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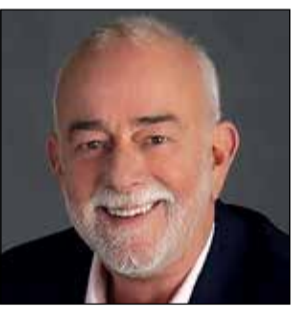
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## Momentum Meets Opportunity

*Business Outlook draws sold-out crowd for regional forecast*



The Rancho Cordova Area Chamber hosted their annual Business Outlook event on Jan. 30 at the Sacramento Marriott Rancho Cordova highlighting the chamber's new brand. Photo courtesy of Riverview Media Photography/Tia Gemmell

By Omella Rossi

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Rancho Cordova's business community packed a sold-out ballroom Friday morning to hear why regional leaders believe the city is well positioned for growth provided businesses stay ready to adapt.

Business owners, elected officials and community partners gathered Jan. 30 at the Sacramento Marriott Rancho Cordova for the Rancho Cordova Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Business Outlook, one of the chamber's most anticipated events. The two-hour program offered a forward-looking



Chamber President and CEO Diann Rogers used her State of the Chamber address to highlight preparedness as the defining factor for business success. Photo courtesy of Riverview Media Photography/Tia Gemmell

advances in manufacturing and health care. We are attracting investment, crediting collaboration among businesses, government and community

organizations for the city's continued growth.

"That doesn't happen by chance," Gatewood said. "That happens because of strong partnerships, companies and organizations willing to work together to build stronger communities."

A key feature of the morning was the 2026 economic forecast delivered by Dr. Sanjay Varshney, founder and chief economist of Goldenstone Wealth Management and a finance professor at Sacramento State. Varshney said the overall outlook remains positive, though not without

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## County Launches Land Use Regulation Library

**Sacramento County News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento County Planning & Environmental Review recently announced the launch of the Land Use Regulation Library at landuse.sacounty.gov.

The Land Use Regulation Library is the new permanent home for the County's Development Code, which includes the General Plan, Zoning Code (including Special Planning Areas and Neighborhood Preservation Areas), Countywide Design Guidelines, Specific Plans, Master Plans, Climate Action Plan and South Sacramento Habitat Conservation Plan. This library aims to improve compliance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act's mandate of providing accessible website and mobile app content.

"I'm proud that our team has stepped up to the challenge and significantly improved the ease of use of a wide range of the County's land use regulatory documents," said Todd Smith, Sacramento County planning director. "This first step creates a single, easy to use interface for all internal and external customers."

The library is a work-in-progress project with documents actively being converted to the new webpage format. Some content will remain as an archived PDF or as a transitional PDF until conversion is completed.

Planning staff will be adding content and taking feedback during this open beta period to improve the library experience before its targeted completion in spring.

In addition to improving accessibility, the library includes many features to improve the experience of using the Development Code. The Land Use Regulation Library provides a mobile friendly interface on a modern web framework used by global brands including Google, VISA and IKEA.

Instead of searching through hundreds of PDF documents, one search box is now available to explore all regulations posted in the new webpage format. Learn what uses are permitted, prohibited or require a conditional use permit in each zone with a few clicks. Explore Planning definitions, applicable regulations instantly.

Features of the Land Use Regulation Library include finding popular Code sections right from the homepage, getting an estimate for Planning entitlements from one page and easily shareable links to specific code sections. ★

## From Classroom to Community

*Students Build Real-World AI Solutions at Cordova High School*



Bhaskar Vempati, President of Suvridha International Foundation (left) poses with all the participating students along with other program mentors. Photo by Rick Sloan

By Bhaskar Vempati, Founder and President of Suvridha International Foundation

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Suvridha International Foundation, a California-based 501(c)(3) non-profit, successfully organized the After-School Industrial AI Agent Development Program at Cordova High School. The program offered students a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in artificial

intelligence while solving real-world problems that directly impact their community.

The program was supported by the City of Rancho Cordova through a \$40,000 award from its Community Enhancement & Investment Funds (CEIF). Running from Sept. 24, 2025, through Jan. 30, the program was open to students in Grades 9-12. This five-month initiative was thoughtfully designed to introduce students to AI and AI agent

development without requiring prior experience. The curriculum progressed from foundational concepts to more advanced applications, enabling both beginners and experienced learners to steadily build confidence, technical skills and problem-solving abilities.

As part of the program, students collaborated in teams to design and develop two impactful AI applications focused on addressing real

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# From Classroom to Community

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community needs. The first project was a Customer Service AI Agent developed for the City of Rancho Cordova, created to help residents and local businesses quickly and easily find answers to common city service questions. This AI agent addressed challenges such as identifying the correct department to contact, navigating city resources and understanding permits, trash services, billing and other frequently asked questions — providing accessible, 24/7 support beyond regular office hours.

The second project was an Energy Efficiency AI Agent, developed in collaboration with SMUD, focused on helping Rancho Cordova homeowners, renters and small businesses better understand and manage their energy usage. The AI agent offers around-the-clock guidance on energy-saving practices, local utility programs and practical steps to reduce utility bills. Beyond individual cost savings, this project supports broader sustainability and environmental goals by encouraging energy efficiency and reducing overall demand on the power grid.

The program benefited 32 students, who gained valuable hands-on experience in Generative AI, Python programming, machine learning and natural language processing (NLP). Weekly in-person sessions were held every Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. at Cordova High School, with Zoom access available for students who required remote participation. To ensure inclusivity and flexibility, additional Sunday evening make-up sessions were conducted to accommodate academic, athletic and personal schedules. The curriculum was intentionally structured to evolve over time, helping



Trophies were handed out to all participating students of both AI applications. One for the Customer Service AI Agent for the City of Rancho Cordova and one for an Energy Efficiency AI Agent for SMUD. Photo by Rick Sloan

students understand how AI is applied in industries such as customer service and energy efficiency while preparing them for future STEM education and career pathways.

The program was led by Bhaskar Vempati, Founder and President of Suvridha International Foundation, who provided overall leadership, vision and coordination for the initiative. Instruction and technical mentorship were provided by Mr. Jothi Periyasamy, a Stanford graduate and AI expert affiliated with MIT and Harvard Innovation Labs. Along with his team, he offered students exposure to industry-level practices, real-world AI use cases and professional insights that bridged the gap between classroom learning and practical application.

A program demo was held on Jan. 9 and was attended by Rancho Cordova Council Members Siri Pulipati and Joe Little, Rita Gass, Chief Digital Transformation Officer for the City of Rancho Cordova, FCUSD Vice President YK Chalamcherla and SMUD Directors Michael Champ and Oliver Daniels, who provided valuable feedback to the student teams.

The program concluded with a Grand Final AI

Showcasing on Friday, Jan. 30, from 5 to 7p.m. at the Cordova High School Multipurpose Hall. The event brought together a distinguished group of attendees, including City of Rancho Cordova Mayor Garrett Gatewood, an eight-member SMUD delegation led by Board President Dave Tamayo, SMUD Directors Michael Champ and Oliver Daniels, FCUSD Board President Jennifer Laret, Rick Sloan, Cordova Recreation & Park District Director, Cordova High School leadership, Golden 1 representatives, local IT professionals, parents, and community members. Golden 1 Credit Union partially sponsored four laptops for program students.

The final showcasing celebrated student innovation highlighted the tangible impact of their AI solutions, and demonstrated the power of strong partnerships among schools, nonprofits, local government and industry in advancing AI and STEM education for the next generation. Suvridha International Foundation plans to organize two additional AI programs at Cordova High School in 2026, continuing our partnership to expand AI education opportunities for students. ★

# La Sierra Hosts Valentines Bash

By Susan Maxwell Skinner

**CARMICHAEL, CA (MPG)** - Toes will tap for a senior Valentine's concert and dance in La Sierra Community Center on Feb. 13.

Carmichael Kiwanis Club's Big Band will present romantic waltzes, ballads and lively swing tunes. The pride of its organization, the 18-piece ensemble comprises the world's only Kiwanis Club band.

Musicians range from 20 to 80-plus years old.

"It's a diverse volunteer group," said bandleader/trumpeter Michael Koons.

"Our repertoire ranges from 1940s standards to contemporary numbers. We mainly play community gigs. Anything we earn goes to our club. We're certain everyone will have a great time at our

Valentines concert - whether they're dancing or just listening."

Anyone can attend the Feb. 13 bash. Seniors and friends of any age may dance or applaud from table seating. A \$5 admission includes light refreshments; 50 percent of proceeds supports the Kiwanis Club. Downbeat is at 1:30 p.m.; last dance is at 3:30 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased at [www.carmichaelpark.com](http://www.carmichaelpark.com) or at the event. La Sierra Community Center is located at 5325 Engle Road, Carmichael and parking is free. Sponsors include Carmichael Recreation and Park District; Carmichael Parks Foundation; Oakmont of Carmichael; Buck family Automotive; Kiwanis Club of Carmichael; Supervisor Rich Desmond. ★

# California Visitor's Guide Unveiled



Visit California's comprehensive guide inspires travelers to explore California, complete with an insider's handbook on the state's hidden gems, a Route 66 road map to celebrate the route's centennial, travel tips and more. Photo courtesy of Visit California

Visit California News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The 2026 edition of the California Visitor's Guide featuring cover star Mandy Moore is now available. The comprehensive guide inspires travelers to explore California, complete with an insider's handbook on the state's hidden gems, a Route 66 road map to celebrate the route's centennial, travel tips and more.

"Mandy is a true embodiment of the California dream, a real-life Disney princess, and a wonderful ambassador for the Golden State," said Caroline Beteta, president and CEO of Visit California. "Her connection to California reflects the freedom, creativity and optimism that draw travelers here from around the world. This guide is filled with countless stories and experiences that inspire unforgettable journeys across the state."

In Moore's profile, she shares how destinations across the state have shaped her sense of home, creativity and community - from her neighborhood roots in Altadena and time spent in Los Angeles County to family road trips along the Pacific Coast Highway and visits to the Monterey Bay Aquarium.

"Anywhere I am in California, I feel at home," said Moore. "I hope that California feels as proud of me as I am of it."

Available in print and online, the

visitor's guide is packed with useful information for trip-planning, as well as inspired ideas for exploring lesser-known experiences across the state.

Highlights of the 2026 California Visitor's Guide include an insider's handbook to California's most intriguing and lesser-known experiences including an exploration of Route 66 (celebrating its Centennial in 2026) one of America's most storied highways, which winds through California's deserts, canyons and epic beachside conclusion, with essential stops and historic landmarks along the way.

The guide also includes "Five Vacation Vibes," featuring five diverse, curated itineraries designed for every type of traveler; a spotlight on the Eastern Sierra's dramatic landscapes and showcasing why the region is a must-visit for nature lovers in 2026; gold medal-worthy snow getaways that traverse California's premier snow destinations, with athlete-recommended spots; and expert advice on tackling California's multitude of options and offerings, including timing, logistics, seasonal considerations and tips from locals on how to maximize a California vacation.

The 2026 Visitor's Guide is available at California Welcome Centers, regional tourism offices and online at [VisitCalifornia.com/travel-guides](http://VisitCalifornia.com/travel-guides). It will also be distributed in March with three People Inc. publications: "Travel + Leisure, Food & Wine and Real Simple." ★

# California State Fair to Move to Fall Beginning in 2027

By MPG Staff

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California State Fair will shift from its traditional summer schedule to a fall timeframe beginning in 2027, fair officials announced.

The change is intended to address increasingly extreme summer temperatures in the Sacramento region and improve conditions for fairgoers, staff and vendors. The 2027 fair is scheduled to run from Sept. 17 through Oct. 3.

Officials said the 2026 California State Fair, set for July 17 through Aug. 2, will

be the final fair held during the summer months.

According to fair leadership, the decision follows several years of evaluation and planning, including consideration of public safety, attendance patterns and operational impacts related to prolonged heat. Many other state fairs across the country already operate during fall months.

Fair organizers said the schedule change is a long-term shift and part of broader efforts to adapt the event to changing climate conditions while preserving its traditions. ★

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# Momentum Meets Opportunity



From left, Steve Pearce with ABSO Technologies and Maggie Thyken Huss with Visit Rancho Cordova helped unveil the chamber's new brand logo. Photo courtesy of Riverview Media Photography/Tia Gemmell

The Ambassador of the Year award was presented to Sabrina Ippolito during the 2026 business outlook. Photo courtesy of Riverview Media Photography/Tia Gemmell

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uncertainty.

"The outlook for '26 is still good," Varshney said. "Growth is still the consensus. Tariffs may weaken growth, but a recession is unlikely as tax cuts and rate cuts kick in."

He pointed to strong corporate profits, record forward profit margins for the S&P 500 and healthy household balance sheets as signs of continued economic resilience, even as the country heads into a midterm election year.

Technology's growing influence on the workplace was the focus of a presentation by Dr. Hemant K. Bhargava, a distinguished professor at UC Davis and director of the Center for Analytics and Technology in Society. Bhargava said artificial intelligence is rapidly changing how work is done and evaluated.

"We're moving from the age of

doing to the age of evaluating," Bhargava said, describing what he called the "evaluator age."

While AI can boost productivity, he cautioned that errors are inevitable.

"The potential for errors is a feature, not a bug," Bhargava said, stressing that human judgment, ethics and oversight remain critical for high-stakes decisions.

Bhargava emphasized the need for governance frameworks, tiered trust models and workforce retraining to ensure AI is used responsibly. Universities and employers, he said, must focus on building evaluator skills such as domain expertise, AI literacy and ethical reasoning.

Chamber President and CEO Diann Rogers used her State of the Chamber address to highlight preparedness as the defining factor for business success.

"Most businesses don't fail because they misread the economy,"

Rogers said. "They fail because they're not prepared to change."

Rogers said the chamber has shifted its focus from activity for activity's sake to building systems, programs and partnerships that help businesses stabilize and grow. In 2025 alone, the chamber hosted more than 80 events while also expanding training and workforce initiatives.

One of those efforts is Talent Pipeline Management, an employer-led workforce development program designed to shorten hiring timelines and better align skills with industry needs. The Rancho Cordova chamber is currently directing two such programs and, in partnership with the Roseville Chamber, recently secured nearly \$500,000 in grant funding to expand the work.

Hiring, Rogers said, remains one of the biggest constraints for local employers.

"Prepared communities don't wait," Rogers said. "They build capacity before it's needed. That's the role of your chamber, not just an event organizer, but a leader in building business infrastructure."

The event also included recognition and awards. Andrea Nelson presented the Ambassador of the Year award to Sabrina Ippolito, citing her "exceptional dedication" and commitment to supporting fellow members.

"From the moment she opened her doors, she didn't just join our business community, she became a champion of it," Nelson said.

Outgoing 2024-25 board chair Kristen Holihan of River Valley Community Bank was also honored for her leadership. French praised Holihan's integrity and collaborative spirit, calling her "a trusted voice and a constant supporter of our board and our community."

Holihan and Ippolito received

certificates from U.S. Rep. Ami Bera, state Sen. Roger Niello, Assemblymember Josh Hoover and Sacramento County Supervisor Pat Hume.

The morning concluded with the unveiling of the chamber's new brand, the result of a 10-month collaborative process. Steve Pearce of ABSO Technologies, chair of the rebrand committee, said the goal was authenticity.

"Our responsibility was not just to redesign a logo, but to listen," Pearce said. "What we heard is that the chamber is playing a larger role than ever in connecting businesses, workforce and opportunity. The brand needed to reflect that reality."

As Gatewood summed up earlier in the program, the message of the morning was clear: Rancho Cordova's momentum is real, and its future depends on staying ready for what comes next. ★



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# California's Nursing Shortage Will Not Fix Itself

By Heather Brown, Dean, College of Health Sciences, California Northstate University

California's nursing shortage is not a future problem. It is here, unevenly distributed, quietly worsening, and increasingly difficult to solve with piecemeal solutions.

Across the state, healthcare leaders have experienced a significant and growing shortage of registered nurses, nurse anesthetists, and nursing faculty for years. While some regions appear adequately staffed on paper, much of the state, particularly rural and Northern California, are heavily impacted by these shortages. By 2033, California is projected to need 61,000 additional registered nurses to meet demand.

What is often missing from this conversation is the question of how we build the workforce, not just for today, but for the next generation of care.

At California Northstate University (CNU), we believe the answer lies in designing healthcare education differently: intentionally, collaboratively, and with community needs at the center.

California Northstate University was founded by clinicians with a simple premise: healthcare education should directly support the communities it serves. Today, our university brings undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs together under one roof, allowing students and faculty across medicine, pharmacy, psychology, dentistry, nursing, and the sciences to collaborate from the very beginning of their training.

Collaboration matters because healthcare does not happen in silos. Neither should education.

In January 2025, California Northstate University launched its Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program specifically to help meet regional workforce demand. In its first year alone, the university has committed more than \$600,000 in nursing scholarships, an average of \$18,000 per qualifying student annually, to help offset the financial barriers many nursing students face.

These barriers have grown in recent years as changes to federal loan programs have treated nursing differently from other professional healthcare degrees;

this increases the financial burden on students entering one of the most essential fields in our healthcare system. At a time when California needs nurses more than ever, that dynamic deserves attention, and action.

Increasing the number of nursing students is only part of the solution.

A critical and often overlooked constraint is the shortage of nursing faculty. Across the country, qualified applicants are turned away from nursing programs each year not because of lack of interest, but because there are not enough educators to teach them. Without faculty, the pipeline narrows, no matter how great the need.

That is why California Northstate University is actively assessing future program growth, including the development of graduate nursing programs focused on education and leadership. A Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) pathway that prepares nurse educators and academic leaders is not just an academic expansion; it is a workforce strategy. The strategy recognizes that the sustainability of nursing depends on those willing and able to teach the next generation.

Our broader approach is equally intentional. With undergraduate pre-med pathways and a BS-MD Honors Track and professional degrees in medicine, pharmacy, psychology, dentistry, and now nursing, California Northstate University is structured to move students from the classroom to the bedside. In a connected, collaborative environment students learn early what it means to work as part of a healthcare team, because that is how care is delivered in the real world.

California's healthcare challenges are complex, and no single institution can solve them alone. But universities have a responsibility to respond, not just by producing graduates, but by building systems that meet real workforce needs, anticipate future gaps, and lower barriers for those willing to serve.

The nursing shortage will not resolve itself. It will require investment, innovation, and a willingness to rethink how we educate healthcare professionals.

At California Northstate University, that work is already underway. ★

# PG&E Donates \$1 Million to Local Food Banks to Feed Families

Pacific Gas and Electric Company News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) is contributing \$1 million to help local food banks replenish stocks after the holidays and help feed the growing number of individuals and families struggling to put food on the table.

The PG&E funding will provide the equivalent of approximately 3 million meals for individuals and families. It will support 38 food banks representing 47 counties in PG&E's Northern and Central California service area.

Nine of these food banks are located in the greater Sacramento area and are collectively receiving \$168,000 in funding. In Amador County, the Interfaith Council of Amador will receive \$5,000. El Dorado County's Food Bank of El Dorado County is allocated \$12,830, while the Food Bank of Nevada County will receive \$5,000. Placer Food Bank in Placer County is set to receive \$17,300. In Sacramento County, Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services will receive \$40,000. San Joaquin County includes two recipients: the Emergency Food Bank of Stockton and Second Harvest Food Bank of the Greater Valley, each receiving \$26,660. In Yolo County, Yolo Food Bank is awarded \$19,170.

It is the third contribution to food banks since September from PG&E or the PG&E Corporation Foundation (the PG&E Foundation). Funding for these charitable contributions comes from PG&E shareholders, not PG&E customers.

Officials with the California Association of Food Banks said that food banks are facing record-breaking demand, the highest since the pandemic.

"California food banks experienced an unexpected surge with the [federal government] shutdown this fall. So, we reached out for help on their behalf and PG&E responded," said Stacia Levenfeld, Chief Executive Officer of California Association of Food Banks. "Their \$1 million gift to food banks throughout

Northern and Central California will have a meaningful impact on the lives of millions of people this holiday season and help food banks continue their critical work in our communities."

Joe Wilson, vice president, PG&E's North Valley & Sierra Region added, "We are grateful to help local food banks fulfill their mission during this time of increasing demand, especially as more families and seniors are struggling through the holiday season. Our longstanding partnership with the California Association of Food Banks supports the safety net that is our local food banks."

## 2025 Support for Food Banks

In September, the PG&E Foundation awarded \$1.12 million to support local food banks, tribal food banks and senior meal programs. In November, the PG&E Foundation donated \$250,000 to the California Association of Food Banks' Emergency Response Fund.

According to the California Association of Food Banks, while California produces nearly half of the nation's fruits and vegetables, more than one in five residents do not know where their next meal will come from. Communities of color face even higher levels of food insecurity.

Grant amounts that will be awarded to local organizations account for county poverty and unemployment levels, using the California Department of Social Services' formula, to promote equity among counties with higher need.

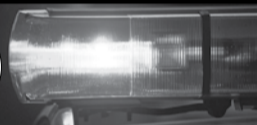
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# Celebrate Financial Wellness Month with CalKIDS

CalKIDS Scholarships News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Financial Wellness Month is a time for families across California to set goals, build healthier money habits and plan for the year ahead. It's also the perfect moment for parents and guardians to take one simple step that can make a long-term difference for a child's future: claim a CalKIDS Scholarship Account that may already be waiting in their name.

CalKIDS is a statewide program that provides automatic scholarship accounts to help California newborns, young children, and eligible public school students pay for college or career training. For many families, the scholarship is already available and just needs to be claimed by visiting [CalKIDS.org](http://CalKIDS.org). Unlike many scholarships, CalKIDS does not require essays, a minimum GPA, or recommendation letters, making it an easy first step for families planning ahead.

Statewide, more than 60 percent of public school students in grades 2 to 12 are eligible to claim a CalKIDS Scholarship worth up to \$1,500. Eligible college-aged students may also have a CalKIDS Scholarship Account and can use funds once they are enrolled in an accredited college or eligible career training program.

Additionally, children born in California on or after July 1, 2022, also have a scholarship account worth up to \$175. This includes an additional \$50 for parents and guardians who link the child's CalKIDS Scholarship Account to a ScholarShare 529 Account, California's official education savings plan, where they can continue saving on their own. Linking to ScholarShare 529 Account is one way CalKIDS encourages long-term planning and helps families build savings habits over time.

"California is investing in our



As a cradle-to-career program, CalKIDS helps families connect today's small step to tomorrow's opportunity. Photo courtesy of CalKIDS

children because education and career training are the strongest pathways to opportunity," said State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA, Chair of the ScholarShare Investment Board. "CalKIDS is a \$2 billion public investment that puts scholarship funds within reach for millions of Californians. During Financial Wellness Month, I encourage parents, guardians, and students to visit [CalKIDS.org](http://CalKIDS.org), to see if they have a scholarship account ready to be claimed."

The program has created more than five million individual CalKIDS Scholarship Accounts, making it the largest child development account program in the nation. For families, claiming a scholarship is a practical step that can make planning for college or career training feel more real and achievable.

Claiming a scholarship is quick, easy, and can be done



Statewide, more than 60 percent of public school students in grades 2 to 12 are eligible to claim a CalKIDS Scholarship worth up to \$1,500. Photo courtesy of CalKIDS

entirely online: Go to [CalKIDS.org](http://CalKIDS.org) and click "Confirm Eligibility". For newborns and young children born on or after July 1, 2022, enter the child's Local Registration Number (LRN), a 13-digit number found on the child's birth certificate.

For students in grades 2 to

12, enter the Statewide Student Identifier (SSID), a 10-digit number found on the student's school portal, transcript, report card, or by contacting their school directly. College-aged students who no longer have access to their school portal can contact their former high school to request their Statewide Student Identifier.

CalKIDS scholarship funds can help cover qualified education expenses for college or career training, including tuition and fees, required books and supplies, and computer equipment. Scholarship funds can be used once a student is at least 17 and enrolled in an accredited college, university, or career training program.

Mallory R., a student from Evergreen Valley College shared, "CalKIDS provides low income students, such as myself, with additional financial support for

higher education. CalKIDS has been a fundamental resource for my academic career through the provision of additional financial support thus allowing me to completely focus on my academic journey without financial insecurity."

For many students and families, discovering they have scholarship funds through CalKIDS can be more than financial support. It can make planning feel real and achievable, and it can encourage earlier steps toward education and career goals.

"The CalKIDS program has been a catalyst for building a culture around financial wellness," according to Dora Beyer, Vice President of Community Development at Excite Credit Union. "We have dozens of schools and non-profits collaborating on outreach and education around how CalKIDS supports college readiness. Students and families appreciate the simplicity of the program and are eager to learn about additional ways to prepare financially for education."

Financial wellness is built through consistent habits and forward-looking choices, and Financial Wellness Month is a reminder that planning ahead does not have to be complicated. Through CalKIDS, California is helping families build assets and expand access to education and career training. For older students, the program provides real financial support to meet immediate education needs. For families with young children, CalKIDS plants the seeds of lifelong financial literacy and savings-minded habits.

As a cradle-to-career program, CalKIDS helps families connect today's small step to tomorrow's opportunity. Parents, guardians, and students are encouraged to visit [CalKIDS.org](http://CalKIDS.org) to check eligibility and claim a scholarship account as part of their financial planning for higher education. ★



# The Weekly Whistle

## The Car Ride Home That Builds or Breaks an Athlete

By Jason Harper

There is a moment after every practice and every game that no coach can fully control. It happens in a car. With the windows up and the AC cranking, your student athlete is still wearing sweat and silence. It is the car ride home where the real lesson lands.

For one hour a day, a parent becomes the head coach of the athlete's mind.

Not with drills.

Not with playbooks.

With words. Tone. Timing. And emotion.

Too often, we unknowingly undo what the field tried to build.

Look in the rearview mirror. A kid who just ran their heart out, shoulders slumped, replaying one mistake on a loop. They do not need a breakdown of everything they did wrong. They already know. Their nervous system is still in competition mode. Their identity is fragile at that moment.

What they need is regulation before reflection.

Parents seek progress, which is a good thing.

But many car rides turn into interrogations:

"Why didn't you shoot?"

"What were you thinking?"

"You weren't focused today."

Or the phrase my Pop tattooed on my soul: "You've got to want it more."

I hated that statement more than I hated failure.

To the parental mind, it sounds motivational.

To the young athlete, it sounds like this:

"Your value is tied to performance."

"You disappointed me."

"You are not enough."

Over time, the car ride becomes a place of anxiety instead of recovery. The athlete learns to brace. To shut down. To fear mistakes. Sport becomes pressure instead of growth. And then parents wonder why kids quit.

There is another way.

Great car rides do not analyze first. They connect first. They start with safety, not strategy.

When my kids were younger, we played "Low/High." What was the low point and the high point of your day? Regardless of the low, we focused on the high. It opened the door.

"Proud of your effort."

"I loved watching you compete."

"You didn't quit today. That matters."

"I'm glad I get to watch you play."

"I see your progress."

These statements do not ignore mistakes. They put them in the right order.

Order matters.

Emotion first.

Identity second.

Correction third.

When correction comes too early, it feels like rejection.

When it comes after connection, it feels like coaching.

The car ride home is not the time to fix mechanics. It is time to fix meaning.

What did today mean to the athlete?

Was it courage or embarrassment?

Growth or fear?

Parents help write that story, whether they intend to or not.

The best ones understand this rule:

You are not coaching the game. You are coaching the memory of the game.

Memories become identity. Identity becomes behavior. Behavior becomes destiny.

A child who hears, "You stayed in the fight," becomes resilient.

A child who hears, "You blew it again," becomes afraid to try.

This does not mean lowering standards. It means raising wisdom.

There is a place for film study.

There is a place for feedback.

There is a place for accountability.

But the car ride home is a bridge, not a courtroom. It should carry the athlete from competition back into confidence. From pressure back into peace. From outcome back into effort.

One simple practice can change everything:

Wait ten minutes.

Let the athlete speak first.

Ask one question:

"What did you learn today?"

Not, "What went wrong?"

Not, "Why didn't you..."

But, "What did you learn?"

That question builds thinkers instead of fearers. Students instead of performers. Athletes who stay in the game longer.

Because the most important coaching moment of the day does not wear a whistle.

It wears a seatbelt.

And when we make these simple adjustments, we create lifelong winners in the classroom, locker room, family room, and boardroom.

And that is why at "The Weekly Whistle — Where Winning Goes Beyond the Scoreboard," we remind ourselves that development is shaped not only on the field, but in the quiet miles that follow it.

And that, friends, is a first down! ★



By Bob McGarvey

I will need to contact the council members and get more information about how Rancho Cordova will celebrate the 250 years of our Independence and what was needed in the Revolution that went from 1763 until 1765. There were Loyalists to Revolutionaries, spies in the House of Liberty, to the English King, what he did to the 13 colonies, and the ride of Paul Revere and the English Red Coats who were planning to take them over. Then we can look at events which showed freedom and how our country fought the British power. The Revolution affected the view of other countries and what they thought of the power of the British.

I looked at the history of the Revolution, and I am trying to find out how our city is looking at our history, and how we can celebrate our semiquincentennial of the American Revolution and Declaration of Independence on July 4, 2026. During the Bicentennial in 1976, we sold many flags and had the community paint

# And Another Thing

## Celebrating our Semiquincentennial Anniversary

fire hydrants, so they were red, white and blue like the flag. We repaired the Edward Kelly Preschool on Bradshaw Road. It was initially a regular one-room school. We did a great job on the school and made it safe for the kids to go to the school.

With the weather we are facing today, I am a little worried about the lack of rain we are missing from last month. It rained on Jan. 1, 3, 4 and 5 and none the rest of the month. The month of February hasn't had any rain yet, and weather forecasters predict there won't be any for the next 10 days. I guess it's ok, but I will feel more comfortable when the rain comes back, and we are receiving the usual snow in the Sierra and the usual rain in Northern California. All we can do is wait and see how the weather becomes more regular (whatever regular weather is). Back east, the weather is not "regular" when there are ice storms and snowstorms. Over 40 people have, unfortunately, died because of the storms. I talked to my brother in Indiana a couple of days ago, and the temperature was 5 degrees. Today the highs are in the

twenty-degree range in Florida where two of our children live.

There was a bomb cyclone that produced freezing temperatures across a large portion of the United States from the Gulf Coast to New England, bringing heavy snow to North Carolina where two were killed in storm related conditions and setting records in Florida, where officials warned of ice and falling iguanas. That kind of weather they are receiving back east is really scary. Another report I just read said "about 150 million people were under cold weather advisories and extreme cold mornings in the eastern portion of the United States, with wind chills near zero to single digits in the south and the coldest air mass seen in south Florida since December 1989."

In our home of Rancho Cordova, we are watching the weather that is affecting our daughter and son in Florida and two grandsons back east in the Navy. We will continue to hope for them and their safety.

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



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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  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026  
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" 4150 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

"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  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026  
REBEL 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00335

Peter Lawrence, 6449 Sunnyfield Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PRI Consulting" 6449 Sunnyfield Way, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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PRI 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00372

Karla Eriksen Hurd, PO Box 660214, Sacramento, CA 95866 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Key Property/KPS Commercial" 1060 Los Molinos Way, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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KEY 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00534

Fakhria Baqizadeh, 5417 Palm Avenue #25, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Beauty Land Makeup" 5417 Palm Avenue #25, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026  
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BEAUTY 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09310

Stan M Jennings, PO Box 1296, Rancho Cordova, CA 95741 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Spirit Memory Awakening" 2118 Forest Lake Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 26, 2025  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 13, 2026  
SPIRIT 2-13-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00551

Rosemarie Martell, 4707 Meyer Way, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Farmers Wife" 5701 Winding Way, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 16, 2026  
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FARMERS 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09196

Tawny Marinoble, 1545 El Camino Verde Drive, Lincoln, CA 95648 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Avera" 1545 El Camino Verde Drive, Lincoln, CA 95648. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 22, 2025  
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AVERA 2-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00560

Jason Carter, 2908 Notre Dame Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious 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 9581

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

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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  
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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

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00155  
Blauberg CA Corp, 830 Morris Turnpike, Suite 201, Short Hills, NJ 07078 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Blau & Berg Company" 2710 Gateway Oaks Drives, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 7, 2026  
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BLAU 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00469  
22 Wood Design LLC, 6745 50th Street, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Superb Handyman Services" 6745 50th Street, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026  
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SUPERB 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00356  
Waheed Khan, 2015 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Best Rate Motors" 2015 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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BEST 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00392  
Ryan Williams, 5511 North Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "RESR Services/RAW Rips/RAW Resale" 5511 North Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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RESR 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00688  
Blue Collar Coaching LLC, 2135 Butano Drive Suite 210, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mortgage Marketing Animals" 2135 Butano Drive Suite 210, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 23, 2026  
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MORTGAGE 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00006  
Liem Sa, 4 Sedley Court, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Led Sign & Print" 4 Sedley Court, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento

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LED 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00399  
Desiree Taylor, 701 Howe Avenue, Suite C3, #262, Sacramento, CA 95825 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Taylor Legacy Services/Taylor Legacy Notary" 3634 Milton Way, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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TAYLOR 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00613  
Carol Klunder and John Klunder, 7044 Mariposa Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Cinderella's House Magic/CHM Enterprises" 7044 Mariposa Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
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CINDERELLAS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00604  
Nanette M. Barto, QFDE, 13653 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eye for the Obvious/Eagle Eye Handwriting Services" 13653 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
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EYE 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00044  
All Phase Welder Repair Inc., 4366 Pinell Street, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "All Phase Welder Repair Inc" 4366 Pinell Street, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 5, 2026  
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ALL 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00725  
Carrie Ann Geib, 912 1/2 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "916 Bail Bonds" 912 1/2 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 26, 2026  
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BAIL 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00754  
World Imports Inc, 4005 Manzanita Avenue Suite 6-13, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "World Imports Auto" 4555 Auburn Boulevard Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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WORLD 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00580  
Sacramento Dunnigan Holding Co Inc, 4300 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PEMEX Sacramento" 4300 Watt Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 20, 2026  
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PEMEX 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00771  
Jaime Antonio Salgado Bonilla, 7329 Hutchins Way, North Highlands, CA 95660 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ClearView Janitorial" 7329 Hutchins Way, North Highlands, CA 95660. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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CLEAR 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00722  
Lumora Candles LLC, 43 Quay Court Unit 22, Sacramento, CA 95831 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lumora By Lorraine" 43 Quay Court Unit 22, Sacramento, CA 95831. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 26, 2026  
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LUMORA 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00471  
Rattana Rainsy Inc., 5501 Muskingham Way, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Big Bite" 2552 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026  
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BIG 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00623  
Sundance Park Healthcare LLC, 1675 Riverside Drive Suite 150, Eagle, ID 83616 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden Poppy Caregiving" 6929 Sunrise Boulevard, Suite 180, Citrus Heights, 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
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GOLDEN 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00595  
Marissa Michele Drechny, 655 Howe Avenue Apt 4, Sacramento, CA 95825 and Frenchee Taylor, 290 Slive Eagle Road, Sacramento, CA

95838 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Risk it Society" 655 Howe Avenue Apt 4, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 20, 2026  
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RISK 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-09257  
SV Advanced Construction Inc, 7801 Edwards Oak Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SolidShadePatio/ NorCal Homes" 7801 Edwards Oak Court, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County December 24, 2025  
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SOLID 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00801  
Forest Flavor Mushrooms LLC, 3631 Truxel Road #1286, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "FF Material/ FFM LLC" 3631 Truxel Road #1286, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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FF 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2025-08122  
Arbor Evergreen Enterprises, 3005 Mills Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Arbor Evergreen Tree Care" 3005 Mills Park Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County October 30, 2025  
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ARBOR 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00800  
Avdo Sahmanouic, P.O. Box 54, Carmichael, CA 95609 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Neodesks" 4710 Papaya Drive, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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NEODESKS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00790  
James Kim and Caryn Ng, 4011 Las Pasas Way, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Atlas and Anchor Adventures" 4011 Las Pasas Way, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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ATLAS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-000838  
Romias Enterprises LLC., 4005 Manzanita Avenue Suite 6 PMB, 1021 Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Team 153" 3129 Root Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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TEAM 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00825  
Kathryn Marie Justice, 5091 Keane Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Final Line Editing" 5091 Keane Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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FINAL 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00840  
Sun Saeteurn, 721 North B Street Suite 42, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "First Tier Auto Sales" 721 North B Street Suite 42, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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FIRST 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00836  
Monica Delello, 2612 J Street Suite 7, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Noiris & Ivoire" 2612 J Street Suite 7, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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NOIRIS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00865  
Kanstantsin Dzedau, 7133 Stanford Oak Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Koss Repair Services" 7133 Stanford Oak Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 29, 2026  
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KOSS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00379  
Tonia Silva, Bookkeeper & Tax Preparer, Inc, 825 M Street Suite 4, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "825 Accountants" 825 M Street Suite 4, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 12, 2026  
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ACCOUNTANTS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00572  
Matthew Howard McGill, 8516

Oak View Lane, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The McGill Team" 8516 Oak View Lane, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 20, 2026  
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MCGILL 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00788  
Garcia's General Construction Inc, 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Garcia's Roof Removal" 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 27, 2026  
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GARCIAS 2-27-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00808  
2025 LLC, 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Home Bot Life" 9401 Fruitridge Road, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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HOME 2-27-26

## 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. 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 #26CV000212

Alex Gutierrez has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ariella Ivy Cruz Gutierrez and Isaias, Alejandro, Marin to Isaias Alejandro Cruz Gutierrez and Elias, Angel, Marin to Elias Angel Cruz Gutierrez. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 9, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 6, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
GUTIERREZ 2-6-26

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  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
JACKSON 2-6-26

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  
Publish: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
SINGH 2-6-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000118

Rulying Zhang has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rulying Zhang to Emily Rulying Zhang. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 17, 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 5, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
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ZHANG 2-6-26

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: January 6, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
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SCHIEFFER 2-6-26

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

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 15, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
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SILVA 2-13-26

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  
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WESTON 2-13-26

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  
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JUNKER 2-20-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV000696

Karion Valentino I'Zell Cook has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Karion 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

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001169

Carolina Santos aka Carolina Linares aka Mildred Karolina Santos aka Karolina Santos has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Carolina Santos aka Karolina Linares aka Mildred Karolina Santos aka Karolina Santos to Carolina Santos. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 21, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: January 20, 2026  
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20, 2026  
SANTOS 2-20-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001878

Eduardo Alejandro Fernandez Verdusco has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Eduardo Alejandro Fernandez Verdusco to Alejandro Verdusco. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 16, 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 28, 2026  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026  
VERDUSCO 2-27-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #25CV027183

Brooke McGee has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Atreyu Patrick McGee to Atreyu Patrick McGee-Wright. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 21, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted. Dated: November 6, 2025  
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026  
MCGEE 2-27-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001465

Robert De La Torre has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Robert De La Torre to Glenn R. De La Torre. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 15, 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 22, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026  
TORRE 2-27-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001567

Pilar Donoso De Gallegos has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Pilar Donoso De Gallegos to Pilar Gallegos. 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 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 26, 2026  
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court  
Publish: February 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026  
GALLEGOS 2-27-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME #26CV001907

Nancy Salina Niazi has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Nancy Salina Niazi to Nadia Sahli Buron. IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 30, 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: January 28, 2026  
Richard K. Sueyoshi Judge of the Superior Court  
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NIAZI 2-27-26

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



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

## 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 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). ★

# California State Fair Announces New Chief Wine Judge



Tim McDonald, California State Fair chief wine judge. Photo courtesy of California State Fair

## California State Fair News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The California State Fair appointed Tim McDonald of Napa as the new Chief Judge of the California State Fair Commercial Wine Competition. The competition opens to California winemakers on Feb. 1, with entries due by April 24.

McDonald brings more than 40 years of distinguished experience in the wine and spirits industry, with expertise spanning public relations, trade relations, marketing and sales, event management and beverage education. A highly respected judge, he has participated in more than 200 competitions throughout North America. He currently serves as the Director of Wine Judging for both the California Craft Spirits and Central Coast Wine Competitions, Chairman of Pacific Rim International Wine Competition and former Head Judge at the San Francisco International and Las Vegas Global Awards. He is the founder

of Wine & Spirits Spoken Here, a Napa-based company dedicated to sharing the unique stories behind wines and spirits.

McDonald's career also includes senior leadership roles with several prominent beverage companies, including E. & J. Gallo Winery, where he served as Marketing Director of Fine Wine Communications; Jim Beam (Peak Wines) as Vice President of Marketing and Communications; Trincherro Family Estates as Director of Trade Relations; and Heublein Spirits & Wines as Director of Trade and Public Relations. He also held sales positions with Seagram Distillers and Heublein.

“We are honored to have a leader of Tim's caliber guiding the California State Fair Commercial Wine Competition,” said Tom Martinez, CEO of the California Exposition and State Fair. “For generations, this competition has celebrated the excellence of California's wine industry, and his expertise will ensure that tradition continues.”

As Chief Judge, McDonald will oversee the annual review of competition procedures, recommend enhancements, select the final panel of judges and preside over the three-day judging process taking place May 6 to 8.

The upcoming California State Fair runs from July 17 through Aug. 2. Details about

exhibits, concerts and tickets will be updated regularly on the website at [cstatefair.com](http://cstatefair.com).

## About the California State Fair Commercial Wine Competition

Dating back to 1854, during the Gold Rush Era, the California State Fair Wine Competition is the oldest wine competition in the country and ranks among the most respected in the nation. It is widely recognized for its integrity, commitment to excellence, fairness and professionalism. Only wines made with fruit grown and produced in the eleven growing regions across the state may be judged in the competition in order to recognize the best wines produced in the state.

## About the California State Fair

Cal Expo is home of the California State Fair, an international award-winning fair, receiving top honors at the International Association of Fairs and Expositions out of more than 1,100 fairs worldwide. For the past two years, the Fair was ranked the best State Fair in the nation. Established in 1854, the California State Fair is dedicated as a place to celebrate the best the state has to offer in agriculture, technology and the diversity of its people, traditions and trends that shape the Golden State's future. ★

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 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: January 26, 2026  
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court  
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KARAVAN 2-27-26

er, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows February 25, 2026, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

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

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

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of

the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Kent W. Meyer, 4970 Rocklin Road Suite 300, Rocklin, CA 95677; 916-599-7297  
Publish: Jan 23, 30, Feb 6, 2026  
NWANGBURUKA 2-6-26

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DOLORES ELLEN SMYTHE CASE NO. 26PR000113

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Dolores Ellen Smythe.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will

be held in this court as follows February 19, 2026, 1:30 p.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826

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

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

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3375  
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SMYTHE 2-13-26

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ISIDRO DOMINGO TARANGO III CASE NO. 26PR000196

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of Isidro Domingo Tarango III.

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

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

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows March 4, 2026, 9:00 a.m. in Dept 129; Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento, William R. Ridgeway Family Relations Courthouse, 3341 Power Inn Road, Sacramento, CA 95826.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written ob-

jections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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

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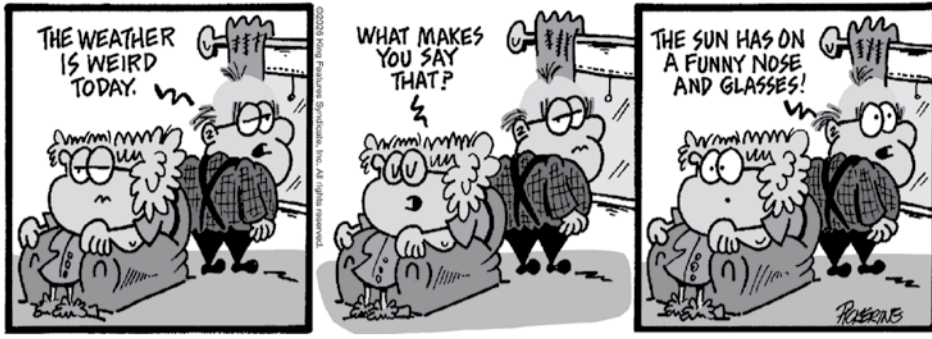
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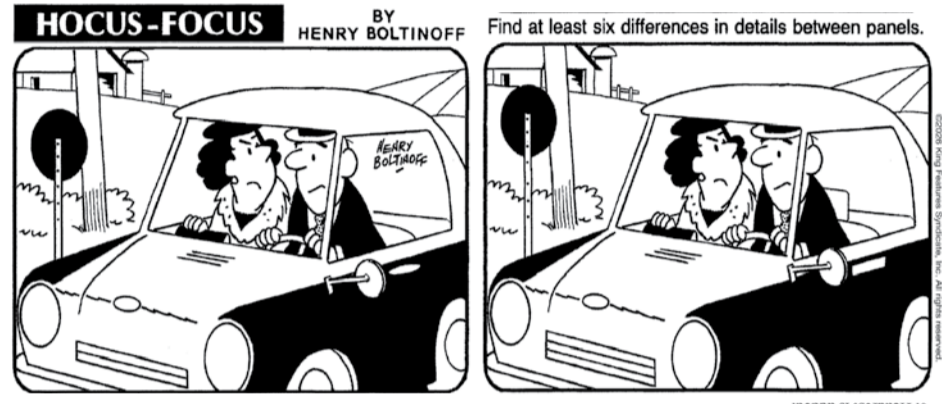
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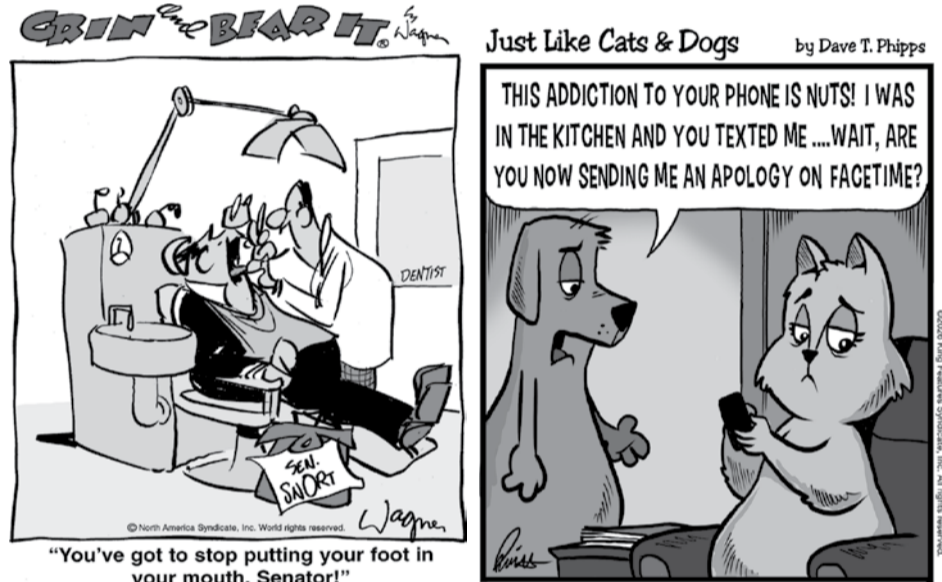
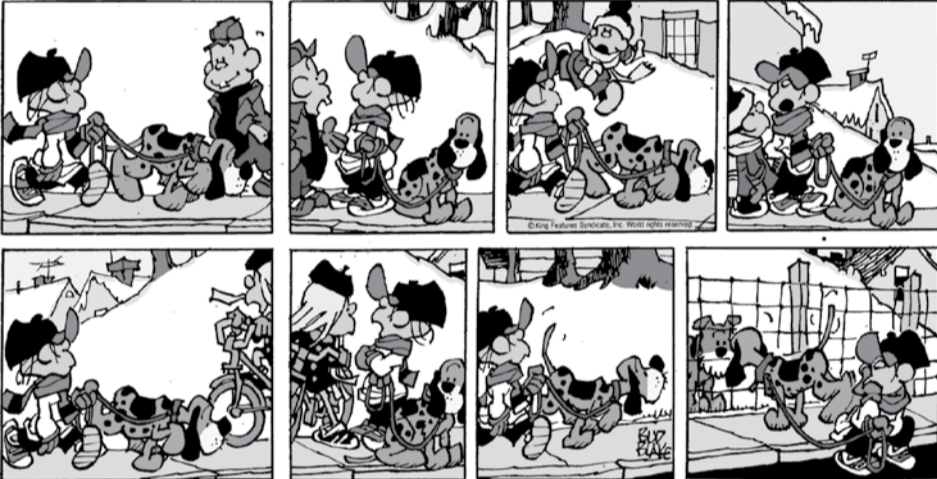
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## STATEPOINT CROSSWORD • U.S. PRESIDENTS

- CLUES**
- ACROSS**
- Action word
  - Sierra Nevada, e.g.
  - Do like Lindsey Vonn
  - Sheltered, nautically speaking
  - a.k.a. Daminozide
  - a.k.a. tangelos
  - Ladder crosspiece
  - Rigatoni relative
  - Earth tremor
  - \*Buchanan's or Lincoln's birth place (2 words)
  - Odds' partners
  - Completely dedicated (2 words)
  - Street in France
  - \*The Era of Good Feelings president
  - Ground red peppers spice
  - Paleozoic or Victorian, e.g.
  - Talking pet
  - Flock's affirmation
  - Phonograph media
  - It doesn't mix with water
  - Key, in Spanish
  - Letter before kappa
  - Conjured
  - Bathtub hooch
  - "You don't bring me flowers"
  - Silvery-white, in heraldry
  - The night before
  - Add something extra (2 words)
  - Eye rakishly
  - \*Millard's last name
  - Unwelcome software message
  - Double reed woodwind
  - Actress Sorvino
  - Carrell on "The Office"
  - Falling out
  - Grand in scale
  - \*Buchanan who ran for president in 1992 and 1996
  - Dental school alternative to MCAT
  - Tiresias in "Oedipus Rex," e.g.
- DOWN**
- Variable, abbr.
  - Twelfth month of Jewish civil year
  - \*Attorney General under Bill Clinton
  - Panhandler
  - "My wife can vouch for me", e.g.
  - Ancient Romans' language
  - Julia Roberts' Academy Award-winning role
  - Went down slippery slope
  - Gene Simmons' rock band
  - Belief or philosophy
  - Popular flowering shrub
  - Deplete (2 words)
  - \*Eisenhower or Grant, pre-presidency
  - Horse hoof sounds
  - One in Dean Martin's pack?
  - Means of mass communication
  - Belted starman
  - Highly unpleasant
  - \*Between Tyler and Taylor
  - Visual representation
  - Macaulay Culkin's famous character
  - Beside, archaic
  - \*Karl \_\_\_\_\_, "The Architect" of George W. Bush's campaigns
  - Grande or Bravo, e.g.
  - \*Nickname for Kennedy's presidency
  - Read-only memory device
  - Before, old-fashioned
  - Aerie baby
  - Blatant
  - Mythological garden guardians
  - Fibula's partner
  - Marrriott hotel brand
  - "Blackfish" (2013) subject
  - Small cave
  - \*Model T namesake or U.S. President
  - Ready for picking
  - Lake north of Cleveland
  - Clairvoyance
  - Acronym, abbr.

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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!

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## 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.

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## 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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# Batteries are a Curbside Collection Fire Risk

## Sacramento County News Release

### SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

Batteries are not accepted in the residential curbside collection program – here's why! Fires sparked by improperly discarded batteries and battery-embedded products are becoming an increasingly common and costly problem.

When any battery or battery-embedded product is tossed in curbside collection carts or bulky waste piles, the material is compacted together. This process is essential for efficient collection service, but when batteries are crushed, punctured or exposed to metal or liquid during compaction, they can spark, explode or ignite. Lithium-ion batteries are especially volatile, but all rechargeable batteries contain flammable and toxic materials that can create a hazardous situation.

Battery-related fires on collection routes put collection employees in immediate danger and can threaten nearby homes, businesses and roadways. Expensive collection trucks can be severely damaged or destroyed. Entire collection routes may be delayed or suspended while emergency crews respond.



When batteries are crushed, punctured or exposed to metal or liquid during compaction, they can spark, explode or ignite. Photo courtesy of Freepik

The fire risk doesn't end at the curb, either. Once a battery is at a disposal or recovery facility such as Kiefer Landfill and the North Area Recovery Station, large machinery continues the compaction process. Here too, crushed batteries can ignite and damage infrastructure, disrupt operations, harm the environment and put our staff and the public at risk. These preventable

emergencies waste time, money, resources, and most importantly, create unnecessary danger.

Complicating the issue further, many people don't realize how often batteries show up in everyday items that require proper disposal. They are inside toys, tools, greeting cards, vapes, small electronics, all rechargeable products and other everyday household devices.

Even small coin-sized batteries can trigger dangerous fires when crushed.

The good news is you can stop battery fires right at home! The safe way to get rid of old batteries and non-functioning battery-embedded products is free, easy and only takes a few steps – Tape, Tub, Take:

Tape – Check for leaks or corrosion. Tape over the positive

(+) and negative (-) ends with only clear tape for all rechargeable batteries, lithium coin/button batteries, and 9-volt and higher volt batteries.

Tub – Collect and store used batteries in a hard plastic tub or sturdy box at home.

Take – For drop-off recycling, take batteries to a local Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off facility or find a nearby battery recycling location by searching the Earth911.com website. For products embedded with permanent batteries, drop them off for free e-waste recycling at Kiefer Landfill, North Area Recovery Station or another e-waste recycling site.

One improperly discarded battery can ignite a truck, shut down services or put lives at risk. But your informed choice to drop off batteries instead of tossing them can prevent fires. Please share this message with friends, family, and neighbors. The more people who know, the safer we all are. Bottom line – batteries don't belong at the curb. Instead drop them off for proper recycling, and help protect our workers, our neighborhoods and our environment.

Learn more about proper battery recycling at SacGreenTeam.com. ★

## SacRT Transitions to New Transit App

### Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT) News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT) is reminding riders currently using the ZipPass mobile app to begin transitioning to Transit Connect, SacRT's new mobile fare payment app, as ZipPass will retire later this year.

Transit Connect is designed to provide a smarter, simpler way to pay fares and will eventually integrate with regional transit partners for a seamless experience.

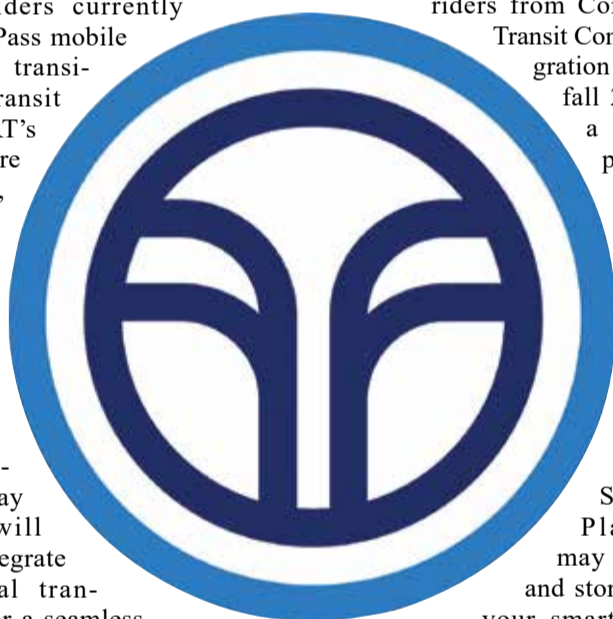
The final day to purchase passes or tickets in ZipPass was Jan. 30. The final day to use any ZipPass passes or tickets will be April 30. Los Rios students can continue using ZipPass through May. 31. Yolobus and Unitrans riders can

continue using ZipPass and will transition to Transit Connect at a later date.

Transit Connect will expand to include SacRT's transit partners throughout the region and will transition thousands of riders from Connect Card to Transit Connect. Full integration is expected by fall 2026, creating a seamless fare payment experience across multiple transit providers in a single app.

Riders can download Transit Connect now from the App Store or Google Play. Tickets may be purchased and stored directly on your smartphone. Show your activated ticket or pass to bus operators or fare inspectors, just like ZipPass.

For more details and instructions on setting up discount fares visit [sacrt.com/transitconnect](http://sacrt.com/transitconnect) or call 916-321-BUSS (2877). ★



## SCOE Honors 50 Years of Access, Equity and Inclusion

### 1975 IDEA Law Transformed Public Education for Millions of Children

#### Sacramento County Office of Education News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) is one of the most significant civil rights laws in U.S. education. Enacted in 1975, IDEA ensures that children with disabilities have the right to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) delivered in the Least Restrictive Environment (LRE). Before IDEA was passed, millions of children with disabilities were denied access to public schools or educated in separate settings with limited expectations. IDEA established legal protections rooted in equity, access, and inclusion, and made participation in public education a guaranteed right rather than a privilege.

#### SCOE Special Education Programs

For decades, the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) has been widely recognized for pioneering numerous programs in the special education field. A few Special Education Program highlights include:

Launching the Infant Development Program in 1976 to serve children (birth to age three) countywide who have delays in one or more areas of development.

Launching a program in 1980 (at what is now Leo A. Palmiter Junior/Senior High School) to provide behavioral and career technical support to students (grades 7–12) with emotional disabilities.

Providing programs through the Foundations Academy for students (ages 3–22) with emotional disabilities, severe cognitive/physical/medical disabilities or autism.

Establishing the first MOVE (Mobility Opportunities Via Education) Model Site in Northern California to empower children with severe orthopedic impairments.

Serving students at El Centro Junior/Senior High School (the Juvenile Court School located inside the Sacramento County Youth Detention Facility) and at three Community School sites that provide an alternative educational program for students from local school districts.

Building district partnerships through Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Network to engage families, schools, and communities, including families of children with disabilities.

Sacramento County Office of Education also operates a number of projects funded by the California Department

of Education (CDE) Special Education Division. Sacramento County Office of Education co-leads the new California Center for Inclusive College (CCIC) to expand programs for postsecondary students with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Seeds of Partnership, a training and technical assistance program with a focus on family engagement and school partnerships, supports 33 Family Empowerment Centers. Robin Ryan, the Seeds of Partnership Coordinator, is one of several guests invited to speak at an IDEA celebration ceremony being held by the California Department of Education this February.

Sacramento County Office of Education continues to be involved in a variety of short- and long-term initiatives that support and advance services for students with disabilities – including their families and the educators who serve them. One of the top priorities of the Sacramento County Board of Education continues to be working to advance equity within SCOE and school districts.

#### Get Ideas for Classroom Activities

In recognition of IDEA's 50th anniversary, the Sacramento County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) has partnered with the SELPA Administrators of California to share a monthly series of teacher resources and disability highlights. Topics, including suggestions for possible school activities, encompass accessibility, inclusion, student voice, and transition to postsecondary life. It also highlights the accomplishments of California pioneers whose advocacy shaped disability rights and inclusive education.

Sacramento County Office of Education helped the Sacramento County SELPA mark the 50-year milestone by hosting a display in its lobby this January for visitors to learn about the history, progress, and lasting impact of IDEA.

#### IDEA Background

Originally passed as the Education for All Handicapped Children Act, IDEA emerged from the broader civil rights movement and was influenced by landmark court cases such as *Brown v. Board of Education* and *PARC v. Pennsylvania*. Over time, amendments expanded disability categories, strengthened parental involvement, emphasized transition services, and aligned special education with general education reform. IDEA continues to be the foundation of special education nationwide, promoting meaningful educational outcomes for students with disabilities. ★



## Board Approves SHRA Assessment and Interim Executive Officer

### Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved yesterday, in a unanimous vote, an agreement with CVR & Associates to provide an organizational assessment to evaluate Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency's (SHRA) public housing and voucher programs, housing finance processes and governance structure.

The Board also approved the appointment of Kris Warren of CVR & Associates as the Interim Executive Officer for Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency. The agreement is a one-year term from Feb. 1, 2026, to Jan. 31, 2027.

"This item...could lead to the greatest changes in affordable housing policy at the County of Sacramento in 40 years," said District 2 Supervisor Patrick Kennedy, who pulled the item for discussion. "It's been a long time coming and there's more hard work ahead of us."

"This will go further in housing people who are currently unhoused or are in critical need of housing than almost anything we have done in years."

The outcomes of the organizational assessment will include actionable recommendations and implementation

guidance to enhance efficiency, transparency, and alignment with County priorities and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requirements.

CVR & Associates was selected through a Request for Proposal process seeking qualified firms to provide consultant services and an experienced executive leader.

A four-member evaluation committee, comprised of two representatives from the County and two representatives from the City of Sacramento, selected CVR & Associates based on its demonstrated expertise in housing policy, organizational assessments and executive consulting.

The Sacramento City Council continued the agenda item to a later date at its meeting yesterday.

The organizational assessment will move forward. The Interim Executive Officer appointment is subject to concurrence by the Sacramento City Council at a future meeting, following the Board of Supervisors' approval yesterday.

Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency is a Joint Powers Authority between the county and city of Sacramento. It was created to ensure the ongoing development of affordable housing in the city and county of Sacramento. ★

# River Cats Announce Coaching Staff

Entire 2025 staff to return; Brundage embarks on 10th season as manager

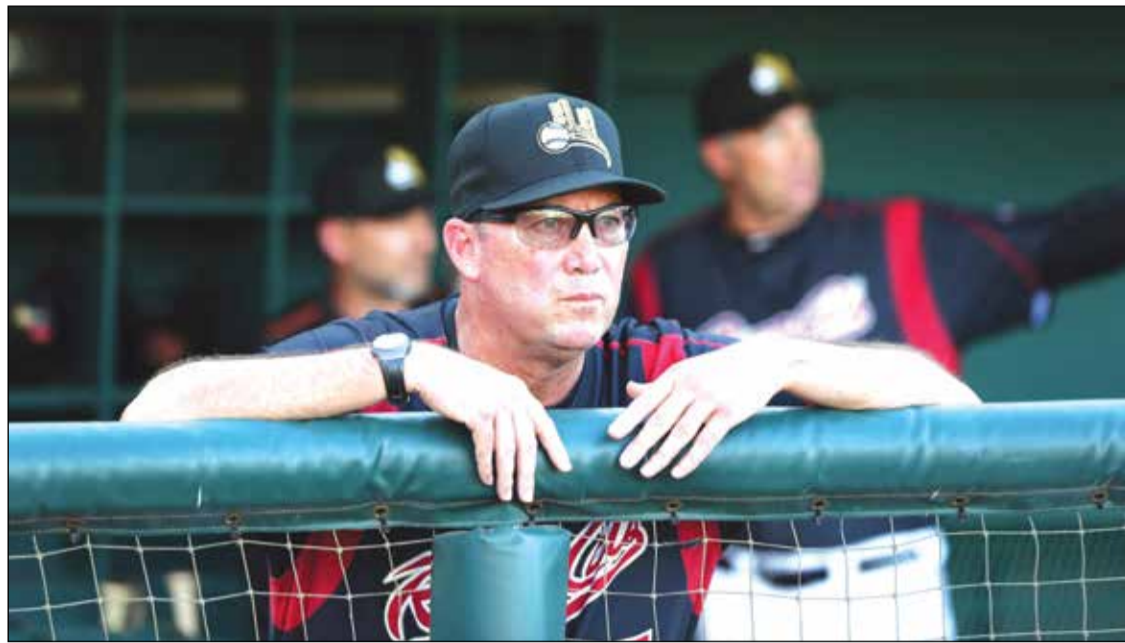
**Sacramento River Cats News Release**

**WEST SACRAMENTO, CA** - The Sacramento River Cats have announced their 2026 coaching staff, returning the entire group from 2025.

Manager Dave Brundage, Fundamentals Coach Jolbert Cabrera, Pitching Coach Alain Quijano, Hitting Coach P.J. Pilittere and Assistant Hitting Coach Robert Riggins will once again serve as the Sacramento field staff, joined by fellow returners Brian Reinker (trainer), Chris Walsh (trainer), Chris Harms (strength and conditioning coach) and Nick Solitario (player development associate).

Dave Brundage returns for his 10th year as manager of the River Cats, a position he's held since 2017. In his eight seasons (no season in 2020), Brundage has amassed a 537-608 (.469) record, including a magical 2019 season in which Sacramento won 73 games and were crowned both Pacific Coast League and Triple-A Champions. In 2025, Brundage guided the River Cats to an overall record of 77-73. Currently, he has totaled the second most managerial wins in Sacramento franchise history, trailing only the 578 of Tony DeFrancesco (2003-07, 2009-10).

For his career, Brundage has a managerial record of 1,908-1,923 (.498), with a total of three league championships. 19 consecutive seasons of his 27-year managerial career have come at the Triple-A level. Prior to Sacramento, Brundage guided the Lehigh Valley IronPigs (Philadelphia Phillies, 2014-16) over four seasons, and



Pictured is Sacramento River Cats Manager Dave Brundage who is entering his 10th season as manager. Photo courtesy of Minor League Baseball

spent his first six Triple-A campaigns with the Richmond/Gwinnett Braves (Atlanta Braves, 2007-2012).

Jolbert Cabrera embarks on his 10th season in the Giants' organization, his seventh as fundamentals coach of the River Cats after assuming the role in Sacramento's 2019 championship season. Twice Cabrera has helped the team set franchise records, tying the mark for fewest errors committed in 2021 (103) before rewriting it in 2024 (98), and coaching the River Cats to post their best fielding percentage in franchise history in 2024 (.982).

Alain Quijano returns to Sacramento for his third season, his sixth total in the San Francisco organization after spending his first three as pitching coach with the Eugene Emeralds. While in

Eugene, Quijano's pitching staffs totaled no fewer than 1,286 strikeouts in each of his three seasons, and he helped mentor the Emeralds to an eye-popping 3.42 ERA and .220 opposing batting average during the 2022 campaign in which Eugene was 81-48.

Robert Riggins returns for his third season with the River Cats, his fifth in the San Francisco organization after also serving as the hitting coach/strategist for the Dominican Summer League (DSL) Giants Black from 2022-23. Having spent over a decade as a coach, Riggins has also served at the high school level in New Mexico including stops as a head coach at Los Lunas High School (2010-12),

Pojoaque Valley High School (2013-14, 2019), and Lovington High School (2016-18).

P.J. Pilittere returns for his

second season with the River Cats and as a member of the Giants organization. Prior to joining the Giants, Pilittere served as the assistant hitting coach for the Colorado Rockies from 2022-24. Prior to that, Pilittere was the hitting coach for the New York Yankees from 2018-21, making the playoffs in all four seasons while twice coaching in the American League Championship Series (ALCS).

In the training room, Brian Reinker returns for his fifth season in the San Francisco organization, all with Sacramento, after coming aboard for the 2022 campaign. Prior to joining the Giants, Reinker spent nearly two decades with the Los Angeles Angels organization from 2003-2021 and was named the Pacific Coast League (PCL) Athletic Trainer of the Year in 2015 with the Salt Lake Bees.

Back for his third season is Chris Walsh, who will enter his fifth year in the San Francisco organization. Prior to joining the River Cats in 2024, he spent two seasons with the Richmond Flying Squirrels (Double-A). Walsh has also worked five seasons in the St. Louis Cardinals organization (2017-2021) as a certified athletic trainer.

Chris Harms returns for his second season as strength and conditioning coach for the River Cats and his seventh season in the San Francisco organization. Harms' time with San Francisco began in 2020 with the Dominican Summer League (DSL) Giants (Rookie) and continued with the Arizona League (AZL) Giants (Rookie) in 2021, San Jose (2022) and Eugene (2023-24).

Nick Solitario returns for his second season as player development associate and his fourth season with the Giants organization. Prior to joining the River Cats in 2025, Solitario served as the baseball video and technology associate with the Eugene Emeralds (High-A) in 2023 and then reprised his role in 2024 with the Richmond Flying Squirrels (Double-A).

The 2026 season begins with a preseason exhibition matchup on Sunday, March 22 when the River Cats host the San Francisco Giants at Sutter Health Park. A full season schedule is available online at [www.rivercats.com](http://www.rivercats.com) with season memberships, suite and hospitality rentals, and groups tickets on sale now. Fans can purchase tickets by calling a Sutter Health Park ticket representative at (916) 371-HITS (4487), or by visiting [www.rivercats.com/tickets](http://www.rivercats.com/tickets). ★

## Hornets' Picton Big Sky Pick

**Sacramento State Athletics News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - For the first time in her collegiate career, Sacramento State junior guard Natalie Picton was named the Big Sky Conference Player of the Week following her performances against Idaho and Eastern Washington last week.

Picton becomes the first Hornet to earn the league's top weekly honor since teammate Benthe Versteeg shared the conference's final regular season award last year.

In helping her team to a split against the second-place Vandals and the Eagles, Picton averaged 18.0 ppg and shot 41 percent from the field for Sacramento State, including draining six of her 13 makes from beyond the arc while also averaging 3.5 rebounds, 2.0 assists, and 2.5 steals per game.

The Welland, Ontario, native opened last week with an 18-point night against Idaho, hitting four of her seven shots from distance in 39 minutes, grabbing four boards, dishing out three assists and swiping a pair of steals. Ten of her 18 points came in the first half as she



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helped the Hornets hold Idaho to nearly 20 points under their season average and just 28 percent shooting for the night.

Two days later, Picton poured in 18 more points in a win over Eastern Washington, shooting 55 percent (6-for-11) from the field - including a clutch three-pointer with 2:41 remaining that turned a one-point lead into a four-point advantage for Sacramento State. She then hit 4-of-4 from the line in the final 16 seconds to help ice the win and hold off a further Eagle comeback.

With her pair of 18-point performances, Picton enters this week's contests having reached double figures

in five of her last six contests (15.0 ppg) and 14 of 20 games overall. Her two steals against Idaho, and three more against Eastern Washington University (EWU), gave her multiple steals in a game for the 16th and 17th times in 20 contests overall.

Picton enters the week ranked second on the team in scoring (12.8 ppg) overall and is averaging 13.7 ppg in seven Big Sky games thus far. She ranks among the top 10 in the league in three-pointers made (40) and three's per game (2.0), while standing fourth in steals (53) and steals per game (2.65 spg) as well as second in the league in minutes per contest (34.9 mpg). ★

## Riva Lays Claim to Big Sky Honors



The award is the fourth of Riva's career and her first since last claiming the honor on April 23 of last season. Photo courtesy Sacramento State Athletics

**Sacramento State Athletics News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento State junior Irene Riva was named the Big Sky Conference women's tennis player of the week on Jan. 28 following a strong showing during the Hornets' spring openers in Honolulu.

The award is the fourth of Riva's career and her first since last claiming the honor on April 23

of last season. Her four weekly wins rank her tied for seventh on the school's career chart for player of the week honors.

Splitting time between No. 1 and No. 2 singles, as well as playing at the top spot in the Hornets' doubles lineup, Riva finished the week with a 4-2 overall record, finishing 2-0 at the No. 2 spot in singles and winning two of her three doubles contests alongside

freshman teammate Cami Maldonado Gutierrez.

She opened the week with a straight-set win against Hawai'i Pacific at No. 2, then went three sets to defeat Hawai'i's Makeilah Nepomuceno two days later. In doubles, she posted a win over Hawai'i Pacific's top duo then closed out the weekend with a doubles-point clinching victory at the No. 1 position against the Rainbow Wahine. ★

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**Sacramento Republic FC News Release**

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento Republic FC recently announced that the club has signed midfielder José "Pep" Casas. He will be added to the team's roster pending league and federation approval. Per club policy, the terms of the contract were not disclosed.

"Pep fits the mold for the types of talented, up-and-coming players who do well in USL Championship," said Republic FC Head Coach Neill Collins. "We look forward to welcoming him to the Indomitable Club and are excited to be a part of this next step in his career." Casas added, "I'm really

excited to join Sacramento Republic. It's a club with a great culture and passionate fans, and I can't wait to get started and give everything I have for the team."

A native of Barcelona, Spain, Casas got his start in FC Barcelona's famed youth academy, La Masia. He later made the move to English club Ipswich Town before closing out his youth career in Spain with CE Europa. The 25-year-old came to the United States to begin his collegiate career at Indiana Tech before transferring to University of North

Carolina Wilmington. With the Seahawks, he appeared in every

recorded two goals and two assists and earned selection to the 2023 Coastal Athletic Association Second Team.

In 2024, Casas was selected 61st overall in the Major League Soccer (MLS) SuperDraft by Inter Miami CF. He made two Major League Soccer appearances for the club before joining Inter Miami CF II. With the Major League Soccer (MLS) NEXT Pro side, he made 25 appearances and added two assists, while maintaining an impressive 86 percent passing accuracy. Last year, he joined Nashville SC's reserve

side Huntsville City FC and played over 2,000 minutes to help the team reach the postseason for the first time. He closed out the season with a stellar 91 percent pass success rate.

Sacramento Republic FC will open the 2026 season at home on March 7 when the Indomitable Club hosts Western Conference Champion FC Tulsa. Kickoff for the 13th season is set for 7 p.m. at Heart Health Park. Fans secure their seat for the entire 2026 season by becoming a member today and lock in the lowest prices of the year. Group tickets are on sale now and single match tickets will be available beginning Feb. 5 at [SacRepublicFC.com](http://SacRepublicFC.com). ★



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# Lancers Making Progress Under New Coach



Senior Renat Petrashishin goes up for a shot against Oak Ridge. Photo by Rick Sloan



Senior Makhai Stewart takes a jump shot during a game against Oak Ridge. Photo by Rick Sloan

By James Darnell

**RANCHO CORDOVA, CA (MPG)** - Cordova Lancers head coach Chris Collins has been on the job for roughly one month, taking over a program in desperate need for consistency and culture. In just a few short weeks it appears the Lancers have found just what - and who - they were looking for.

Since taking the job at Cordova, Collins has helped the team win two games against Metro League rival Kennedy, including an impressive 74-46 victory at home on Jan. 29. In that game, senior Damajae Moses led the Lancers with 19 points, with three others scoring in double digits for Cordova (4-14 overall, 2-6 Metro League at press time) in the win. Aside from seeing the victory on the scoreboard, Collins wanted his team to know the significance of the league wins coming off of the season the team had one year ago.

"We're definitely seeing a lot of progress," Collins said. "We beat Kennedy twice and that's a huge moral victory. Not just because it's a win, but because last season they went 0-12 (in Metro League

play). For them to not fall 0-12 again, I think it's huge for them to see that."

It hasn't been all sunshine and rainbows for the team, however. The Lancers have gone 2-7 in the nine games since Collins took over coming out of winter break. According to Collins it is all part of the process, as he looks to build the program from the ground up in the days and months to come. Collins, who is known to be a hard-nosed coach, has largely meshed well with his young players, some of whom are experiencing their third head coach in the past two years. There were some early bumps in the road as the team and coach learned one another, but one recent in-game experience appears to have shown the players that Collins has their best interests at heart.

In a road game at American Canyon on Jan. 19, Collins told his players he would let them run the game themselves, aside from calling timeouts and making substitutions from the sidelines. The Lancers ended up losing 67-42, and it was at that point that the team began to understand why

Collins coaches the way he does.

"They lost pretty badly, and it was after that game they realized, they came to me and said 'We need coaching, we need a coach, we need direction.' They were willing to see and understand my perspective, and now they do. Now we're rolling and there's really no issue there."

With three games remaining in the regular season, including Senior Night at Cordova on Monday, Jan. 9 at 7:30 p.m., Collins has some very particular goals in mind that he hopes to achieve before the season comes to a close.

"I want to beat one of the teams we're not expected to beat," Collins said. "I'm a competitor, I'm still a basketball player at heart. I want to beat one of these teams we're not expected to beat. Outside of that, I want the boys to enjoy these last games but still stay competitive. I want Senior Night to go really well. They didn't even know if that was going to happen. I'm personally making it a point to give these guys a good high school basketball experience."



Senior guard Ezra Tobin dribbles up court against Oak Ridge. Photo by Rick Sloan

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