs away from the official who California voters have elected to lead our state's public schools."

It's apparent that Newsom's administration had been laying the groundwork for the power shift — or power grab — long before the State of the State address. The PACE report issued in December was part of the process. It called for exactly what Newsom proposes.

"California's education governance system is a complex network of agencies and entities designed to serve the most diverse and expansive TK-12 population in the United

States," the PACE report declared. "This system incorporates state, regional, and local levels of authority, each tasked with specific responsibilities and oversight. At its core, the structure seeks to balance statewide education goals with local control and accountability.

"However, its complexity often results in overlapping responsibilities, fragmented authority, and challenges in ensuring streamlined decision-making."

PACE issued a statement backing the change from Michael Kirst, the state's foremost academic authority on education and architect of the school finance overhaul, the Local Control Funding Formula enacted in 2012 under then-Gov. Jerry Brown.

Kirst called it "a new vision and a dramatic overhaul" that would address a 19th century governance structure.

"The lack of fundamental change since then has hindered education progress," he said.

Politics aside, Newsom's proposal would streamline governance that is now opaque and fragmented, and shields the system's many points of authority from accountability. However, by vesting almost total authority in the governor and his or her appointees, it will be more difficult for a governor to escape accountability if educational achievement, which now languishes, doesn't markedly improve.

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 Claiming Social Security Early and Investing It



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** I am a 63-year-old single lady, and I have questions regarding Social Security "early retirement," though I will still be working full time.

I know there is a maximum allowable income limit and, if I exceed that, I will need to return probably 2/3 of my received Social Security benefit. I'm thinking about taking those early SS benefits (about \$1,400 per month) and putting them in my high yield savings or CD where I can gain the interest on it and have it stay "liquid" so I can return what I need to. My current interest rate is 3.65% on the savings, and over 4.25% on CD, with options for 3,6,9 mos. or longer- but I want to be able to access the money to pay Social Security back at the end of the year. Can you advise me on this? **Signed: Still Working but Wondering**

**Dear Still Working:** I commend you, for investigating your options before claiming early Social Security benefits while still working. FYI, the 2026 annual earnings limit for those collecting early SS benefits is \$24,480 (changes annually). If your 2026 work earnings exceed the annual limit, Social Security will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. The annual earnings limit lasts until

you reach your full retirement age (FRA), and the limit is about 2.5 times higher during the year you attain FRA.

FYI, when you apply for benefits, Social Security will ask if you are working and, if so, how much you make. Using that info, they will evaluate whether you can take benefits now and, if so, how many months they can actually pay your benefits. For example, if your projected 2026 earnings are, say, \$100,000, you would be about \$75,000 over the annual limit which means that half of that (\$37,500) would need to be paid back to SS. Since your monthly SS benefit at your current age would be about \$1,400 per month, Social Security will say that you are temporarily ineligible to collect early benefits because you cannot pay back within one year what you would owe for exceeding the limit. In other words, they won't pay your SS benefits just yet because your earnings are too high and they do not want to overpay benefits which you will only need to return.

For additional perspective, if your expected 2026 earnings are less (say about \$50,000) — that means you would be about \$25,000 over the limit — about half of that (about \$12,500) would need to be paid back to SS. In that event, SSA would tell you they will withhold 9 months of your SS payments in advance and pay your benefits for only 3 months. This because the overpayment, with your current benefit of about \$1,400, could be recovered by withholding your SS payments for 9 months. They do not want to intentionally overpay your SS benefits.

So, despite your best repayment intentions, Social

Security will not favor intentionally overpaying your benefits. Historically, overpayment of benefits due to exceeding the annual earnings limit has been a notoriously difficult issue for the Social Security Administration. So, to get your early SS benefits while you are working full time, you would likely need to lie about your anticipated 2026 earnings on your application for SS benefits, which we strongly discourage. Keep in mind that this all changes when you reach your FRA (67), because the earning limit goes away entirely when you reach FRA (and the limit goes up by about 2.5 times in the year you attain full retirement age). So, depending on your earnings level, you may wish to either wait until your full retirement age, or until you stop working full time, to claim SS.

Now, as for the general idea of taking early benefits and investing them, many have said they wish to do that, and we understand that logic. Our caution is that it requires religious discipline to put the SS money into a higher yield investment vehicle to accomplish the goal of beating the SS increase realized when you wait to claim. Many who try it succumb to the temptation to use the invested funds for emergency needs (and sometimes non-emergency needs). I offer this only as something to be aware of, as some have shared that they failed in their investment objectives with their Social Security money.

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## Minnesota Officials Should Call Off The Mob

occupation." This mindset is why the elected leadership in the state has justified and encouraged a low-grade anti-ICE insurgency. It doesn't involve guns or bombs, but other tools of coercion and intimidation meant to make it impossible for the federal government to enforce the nation's immigration laws in the state.

ICE officers are operating among a hostile population, significant elements of which consider them an occupying force and are determined to expel them. This is "Free Palestine" for the anti-ICE crowd.

Apologists for the agitators say, as Ilhan Omar has maintained, that they are only recording ICE officers and holding them accountable. This is nonsense. The activists almost always have cameras, true, but they are obstructing ICE vehicles, yelling at ICE officers and, if the opportunity arises, trying to "de-arrest" people.

The point of all of this is to create an atmosphere of violent intimidation and make every step ICE takes in the city as painful as possible.

If this is the work of "legal observers," as the euphemism has it, the Proud Boys at the Robert E. Lee statue in Charlottesville in 2017 were just "historic preservationists."

Jacob Frey says that the activists are protecting their city and looking out for their neighbors. In no other context, though, would the mayor make this claim.

If, say, the FBI arrests gangbangers in Minneapolis, it's not an assault on the

Twin Cities -- in fact, the opposite. As for neighbors, anyone arrested for any crime is someone's neighbor. Just because the guy stealing hub caps or dealing drugs lives in a neighborhood doesn't mean he gets legal immunity, or his neighbors get to try to prevent law enforcement from going after him.

Often, the "neighbors" that the activists are supposedly protecting, by the way, are other activists who have interfered with ICE and been detained.

In Trump's first term, "the resistance" was an over-the-top term that applied to the fervent opposition to Trump, including massive street protests that were obnoxious, but lawful. In Minnesota today, "the resistance" is a more apt phrase.

That's why the Insurrection Act is in play. It is an antiquated law with a vague trigger, allowing the president to use active-duty military forces and federalized National Guard troops to quell "unlawful obstructions, combinations or assemblages."

If Trump goes there, it would be a big deal. It would be better, first, to try to provide more protection for ICE officers with other law-enforcement assets and, better still, if Minnesota could turn off the anti-ICE insurgency.

Jacob Frey famously told ICE to "get the f\*\*\* out of Minneapolis." Now, he should tell the agitators to get the f\*\*\* off the streets.

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# DWR Finalizes Best Practices to Address Subsidence

**Department of Water Resources News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)**

- Local groundwater agencies are getting a new resource to add to their water management toolkit – the Best Management Practices for Land Subsidence document newly released by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). Finalized after months of development and a robust public review process, the document will serve as a guide for groundwater managers on the basics of subsidence, how to best manage it and available technical assistance.

Subsidence, or the sinking of land, is caused by various factors including excessive groundwater pumping. It is a long-standing water challenge in California and has caused permanent damage to canals, pipelines, roads and homes across the state. In 2025, Department of Water Resources released two reports concluding that subsidence has restricted the amount of water delivered to communities through California’s primary water storage and delivery systems – the State Water Project and the federal Central Valley Project.

The reports also cite that the impacts under California’s changing climate are expected to increase if excessive groundwater pumping continues, underlining the need for state and local officials to work together to protect the infrastructure that millions of Californians depend on for a reliable water supply.

“The effects of subsidence are reducing water supply reliability, jeopardizing public safety, and costing Californians hundreds of millions of dollars annually in damage repairs,” said Paul Gosselin, Department of Water Resources Deputy Director of Sustainable Water Management. “History shows that California’s local groundwater agencies have done a great job implementing strategies from previous best management practices released from the Department and we look forward to achieving the same outcome when it comes to subsidence.”



California Department of Water Resources’s Sustainable Groundwater Management Office installs new equipment to enhance the monitoring and understanding of land subsidence in California. The newly installed GPS station and remote sensing calibration equipment will be firmly anchored into the ground to ensure precise positioning and detect vertical movement of the Earth’s surface. Photo by Andrew Nixon / Department of Water Resources

Today’s document helps meet objectives set by the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) to avoid or minimize current and future impacts of subsidence. Subsidence has been recorded in California for over 100 years, and its impacts vary across the state. The types of infrastructure that have been damaged as a result of subsidence or are at risk include water conveyance, flood control systems, roads, bridges, utilities and groundwater wells.

Despite some successful mitigation in certain areas, subsidence of 1 to 5 feet or more has been recorded in the Sacramento Valley and primarily the San Joaquin Valley over the past decade. If no action is taken to address subsidence, communities and statewide infrastructure will continue to be at risk.

In addition to this recent release, Department of Water Resources is actively exploring other methods to further



A drone view of newly installed equipment from the California Department of Water Resources’ Sustainable Groundwater Management Office to enhance the monitoring and understanding of land subsidence in California. The newly installed GPS station and remote sensing calibration equipment are firmly anchored into the ground to ensure precise positioning and detect vertical movement of the Earth’s surface. Photo by Nick Shockey / California Department of Water Resources

understand and respond to subsidence. These efforts include installing several subsidence monitoring stations throughout the state to track sinking in the San Joaquin Valley and

areas of Northern California, as well as expanding California’s data collection through a new satellite launched by NASA and the Indian Space Research Organisation in 2025.

The new data collected, combined with historical data that Department of Water Resources currently uses, will help water managers and decision makers make better-informed decisions by detecting any shifts caused by subsidence that could impact key infrastructure and jeopardize public safety.

Close management of California’s groundwater resources and subsidence is needed more than ever to protect water infrastructure that communities rely on now and in the future as we adapt to the ongoing challenges caused by climate change and extreme weather events. Department of Water Resources will continue to deliver the latest data, tools, and assistance to ensure that local agencies have the knowledge and resources to manage their groundwater basins for long-term sustainability.

For more information, follow Department of Water Resources on X or Facebook. ★

## RCRC Installs 2026 Officers and Recognizes Rural Leadership Award Recipients



Rural County Representatives of California 2026 Board Officers. Photo courtesy of Rural County Representatives of California

**Rural County Representatives of California News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On Wednesday, Jan. 21, the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC) installed its 2026 Officers and presented its Rural Leadership Awards.

During a meeting of the Board of Directors, Assembly Member David Tangipa administered the official Oath of Office for the 2026 Rural County Representatives of California Officers. Mariposa County Supervisor Miles Menetrey was installed as Chair, Santa Barbara County Supervisor Bob Nelson as First Vice Chair, Napa County Supervisor Anne Cottrell as Second Vice Chair, and Modoc County Supervisor Geri Byrne as Immediate Past Chair. The newly installed 2026 Officers will lead the organization in championing policies on behalf of California’s rural counties.

“I am sincerely grateful for the opportunity to lead RCRC as Board Chair in 2026,” said Menetrey. “Building on the solid groundwork laid by past leaders, I am eager to join with fellow board members in advancing policies that strengthen rural communities and expand their opportunities. With collaboration, persistence, and a shared vision, we will continue

striving for a prosperous and sustainable future for rural California.”

In the evening, at their annual reception in Sacramento, Rural County Representatives of California celebrated the new officers and presented its annual Rural Leadership Award to two public officials who have demonstrated exemplary leadership in rural issues and the unique challenges that rural communities face.

Assembly Member James Gallagher was honored as one of the two recipients of the Rural Leadership Award. Supervisor Byrne presented the award to the Assembly Member highlighting his steadfast advocacy on issues central to rural communities, including reducing insurance burdens, strengthening wildfire prevention and championing equitable infrastructure investment. His legislative work, such as efforts to support small volunteer fire departments, reflects a consistent commitment to addressing the unique needs and challenges faced by rural Californians.

“I’m truly honored to receive the RCRC Rural Leadership Award,” said Assembly Member James Gallagher. “I’ve been proud to be a voice for rural California in Sacramento, where too often one-size-fits-all policies overlook our unique needs, from dependable water supplies and

wildfire resilience to cutting red tape that burdens our farmers and small businesses. I share this honor with the hardworking families of the Third District and look forward to continuing my partnership with RCRC to ensure rural California is heard and represented where it counts.”

Assembly Member Gregg Hart also received the Rural Leadership Award, presented to him at the event by Supervisor Nelson. Assembly Member Hart was recognized for his consistent accessibility to rural counties and his clear understanding of their needs, informed by his experience as a former county supervisor and his work on key legislative committees. He has championed legislation that strengthens local government capabilities, from emergency remote meetings to waste recycling and enforcement tools, demonstrating a strong commitment to supporting rural communities.

“I’m honored to be recognized by the Rural County Representatives of California,” said Assembly Member Gregg Hart. “As a former Santa Barbara County Supervisor, I understand how decisions made in Sacramento directly impact rural counties. From preserving agricultural land to enhancing public safety, I remain committed to working with local leaders to improve quality of life in rural communities.” ★

## State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond Announces Literacy Moonshot



State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond announces literacy moonshot. Photo courtesy of California Department of Education

**California Department of Education News Release**

**CALIFORNIA (MPG)** - State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond announced his literacy moonshot, a five-year plan to close the third-grade literacy gap. The plan contains key strategies that are proven to improve literacy and would represent the most significant investment and the first long-term plan for literacy in recent California history. The plan seeks to support all California students to achieve literacy by third grade.

Superintendent Thurmond’s literacy moonshot includes funding for dyslexia screening; high-impact tutoring, which has been shown by recent research from Stanford University to boost both achievement and attendance; family engagement; and specialized training and coaching

to support those who teach students to read.

The plan also includes legislation sponsored by Superintendent Thurmond to make attending kindergarten mandatory for all five-year-olds across the state. This effort aligns with Superintendent Thurmond’s call to expand funding for the California Community Schools Partnership Program, which helps schools connect students and families to resources for health, mental health, and social services.

Superintendent Thurmond and the California Department of Education (CDE) are pursuing resources to implement the literacy moonshot with the Governor and the Legislature. For several years, California has made investments to improve literacy and has seen modest, steady growth in literacy rates as a result. California has never funded a comprehensive statewide plan as other states have, many of which have seen dramatic boosts in literacy as the result of a statewide, comprehensive approach.

Superintendent Thurmond and the California Department of Education intend to work with schools, community-based organizations, advocacy groups and parent organizations to carry out and measure impacts of the plan. ★

# Single-Family Homes Making an Impact on Homelessness

## Sacramento County News Release

### SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- You're a landlord, you need reliable renters. You fear expensive unit damage, late rent payments and turnover, leaving your unit empty and your pocket penniless. You hear about a government back master lease program that guarantees you timely rent, tenant relations and fixes any damage to the unit. Uniquely, this program shelters people experiencing homelessness -- people you see every day while driving around the streets of Sacramento -- people who are shunned, stereotyped and tragically-completely misunderstood.

You ask around the pool of other local landlords -- has anyone joined this unique master lease program? You find a few landlords with units in the Sacramento County Scattered-Site Shelter program. This program is funded through the county, but operated by the non-profit City Net.

City Net has a proven track record of successful street outreach, case management and shelter operations up and down California. The more research you do, the more intrigued you are that this program may be the solution you've been looking for. However, you cannot find this shelter model anywhere else in California or the country.

That's because it's, so far, a progressive and unique model Sacramento County started in 2017. The idea of master leasing single family homes was a solution to the lack of funding and space to build new shelters for people experiencing homelessness.

The scattered site model also allowed homeless outreach workers to provide options they never had before, including: the ability to move several people from a single encampment into



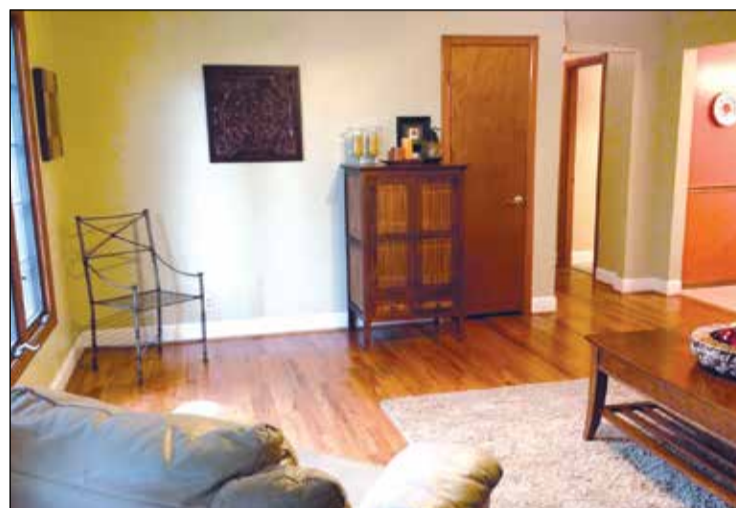
Several landlords said they like the program because it's a real solution to addressing homelessness and dependable income for them. A win-win. Photo by Paul Brennan from Pixabay

a shared space, an interim housing solution that allows pets, partners and possessions to all shelter in one location, a step between living on the street and moving into permanent housing.

In 2017 the county didn't have tiny homes to offer as shelter. There were only congregate shelters, all of which were full, and few that were a desirable option for couples or people with adult family members or pets.

A funny thing happened when the county started diversifying shelter notions in ways that accommodated different sets of needs. People started saying "yes" to help. The more people said "yes" to options that met their needs, the more diverse the County's response to homelessness evolved.

The Scattered Site shelter program has seen adversity throughout the years. The previous operator, Sacramento Self Help Housing (SSHH), went bankrupt after a tumultuous year of money issues, including unpaid rent to landlords enrolled



Living in a house, in a neighborhood gives everyone the chance to integrate back into traditional society and learn to be a responsible roommate and a good neighbor. Photo by Rebecca Martinez from Pixabay

in the scattered site program. While the County rapidly hired a replacement operator, it broke yet another box -- direct payment of rent to landlords.

Brothers Karam and Roni have had two homes in the scattered site program since 2022. When Sacramento Self Help Housing stopped paying rent, they went five months without payment. Five months without

income to pay their mortgages. With direct promises from the County for back payment and a more seamless operator coming on board, the brothers stayed in the program. Now, several years later, they're happy they did.

"Yes, we're happy to get rent on time every month. But we also like helping people that feel like they're on the bottom and just need help getting up."

said Karam.

The brothers also have one home in the traditional rental market. Roni speculates, "We're fortunate to have a great renter in that house that has been there a long time. Otherwise, we'd consider moving that house over a well."

A dozen landlords sit together at an appreciation event held by City Net; many of these landlords have been with the program for years, a few are recent recruits by fellow landlords. They intently listen to the purpose and mission of the program and of City Net as an organization. Several raise hands and ask about outcomes and services offered to participants.

The Scattered Site program has a 38 percent positive exit rate to permanent housing -- higher than any other sheltering program the County funds.

But City Net shares the successes of the program that are more than just outcomes; participants learn to live with roommates. In the most successful cases, these matches can move into permanent housing together when ready.

Everyone in the household, including the City Net employee placed as a house monitor, is responsible for shopping, cooking and cleaning.

Living in a house, in a neighborhood gives everyone the chance to integrate back into traditional society and learn to be a responsible roommate and a good neighbor.

When asked, several landlords said they like the program because it's a real solution to addressing homelessness and dependable income for them. A win-win.

Interested in learning how you can place your available house into the scattered Site program? Contact Laura Wolff at [laura.wolff@citynet.org](mailto:laura.wolff@citynet.org) or 916-995-3867. ★

## SCPH Aligns with CDPH Guidance as Influenza Activity Increases

### Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - Following state public health guidance, Sacramento County Public Health is urging residents to take steps now to protect themselves and their families as influenza cases and hospitalizations rise across California. The following information is pulled directly from a California Department of Public Health (CDPH) news release issued Jan. 13.

Flu cases and hospitalizations are rising with a new strain of influenza A, H3N2 subclade K, circulating in California. California Department of Public Health urges vaccination for everyone 6 months and older, rapid testing of patients with flu symptoms and immediate antiviral treatment for high-risk individuals.

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is alerting health care providers and the public that influenza (flu) activity and hospital admissions are increasing across the state. A newly emerged influenza A strain, H3N2 subclade K, is circulating globally and has been detected in California.

"Current seasonal flu vaccines remain effective at reducing severe illness and hospitalization, including the currently circulating viruses," said Dr. Erica Pan, California Department of Public Health Director and State Public Health Officer.



The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is alerting health care providers and the public that influenza (flu) activity and hospital admissions are increasing across the state. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

"It is important for families to know that flu vaccines, tests, and treatments remain widely available for all Californians and that it is not too late to get a flu vaccine. As a pediatrician, parent, and daughter, I have made sure that my own family is protected with this season's flu vaccine."

California Department of Public Health has also confirmed the second pediatric flu-associated fatality in California this season. Young children and older adults remain at highest risk for severe flu complications, and there are several ways for families to take action to protect their health.

#### TAKE ACTION

Everyone 6 months and older who has

not yet received the 2025–26 influenza vaccine should get vaccinated as soon as possible. Vaccination is the best defense against severe influenza and hospitalization. To schedule your vaccine appointment, contact your health care provider, local pharmacy, or visit [myturn.ca.gov](http://myturn.ca.gov).

Individuals with flu symptoms at risk for serious disease should check with their doctor to see if they should be tested in case they may benefit from treatment. At-home combined influenza/COVID-19 tests can be used when available.

High-risk and hospitalized patients with suspected flu should receive antiviral treatment without delay, even before test results

are confirmed. Recommended treatments include oseltamivir or single-dose baloxavir, which reduce the risk of serious illness and hospitalization.

#### COVERAGE AND AVAILABILITY

Despite changes in federal recommendations, California Department of Public Health's recommended vaccines will continue to be covered by health care insurers regulated by the State of California and can be received at your local pharmacy, from your health care provider, or through other authorized vaccine providers at no cost. To schedule your vaccine appointment, contact your health care provider, local pharmacy or visit [myturn.ca.gov](http://myturn.ca.gov).

#### RESOURCES

Visit the California Department of Public Health Respiratory Virus Dashboard for updates on influenza and other respiratory viruses. For healthcare providers, clinical guidance and resources is available at the California Department of Public Health Influenza Update webpage. The California Department of Public Health Flu Vaccine Toolkit is also available online and provides educational resources and downloadable materials about the benefits of the flu vaccine. For more information about flu prevention and vaccine eligibility, visit the California Department of Public Health Influenza webpage. ★

## Community Efforts Help Prevent Human Trafficking

### Sacramento County News Release

#### SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- As part of an effort to make our community a safe place for all residents, Sacramento County is raising awareness about human trafficking. January is National Human Trafficking Awareness Month, and each year, the U.S. Department of State recognizes it as a way to raise awareness about this crime that impacts communities across the country.

Several of Sacramento County's community partners are dedicated to

helping victims of human trafficking.

My Sister's House aids Asian and Pacific Islanders and other underserved women and children impacted by domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking.

The Family Justice Center helps victims during legal proceedings.

Other helpful resources and information include:

RTI International provides insight into information about sex trafficking by collecting and sharing data about the issue.

The National Human Trafficking Hotline allows people to report

tips about suspicious activity they believe is connected to the crime.

We can all do our part to keep community members safe from human trafficking. Here are some ways we can all work to make a difference.

Learn the signs of human trafficking, which can include: multiple employees living with their employer, signs of physical abuse, a child living with someone who is not their parent, a relative or their legal assigned guardian, a person not having control of personal identification such as a driver's license

or passport, and a child under the legal working age telling you they are forced to work.

If you are in the United States and believe someone may be a victim of human trafficking, call the 24-hour National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888. If there is an immediate emergency, always call 911.

Become a mentor to a teen, young adult or someone in need. Traffickers may target children or adults who are going through a difficult time, do not have stable housing, or do not have a

support system.

Get involved with a local organization that fights human trafficking, like one of the groups listed above.

Take time to learn more about the warning signs and how to report human trafficking by visiting the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Website.

Sacramento County is dedicated to addressing human trafficking through awareness, education and action. We can all work together to prevent human trafficking and provide hope to those recovering from this crime. ★

## Republic FC Bolsters Frontline with Striker Kyle Edwards



Kyle Edwards signed a new contract with Republic FC and will be added to the team's roster pending league and federation approval. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

### Sacramento Republic FC News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento Republic FC announced Jan. 15 that the Club has acquired forward Kyle Edwards from Hartford Athletic via transfer. Edwards has also signed a new contract with Republic FC and will be added to the team's roster pending league and federation approval.

"Kyle is a proven goalscorer in our league who has shown he can make an impact when he steps on the pitch," said Republic FC Head Coach Neill Collins. "We're looking forward to bringing him on board and introducing him to our incredible fanbase."

Edwards added, "I'm grateful for the opportunity to represent this amazing club and I can't wait to get started."

Edwards comes to the Indomitable City following a three-season stint in Hartford. His breakout came in 2025, when he led Athletic with 12 goals – a new club single-season record – while setting a league record with eight goals as a substitute. His strike rate of 0.95 goals per 90 minutes was the best mark by a player with at least 10 goals since 2020, earning him three Team of the Week selections. He also added three assists to help Hartford win its first trophy in the club's history.

The 28-year-old forward was drafted

86th overall in the 2020 MLS SuperDraft by Houston Dynamo FC and spent his first two seasons with Rio Grande Valley FC, Dynamo's reserve side in USL Championship. With RGV, he recorded six goals and two assists in 25 appearances. In 2022, he joined MLS NEXT Pro side Houston Dynamo 2 and in 13 appearances scored five goals and two assists. He also previously featured for USL League Two side Brazos Valley Cavalry FC in 2019 when he claimed a share of the Golden Boot with 14 goals.

Edwards' college career took him to Ranger College and the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. Across his four seasons, he amassed 51 goals in 57 appearances.

On the international stage, Edwards has been a regular on the roster for the St. Vincent and the Grenadines National Football Team, making over 30 appearances and adding six goals.

Republic FC's 2026 season officially kicks off on March 7 when the club hosts FC Tulsa at Heart Health Park. Season ticket memberships are on sale now, 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. For more information, or to purchase a membership today, visit [SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships](http://SacRepublicFC.com/Memberships). ★

## Former Aggies Named to Hall of Fame



A pair of former Aggies have joined the ranks of some of the best in the history of college football, with Chris Petersen and Gary Patterson both being named to the College Football Hall of Fame as part of its Class of 2026. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Athletics

### UC Davis Athletics News Release

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"The legacy of coaching and leadership from the UC Davis tree can be seen all over the football world," said current head coach Tim Plough. "When someone refers to you as a 'Davis Guy' you wear that as a badge of honor. You know that it means you're a part of something bigger than you."

"I have always had a great deal of respect and admiration for coach Patterson and coach Petersen has been instrumental in mentoring me in my coaching career. I'm excited to see them both recognized for their incredible careers."

Petersen came to Davis in 1985, spending his final two seasons under center for the Aggies. Once his playing career wrapped up, the eventual multi-Coach of the Year honoree then transitioned to the sideline where he began his coaching career at Davis. From 1987-91, Petersen coached under College Football Hall of Famer Jim Sochor and Cal Aggie Athletics Hall of Famer Bob Foster.

The Aggie quarterback would then go on to have tremendous success at Boise State and Washington, going 147-38 over 14 seasons at those two programs. During that

stretch Petersen won 10 games or more ten times in all but four seasons led teams to seven conference titles, 14 bowl appearances and nine final AP Top 25 finishes, including three top five marks.

Patterson came to Davis early in his career, coaching the linebacker corps under coach Sochor in 1986. The lessons learned in Davis would eventually lead Patterson to Fort Worth, Texas and the TCU Horned Frogs where he would spend 22 years going 181-79 with 18 bowl appearances and a perfect 13-0 2010 season.

The Horned Frogs, led by Patterson, capped off their 2010 undefeated season by winning the 2011 Rose Bowl to go along with 11 bowl game victories that also included the 2010 Fiesta Bowl and 2024 Peach Bowl. Patterson also coached 21 First Team All-Americans and won six conference championships across three different conferences.

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. ★

## Baron Championship Rings Named Official Partner of UC Davis Athletics

### UC Davis Athletics News Release

**DAVIS, CA (MPG)** - UC Davis Athletics has elevated its championship experience with the announcement of a new partnership with Baron Championship Rings as the Official Championship Ring Partner of UC Davis Athletics. The three-year agreement establishes Baron as the exclusive provider of championship rings for UC Davis Athletics, granting the company sole rights to use UC Davis Athletics marks on championship rings, Hall of Fame rings and any varsity ring program.

"Partnering with Baron Championship Rings allows us to celebrate Aggie Pride by honoring the achievements of our student-athletes, coaches and Hall of Fame members in a truly meaningful way," said Dr. Heather Hunter, Executive Director, Aggie Varsity Club. "This partnership also gives our letterwinners, past and present, the opportunity to commemorate their UC Davis student-athlete experience with a varsity ring that reflects their commitment and legacy."

As part of the partnership, Baron will collaborate closely with Aggie programs to design and produce custom pieces that reflect the pride and tradition of UC Davis Athletics, while also providing up to five complementary Hall of Fame rings each year to recognize inductees whose achievements have shaped the legacy of Aggie Athletics.

"Baron Championship Rings is incredibly proud to partner with UC Davis Athletics as their Official Championship Ring Provider," said Kevin Kloostr, Baron Championship Rings Senior Account Executive. "The Aggies have a rich tradition of excellence, and we're honored to help commemorate the achievements of their student-athletes with rings that celebrate their hard work, dedication and legacy. We look forward to creating meaningful pieces that will be treasured for years to come."

Baron specializes in producing customized, highly crafted rings for collegiate and professional sports programs, with a process focused on storytelling, precision and the championship journey. Through this partnership, UC Davis student-athletes, coaches and Hall of Fame honorees will have access

to a collaborative design experience that highlights the values and history of Aggie Athletics.

The first programs to work with Baron under the new partnership will be men's water polo and women's volleyball, both of which captured Big West titles this fall. The Aggie men's water polo team earned the Big West Tournament Championship, securing the conference crown with a dominant postseason run. At the same time, the women's volleyball program claimed the Big West regular season title behind a historic year on the court. Each team will collaborate with Baron to design custom championship rings that reflect the unique identity of their program and celebrate the student-athletes who helped deliver conference titles to Davis. The ring design process will highlight the journey, achievements and traditions that define both championship seasons, setting the standard for future Aggie programs and earning their place in UC Davis Athletics history.

The agreement reflects UC Davis Athletics' commitment to celebrating student-athlete success and the moments that define the Aggie experience on campus, in competition and throughout the alumni community.

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#### About Baron® Championship Rings:

As a Championship-focused brand, Baron® Championship Rings is relentlessly committed to designing and crafting superior, story-driven products. We take pride in creating Championship Rings that are not only visually stunning but also represent the hard work and dedication of the teams and individuals who earn them.

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## Women's Basketball Wins Third Straight

### Sacramento State Athletics News Release

#### FLAGSTAFF, AZ (MPG)

Sophomore guard Rubi Gray posted her first career double-double with a career-high tying 26 points and 11 rebounds, while Benthe Versteeg and Natalie Picton also finished in double figures, helping lead Sacramento State to its third-straight victory with a 78-59 win at Northern Arizona on Thursday, Jan. 15 in Flagstaff, Arizona.

The Hornets moved above the .500 mark with their ninth victory of the year, improving to 9-8 overall and 3-1 in Big Sky Conference play. The triumph gave Sacramento State its third, three-game winning streak of the season, while the three-straight wins in Big Sky play is the longest such streak since Feb. 8-15, 2024.

In winning three of their first four league games, the Hornets are off to their best conference start since they began the 2022-23 Big Sky campaign with four straight wins. Meanwhile, Sacramento State snapped a four-game skid in the series with the Lumberjacks, winning for only the ninth time in 31 chances in Flagstaff.

Led by a team-high 17 points from Naomi White, Northern Arizona fell to 6-12 overall and 2-3 in conference.

Gray's 26-point outburst matched her career high set against Cal State Fullerton on Nov. 21, nabbing her fourth 20-point performance of the year while setting new career marks for rebounds and three-pointers made (six). Her 10 field goals for the game fell



The hot-shooting Hornets hit just over 49 percent from the field for the game and finished with a season-high 11 makes from beyond the arc. Photo by Jyanne Bautista, director of creative content, Sacramento State Athletics

just one shy of her career high in the category.

She was joined in double figures by Versteeg, who tied her season highs with 18 points and eight field goals while narrowly missing out on her third double-double of the year, finishing with nine rebounds to go with four assists.

Picton completed the double-digit trio, adding 14 points for her 12th double-digit scoring performance of the year — and her third straight — while adding five rebounds, three assists and swiping four balls to log her 14th game this season with multiple steals.

Freshman Jaety Mandaquit added a career-high six assists to go with three points and four rebounds, while junior Elizabeth Abiara added seven rebounds and a pair of blocks.

Following a slow start that saw both teams struggle to find their shooting rhythm, the Hornets erased a four-point deficit with a 6-0 run that gave them their first lead of the night at 11-9 with 1:03 to play. The Lumberjacks drained a three-pointer just before the first quarter buzzer to regain the lead, but the advantage

would be short-lived.

Sacramento State opened the second quarter on a 10-0 run over the first 94 seconds of the period, building a nine-point lead that it would not relinquish. Northern Arizona got no closer than six points on its next possession following the run, but another burst — this a 12-3 run by the Hornets over the next four minutes — gave them a 15-point lead with 3:05 remaining and they never looked back.

A 13-point lead at half-time ballooned to as many as 20 points on a couple of occasions late in the third quarter and Sacramento State never allowed Northern Arizona to get closer than 13 points the rest of the way.

The hot-shooting Hornets hit just over 49 percent from the field for the game and finished with a season-high 11 makes from beyond the arc. Meanwhile, the defense was stout, holding the Lumberjacks to just under 35 percent for the game, 27 percent from three-point range overall, and outrebounding the host side by a 49-24 count. ★

# The Raley's Companies Appoints Carol Barsotti as Chief Communications Officer

**The Raley's Companies News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The Raley's Companies today announced the appointment of Carol Barsotti as Chief Communications Officer, expanding her leadership role within the organization. Barsotti will assume responsibility for public relations, government affairs, and community impact as The Raley's Companies continue to focus on transformation and sustainable growth.

"We are fortunate to have Carol as an integral part of our executive leadership team," said Keith Knopf, President and CEO, The Raley's Companies. "She is purpose-driven, creative, versatile, impactful and proven at developing and leading high-performing teams. Carol is the epitome of a servant leader, always willing to step up to support the needs of the team, company and community."

Barsotti is also President of fieldTRUE, the nation's leading farm-box subscription business, and will continue in this role moving forward. She is a member of The Raley's Companies executive leadership team as well as a board member of Raley's Food For Families. She will continue to report to Knopf with a strong connection to The Raley's Companies Owner and Chairman, Mike Teel, and President of Food For Families, Julie Teel.

"Having such an accomplished leader assume these critical responsibilities positions us well for what's ahead," said Mike Teel, Owner and Chairman of The



**Carol Barsotti, The Raley's Companies Chief Communications Officer.** Photo courtesy of the Raley's Companies

Raley's Companies. "As we continue our purpose driven transformation, I look forward to working closely with Carol to drive our mission of changing the way the world eats, one plate at a time."

Carol brings deep expertise in public service and community impact. She holds a Master of Public Administration and Policy from American University and began her career working for the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington, D.C. and California. Today, she continues her commitment to community impact as President of the Kathleen Barsotti Non-Profit for Sustainable Agriculture.

"Carol has already been a meaningful partner in growing support for Food For Families," said Julie Teel, President of Food For Families. "Her partnership with me and the board has been significant in our ability to have an ever-increasing impact on supporting local food banks."

"It's a privilege to lead with purpose at the center of our strategy," Barsotti said. "When we align

communications, policy and community engagement, we create impact that matters for our business and for the people we serve."

The Raley's Companies is a private, family-owned and purpose-driven retail company headquartered in West Sacramento, CA. Since our founding in 1935, our store operations have grown to include more than 200 locations across eight states and four Tribal Nations under 10 well-known banners: Raley's, Bel Air, Nob Hill Foods, Raley's O-N-E Market, Bashas', Bashas' Diné, Food City, AJ's Fine Foods, Full Circle, and Farm Fresh To You. In addition, The Raley's Companies bridges the divide between the physical and digital retail experiences through the operation of Fieldera and fieldTRUE. Built on a higher purpose, the organization and our more than 21,000 employees are committed to quality offerings, exceptional service and doing right by our team members, communities, and planet. To learn more, visit [theraleyscompanies.com](http://theraleyscompanies.com). ★

# Bubba's 33, Jagers Fundraiser Benefits American Tinnitus Association

## Restaurants Donate 100% of Profits to Honor Late Founder Kent Taylor

**Texas Roadhouse, Bubba's 33, Jagers News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - On Monday, Feb. 2, all Texas Roadhouse, Bubba's 33 and Jagers locations invite the public to a fundraiser to support the American Tinnitus Association (ATA). To honor the company's late founder, Kent Taylor, the restaurants will donate 100% of all profits on Feb. 2 to the organization.

More than 26 million adults in the United States battle tinnitus. While commonly referred to as "ringing in the ears," tinnitus can manifest many different perceptions of sound, including buzzing, hissing, whistling, swooshing, and clicking. Tinnitus is the perception of sound when no actual external noise is present.

"For many years, Texas Roadhouse and Roadie Nation have been steadfast partners of the American Tinnitus Association, and we are deeply grateful for their continued support," says CEO Patrick A. Lynch. "This partnership represents the very best of philanthropy, and I am personally thankful for their long-standing commitment to the tinnitus community. Dine-to-Donate, as part of Tinnitus Awareness Week, powerfully amplifies our mission by helping fund research, expanding education, and reminding the millions of people living with tinnitus that they are not alone."

"Supporting ATA allows the Texas Roadhouse brands to continue the legacy of our founder, Kent Taylor, whose heart was always centered on helping others," says CEO and President Jerry Morgan. "Our partnership reflects a sincere dedication to shining a light on tinnitus, its prevention, and the meaningful steps individuals can take to manage this debilitating disease."

The American Tinnitus Association (ATA) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to people with tinnitus. The American Tinnitus Association helps individuals and families cope, funds research, advocates for better care, and provides trustworthy information to thousands of people every day. If you or a loved one need information or help managing tinnitus, contact the American Tinnitus Association at (800)

634-8978 or visit [ata.org](http://ata.org)

Based in Louisville, Kentucky, founded by Kent Taylor, Texas Roadhouse opened its doors in 1993 and has more than 721 locations in 49 states and 10 foreign countries. The family-friendly restaurant is famous for Hand-Cut Steaks, Made-From-Scratch Sides, Fresh-Baked Bread, and a lively atmosphere. In 2022, Texas Roadhouse was named one of Fortune Magazine's Most Admired Companies. In 2024 Texas Roadhouse was also recognized as America's Customer Service Champions by USA Today and the Brand Icon Award by Nations Restaurant News. In addition to Texas Roadhouse, the company owns and operates Bubba's 33 and Jagers, for more information, visit [www.texasroadhouse.com](http://www.texasroadhouse.com).

Bubba's 33, founded by Kent Taylor, founder of Texas Roadhouse, serves up "Food for All" with options featuring handcrafted pizza, bold burgers, signature pastas, ice-cold beer, and hand-crafted cocktails. The first Bubba's 33 opened in Fayetteville, North Carolina, in 2013 and has since grown to over 50 locations in 15 states. Bubba's 33 staff is dedicated to fun and providing the best service in town. On a national level, in 2017, Bubba's 33 was recognized by Nation's Restaurant News with the Hot Concept Award. Since, Bubba's 33 has won a host of local awards including Best Burger, Best Sports Bar, and Best New Business in Texarkana, TX. For more information, visit [www.bubbas33.com](http://www.bubbas33.com).

Founded in 2014, by Texas Roadhouse's founder Kent Taylor, Jagers serves scratch-made food in a fast-casual setting. Menu offerings include double-stacked burgers; hand-breaded chicken tenders and sandwiches; fresh made-to-order salads; and hand-spun milkshakes. Jagers is a growing brand with 14 locations including multiple locations in Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, Texas and 1 international location. In 2020, Jagers was named a "Hot Concept" by Technomic as well as ranked #1 Burger in Indianapolis by Indianapolis Monthly. For more information, visit <https://www.eatjagers.com/>. ★

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 REG. \$11.99/EA  
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**Beef Cross/Rib Shoulder Roast-Bnls** \$5.39/lb

**Beef New York Roast Boneless** \$5.99/lb

**Chicken Thighs Boneless** \$1.89/lb

**Pork Hocks** \$1.99/lb

**Pork Spare Ribs** \$3.49/lb

**Pork Tenderloin** \$3.99/lb

**WEEKLY HALAL SPECIALS**

**Chicken Thighs Boneless** \$1.99/lb

**New Zealand Lamb Shoulder Chop Bone-In** \$5.99/lb

**Beef Cross/Rib Shoulder Roast-Bnls** \$5.79/lb

**FRESH PRODUCE**

**White Potato** 10 lb \$4.99/bag

**Grape Tomato** 10 oz \$1.69/ea

**Rainbow Belpapper** 2 lb \$3.29/bag

**Mexican Papaya** 99¢/lb

**Russet Potato** 10 lb \$1.99/bag

**Navel Orange** 10 lb \$5.49/bag

**Seafood Mushroom** 150 g \$99¢/ea

**Japanese Yam** \$1.49/lb

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**Q-Tips Cotton Swabs** 500 ct \$4.99/ea

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**Sunny D Tangy Orange Drink** 1 gallon \$3.49/ea

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**T.H. Beanurd Rolls** 5.6 oz \$4.99/ea

**Awai Coconut Cream** 13.5 oz \$1.19/ea

**T.H. Roasted Black Garlic** 16 oz \$15.99/ea

**Purefoods Corned Beef** 12 oz \$5.99/ea

**Roxy Dried Anchovy** 3 oz \$2.29/ea

**EUROPEAN GROCERY**

**Sadal Special Blend Tea** 100 T/B \$9.99/ea

**Mid-East Baladi Cracked Green Olives** 71 oz \$9.99/ea

**Korovika Cookies** 180 gr \$1.29/ea

**Linden Carpathian Tea** 35 gr \$4.99/ea

**Sadal Mediterranean Olive Oil Blend** 2 liter \$9.99/ea

**EUROPEAN DELI**

**Columbus Cracked Pepper Turkey Breast** \$12.49/lb

**Columbus Black Forest Ham** \$9.19/lb

**Green Olives Stuffed with Almonds** \$6.39/lb

**Kalamata Olives with Garlic and Pepper** \$6.39/lb

**FROZEN & FISH DEPT**

**Dover Sole Fillet Wild Alaska** 2 lb \$4.99/lb

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**Electric Rice Cooker** \$54.99

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