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'Club Pastosa' Hosts Line-Dance Class



Local restaurant Pastosa by Lucia is now offering community members an evening to socialize and learn how to line dance at "Club Pastosa" in partnership with professional dancer Terrel Renee.

**Story and photos
by Idaly Valencia**

GALT, CA (MPG) - On Sunday, Feb. 1, Pastosa by Lucia turned its dining area into a dance floor, hosting a line-dance workshop as part of an ongoing series at the restaurant. Attendees learned to two-step to songs such as "Boots on the Ground" by 803 Fresh and "Early in the Morning" by Charlie Wilson, all while enjoying a lively social atmosphere.

With D.J. Cookie Doe on the mixer, the evening offered a mix of

instruction, music and mingling. The event was led by Terrel Renee, a Herald resident, seasoned professional dancer and local entrepreneur who owns G.O.A.T Yoga, where she teaches yoga classes featuring baby goats. Renee's dance background includes performances with artists like Ariana Grande, Charlie Wilson, Keke Palmer and Train.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, Renee said line dancing and social dancing were part of everyday life back home.

"Dancing was something

people of all ages did together, not as a performance, but as a way to connect," she said. "Line dancing at Pastosa started from a shared desire to create something that feels welcoming, social and genuinely enjoyable."

Renee described the workshops as beginner-friendly, with a "no-pressure" atmosphere for attending solo or with a friend.

"The goal wasn't just to teach steps, but to create a space where people can relax, move their bodies and feel comfortable being

themselves," Renee added.

More than 10 attendees took part in the Feb. 1 workshop, leaving with the line dance to two songs under their belts by the end of the night.

Jacque Rye, who learned about the event through Facebook, said she already knew some basic line dances but wanted to expand her skills through the workshop.

"These ones got different moves; it's not your electric slide...," Rye said, adding that she felt confident after learning from

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Public Hearing Set for Galt Ranch Development



**City of Galt
News Release**

GALT, CA (MPG) - The City of Galt Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12 to consider several entitlement requests related to the proposed Galt Ranch Commercial Development. The hearing will take place in the Galt City Council Chambers at 380 Civic Drive.

The proposed project encompasses approximately 45 acres, located between the A Street and Simmerhorn Road off-ramps, and includes a comprehensive set of planning and environmental approvals. The Planning Commission will consider the approval of an environmental document, a Tentative Parcel Map, a Master Site Plan, a Master Sign Plan and Design Guidelines for the development.

In addition, the Planning Commission will consider several land use permits associated with the project. These include Conditional Use Permits for five fast-food or fast-casual restaurants with drive-thru facilities, a Minor Use Permit for one car wash and Conditional Use Permit for three freeway-oriented signs.

The proposed signage includes a multi-tenant freeway sign, a single-tenant sign for a proposed In-N-Out Burger restaurant and a single-tenant sign for a Maverik gas station and convenience store. A Conditional Use Permit for a Maverik convenience store is also included as part of the request.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate in the public hearing and share their input, whether in support of or opposed to the proposed uses on the property. Public comments may be provided in person during the meeting or emailed to planningdivision@cityof-galt.org.

The agenda packet will be published this week at cityofgalt.org.

For additional information, residents are encouraged to email Principal Planner Kristyn Bitz at KBitz@cityof-galt.org or contact the Community Development Department at 209-366-7230. ★

Firefighter-Paramedics Join the Ranks



Seventeen new firefighter-paramedics graduated from the Cosumnes Fire Academy on Jan. 29 and will begin serving stations across southern Sacramento County, including Elk Grove and Galt. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

**Cosumnes Community
Services District News Release**

ELK GROVE/GALT, CA (MPG) - The Cosumnes Fire Department welcomed 17 new firefighter-paramedics at their Fire Academy Graduation the evening of Thursday, Jan. 29 in Elk Grove. The graduates were to report to fire stations across southern Sacramento County starting

that same week, helping the department meet the increasing demand for emergency services in the region.

The 23-week, state-accredited academy trained the recruits through tough physical and academic evaluations to prepare them for the realities of emergency response. Each recruit began the program with a paramedic license and a solid foundation in emergency medical care. Their

training ensures they are ready to respond to calls with professionalism, skill and compassion.

Approximately 400 family members, friends and colleagues attended the graduation ceremony. In a meaningful tradition, each recruit selected someone significant in their life to pin their badge, symbolizing the trust and duty of public service. Cosumnes

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New Year, New Roadside Safety Protections

California's Expanded "Slow Down, Move Over" Law Now Covers All Stopped Drivers and Passengers Roadside

California Office of Traffic Safety News Release

CALIFORNIA (MPG) - California's expanded "Slow Down, Move Over" law officially took effect Jan. 1, adding lifesaving protections for all stranded drivers and passengers on the roadside. The strengthened requirement compels drivers to move over, or slow down if unsafe to do so, for any stopped vehicle using hazard lights or emergency indicators, including everyday drivers experiencing mechanical trouble or emergencies.

The change, authorized under Assembly Bill 390, legislation sponsored by AAA, comes during a nationwide spike in roadside deaths that safety leaders are calling a crisis.

"Whether you're a stranded driver or a first responder, standing just feet from high speed traffic has become increasingly deadly," said Auto Club Corporate Communications Manager Doug Shupe. "This law equips California drivers with a clear, enforceable rule that can prevent more needless deaths."

With AB 390 now in effect, California joins 28 other states, and the District of Columbia, with expanded Slow Down, Move Over protections to include all stopped vehicles.

Violations in California can result in fines up to \$1,000 and points on a driver's record for unsafe behavior near stopped vehicles.

"Too many Californians are losing their lives simply because passing drivers fail to slow down or move over," said CHP Commissioner Sean Duryee. "This expanded law makes clear that every person on the roadside, whether a driver or a passenger,



The change, authorized under Assembly Bill 390, legislation sponsored by AAA, comes during a nationwide spike in roadside deaths that safety leaders are calling a crisis. Photo courtesy of California Office of Traffic Safety

deserves the same margin of safety. Obeying 'Slow Down, Move Over' is not just a courtesy; it is a legal responsibility that saves lives."

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety, using data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Fatality Analysis Reporting System, reveals roadside fatalities are rising sharply. In California, the number of people killed roadside increased nearly 77% from 2014 to 2023. This alarming trend in people killed roadside is driven by higher speeds, distracted driving and limited shoulder space on modern freeways, data shows.

Additional recent national findings highlight the severity of

the problem. According to the Emergency Responder Safety Institute, 46 emergency responders were killed last year in the U.S. after being struck while assisting at roadside scenes — police officers, firefighters, EMTs and tow truck operators. Tow operators face some of the deadliest conditions on America's roadways. Hundreds of stranded drivers are killed every year while waiting for help or attempting simple fixes like changing a tire.

"Everyone traveling on California's roads and highways deserves to arrive safely at their destination," said Caltrans Director Dina El-Tawansy. "The provisions added to the Move

Over law will help keep more people safe and continue protecting the highway workers and first responders risking their lives to serve others. When we make conscious decisions to benefit the safety of our fellow travelers and dedicated public servants, it creates a safer, more enjoyable travel experience for all."

Daniel Lazaro, a tow truck operator for Preferred Towing, lost his friend at the roadside in October last year. Fifty-seven-year-old Carlos Trejo was struck and killed while helping a stranded Auto Club member on I-110.

"Carlos was a caring person who would always bring up his family in a joyful and proud

way, especially his grandchildren," said Lazaro. "As he would clock out every day to go home, he would always tell everyone clocking in to be careful and to be safe out there."

Many drivers don't understand the law and it's costing lives. An Oct. 2025 national study from the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety found the following. 36% of drivers captured on roadside video did not slow down or change lanes — violating the law entirely; drivers were least likely to protect tow operators, with only 58% complying near stopped tow trucks; and two thirds of drivers said they were familiar with "Slow Down, Move Over" laws, yet many could not accurately explain what was required.

The research also found that while some drivers do change lanes, many fail to reduce speed, leaving dangerously little margin if something goes wrong.

As of Jan. 1, drivers must take these simple actions when approaching a stopped vehicle. Change lanes away from the stopped vehicle, if safe to do so. If changing lanes is not possible, slow down to a safe, reasonable speed. The message is clear: See hazards or a stopped vehicle? Slow down. Move over. Save a life.

"As you head out on your next trip, keep in mind that the driver with a flat tire or other roadside car trouble could very well be you," OTS Director Stephanie Dougherty said. "Please move over a lane or slow down for highway workers, first responders, tow truck drivers and other stopped vehicles on the side of the road or shoulder. Make safety the destination we all share by looking out for every vehicle and person on the roadside." ★

Firefighter-Paramedics Join the Ranks

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Community Services District General Manager Tim Ogden administered the loyalty oath, officially welcoming them as probationary firefighters.

The academy was made possible in part by funding from Measure E, a local sales tax that helps address public safety and quality-of-life services.

"Welcoming these 17 new firefighter-paramedics marks a proud and significant milestone for our district," said Cosumnes Community Services District Board President Peter Sakaris. "As new members of our community family, their commitment to public



Pictured is Gabriel Talley, firefighter-paramedic graduate and valedictorian of the 2025-01 Fire Academy, during his badge pinning ceremony, accompanied by family. Photo courtesy of Cosumnes Community Services District

service reflects the highest standards and values of our organization. We are

grateful for the continuing support of Measure E, which enables ongoing

investment in the safety and well-being of our residents." ★



Firefighter-paramedic Kyle Wong, right, shakes hands with Cosumnes Fire Chief Felipe Rodriguez at the Fire Academy graduation on Jan. 29.

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Big Things Are Blooming at the Galt Market

City of Galt News Release

GALT, CA (MPG) - Something exciting is happening at the Galt Market this spring ... and you're invited to be part of it.

We're kicking off the season with three community-centered events designed to support your health, bring families together and help neighbors connect in a fun way.



The Galt Market offers special events this spring designed to support your health, bring families together and help neighbors connect. Photo courtesy of City of Galt

March to Good Health 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, March 4

Start spring feeling your best at this free community

wellness event. Spend the day connecting with local health providers, learning about valuable resources, and discovering

tools to support a healthier lifestyle. Services and information will include free health screenings, blood pressure checks,

dental health education, informational booths, live demonstrations and a flu vaccine clinic. Bring a friend, ask questions

and walk away with helpful knowledge and resources that support your well-being.

Spring Break Carnival 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, March 31-Wednesday, April 1

The Spring Break Carnival is back. If you're looking for a way to keep the kids active and entertained while school is out, this is it.

Enjoy games, activities, food and plenty of family-friendly fun in a lively outdoor setting. It's the perfect way to welcome warmer weather, make

memories and celebrate spring together at the Galt Market.

Community Garage Sale – First Time Ever 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, April 18

We're launching a brand-new event, and you won't want to miss it. Come shop secondhand gems, unique finds and household treasures from community sellers.

Doing some spring cleaning? Rent a space, clear out extra items and earn some extra cash while being part of this exciting new market tradition. ★



Senator Honors Shockley with Two Resolutions

GALT, CA (MPG) – Pictured from left are Hollister Inc. representative Stephen House, Dan “Dry Dock” Shockley, Sen. Roger Niello and retired ostomy nurse Joyce Moss. Shockley, a local resident and retired U.S. Navy veteran, was honored Friday, Jan. 30 with two Senate Concurrent Resolutions from Sen. Roger Niello in recognition of his work in ostomy and colon cancer advocacy. The resolutions were presented at the Coffee Shop Bakery and included one recognizing Familial Adenomatous Polyposis Awareness Week, the condition Shockley has been diagnosed with; and another recognizing World Ostomy Day. Courtesy photo

‘Club Pastosa’ Hosts Line-Dance Lessons

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Renee and planned to practice the steps at home.

Gabriella Cello, daughter of the owner of Pastosa by Lucia and part of the restaurant’s management, said hosting an evening event series is a first for the business.

Normally open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Pastosa is known for its homemade pasta, sauces, ravioli, bread and tiramisu. Now, the restaurant is occasionally staying open later to welcome guests after hours to “Club Pastosa” for a social hour and line dance classes.

The partnership with Renee developed

organically, Cello said, after she recognized her and her partner from G.O.A.T Yoga and bonded over the idea of creating a lively, community-focused space at Pastosa.

“I really loved what they were about,” Cello said. “I always wanted to do something like this, but I didn’t have the right team. So now that I have them in my life, we can offer a space for the community to come and let go of worry.”

For those interested in attending the next event, a line dance workshop will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Feb. 15 at Pastosa by Lucia, 5435 Industrial Drive. To register, visit bit.ly/4rwFLdv (case sensitive). ★



With D.J. Cookie Doe on the mixer, the evening of Feb. 1 offered a mix of line dance instruction, music and mingling at “Club Pastosa” at 5435 Industrial Drive.



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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



In the land of the Sacramento Kings there is good news and bad news.

The bad news is the Sac Town boys lost to the lowly Washington Wizards Sunday night by a score of 116-112 to not only extend their current losing streak to nine games, but to also take over solo position as the team with the worst record in the NBA this season.

The good news is, as bad as that sounds, the Kings played a high-tempo competitive game against the Wizards, and more importantly, have just finalized a trade that has the potential to breathe life into a team that's on the ropes.

The Kings landed DeAndre Hunter from the Cleveland Cavaliers, while trading Dennis Schroder, Keon Ellis and little-used Dario Saric. Once again, the Chicago Bulls were involved, acquiring Dario Saric and two second round picks, one coming from the Kings in 2029.

What this trade accomplishes is finally getting a true NBA forward that can play the 4 and allow Keegan Murray to move to the 3 where he is more comfortable and more suited.

The Kings are hoping that Hunter's six seasons in the NBA will fit nicely into a lineup with both youth and veterans, and his 14.7 scoring average during his career will be a welcome addition to a team that has been recently struggling to reach 100 points per night.

In addition to scoring Hunter will be bringing a defensive presence as well, and in 2019 while playing for the Virginia Wildcats he was given the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) award for the most outstanding defensive player in division I basketball.

While not a big forward at 6'7" DeAndre has an impressive wingspan of 7'2" and will fill a need the Sacramento Kings have longed for.

With Dennis Schoder and Keon Ellis gone, so is the logjam coach Christie has been talking about, so look for rookie Nique Clifford to get all the playing time he wants.

After years of being guard heavy, will Sacramento finally have solved the conundrum at the forward position.

At 28 DeAndre's best years may be still

ahead, and the Kings are banking on the same when it comes to Keegan Murray.

Will the 12-39 Sacramento Kings end the 9-game drought and look like a winning franchise?

More likely is that Scott Perry has more in store, and Sacramento fans want to know if heralded big man Domantas Sabonis is in any way a part of his thinking.

Without question, Sacramento has a post presence. Rebounding and double-double champion Domantas Sabonis is the reason why.

Maxime Raynaud is making noises and has shown promise, but make no mistake about it, Sabonis is the real deal.

Building around this big man makes all kinds of sense, but I simply don't know if Perry and the Kings franchise appreciate what they already have. Trades in the past have shown a total lack in judging NBA talent, and I hope for once, Sacramento gets it right.

Do I like the acquisition of DeAndre Hunter? You bet I do, and it represents a piece in a puzzle that hasn't so far made much sense.

So, let's give Scott Perry an attaboy, and collectively hold our breath, because I don't believe this is over with.

Talent is critical for certain, but leadership and personality cannot be overlooked.

The leadership that Domantas brings with him every night is incalculable, but it's there and difficult to replace. In addition, he is beloved by the fans, so let's remember DeAaron Fox, and build the new iteration of this team around Sabonis.

It's entirely possible to give the rookies and younger players more looks in the second half of the season, but working to develop this team into a winning franchise is what I want to see.

Am I concerned about finishing with a lottery pick in the upcoming draft? I try not to think too much about how the Kings will finish and focus on playing competitive basketball. Develop the youngsters and win games!

Stay together Kings fans, because the second half could be a roller-coaster! Let's all root for a win and bring this losing streak to a halt.

All the best! ★

California Lawmakers Can't Resist Writing Performative Legislation



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

California legislators introduce hundreds of bills during their biennial sessions. While some are serious efforts to address real issues, many are performative — offered to please political constituencies that their authors want to cultivate, align themselves with popular trends, or repay political debts.

The easiest species of performative legislation are resolutions that express support for some cause. Many hours of taxpayer-financed time are wasted on hearings and debate, even though such measures have absolutely no impact.

A cousin of the impotent resolution is legislation that purports to impact a situation ripped from the headlines, but is highly unlikely to be enacted, or if passed would probably be voided by the courts.

This week, for example, Democratic legislators are scrambling for measures that would, their authors say, repress or punish federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers who are conducting abusive sweeps in major cities, supposedly seeking undocumented immigrants. The state Senate spent 90 minutes this week debating a bill that would supposedly make it easier for Californians to sue federal agents over civil rights violations, arising out of two fatal

shootings of U.S. citizens by immigration authorities in Minneapolis.

The measure, Senate Bill 747, passed on a party-line vote. If it eventually becomes law, it's doubtful that it would survive due to federal laws shielding federal officers from being prosecuted or sued in state courts, as a legislative staff analysis of the measure pointed out.

Thus, SB 747 and other anti-ICE measures unlikely to be enforceable, and are really just expressions of political opinion, however justified.

The most frustrating performative measures address real problems weakly but allow politicians to claim success. That brings us to Senate Bill 417, which was also passed by the Senate this week.

Carried by Sen. Christopher Cabaldon, a Napa Democrat, and backed by dozens of pro-housing groups and advocates for the poor, SB 417 would place a \$10 billion bond issue on the November ballot for housing low-income families.

"California, over the last several years has enacted landmark housing policies to provide affordable housing developers with tools enabled to enable them to build hundreds of thousands of units across the state," Cabaldon said. "But those homes don't build themselves and it's time to finish the job.

"So to unlock the full promise of these reforms requires cash. It requires sufficient capital, as it always has, to move these affordable housing projects from approval and permitting to construct."

California's housing shortage is real, especially for

low-income families. The state has removed some procedural roadblocks, but the most resilient barrier is very high development costs.

A 2025 Rand Corp. study found that it costs between \$500,000 and \$1 million — and sometimes even more — to build a unit of low-income housing, the highest cost of any state.

Rand's study also determined that it takes 22 months longer to produce housing in California than in Texas, local fees average \$29,000 a unit in California but just \$1,000 in Texas, and "substantially above-market wages and unusually large architectural and engineering fees, likely related to highly prescriptive design requirements" are "key drivers" of California's extraordinarily high costs.

If, as Rand implies, it costs an average of about \$750,000 per unit to build low-income housing in California, the \$10 billion bond issue being proposed would finance about 13,000 apartments. It's not nothing, but it's tiny compared to the 180,000 units the state says we should be building each year.

The researchers argued that, were California to reduce costs to those in Colorado, it could build four times as much housing for the same money. The Legislature should be cutting costs, not just passing token bond issues that will have little real world impact.

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

Am I Entitled to More Social Security as a Veteran?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I served in the U.S. Army from July 1964 to July 1967. Am I eligible for a higher Social Security payment? Thank you. **Signed: Vietnam Era Army Vet**

Dear Army Vet: Please accept my sincere thanks for your military service. I believe you are referring to the "Special Extra Credit for Military Service" which has been the subject of many published articles. That refers to a special Social Security accommodation available only to those who served in the military during specific periods of time - but it does not add to your monthly Social Security payment. Rather, it adds to your military earnings record for the years you served, which may (or may not) result in a higher Social Security benefit when you later claim Social Security.

Here's how it works in your case:

Serving between 1964 and 1967, if you told Social Security of your military service when you applied for Social Security benefits (or gave them a copy of your DD-214), they would have added up to \$1,200 per year to your military

pay record (FYI, those who served after 1966 were automatically given earnings credit for their military service years). However, whether those special extra credits would affect your monthly Social Security benefit depends on your lifetime earnings record when you later claimed Social Security.

When you applied for benefits, Social Security reviewed your lifetime earnings and used the highest earning 35 years of earnings over your lifetime (adjusted for inflation) to calculate your "Primary Insurance Amount" (or "PIA," which is what you get if you claim benefits to start at your Social Security full retirement age). If, after your military service, you had 35 or more years of earnings which were higher than your earnings while serving in the military, Social Security would have used your later higher earning years to calculate your benefit, and your military earnings would not have had an effect on your Social Security benefit. However, if any of your military earnings (including the "special extra credits") were among the highest over your lifetime, then those higher military earnings would be included when calculating your Social Security benefit.

So, whether you would benefit from these "special extra credits for military service" depends largely on your earnings history after you were discharged from active duty. If your military earnings were among the highest earning years

over your lifetime, and you provided SSA with a copy of your DD-214 when you applied for Social Security, then your current SS benefit already includes consideration of your military service (FYI, Social Security should have asked about your military service when you applied). If you didn't tell SS about your military service when you applied for Social Security, or if you aren't sure, you should contact the SSA at 1.800.772.1213 and ask if you were given those "special extra credits for military service" for your 1960s military service years when you applied for Social Security. But if you had at least 35 years of higher earnings after you left military service, your current SS benefit is already based on those later higher earning years, and you will not get any additional /Social Security benefit because of the "special extra credits" for your military service years.

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Does Trump need a portrait of James K. Polk?

rious. It also insisted that its border with Texas was at the Nueces River, two hundred miles north of the Rio Grande.

When Polk sent troops into the area between the Nueces River and the Rio Grande, Mexican cavalry ambushed a party of U.S. dragoons.

We ended up occupying Mexico City and forcing a deal. Mexico conceded to the United States a border at the Rio Grande, running all the way to the Pacific, giving us California, inclusive of San Diego, in exchange for the assumption of Mexico's debts and the price of \$15 million.

There's no doubt that Polk had been spoiling for a fight. The view of the war as simple U.S. plunder is much too simplistic, though. We were within our rights to deal with an independent Texas, which had achieved independence via a just revolution, and Mexico -- in the grips of a foolish war fever -- fired the first shots.

In his book on the war, "A Country of Vast Designs," Robert W. Merry describes the underlying dynamic. Mexico, he notes, "was a dysfunctional, unstable, weak nation whose population was insufficient to control all the lands within its domain." The United States, on the other hand, "was a vibrant, expanding, exuberant experiment in democracy whose burgeoning population thrilled to the notion that it was engaging in something big and historically momentous." This created a drive "toward expansion into largely unpopulated lands that seemed

to beckon with irresistible enticement."

Today, it is Trump personally, rather than the nation at large, tempted by historic acquisitions of territory. He, too, could be a Thomas Jefferson, or a William Seward -- or a Polk, although hopefully without the war.

But there's a difference between a young 19th-century country surging into loosely governed territory around its perimeter -- or buying territory that European nations are eager to sell -- and a mature 21st century world power invested in stable borders and important alliance systems.

Mexico circa 1846 wasn't a treaty ally of the United States, and there were enormous benefits to actually acquiring the Southwest, whereas we can presumably get the military bases and mineral extraction we want out of frozen Greenland without formal ownership.

If Trump is going to look to Polk, a more apt antecedent is his handling of the dispute with the Brits over the Oregon territory. After making maximalist demands, Polk agreed to an equitable compromise at the 49th parallel.

Polk's example is worth marking in another respect. He really did play 3D chess. There's no way he'd let ego or emotion get in the way of pursuing the national interest, which in this case includes not needlessly alienating long-time allies when other means are available to achieve our strategic ends.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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ABOUT TOWN

Friday, Feb. 6 and Saturday, Feb. 7

Goat Baby Shower – noon to 4 p.m. each day at Spenker Family Farm. Join us on the farm as we celebrate our mama goats and get ready for the most joyful time of year: baby goat season! This fun, family-friendly event is part shower, part celebration, and all about community, goats and good vibes. You'll get to meet and greet some of our goats, play shower-style games, enjoy wine and cheese tastings, and shop. Bring a registry item, listed at spenkerfamilyfarm.com, and you'll be entered to win fun raffle prizes. 17291 Devries Road, Lodi.

Friday, Feb. 6

Cosumnes Uncorked – 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Cosumnes River Preserve. Enjoy delicious wines while supporting vital efforts to protect bird habitats along the Pacific Flyway. All proceeds go to the Friends of the Cosumnes River Preserve to help conserve and restore critical wetlands for our feathered friends. Tickets available at Eventbrite.com. 23319 N. Staten Island Road.

Saturday, Feb. 7

All-In Performance Automotive and Racing Swap Meet – 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the New Stockton 99 Speedway. Attendees will find a wide range of automotive performance parts, supplies, cars, trailers and motorsports-related items. \$50 registration fee per space. \$10 general admission for ages 13 and older; kids 12 and under are free. 4105 N. Wilson Way, Stockton.

19th Annual Galt Winter Bird Festival – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Choose from a variety of tours and activities both live and online across our area. More information and registration for specific events at cityofgalt.org.

Friday, Feb. 13

Treat Yourself: A Galentine's Market – 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Papas & Wings. Grab your besties and get ready for the ultimate girls' night out. Join the Galt Chamber for this fun night filled with all your favorite things. Enjoy a delicious appetizer bar, wine tasting and live DJ while you browse a curated market of amazing local vendors. Get your tickets today at galtchamber.org. 803 C St.

Saturday, Feb. 14 and Sunday Feb. 15

Lodi Wine & Chocolate Weekend – at participating wineries and venues. This 29th annual celebration invites wine lovers to explore the Lodi appellation. Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., enjoy a self-guided passport-style tour through more than 30 participating wineries. Your \$75 Saturday ticket includes a stemless wine glass, gourmet chocolate treat and admission

and tastings (must be age 21+). Sunday, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Appellation Lodi, Wine & Roses Resort and Spa. Your \$95 Sunday ticket includes a long-stem wine glass, wine tastings on site, brunch-style small bites and artisan chocolate samples. Tickets available at lodiwineandchocolate.com. 2505 W. Turner Road, Lodi.

Saturday, Feb. 14

Locke Chinese New Year Celebration – noon to 4 p.m. in Historic Locke. Come visit the only surviving rural Chinese town in the United States. Experience lion dance and martial arts, Chinese music, arts and crafts, guest lectures and more. Suitable for families and children; admission and parking are free. 13916 Main St., Walnut Grove.

San Joaquin County Horseman's Association Crab Feed – 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Micke Grove Memorial Building. Enjoy a dinner featuring crab, tri-tip, pasta, salad, vegetables and bread, along with a raffle, dessert auction, prizes, music and more. For more information or tickets, contact Darla McCallister at 209-992-7927 or Della Gaar, 209-982-1699. 11793 N. Micke Grove Road, Lodi.

Lodi Arts Foundation Art & Music Salon – 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Charlene Powers Lange Performing Arts Theatre. You are invited to an evening of entertainment and enrichment in a relaxed, café-style setting, featuring vocalist Melissa Modifer. Guests will also enjoy original artwork by local artists Marilyn Eager and Patti Kennedy, with pieces available for browsing and purchase. There will also be a wine-pull fundraiser. All proceeds benefit the Lodi Arts Foundation. 125 S. Hutchins St., Lodi.

Sunday, Feb. 15

Do California Native Plants Need Winter Coats? – docent-led tour at the Nature Center at Shumway Oak Grove Regional Park. See how native plants in the Central Valley cope with winter. Which ones disappear completely, and which ones are in their full glory? 4520 W. Eight Mile Road, Stockton.

Saturday, Feb. 21

4th Annual Pasta & Bingo Night – 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Littleton Center. Join the Saint Martin Foundation for its annual fundraising event. \$40 adults, \$25 children includes pasta dinner, five Bingo games and entry for a door prize. Raffle tickets and extra Bingo cards will also be for sale. 410 Civic Drive.

Stockton Police K9 Connection Crab Feed – Doors open at 5:30 p.m. at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. Enjoy a great time with crab dinner, dance, raffle prizes and music. All proceeds benefit the Stockton K9 Connection. For tickets or event information, contact Eric Hutton,

916-284-6381; or Jenny Sahagan, 805-616-7343. 413 E. Lockeford St., Lodi.

Ongoing Events

Galt Café & Cars – every second Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at Café Latte. Open to cars, trucks, bicycles, motorcycles and anything else with wheels. Next event is Saturday, Feb. 14. 1000 C St.

Twin Cities Cruisers Cars and Coffee – last Sunday of every month, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at "Life's Grind" coffee house located in the Raley's shopping center. All makes and models are welcome. This is a family-oriented event: no burnouts, no loud music, no drinking alcohol. 10420 Twin Cities Road.

Wilton Bingo – First Saturday each month. The next bingo will be on Saturday, Feb. 7 in the Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds go to two nonprofits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group. 9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road, Wilton.

Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the following upcoming events at (G) Galt Marian O. Lawrence Library, 1000 Caroline Ave. and (WG) Walnut Grove, 14177 Market St.

Friday, Feb. 6: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Wednesday, Feb. 11: English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Friday, Feb. 13: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Call 916-264-2920 or 800-561-4636 for more information on any of these events.

Veterans Meetings

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave., Elk Grove.

American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233 – general meetings the fourth Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m.

Post 233 Family Breakfast – first Saturday each month at 9 a.m., Mimi's Café, corner of Laguna Boulevard and West Stockton Boulevard (just off Highway 99) in Elk Grove. For more information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 233 – first Monday each month at 5:45 p.m. at the Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District 56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

VFW Post 2073 – second Thursday. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District 56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. For more information, call 916-684-3849. ★

POLICE LOGS

During the time period of Jan. 26 to Feb. 2, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in five arrests.

Jan. 26

3:04 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, McFarland Street.

Jan. 27

7:19 a.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Subway, C Street.

11:35 a.m., Burglary reported, Lake Park Circle: Dishwasher taken from residence.

Jan. 28

12:44 a.m., Battery/Adult Arrest, Hudson Bay Apartments on Lake Park Avenue.

2:31 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, Stirrup Court.

2:47 p.m., Theft reported, Ramon Court.

3:53 p.m., Stolen Vehicle reported, Palm Garden Apartments on A Street: 2006

Nissan taken.

4:58 p.m., Burglary-Auto reported, Carson's Coating on Industrial Drive: Trailer broken into, toolbox stolen.

Jan. 30

7:54 a.m., Vandalism reported, Robert L. McCaffrey Middle School, Park Terrace Drive.

9:50 a.m., Burglary reported, C Street: Front door was unlocked and all the iPads are missing.

Jan. 31

8:24 a.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, The Galt Place on D Street.

Feb. 1

2:26 p.m., Robbery reported, Raley's on Twin Cities Road: Reporting party robbed at gunpoint.

Feb. 2

12:37 p.m., Identity Theft reported, Cold Brook Way. ★

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MEETING MINDERS

Friday, Feb. 6

Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Comfort Inn & Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617.

Sunday, Feb. 8

Galt 4-H Club meeting, 3 p.m., at either Barbara Payne Community Garden or Grange Hall (depending on weather); see Facebook page GALT 4-H or email galt4h@gmail.com.

Thursday, Feb. 12

Lockeford Community Services District Board of Directors, 9 a.m., Old School House, 19456 N. Jack Tone Road.

Friday, Feb. 13

Galt Sunrise Rotary,

7 a.m., Comfort Inn & Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617.

Saturday, Feb. 14

Kiwanis Club of Galt meets at 8:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month at the Comfort Inn, 10380 Twin Cities Road. For more information, visit k13878.site.kiwanis.org/contact.

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Galt City Council, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Cosumnes CSD, 5 p.m., Elk Grove CSD boardroom, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove.

Galt Elementary School Board, 7 p.m., City Hall, 380 Civic Drive, 209-745-4545.

Thursday, Feb. 19

Galt Beautification Committee, 10 a.m., Community Development Dept., 495 Industrial Drive, 209-366-7130.

Galt High School Board, 6 p.m., Council Chambers, 380 Civic Drive.

Herald Fire Protection District, 6 p.m., Station 87, 12746 Ivie Road, 209-748-2322.

Friday, Feb. 20

Galt Sunrise Rotary, 7 a.m., Comfort Inn & Suites, 10380 Twin Cities Road, 209-745-6617. ★

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TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE File No.:25-307940 A.P.N.:148-0270-049-0000

Property Address: 1007 TUDOR ST, GALT, CA 95632. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 22, 2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. The property described heretofore is being sold "as is". The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth why The Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor(s): LAZARO DIOSDADO LANDIN AND ELIA ALEJANDRA DIOSDADO AKA ELISA LUNA RODRIGUEZ, A MARRIES COUPLE Duly Appointed Trustee: Robertson, Anschutz, Schneid and Crane LLP DEED OF TRUST Recorded on February 26, 2021 at Instrument No 202102260672 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of SACRAMENTO County, California Sale Date: 2/17/2026 Sale Time: 9:00 AM Sale Location: East Main Entrance at Gordon D. Schaber Sacramento County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$204,600.28 (Estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1007 TUDOR ST GALT, CA 95632. See Legal Description - Exhibit "A" attached here to and made a part hereof. LEGAL DESCRIPTION - EXHIBIT A THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN IS SITUATED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, CITY OF GALT AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT 111, AS SHOWN ON THE "PLAT OF MEADOWVIEW SUBDIVISION UNIT NO. 3", RECORDED IN BOOK 97 OF MAPS, MAP NO. 19, RECORDS OF SAID

COUNTY. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDER(S): If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER(S): The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800-280-2832) or visit the website <http://www.auction.com>, using the file number assigned to this case 25-307940. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS): Effective January 1, 2021, you may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to California Civil Code Section 2924m. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48-hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (800-280-2832) or visit the website <http://www.auction.com>, using the file number assigned to this case 25-307940 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15-days after the trustee's sale, Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45-days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Robertson,

Anschutz, Schneid and Crane, LLP Date: 1/9/2026 By: Marisol Nagata, Esq. Authorized Signatory 13010 Morris Road, Suite 450 Alpharetta, GA 30004 Phone: 858-997-1304 SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT [HTTP://WWW.AUCTION.COM](http://WWW.AUCTION.COM) FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (800-280-2832) The above-named trustee may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose. CA DPFI Debt Collection License # 11461-99; NMLS ID 2591653. To the extent your original obligation was discharged or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy under Title 11 of the United States Code, this notice is for compliance and/or informational purposes only and does not constitute an attempt to collect a debt or to impose personal liability for such obligation. However, a secured party retains rights under its security instrument, including the right to foreclose its lien. A-4861545 01/23/2026, 01/30/2026, 02/06/2026 GALTHERALD 2-6-26

TS No. 2512041052 Notice Of Default And Foreclosure Sale U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development Recorded in accordance with 12 USCA 3764 (c) APN 150-0410-032-0000 Property Address: 551 Bernier Cir Galt, CA 95632 Title Order No.: 95532837 Whereas, on 7/6/2005, a certain Deed of Trust was executed by Sonja J. Klabunde, a widow as trustor in favor of Financial Freedom Senior Funding Corporation, a Subsidiary of Indymac Bank, F.S.B. as beneficiary, and Diamond Country Escrow, CA as trustee, and was recorded on 7/20/2005, as Book 20050720, Page 0684, in the Office of the County Recorder of Sacramento County, California; and Whereas, the Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and Whereas, the beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an Assignment of Deed of Trust dated 9/22/2017, recorded on 10/6/2017, as instrument number 201710061265, in the Office of the County Recorder, Sacramento County, California; and Whereas, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Deed of Trust in that the payment due on 11/29/2025, was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and Whereas, the entire amount delinquent as of 3/3/2026 is \$468,846.16; and Whereas, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable; Now Therefore, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of Total Lender Solutions, Inc., as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on 9/12/2018 as instrument number 201809121475, notice is hereby given that on 3/3/2026 at 1:30 PM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: Legal Description: Lot 31, As Shown On The Map Of "Plat Of Mitchell Estates" Filed January 10, 1992, In Book Of Maps 220, Map No. 12, Records Of Said County. Commonly known as: 551 Bernier Cir, Galt, CA 95632 The sale will be held at East main entrance to County Courthouse 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid an estimate of \$468,846.16. There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities,

except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his prorata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$46,884.61 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. Each oral bid need not be accompanied by a deposit. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$46,884.61 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the high bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveyancing fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD Field Office representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD field office Representative, offer the Property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The amount that must be paid if the Mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$468,490.48, as of 3/2/2026, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement. Date: 1/14/2026 Total Lender Solutions, Inc. U.S. Dept. of HUD Foreclosure Commissioner By: Rachel Seropian 10505 Sorrento Valley Road, Suite 125 San Diego, CA, 92121 Phone: 866-535-3736 Fax: 866-242-8599 A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document. State

Of CA County Of San Diego On 1/21/2026 before me, Kimberly Alise Lokey, a notary public personally appeared, Rachel Seropian who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. I certify under Penalty Of Perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct. Witness my hand and official seal. Kimberly Alise Lokey (Seal) Published 1/30/2026. 2/6/2026, 2/13/2026 THE GALT HERALD 2-13-26

T.S. No. 25-76360 APN: 148-1190-004-0000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/12/2023. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: MARIELLE VICTORIA BALAEI, A SINGLE WOMAN Duly Appointed Trustee: ZBS LAW, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 7/13/2023, as Instrument No. 202307130828, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: 3/17/2026 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: East Main Entrance, Gordon D. Schaber Sacramento County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$490,215.02 Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed. Street Address or other common designation of real property: 924 POSEY STREET GALT, CALIFORNIA 95632 Described as follows: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST. A.P.N #: 148-1190-004-0000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property

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Water Forum Members Begin Approval Process for 2050 Agreement

Sacramento Water Forum News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Nearly 40 organizations across the Sacramento region are beginning the formal process of approving the Water Forum 2050 Agreement, a major milestone in advancing the next generation of regional water management.

Over the coming weeks and months, cities, counties, water providers, environmental groups, business organizations, and community interests will bring the draft agreement to their elected boards, councils, and governing bodies for consideration. Several organizations have already completed this review and formally approved the Water Forum 2050 Agreement, while others are now beginning their public approval processes. Together, these actions mark the final phase before signatories gather in spring to formally sign the Water Forum 2050 Agreement.

First signed in 2000, the Water Forum Agreement has guided regional efforts to protect the Lower American River while supporting reliable water supplies for the region's communities and economy.

"Twenty-five years ago, the region made a bold decision to move past disagreement and commit to a shared approach for protecting the Lower American River and securing reliable water supplies," said Water Forum executive director Ashlee Casey. "Water Forum 2050 strives for the same level of foresight. Our goal is that 25 years from now, people will view this agreement with the same confidence and appreciation we have for the original."



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Water Forum 2050 updates the long-standing accord by recognizing new challenges and incorporating new science and opportunities to respond to climate change.

Early approvals by Sacramento Suburban Water District, Sacramento Valley Conservancy, Sacramento Regional Builders Exchange, San Juan Water District, Sacramento Metro Chamber, Placer County Water Agency, Sacramento Association of Realtors, El Dorado Irrigation District, Fair Oaks Water District, and East Bay Municipal Utility District, reflect regional alignment around the updated framework and confidence in its ability to guide water reliability and American River protection through 2050.

"Beginning the public approval process marks the transition from negotiation to action," Casey said. "Each board and council vote moves our region closer to a shared commitment for how we will protect the Lower American River, strengthen water reliability, and adapt to a changing climate over the next 25 years."

Water Forum 2050 maintains the coequal objectives that have guided the Water Forum for more than two decades: 1) provide a reliable and safe water supply for the region's economic health and planned development; and 2) reserve the fishery, wildlife, recreational and aesthetic values of the Lower American River.

The updated agreement

includes five program areas – Flows and Operations, Corridor Health, Regional Water Supply Sustainability, Science and Monitoring, and Governance – paired with a new, forward-looking initiative: the American River Climate Adaptation Program (ARCAP).

American River Climate Adaptation Program aims to enhance regional water management by voluntarily linking agencies, infrastructure, and policies to create a truly regional system – one where water is available when and where it's needed, with a focus on preserving cold water in the American River for fish and future supply.

American River Climate Adaptation Program draws from a variety of sources,

including conservation, ground-water recharge, strategic reservoir operations, and shifts in supply sources according to hydrology, to create measurable volumes of "American River Climate Adaptation Program (ARCAP) water."

This water can be stored in wet periods and used during critically dry conditions to support both river health and community water reliability.

Lastly, the Water Forum 2050 Agreement includes Purveyor Specific Agreements (PSAs) that outline opportunities and commitments for the participating water providers to support the coequal objectives through their water management and operations. Together, the program level commitments for the continued regional work of the Water Forum, combined with the includes Purveyor Specific Agreements, form an integrated approach to regional water management. The draft agreement can be found at <https://waterforum.org/water-forum-2-0-process/>.

Next Steps

Each participating organization will review the draft agreement through its own public approval process. Following these actions, Water Forum members aim to finalize and sign the Water Forum 2050 Agreement in early 2026. Supporting materials – including the draft agreement, executive summary, and fact sheets – are available at waterforum.org/water-forum-2-0-process.

For more information and a full list of participating members, visit: waterforum.org. ★

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous (Nar-Anon) family group meetings for friends and family members who are dealing with drug addiction are held locally from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt.

Nominate Your Neighbor

The Galt Beautification Committee wants you to "nominate your neighbor." Has your neighbor recently completed a yard project? Does your neighbor have the best flowers in town or the best-looking yard? The Galt Beautification Committee wants to know.

Send an email with pictures and why you are nominating your neighbor to planningdivision@cityofgalt.org. The best submissions will be included in future newsletters and City Manager Updates.

Senior Bingo Weekly at Chabolla

The Galt Commission on Aging is hosting free Senior Bingo games at the Chabolla Community Center at 600 Chabolla Ave. from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays (except holidays and when required by the city).

Seniors of Galt and its immediate vicinity are invited to have fun and play bingo together and socialize.

Library Offers Older Adults Computer Time

In cooperation with the Galt Commission on Aging, the Galt-Marian O. Lawrence Library will schedule a set time for older adults to use its computers, upon request.

Those 65 and older who want computer time can call the library at 916-264-2920. Staff will help set up the computer or tablet.

The library is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays at 1000 Caroline Ave.

Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

Meals on Wheels is accepting new participants in its Galt All Seasons Café located in the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave.

The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older.

Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533.

Square Dance Classes Mondays

The Diamond Dancers Square Dance Club hosts social square-dancing classes in Galt.

The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays

at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall.

The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St. For more information, call Sue Regadanz at 916-835-8916.

Recycle Household Batteries

City of Galt residents can recycle their household batteries in one of two green household-battery recycling bins: on the west side at the front entrance to the Galt Police Department or on the east side at Galt Community Park, just west of the fire station.

The green bin is only for dry-cell household batteries. For additional information, contact the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

'True Believers Finding Peace and Love' Meeting

The discussion is offered at 3 p.m. every first Saturday of the month at Calvary Life Tabernacle, 446 Third St. For more information, contact Sue Ellen Williams at 818-290-4093.

Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center

The Commission on Aging is looking for volunteers to operate a computer and are willing to answer questions from seniors in person, over the phone, on social media and by email at the Galt Senior Resource Center.

Volunteer slots are available in

two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays.

Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members with questions.

The resource center is at the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. If interested, call 209-294-3308 and leave a message or inquire in person.

TOPS Weekly Meetings

TOPS, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly, holds meetings every Wednesday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 10 N. Mills Ave., Lodi. Meeting time: 10-10:45 a.m.

Weigh-ins: 9-9:50am. No charge for first meeting.

Sunshine Food Pantry Donations


Sunshine Food Pantry is a food closet that helps provide for residents.

Collections of canned food and dry good nonperishable items are received at United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt; call to make an appointment for donations at 209-745-4133.

The food closet is open from 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

AA 24-Hour Hotline

For help with an alcohol-related problem, call the Alcoholics Anonymous 24-hour hotline at 209-745-1525. ★



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It's Ronald Reagan Day. Happy Birthday, Mr. President!



few years, it stood no more.

After leaving the presidency, the Reagan family lived in Los Angeles. The Ronald Reagan Presidential Library and Museum was opened in 1991 in Simi Valley, California. In November 1994, Reagan wrote a letter to the public revealing he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's; he succumbed to the disease at his home on June 5, 2004, at the age of 93.

Following a state funeral in Washington, D.C., Reagan was buried at his library. His wife Nancy was buried next to him after she passed away in 2016. The Reagan Library is impressive and goes far more in depth than this article.

Don and I visited it last summer and were amazed at how Ronald Reagan's life was presented.

The museum was everything I expected and more. One room was dedicated to housing the Air Force One helicopter and airplane, vehicles, etc. It is well worth the trip south.

Feb. 6 also celebrates National Frozen Yogurt Day and National Chopsticks Day. I don't think I can eat frozen yogurt with chopsticks. But it would be worth a try.

I do like to use chopsticks, I take small bites, which makes me take my time eating. And guess what? I don't eat as much and get fuller faster.

There is chopstick etiquette when using them. Here are a few examples: Do not stick them vertically in your bowl or crisscross them on top of your bowl; it is a sign of death.

It is a definite no-no to stab your food with one chopstick in order to eat it and very disrespectful to use them to point at another person. And when finished eating, place them together across the top of your bowl, not on the table.

As for National Frozen Yogurt Day, yogurt has been around for at least 5,000 years and frozen yogurt since the 1970s.

Frozen yogurt is soft served, comes in many flavors and is supposed to be healthy for you.

There are several frozen yogurt chain stores that can accommodate your unique taste.

And no, I probably won't be eating my chocolate yogurt with sliced almonds with chopsticks. I will use a spoon to get a good bite.

Reminder: Valentine's Day is next weekend. Treat your loved ones to dinner, better yet lunch (not so crowded); go to a movie or a fishing weekend, candy, flowers (their favorite, not yours), or a golf game, massage, or maybe just give them a day of quiet.

And a card: Don't forget a card. You'd best be getting those Valentines' cards now, before they are all picked over. Because you don't want to be giving Valentine cards from the cat to your loved ones. Especially since you don't have a cat, but those were the only cards left on the shelf.

Until next week - be strong, be courageous, make a memory. ★

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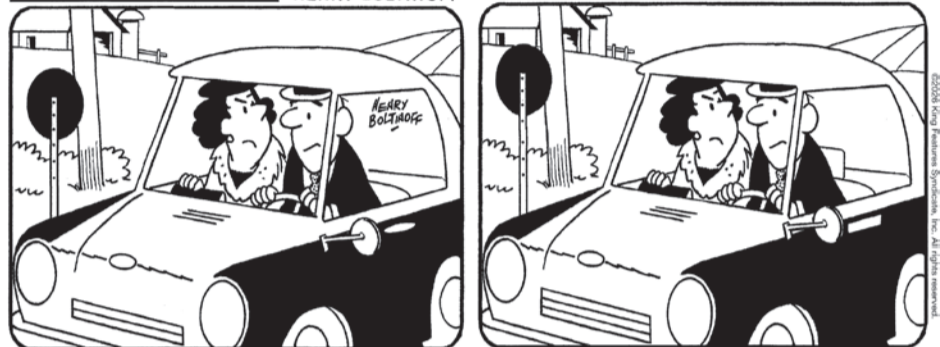
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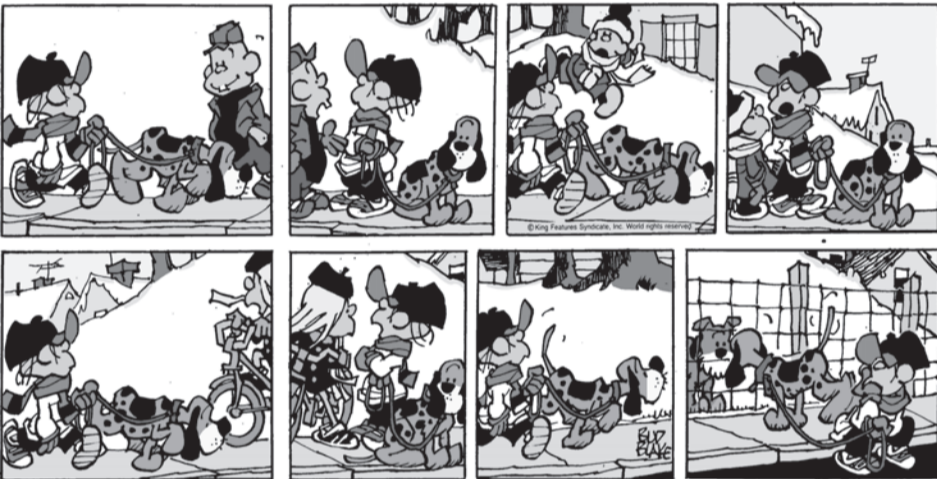
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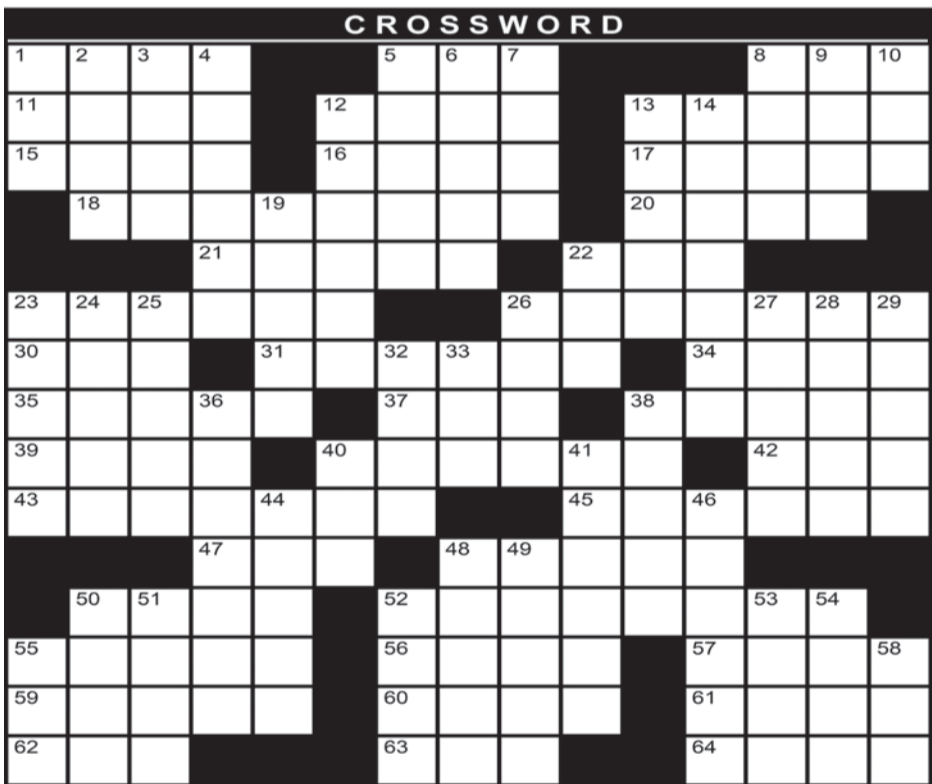
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Liberty Ranch Boys Wrestling Defeats Galt 48-10 Behind Strong Individual Performances

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Liberty Ranch Hawks boys' wrestling team made a resounding statement Wednesday night, defeating crosstown rival Galt High School 48-10 in a dual meet that showcased the depth and talent of the Hawks' young roster. Despite only four weight classes matching up between the two teams, Liberty Ranch's combination of contested victories and forfeit wins demonstrated the program's superior numbers and development.

The final score of 48-10 tells only part of the story. With Liberty Ranch fielding a roster of 15 wrestlers compared to Galt's eight, the Hawks benefited from multiple forfeits that padded their team score. However, when the two teams did meet on the mat, Liberty Ranch proved it could win the battles that mattered, taking three of four contested matches in impressive fashion.

The evening's most dramatic moment came from freshman Julio Bernal, who earned his first varsity victory by edging Galt's Wyatt Burns 12-11 in a match that had the crowd on its feet until the final whistle. Bernal's composure under pressure, particularly impressive for a first-year wrestler in his inaugural varsity win, demonstrated the mental toughness that Head Coach Jose Hernandez has been instilling in his young squad.

"Freshman Julio Bernal was especially impressive, earning his first varsity win in a nail-biter 12-11," said Hernandez. "The boys wrestled very well overall."



Hawk Julio Bernal works to get a hold on Warrior Wyatt Burns.

Sophomore Jordan Gonzalez showcased his grit and determination in a hard-fought 10-7 victory over his Galt opponent. Gonzalez's ability to secure crucial takedowns in key moments proved to be the difference, as he battled through fatigue and pressure to earn the win for the Hawks. His performance exemplified the grinding physical style that Liberty Ranch has embraced this season.

"Sophomore Jordan Gonzalez gutted out some tough takedowns to secure his victory," Hernandez noted, praising his wrestler's resilience.

The most dominant individual performance of the evening came from sophomore Jack Rowe, who dismantled Galt's Anthony Rice 13-3 in a major decision. Rowe controlled the match from start to finish. His commanding victory sent a clear message about

the level of wrestling Liberty Ranch is capable of producing.

"Sophomore Jack Rowe turned in a dominant performance with a major decision," said Hernandez.

The Warriors' lone victory came from senior Vicente Avalos, who defeated Liberty Ranch's Anthony Maldonado 16-4. However, the context of Maldonado's loss reveals another layer of the Hawks' competitive spirit. Hernandez made the strategic decision to bump Maldonado up a weight class, asking him to compete against a larger opponent.

"We also bumped Anthony Maldonado up a weight class, and he rose to the challenge, wrestling very well but came up a little short," Hernandez explained. The willingness to compete up in weight demonstrates the team-first mentality that defines

Liberty Ranch's program.

The disparity in roster sizes between the two programs highlights each team's different trajectories. Galt's roster of eight wrestlers, with six of them seniors, suggests a program facing significant rebuilding in the near future. The Warriors will lose the majority of their lineup to graduation, creating challenges for continuity and



Jordan Gonzales locks his hands around a Warrior's knees.

development.

In contrast, Liberty Ranch's roster of 15 wrestlers, with only three seniors, points to a program building for sustained success. The Hawks' depth allows for competitive practices, strategic lineup decisions and the luxury of developing younger wrestlers without sacrificing team success. The fact that two sophomores and a freshman accounted for three of Liberty Ranch's four contested victories bodes well for the program's future.

"We have a young team that has shown tremendous improvement throughout the season, and we're excited to see how far these boys can go as we head into the postseason," said Hernandez, looking ahead to the challenges that await.

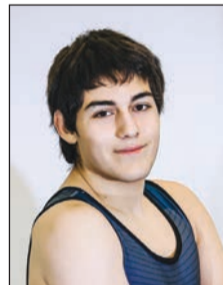
The crosstown rivalry added extra intensity to the dual meet, with both teams understanding the bragging rights at stake. While the

final score was lopsided, the four contested matches provided the drama and competition that makes high school wrestling compelling. Bernal's one-point victory, Gonzalez's gutsy performance and Rowe's dominance all contributed to an evening that Liberty Ranch fans will remember.

As the postseason approaches, Liberty Ranch enters with momentum and confidence. The Hawks have proven they can win close matches, dominate when they have the advantage, and compete even when facing unfavorable matchups. For a young team still developing its identity, these are valuable lessons that will serve them well in tournament competition.

The 48-10 victory over Galt represents more than just a win in the standings; it's a statement about where Liberty Ranch wrestling is headed under Coach Hernandez's leadership. ★

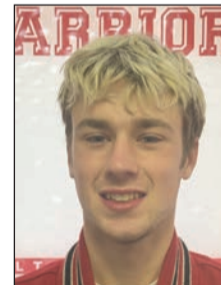
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Quinn Named SVC Football MVP as Liberty Ranch Dominates All-League Honors



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Anthony Harrison-Galt High All League Photo courtesy of Kellie Beck

By Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Sierra Valley Conference has announced its 2025 All-League Football team, with Liberty Ranch junior Andrew Quinn earning Most Valuable Player honors after leading the Hawks to a perfect 7-0 league record and dethroning defending champion Bradshaw Christian. Quinn's dominance on both sides of the ball made him the clear choice for the league's top individual honor.

Quinn was a two-way phenom throughout the season, terrorizing opponents with his explosive rushing ability on offense while anchoring the Hawks' defense with his relentless pursuit and playmaking skills. His versatility and impact in all three phases of the game set him apart as the most complete player in the conference, making him a nightmare for opposing coaches to game plan against.

Head Coach Warren Schroeder was named SVC Coach of the Year by his fellow coaches. Schroeder's honor recognizes his masterful job in guiding Liberty Ranch to an undefeated league championship while toppling Bradshaw Christian, a program that had established itself as

the conference's gold standard. The Hawks' perfect season required strategic brilliance, player development and the ability to keep his team focused and motivated through the pressure of being the hunted rather than the hunter.

Liberty Ranch's dominance was reflected in the All-League selections, as the Hawks placed seven players on the team: the most of any program in the conference. Senior DeShawn Jackson was the lone senior representative, providing veteran leadership and playmaking ability that proved crucial in the Hawks' championship run. Jackson's selection caps a stellar high school career and recognizes his contributions to one of the most successful seasons in program history.

The future looks bright for Liberty Ranch, as five juniors joined Quinn and Jackson on the All-League team. Cutler Perez, Daniel Swearingen, Joe Lara, Ryan Ogas and Soni Takafea all earned recognition for their outstanding performances throughout the season. This young core, combined with Quinn's return for his senior season, positions the Hawks as favorites to defend their championship.

Cross-town rival Galt High School earned one All-League selection, with senior Anthony Harrison representing the Warriors. Harrison's selection

recognizes his individual excellence and leadership throughout the season. Despite Galt's challenging year, Harrison consistently performed at a high level, earning the respect of coaches across the conference.

Harrison's honor provides a bright spot for the Warriors and demonstrates that individual talent can shine even in difficult team circumstances. His selection to the All-League team caps his high school career on a positive note and serves as an example for younger Galt players of the standard required to earn conference recognition.

The All-League selection process involves nominations and voting by coaches throughout the SVC, making it a true peer recognition of excellence. Liberty Ranch's seven selections reflect not just individual talent, but a program-wide commitment to excellence that produced a championship season.

As Liberty Ranch celebrates its perfect league record, Coach of the Year honor for Schroeder, and seven All-League selections including Quinn's MVP award, the foundation has been laid for sustained success. With five juniors returning and a culture of winning established, the Hawks will enter 2026 as the team to beat in the SVC. ★

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Hawk Girls Fall Short Despite Dominant Individual Performances

Story and photos by Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Liberty Ranch Hawks girls wrestling team gave everything it had on Senior Night, but ultimately fell 30-27 to crosstown rival Galt High School in a match that came down to the numbers game rather than the competition on the mat. Despite winning five of six contested matches, the Hawks were forced to forfeit four bouts due to lack of roster depth, handing crucial points to the Warriors and ending Liberty Ranch's quest for a league championship.

"Our girls were on a mission this season to become league champions," said first-year Head Coach Cesar Candido. "They gave everything they had and, while we fell short due to lack of numbers, I couldn't be prouder. These athletes stepped into every dual fully aware of the challenge of being outnumbered, and they still went out there and made a statement. Their toughness, heart and determination never wavered."

The mathematics of the evening told a bitter-sweet story. Liberty Ranch fielded six wrestlers compared to Galt's 10, creating an uphill battle from the start. The Hawks knew



Galt's Madisen Gutierrez pins Liberty Ranch's Merlina Panteleon in the first girls match.



Hawk Kaydince Silva gets Warrior Jacqueline Dahl's shoulders pinned despite the back bend technique.



Hawk Freshman Sofia San Juan wins by decision after a hard-fought match.



Hawk Amie Leah Muela tosses Warrior Zoe Smith to the mat.

they would have to forfeit four weight classes, automatically giving Galt 18 points before a single whistle blew. What followed was a display of dominance by the Liberty Ranch wrestlers who did take the mat, as they won five of the six contested matches in impressive fashion.

Kaydince Silva set the tone for the Hawks with a pin, showcasing the technical skill and aggression that has defined Liberty Ranch's approach all

season. Jordan Gold followed suit with another pin, building momentum for the home team. Sofia San Juan demonstrated her wrestling IQ and conditioning by winning her match by decision, grinding out a hard-fought victory that had the Senior Night crowd on its feet.

Amie Leah Muela continued the Hawks' dominance with a pin of her own, and Emma McLain capped the individual performances with another pin victory. The five wins represented

not just technical superiority, but the heart and determination that Candido referenced in his postgame comments. Each Liberty Ranch wrestler understood the stakes and delivered when the team needed them most.

Galt's lone contested victory came from Madisen Gutierrez, who won her match to provide the Warriors with their only points earned on the mat. Combined with the three forfeit victories worth six points each, Galt accumulated just enough points to edge Liberty Ranch 30-27 in a match that will be remembered for what might have been.

The loss was particularly poignant given the occasion. Senior Night is meant to celebrate the careers of graduating wrestlers and send them off with positive memories. Instead, the Liberty Ranch seniors had to watch their championship dreams slip away not because they were outperformed, but because their team simply didn't have enough bodies to fill every weight class.



Liberty's Jordan Gold prepares to take on Nikolette Gonzalez.

Yet Candido's message to his team was one of pride and forward momentum rather than disappointment.

"Now the focus shifts forward as these girls set their sights on qualifying for Masters and State," he said. "The mission isn't over."

Indeed, the individual performances on Senior Night demonstrated that Liberty Ranch has the talent to make noise in the postseason. Four pins and a decision victory against a league rival show that these Hawks can compete with anyone when they step on the mat.

For Candido, in his first year as girls' wrestling head coach, the evening represented both the challenges and rewards of building a program. The lack of numbers is a reality many girls wrestling programs face as the sport continues to grow in

California. Yet the quality of the wrestlers he does have – athletes willing to compete knowing they're outnumbered, who still find ways to dominate their individual matches – speaks to the culture he's building.

The Hawks' five victories in six contested matches sent a clear message: Liberty Ranch may not have won the team battle, but they won the war on the mat. As these wrestlers prepare for Masters and State qualifying tournaments, they'll carry the confidence that comes from knowing they can beat anyone in their weight class.

As the postseason approaches, Liberty Ranch will look to turn individual excellence into championship hardware. The mission, as Coach Candido said, isn't over; it's just entering a new phase. ★



The Liberty Ranch senior wrestlers are honored at their only home match of the season.

Blevins Named SVC Flag Football MVP as Liberty Ranch Dominates League

By Paige Lampson Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - The Sierra Valley Conference has announced its 2025 All-League Flag Football team, with Liberty Ranch junior Kamrynn Blevins earning the league's highest individual honor as Most Valuable Player. Blevins led the Hawks to a perfect 10-0 league record and a first-place finish, capping off a dominant season for the program.

Blevins' MVP selection highlights a remarkable junior campaign in which she showcased the complete skill set as quarterback that makes her one of the most dynamic players in the conference. Her leadership, athleticism and playmaking ability were instrumental in Liberty Ranch's undefeated run through league competition.

Liberty Ranch's dominance extended beyond Blevins' individual excellence, as three additional Hawks earned All-League recognition. Savanna Garbarino, Madisyn Robbins and Gianna Farren were all named to the SVC All-League team, reflecting the depth and talent that carried Liberty Ranch through an undefeated season.

Garbarino proved to be a versatile threat throughout the season, contributing on both sides of the ball with her speed and football IQ. Robbins brought veteran leadership, providing clutch plays in critical moments. Farren emerged as a reliable playmaker, consistently making the plays necessary to keep Liberty Ranch's perfect season intact.

The Hawks' 10-0 record represents more than just wins and losses: It's a testament to a program that has built a culture of excellence in flag football. Week after week, opponents brought their best effort against the league leaders, yet the Hawks found ways to prevail.

Cross-town rival Galt High School made significant strides in 2025, dramatically improving its program and finishing third in the league standings with a 5-5 record. The Warriors' improvement demonstrates the growth taking place within their program, and their three All-League selections reflect the individual talent driving that progress.

Galt quarterback Chloe Goehring-Tassell earned All-League honors with a standout season that showcased her athleticism and competitive fire. Skylar Moore proved to be one of the Warriors' most consistent performers, making plays on both offense and defense.



Kamrynn Blevins-Liberty Ranch MVP



Gianna Farren-Liberty Ranch All League



Madisyn Robbins-Liberty Ranch All League



Savanna Garbarino-Liberty Ranch All League

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Chloe Goehring-Tassell-Galt High All League



Lorrena Ponce-Galt High All League



Skylar Moore-Galt High All League

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Lorrena Ponce rounded out Galt's All-League trio, providing leadership and playmaking ability that helped the Warriors achieve their best season in recent memory.

The Warriors' 5-5 record and third-place finish represent a significant step forward for a program building toward sustained success. The experience gained this season, combined with the talent returning, positions the Warriors as a program on the rise.

For Blevins, the MVP award caps a junior season that has established her as one of the premier players in the conference. With another year of eligibility

remaining, she'll look to lead Liberty Ranch to another championship run in 2026.

The six local athletes named to the All-League team – four from Liberty Ranch and three from Galt – represent the talent and competitive spirit that makes Sierra Valley Conference flag football compelling to watch. Liberty Ranch's perfect season and league championship, combined with Galt's dramatic improvement, signal a bright future for flag football in the community.

Congratulations to the all-league athletes, and especially to Kamrynn Blevins on her well-deserved MVP honor. ★