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Board members and representatives of Tri-Counties Community Center pose after the nonprofit was named the chamber's Community Champion of the Year for its free and low-cost family programs serving Yuba, Sutter and Butte counties.

**Story and photos by Shamaya Sutton**

**YUBA-SUTTER, CA (MPG)** – The Yuba-Sutter Chamber of Commerce's 40th annual Business Appreciation Gala brought Valentine's Day flair to Hard Rock Live on Friday, Feb. 13, as business leaders, community members and chamber supporters gathered in Wheatland for an evening of celebration and recognition.

Guests dressed in formal attire enjoyed live music from Hip Service while browsing raffle baskets and silent auction items featuring prizes donated by businesses across the Yuba-Sutter region. The highlight of the night, however, was the chamber's annual awards ceremony honoring individuals and

organizations making an impact throughout the community.

The ceremony opened with a rendition of the national anthem by Luke Poppinga, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Senior Master Sgt. William Sluder, a retired Air Force veteran, chamber ambassador and owner of After Hours Mobile Notary. Sluder was also the first honoree of the evening, receiving the Ambassador of the Year award.

"(Sluder's) reliability isn't occasional, it is consistent," said Jillian Justice-Childs, a member of the chamber's board of directors who served as announcer and emcee for the evening. "Several nominations describe (him) as the ultimate ambassador, while another shared that they are simply an all-around

giving person, someone who leads by example and helps wherever they are needed."

Sluder accepted the award, expressing gratitude to the chamber and fellow ambassadors.

"This is, I consider the best chamber in California," Sluder said. "As a business owner, and I've covered six counties, I've had a chance to visit other chambers, and I'll tell you what, the strength of this community and coming together makes our job as ambassadors easy."

Next came the Volunteer of the Year award, honoring a community member who generously gives time to improve the lives of others. This year, the chamber received more than 30 nominations, with several

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## Del Monte Exit Shakes Sutter Peach Growers

By Susan Meeker

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - Del Monte Foods' bankruptcy reached a decisive point this month when a federal court approved the sale of most of the company's assets to three buyers. The ruling confirmed that the company's Modesto fruit cannery, the last Del Monte plant operating in California, will close because no buyer stepped forward to keep it open.

For Sutter County, the closure creates an immediate crisis for the region's cling peach growers, who have supplied Del Monte for generations and now have no confirmed processor for the 2026 season.

"This bankruptcy is going to have serious impacts on our local agricultural community," Sutter County Supervisor Karm Bains said during a recent board meeting. "For more than 140 years, Del Monte has been a cornerstone of American agriculture."

Bains said Del Monte's long presence helped define the region's farming identity and tied the community to the industry. Sutter County growers harvested about 106,000 tons of clingstone peaches in 2024, generating a gross value of \$66.4 million, according to the most recent crop report.

"Here in Sutter County, a major cannery and extensive peach orchards supported generations of workers and family farms," Bains said.

The Feb. 9 court approval finalized three major transactions. Fresh Del Monte Produce will acquire Del Monte Foods' vegetable, tomato and refrigerated fruit businesses, along with global ownership of the Del Monte brand. B&G Foods will take over the company's broth and stock lines. Pacific Coast Producers will acquire rights to Del Monte's shelf-stable fruit products in the United States, Puerto Rico and Mexico. None of the buyers agreed to purchase or operate the Modesto cannery. Industry analysts point to shifting consumer preferences away from traditional canned fruit to fresh, frozen and alternative packaging, along with rising labor, energy and transportation costs that have made large canning operations increasingly difficult to sustain.

Without the Modesto facility, more than 200 Sutter County peach-growing families have no confirmed processing

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## Conditional Lien Release Paves Way for Sale

**Story and photos by Shamaya Sutton**

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - After a decade long legal entanglement, there may be progress ahead for the historic State Theater in Marysville.

On Dec. 30, 2025, owner Don Melvin reported that the city released a nuisance abatement lien dating to 2009, a roughly \$47,000 penalty he said prevented him from financing repairs or selling the building.

City officials confirmed the lien was released conditionally and said the move reflects progress toward resolving a long-standing enforcement matter.

Marysville Community and Economic Development Director Dan Flores described the release as "a very positive step forward" and part of a pathway toward new ownership, reinvestment and long-term stewardship of the downtown property. Conditions of the release



The State Theater building at 515 E Street in downtown Marysville is pictured. The city recently released a long-standing nuisance abatement lien tied to the property, a step officials say could help clear the way for new ownership and long-term improvements.

require that the property be sold and escrow closed within 60 days of the release date, that the front windows be repaired and that site cleanup be completed to the satisfaction of the city's building official. "These conditions were

designed to ensure the property moves promptly toward compliance and reinvestment," Flores said. "The prospective buyer is an experienced commercial real estate professional, which gives the City confidence that the property will

be properly maintained and improved going forward."

Flores said the city anticipates a transfer of ownership as part of the resolution and called it an opportunity for a fresh start and renewed commitment

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# Chamber Honors Local Leaders, Businesses

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 individuals recognized multiple times, but the award ultimately went to Rich Webb.

“Since March 2020, this individual has been a dedicated volunteer with Yuba Center Food Bank, generously giving their time at distribution sites, participating in box-building efforts and even delivering meals to homebound seniors during the height of the COVID-19 epidemic,” Justice-Childs said. “In addition to this incredible commitment, they have volunteered weekly with Adventist Health, serving as a visitor escort and helping patients and families navigate the hospital with comfort and confidence during what can often be stressful moments.”

Webb was also credited with serving on the boards of several organizations and using strong relationships with local government and community partners to help advance the work of nonprofits and volunteers throughout the region.

“I’m extremely humbled to even be nominated for this award,” Webb said. “There’s so many people out there doing so many good things and so many organizations and nonprofits and businesses that support the community.”

The Community Champion Award followed, recognizing a Yuba-Sutter business or nonprofit that demonstrates a lasting commitment to supporting and uplifting the community.

“Our community champion award recognizes an organization that truly understands the power of investing in people and the profound difference that investment makes across an entire region,” Justice-Childs said.

Tri-Counties Community Center, a nonprofit serving families throughout Sutter, Yuba and Butte counties, was selected as this year’s Community



The Munger family accepted the Business of the Year award onstage at the Hard Rock Live in Wheatland after Munger Family Vineyards was recognized for its community involvement and continued growth in Sutter County on Feb. 13.

Champion for its wide range of free and low-cost programs. Offerings include weekly opportunities such as arts and crafts, archery, roller skating, game nights, improv comedy, senior programs and activities designed to promote inclusion and family well-being.

“Their impact is remarkable,” Justice-Childs said. “Since May 2025, they have served 352 families and 619 individuals through food boxes, senior lunches and community events, while hosting initiatives such as community health fairs, youth financial literacy programs and sensory-friendly experiences to ensure that everyone feels welcome and included.”

Board officers Katrina Inman, Pat Bennett, Harry DeHaan and Peggy DeHaan accepted

the award on behalf of the organization.

“I definitely wasn’t expecting this, but I guess this means we’re doing something right,” Harry DeHaan said.

“We seem to be Yuba-Sutter’s best kept secret, but we don’t want to be a secret anymore,” Peggy DeHaan said. “We also have a standing belief that strengthening our families strengthens our community, and that’s our main goal.”

Valor Legal Services was named Emerging Business of the Year for its work supporting families and guiding clients who might otherwise go without services. Valor Legal & Family Court Services, a veteran-owned and woman-led business in Yuba City, provides legal document preparation, mediation and

family support resources. A representative explained that the name Valor reflects “the strength to stand for what is right, even when it is uncomfortable and hard.”

The evening concluded with one of the most anticipated honors, the Business of the Year Award, recognizing a Yuba-Sutter business with more than three years of service that exemplifies customer care, innovation, growth and community involvement. The award went to Munger Family Vineyards, a family-owned business with deep roots in Sutter County.

“Over the years, this family-owned business has expanded from producing just a handful of wines to offering more than 22 varietals, while opening a beautiful new facility that

has quickly become a gathering place for the community through events like cooking classes, paint nights, live music and wine pairings,” Justice-Childs said.

Stacy Munger accepted the award alongside her family.

“We are truly honored to be up here among everyone,” Munger said. “[Our daughter] Sydney was like 8 months old when we planted our first grapes and so they really have grown with our business and you know we hope to pass this along to our kids one day too.”

Following the awards, guests awaited silent auction and raffle results before returning to the dance floor for more late-night music from Hip Service. Next year’s gala is expected to return around the same time in 2027. ★

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 to maintaining the building in compliance with city codes.

While no project has been formally approved, city officials said they are encouraged by concepts being explored for the property under new ownership. Ideas under consideration include adaptive reuse options, such as indoor pickleball courts and other multipurpose uses, while preserving the historic exterior character of the theater.

Melvin has previously expressed hopes of restoring the building as a theater and voiced frustration over delays, fines and fees tied to the city’s enforcement actions. He said he ultimately chose to settle, citing financial concerns.

“I really didn’t want to settle especially with these



The interior of the historic State Theater in downtown Marysville. City officials say a conditional lien release and anticipated transfer of ownership could mark progress toward reinvestment and future reuse of the building.

terms but I cannot keep putting money into the theater and the legal battle as well,” Melvin said.

Flores said that while the lien release resolves the prior nuisance abatement action, the city will continue to enforce building and safety codes under any future ownership, consistent

with its focus on public safety, building integrity and quality of life.

Looking ahead, Flores said the city’s priority is to see the State Theater substantially improved, actively used and well maintained in a way that contributes positively to downtown Marysville. ★

## Del Monte Exit Shakes Sutter Peach Growers

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 home for their 2026 crop, officials said. Many growers say they cannot easily shift to other processors because of capacity limits, transportation costs or existing contracts. County officials said the loss of the cannery will also affect far more than growers. Local trucking companies, packing sheds, farm labor contractors and suppliers all depend on the seasonal movement of fruit into Modesto. Bains said the disruption will be felt across the region and will influence agricultural planning for years to come.

Sutter County is working with agricultural groups and industry partners to identify possible alternatives, Bains said. Discussions include short-term processing

options and support for growers who may be forced to make difficult decisions about their orchards. With preparations for the 2026 harvest already underway, growers say the lack of a buyer leaves them facing the possibility of removing trees, a step officials warn would permanently alter Sutter County’s agricultural landscape and diminish one of the region’s signature crops.

“Our focus is on protecting family farms,” Bains said.

County officials stressed that time is short. Without a processor in place soon, they said the fallout could ripple through the local economy, affecting jobs, small businesses and the broader agricultural community. ★

## Remembering the 1986 Flood



Ryan McNally, Yuba Water's water resources and flood risk reduction director, speaks to attendees during the premiere of "The Day the Levee Broke" at the Lee Burrows Center for the Arts in Marysville on Feb. 12. About 100 people attended the screening ahead of the 40th anniversary of the 1986 Yuba County flood. Photo courtesy of Yuba Water Agency

By MPG Staff

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - Yuba Water Agency on Wednesday premiered a new documentary ahead of the 40th anniversary of the February 1986 flood in Yuba County.

About 100 people attended the public screening of "The Day the Levee Broke" at the Lee Burrows Center for the Arts in Marysville. The 23-minute film recounts the levee failure along the Yuba River and the flood that followed.

On Feb. 20, 1986, just after 6 p.m., a section of levee failed in Linda. Floodwaters covered about 30 square miles. More than 26,000 residents evacuated as water moved through the Peach Tree Mall area and along the Highway 70 corridor, reaching West Linda, Olivehurst and Arboga, now Plumas Lake. The flood caused long-term economic and community impacts.

"Our region is safer today than it has ever been, but there is always more we can do to reduce flood risk," said Yuba Water General Manager Willie Whittlesey. "And that's exactly what we're doing with continued investments by the agency and engagement with our community members."

Yuba Water presented the film, which J Comm Inc. produced. The documentary includes archival images and video from the flood and interviews with residents who experienced it. It also outlines flood risk reduction efforts completed in recent years.

According to Yuba Water, the county has completed more than \$600 million in flood risk reduction projects. Work includes levee improvements along the Yuba and Feather rivers. The film links those projects to improved economic conditions in the county.

After the screening, agency officials led a discussion on current and future flood control efforts. Topics included research on atmospheric river storms, coordination and operations at Lake Oroville and New Bullards Bar Reservoir, and a planned Atmospheric River Control Spillway at Bullards Bar.

The proposed second spillway would add flexibility to reservoir operations ahead of major storms and reduce flood risk in Yuba and Sutter counties and downstream communities, according to the agency.

"The Day the Levee Broke" is available on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/mBqs9V9AGI0>. ★

## New Name, New Era at Bryant Field

By Shamaya Sutton

**MARYSVILLE, CA (MPG)** - The Yuba-Sutter High Wheelers announced last week that the team is rebranding as the Yuba-Sutter Freebirds, unveiling a new name, mascot and fan-focused improvements set to debut during the 2026 Pioneer League season.

The announcement was made during an unveiling speech at the Yuba-Sutter Chamber Awards Gala on Feb. 13 at Hard Rock Live in Wheatland, where team officials said the change reflects a desire to better represent the spirit and identity of the region, following feedback from local fans after the club's first season at Bryant Field.

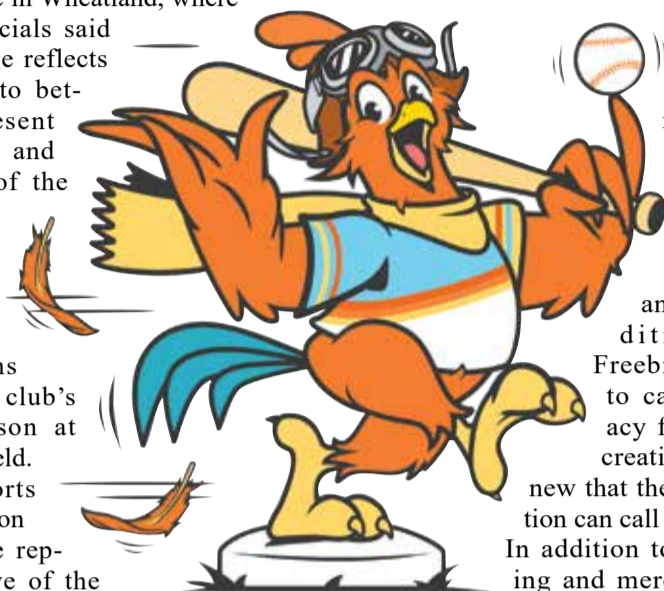
"A sports organization should be representative of the community it plays for," said Harrison Shapiro, general manager of the Yuba-Sutter Freebirds. "We listened, developed and are now ready to unveil the new team set to represent our region. The Freebirds name represents everything we want this team to be. It's fearless, it's fun and it doesn't take itself too seriously, while still being competitive and proud of where we come from."

Along with the rebrand, the team introduced its new mascot, Willy the Wild Chicken, described as a quirky but meaningful symbol of the area's independent character. Team officials described the wild chicken as "a symbol of a community that is fiercely independent, resilient and unapologetically itself" during the unveiling speech.

The organization also tied the "Freebirds" theme to local agriculture and nearby Beale Air Force Base, calling it a tribute to those who work and serve under the open sky.

The franchise began in Davis in 2024

as the Yolo High Wheelers, winning a Pioneer League championship before relocating to Marysville and playing its first season at Bryant Field in 2025. Freebirds co-owner Lon Hatamiya said the team hopes to build on the region's long-standing baseball traditions, also noting the historic significance of Bryant Field as one of the oldest and most historic baseball parks still in use in the state.



"Baseball has always mattered in this community,"

Hatamiya said. "It's a key part of our summer nights and family traditions. The Freebirds are here to carry that legacy forward while creating something new that the next generation can call their own."

In addition to new branding and merchandise, the team announced planned upgrades to the Bryant Field game-day experience, including a new hospitality deck and expanded children's activities.

"This rebrand is about more than a new name or logo," Shapiro said. "It is about improving the full game-day experience."

Planned additions include a social deck with a bar behind first base and a new kids zone featuring inflatables, water features and other family-friendly attractions.

The Yuba-Sutter Freebirds are scheduled to open the 2026 season under their new name on May 19 at Bryant Field, with new uniforms and in-park experiences tied to the updated identity. Fans can follow the team on social media or sign up for updates through the club's official website.

"This is Freebirds baseball," the organization said. "Reimagined, reenergized, uncaged and ready to take flight." ★

## Yuba-Sutter Students Stage Walkouts



Protesters hold signs during a demonstration Saturday, Feb. 7, at the intersection of Highway 99 and Highway 20 near the Yuba Sutter Marketplace in Yuba City, voicing concerns over U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement activity and immigration enforcement policies. Photo by Shamaya Sutton.

By Shamaya Sutton

**YUBA-SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - Local protests over perceived violence by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement against immigrants have taken place across the Yuba-Sutter area in recent days.

On Saturday, Feb. 7, picketers gathered at the intersection of Highway 99 and Highway 20 near the Yuba Sutter Marketplace in Yuba City. Additional protesters assembled near the 10th Street Bridge in Marysville, with some later joining the Yuba City group in the afternoon. It was reported that U.S. Rep. Mike Thompson, who is running for re-election in the redrawn Fourth Congressional District, joined demonstrators at both locations.

Student-led walkouts were also organized in response to ICE activity. The first occurred in the Yuba City Unified School District on Wednesday, Feb. 11, shortly before noon. Andros Karperos School Principal Rocco Greco informed parents in an email that participating students planned to walk to the Chevron on Walton Road before continuing to the WinCo parking lot on Franklin Road.

"As your principal, my top priority is the safety and well-being of every student under our care," Greco wrote. "At Andros Karperos, we respect our students' First Amendment rights to peacefully assemble and exercise free speech. We believe in the importance of student voice; however, we must also ensure a secure and orderly learning environment for everyone... We encourage you to talk with your children about civic engagement as well as the importance of regular attendance."

Yuba City High School administrators also

notified families after approximately 200 students left campus during a break to participate in a protest.

"This email is to inform you that about 200 students left campus during the break to participate in a student-led protest. This is not a school-supported event," the email stated. "The group was last seen traveling north on Clark Ave. Please be aware that while we have monitored the departure, the school is no longer able to provide direct supervision once students leave the perimeter."

In Marysville, walkouts were reported Friday, Feb. 13, with some students gathering at the Marysville High School bus loop before marching to Washington Square Park. Districts advised parents that attendance would be recorded in accordance with district policy and state requirements, which typically result in an unexcused absence in such situations. Regular instruction continued for students who did not participate.

Local law enforcement agencies also issued public statements.

"The Yuba City Police Department is aware of a student-organized protest that has resulted in a large number of juveniles walking throughout various areas of the city today," the department stated.

"At this time, officers are not actively monitoring or escorting the movement of pedestrians unless a criminal violation occurs or a call for service is received... We would like to remind parents and guardians that they are responsible for the supervision and well-being of their children during school hours and throughout the day." ★

## Sutter County Appoints Retzliff Acting CAO

By Susan Meeker

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - The Board of Supervisors on Feb. 2 appointed Sutter County Assessor Todd Retzliff to serve as acting county administrative officer while CAO Steven Smith takes a medical leave.

Human Resources Director Veronica Baumgardner told the board that Smith notified the county on Jan. 28 that he would be out for medical reasons and that the county needed someone in place immediately for a limited duration. "This appointment is critical to continued operations," Baumgardner said.

Retzliff, as acting county administrative officer, will provide executive leadership, maintain continuity in decision-making authority, ensure statutory responsibilities are met and ensure uninterrupted oversight of county

departments and services. Baumgardner said his 14 years of experience leading a county department, managing budgets, overseeing personnel and working closely with the board make him well prepared to step in.

"He is also widely respected by other local officials, county staff and residents here in Sutter County," she said. Retzliff began the temporary assignment Feb. 3.

Under the agreement approved by the board, Retzliff will be paid \$124.06 per hour for the duration of Smith's leave. County officials said the cost will be covered by existing salary savings in the County Administrator's Office budget.

While wishing Smith a speedy recovery, Board Chair Mike Ziegenmeyer said he is confident in Retzliff's ability to keep county operations running smoothly until Smith can return to his duties. ★

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# Auditions Set for Spelling Bee

By Shamaya Sutton

**YUBA-SUTTER, CA (MPG)** - Auditions for “The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee,” the inaugural production of Stage 754, will be held Feb. 24 and 25 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Burrows Center for the Arts, 624 E St., Marysville.

Stage 754 is Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture’s newest in-house theater company, named after the address of its Yuba City performance venue, the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts at 754 Plumas St.

“The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee” is a comedic musical that follows a group of adolescent finalists competing in a county spelling bee, overseen by a panel of adults. As the competition unfolds, the characters share personal stories, awkward moments and unexpected emotions, creating a coming-of-age tale that balances humor with sincerity.

The production features roles for late teens through adults, including adult actors portraying middle school spellers, as well as several adult characters who serve as moderators, organizers and parents.

Actors interested in auditioning should prepare a memorized monologue of one minute or less and a 30-

45-second song. Organizers ask auditioners to bring an MP3 accompaniment track. Auditions may also include cold readings from the script. Tanda Phelps, a well-known local performer, will serve as director alongside her husband, McCai Phelps. She said she is excited to work with a “great directorial team.” Performances are scheduled for May 8, 9, 10, 15, 17, 22, 23 and 24 at the Sutter Theater Center for the Arts in Yuba City.

Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture also supports additional performing arts programming in the region, including Center Stage, a youth-focused musical theater group. The organization previously housed Convergence Theatre Company, which recently announced it will separate from Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture and enter a yearlong hiatus.

“After thoughtful consideration, CTC has decided to separate from operating under the umbrella of Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture,” wrote Matt DeMeritt, artistic director and co-founder of Convergence Theatre Company. “This next year will be a time for reflection, restructuring and planning what the next chapter of Convergence might look like.”

For more information about Stage 754 and upcoming auditions, email [abbie@yubasutterarts.org](mailto:abbie@yubasutterarts.org). ★



Maybe we finally had some winter weather. All of the spring flowers are starting, redbud is out, but we hardly had snow.

Stone Soup is still a popular place to be on Thursdays. A great lunch is served at noon: hearty soups, salad bar, bread and dessert. All of this for a \$3.00 donation. Most of the foods are donated by the Stone Soup Group or from food give a-ways That is why we can keep the cost down to \$3.00. We have been fortunate to have several large donations, too. Come join us.

There were very few people at the Yuba Feather Community dinner. It will take a group of dedicated citizens to keep this association going. A very dedicated group started YFCS during the 1970s. I remember active ball games, a group putting on stage performances, several dinner-dances and having the park and fields being cared for. We are hurt by some vandalism, but mostly by non-participation. The new board has done a great job getting things repaired, jobs completed and more. They will come up for election in March and we are looking for new members to get involved in the

community activities. Please consider joining. Come by Books & More for a membership form.

Finally, after working to get it ready, we will have our first Bingo & More session tomorrow afternoon. Each month, for as long as it lasts, we will have a game time from 3:00 – 5:00 on the third Saturday of each month. Besides Bingo, we will have other card games, board games, puzzles, and even pool with full-sized pool tables. We will offer a Kids Corner with many things to do: legos, games, art and more. This is organized by YF Next Step and we hope to make it a great gathering place. A half/half raffle will be offered, a bake sale from Foothill Resource Center, some snacks to choose from and at about 4:30 we will have Super Loaded Spuds to go or eat there. There is a \$3.00 entry fee to help pay rent of the building.

Look Back in Time – In 1898 the amateur theatrical troupe of La Porte gave a fine performance of “East Lynne”, followed by a dance (what you can do without TV).

Hope to see you in Brownsville soon.  
~ Yvonne ★

# Rice Workshop Set for March in Richvale

By MPG Staff

**SACRAMENTO VALLEY, CA (MPG)**

- Rice growers and agricultural professionals will gather March 18 and 19 for the 2026 Rice Production Workshop in Richvale.

The two-day program will run from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lundberg Family Farms, 5311 Midway. Organizers

said the workshop will focus on core principles and field practices for California rice production.

The University of California Cooperative Extension is hosting the event in collaboration with the University of California, Davis and the California Rice Experiment Station. Organizers said the program will provide

research-based information aimed at supporting rice production in the Sacramento Valley.

Topics will include rice growth and development, land formation, varieties, planting and stand establishment, water and fertility management, weed control, insect and vertebrate pests, diseases and pest identification.

Speakers will include UC

and UCCE specialists and researchers Bruce Linquist, Whitney Brim-DeForest, Kassim Al-Khatib, Luis Espino, Michelle Leinfelder-Miles, Ian Grettenberger and Sarah Marsh Janish.

The registration fee is \$200 and includes a workshop manual and lunch both days. The deadline to register is March 15. Participants may register

online at <https://link.ucanr.edu/riceworkshop2026>.

Organizers have requested continuing education credits from the Department of Pesticide Regulation and Certified Crop Adviser program.

For more information, contact the University of California Cooperative Extension Sutter-Yuba Office at 530-822-7515. ★

## The Pickled Pig Gang One chapter appears each month.

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### THE PICKLED PIG GANG

by BILL CROCKER  
Chapter Two

Alphie’s apartment was small with a bedroom, bathroom, kitchen, and living room/dining room combo. It was on the third floor of a three-floor apartment building with a beautiful view of the outside stucco wall of another section of the apartment complex.

Alphie had had his share of female companionship but had never married. Now, he was too old to accommodate a roommate of either gender. His apartment was sort of furnished. It had a definite masculine tone: no pictures on the walls, sparse accouterments, and no frilly stuff. He did have a couple of framed auto show posters in his bedroom. If the posters weren’t a dead giveaway as to Alphie’s interests, sitting on the dining room table was a disassembled 1948 KBA engine block. Yes, Alphie loved that little car.

Alphie began sorting through his mail: a couple of bills, the latest copy of Automobile Quarterly, a flyer advertising a deal for losing weight, and a flyer from Huckabee A&M announcing homecoming.

He had never attended a homecoming weekend. He had not been a great student and had barely graduated within the usual four-year period. He pledged ZIT in the spring semester of his sophomore year, suf-

fered pledgeship, and had expected to become a full-blown ZIT the following year. However, his lack of good study habits had tripped him up, and his grade point average had been abysmal. The fraternity required that new active ZITs had to have at least a C average in the semester prior to initiation. The only subject in which Alphie was able to land a B was math 202. He had taken all of the high school math offered and college math 101 as a freshman. This sophomore math was just advanced algebra and geometry. He received an F in German grammar and a C in the remaining two courses.

So, Alphie joined the ranks of the bottom feeders: those pledges who were in limbo, awaiting a more scholastically superior semester. He managed that feat of academic excellence two semesters later and was initiated in November of his senior year.

“Alphie! Lulu lonely.”

“I’m busy. I’ll be in there in a minute to fix dinner.”

“Mango?”

“No, no mango.”

“Lulu not happy. Mango tomorrow?”

“Yeah, okay.”

“Good girl, Alphie.”

“Lulu, I’m a boy. You know that.”

“Lulu a girl, Alphie a girl.”

Right! How many times have we been over that one, Alphie thought.

Alphie sat at the table looking at the homecoming flyer. It had been fifty-one years since he had graduated from Huck A&M and left the ZIT house. Lots of years had gone by, a lifetime in fact. If he went back, what kind of reunion would it be? ZIT brothers had gone on to big things, married, produced little ZITs, and made serious contributions to society.

Alphie had done nothing with his education. He had gone through a succession of menial labor jobs, interspersed with periods of unemploy-

ment. He had early visions of buying a farm, getting married, and having a family. However, reality set in early in the form of military service. He had been drafted into the Army in 1963, served in Vietnam during the war’s early years, and returned home a confused and disillusioned man. The Veterans Administration doctors had diagnosed his problem as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). As a result, he could not pursue a serious career. Fortunately, he was the only child of Phil and Abby and inherited a sizable gas fortune.

The purchase of Lulu had been a good move. Alphie’s attempts at emotional involvement with humans had, for the most part, gone sour. The one being with whom he formed a serious attachment was Lulu. Lulu and Alphie had been together for thirty-six years. During that time, Alphie had poured his heart into teaching her how to use the English language. As a result, she was able to create understandable sentences from the words she knew. She was a natural mimic as well.

“Alphie, Lulu lonely. Talk to Lulu.”

“C’mon. Give me a break. I’ll be there in a minute.”

“What Alphie do?”

“Reading mail. I’ll be there soon.”

The telephone rang. Alphie sighed, put the homecoming flyer aside, and entered the kitchen to answer the phone. As he entered, the phone quit ringing. Cursing under his breath, Alphie returned to the dining room. He had just sat down when the phone began ringing again.

“Crap! Is that you, Lulu?”

“Alphie, phone.”

“I know it’s you. Stop it.”

“Alphie mad? Lulu not bad, want Alphie.”

“Yeah, I’m coming.”

Alphie returned to the kitchen to start dinner. Because of living alone nearly all his life, he had become a pretty decent cook. He tended to

spend Sunday cooking several dinners that would last the week and then freezing them in complete dinner packages.

This was Friday, and he was down to the last two dinners. One was lasagna, and the other was the last of a roast. He decided on the lasagna, opened the refrigerator, and pulled it out.

“What dinner?”

“Lasagna, want some?”

“Taste like mango?”

“No, Lulu. It tastes like lasagna.”

“Not good.”

“For you, no. But for me, yes.”

“Maybe melon? Lulu like melon.”

Lulu was often entertaining company. However, Alphie was basically lonely. His loneliness had increased over the last couple of years. He figured it was his age. The realization he was on the downward slope of life was on his mind more often than before. He did not have many friends. Oh sure, he knew many people, men and women, because he had lived and worked in the area for such a long time. However, his social skills were somewhat diminished as a result of the war. He had attended many Veterans Administration sponsored psychology sessions over the course of the first two years after returning from Vietnam. They helped quite a bit. At least he was able to hold a job for a couple of years before things went sour.

He had developed passing relationships with some of the regular patrons of a local tavern. There were others like him who gravitated to the bar in the evenings. As time passed, he and four others, each with a unique personality, found they enjoyed each other’s company. This bond was about to become very close.

The place was owned and operated by a woman whom he found attractive. She worked days at a local livestock feed store and was behind the bar during the evenings. Arthes



Awbrey was a healthy Welsh lass. In fact, Arthes means she-bear in the Welsh language, and she was a bear at five-eleven and 195 pounds. Her shoulders were as broad as her hips with large but well-formed arms and legs. Alphie thought she was in perfect proportion; she was just big all over.

The microwave binged three times, indicating Alphie’s dinner was ready. Then it binged again, and again.

“Lulu, cut it out.”

“Food done, Alphie. Food stinks. Stuff bad.”

“The food’s fine,” replied Alphie as he entered the kitchen. “It needs to continue cooking.”

Alphie finished his dinner and carried his plate and utensils into the kitchen.

“Alphie done?”

“Yes, Lulu, I’m done. I have to wash these dishes, and then I want to go out for a while.”

“Go out? Where?”

“Do you really care?”

“Mango?”

“I’m not going shopping.”

“Store closed?”

“No. But I’ll get your fruit tomorrow.”

“Mango breakfast?”

“Lulu, I don’t have time to get your mangos tonight.”

“Alphie not love Lulu?”

“Stop it! I’ll get the stuff tomorrow.”

“Mango, melon.”

“Okay.” ★

### THE PICKLED PIG GANG



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## Death Notices

**FRAZZINI** – Anthony Frazzini, 52, of Live Oak, passed away December 19, 2025. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

**ALTROCK** – Helen Altrock, 78, of Olivehurst, passed away February 7, 2026. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

**TRENT** – Houston Trent, 86, of Yuba City, passed away February 10, 2026. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

**ROMAIN** – Kirk Romain, 73, of Yuba City, passed away February 10, 2026. Arrangements are under the direction of Holycross Funeral Home and Crematory 530-751-7000.

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## Bitcoin Falling to Bits?

In a favorite topic here on Money Matters, Bitcoin is once again in the news and not in a good way.

Bitcoin has had a rough start to 2026 falling from \$88,731.00 down to its present hovering price of \$60,000 something. It had hit \$126,000 around October of 2025. Considering it started way back in October of 2009 at 0.00099, I must, as I have continued to, keep from laughing at the ridiculousness of the whole thing.

I mean anything that goes from ten thousandths of a penny to \$126,000.00 in less than a decade and a half cannot, in my mind, be taken seriously no matter what anyone says.

I have called Bitcoin vapor before, and I will do it again in today's musing. Apparently other notables are beginning to think the same thing, and some have thought it a long time ago.

A economic think tank, the Brookings institute, long ago in their January 20, 2021, said "It (Bitcoin) has no intrinsic value and is not backed by anything".

More recently, on January 30, 2025, Nobel Laureate Eugene Fama predicted Bitcoin will become worthless.

Famed investor and co-partner of Brookshire Hathaway and the number two man for investing icon Warren Buffett, Charlie Munger, had no love for Bitcoin and didn't mince words. Labeling it "disgusting," "worthless," "rat poison," and "contrary to the interests of civilization", he thought it was a dangerous, speculative gambling tool rather than a productive asset and advocated for its banning altogether.

Just last week, U.S. Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent said that Washington has no authority and no intention to bail out Bitcoin investors. He added "any Bitcoin held by the U.S. government will come only from asset seizures, not taxpayer-funded purchases".

There are many reasons I, and others, are more than a bit skeptical about the future of Bitcoin. Its lack of being price stable makes it unusable as a store of value. Anything even considered to be a currency or medium of exchange must not jump around like a Mexican jumping bean. Bitcoin has other problems like lack of intrinsic value, practical limitations (like needing electricity to use it), legality issues, environmental concerns (requires enormous power to create) and exposure

to criminality.

It is no secret that a number of exchanges where people have bought Bitcoin have gone bankrupt, taking investors' money with it. Some investors have had their bitcoin accounts hacked and losing a password to your bitcoin account leaves an investor with no options.

I find it a sad state of affairs that some investors have, for whatever reason, lost everything.

Even a repeated detractor and reader here that generated more than a few irate emails to my inbox and letters to the editor went suspiciously silent when the exchange he was using went belly up, taking most if not all his money with it.

And to those who believe Bitcoins anonymity and separation from central governments isolate their money from government intervention, think again.

Any government that feels their currency is threatened by Bitcoin can, and have, in more than a few cases, simply shut down the exchange access from the web or declare it illegal with fines and jail time.

Some will argue the price of Bitcoin can only go up due to the limited number of coins that can be created. Just because something is scarce doesn't make it valuable or viable.

I am obviously not a fan of Bitcoin and will continue to argue against it, noting the inherent deficiencies this and other cyber coins have in their current form.

That said, there are many Bitcoin supporters running around and the arguments for its existence are many.

But when I hold it up against the time-tested economic truths of currencies, money, mediums of exchange and how markets function, I just don't buy it.

And therefore, I won't.

*"Watching the markets  
so you don't have to"*

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## Rejuvenation



By Kathy Craig Harteis

All it takes is time at the coast to rejuvenate yourself.

We've had a few days at a beautiful little inn in Mendocino.

Sleeping with the window open, listening to the waves and smelling the sea air has a wonderful effect of peace.

It's our first stay in a bed and breakfast. I have to admit I like the

pampering of it all.

I admit yesterday was a rainy day that delegated us back to our room early in the day.

We watched the SuperBowl. Not too exciting. It was kind of a walk away for the SeaHawks. As far as halftime goes, I'm old and didn't know who Bad Bunny was. Regardless, beings that NFL stands for 'National' Football League I'd expect halftime should be in English. I'm just a little old lady brought up in a Christian, conservative home so what do I know? I'm sure a lot of people enjoyed it. I just think I would more enjoy a performance I could understand.

And so it goes.

So this week I tried to give away an item on Facebook. Immediately

someone offered to buy it. I explained it was free. This person went into a long explanation about how he wanted to pay. Red flag when he just kept insisting. It screamed of a scam so I shut him down. If these people spent as much time on a real job as they do trying to rob people it would be a lot better.

All is well. The item is now going to a person I know and like.

One more day at the coast. Life is good today.

A native of Grimes, CA, Kathy Craig Harteis is a former local journalist and former owner and chief executive of Kathy Craig Media Consulting, in Colusa. She currently lives in Beach, North Dakota, where she lived for many years while raising her family. ★



### Grape Glut Lessens as Growers Scrap Vines

After a yearslong glut, the market for California winegrapes could reach equilibrium in the near future. The state saw "an explosion" of vineyard removals during the past two years, Jeff Bitter, president of the grower-owned marketing group Allied Grape Growers, said last month at the Unified Wine and Grape Symposium in Sacramento. Between October 2024 and August 2025, winegrape growers removed more than 38,000 acres across California—roughly 7% of the state's acreage—leaving about 477,000 acres. Experts projected there will be future demand for around 410,000 acres of winegrapes in the state. "We haven't got to where we need to be yet in order to balance supply and demand," Bitter said. But he added that ongoing removals and an unknown amount of abandoned acreage due to financial stress could bring production close to the industry target as early as this year.

### Bill Brings Back Overtime Tax Credit Proposal

A bipartisan bill introduced last month by California state legislators would create a tax credit to offset the cost to farmers of paying overtime wages. Senate Bill 921, authored by state Sen. Shannon Grove, R-Bakersfield, and state Sen. Melissa Hurtado, D-Sanger, aims to mitigate the impact that California's agricultural overtime law has had on work opportunities for farmworkers. In 2016, the state adopted Assembly Bill 1066, which beginning in 2019 phased in a requirement that

farmworkers—like workers in most sectors—be paid time and a half when they work more than 40 hours a week or eight hours a day. The law was intended to boost earnings for farmworkers. But research indicates it reduced farmworker income as employers cut hours to avoid paying overtime. "Behind every meal is a story of love, sacrifice and hard work in the fields," Hurtado said in a statement. "SB 921 honors the sweat and sacrifice behind our food with a modern, fair approach to wages."

### Solving Veterinary Shortage is Crucial For Agriculture

California's agriculture sector leads the nation due in part to the state's thriving dairy, cattle and poultry sectors, all of which rely on veterinarians. However, the U.S. Department of Agriculture last year identified 243 rural veterinary shortage areas across the country—an all-time high—including in counties across California. "We currently face a critical shortage of food-animal veterinarians nationwide," Gary S. May, chancellor of the University of California, Davis, said in an Ag Alert® commentary. "That's why UC Davis is expanding its capacity to train future generations of veterinarians who will return to their communities and serve the state." The campus' veterinary school recently received a \$120 million gift from philanthropists Joan and Sanford I. Weill. May said the funding will be used to "expand its impact by training these future doctors, advancing large-animal care and strengthening California's health and agricultural future at an unprecedented scale." ★



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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-024  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**GTR Junk Removal and Handyman**  
6188 Farrell Way #B  
Marysville, CA 95901  
MAILING ADDRESS  
PO Box 2393  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Ruben Garcia  
PO Box 2393  
Marysville, CA 95901  
Elizabeth Lopez  
PO Box 2393  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by a Married Couple.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**Ruben Garcia**

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Deputy Clerk  
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-030  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**FreshNet Collaborative**  
1644 Stepney Way  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Amanda Chaney  
1644 Stepney Way  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/27/2026.

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Signed:  
**Amanda Chaney**

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2025F-323  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**NORCAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING**  
201 D ST, Ste C.  
Marysville, CA 95901  
MAILING ADDRESS  
PO Box 613  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
THOMAS L. HUNT  
PO Box 613  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 07/20/2023.

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Signed:  
**THOMAS L. HUNT**

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-017  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Glenwood Apts**  
1848 Turpen St  
Olivehurst, CA 95961  
MAILING ADDRESS  
2060 Archer Ave  
Live Oak, CA 95953  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Lawanda J. Reed  
2060 Archer Ave  
Live Oak, CA 95953

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/11/1989.

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**Lawanda Reed**

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-016  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**HB Home Sales**  
1082 Ironwood St.  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Hayden Anthony Boungrasiri  
1082 Ironwood St.  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/20/2026.

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Signed:  
**Hayden Boungrasiri**

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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-051  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**NorCal Tropicals**  
6032 Tyler Ave.  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Damian Rubio  
6032 Tyler Ave.  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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Signed:  
**Damian Rubio**

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Deputy Clerk  
Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13, 2026

## Notice of Public Meeting for the Submittal of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Applications

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held before the Yuba County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. or soon thereafter, in the Board of Supervisors Chamber, Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street, Marysville, CA. to discuss the following information:

- Submittal of the CDBG 2025 NOFA applications for Habitat for Humanity Yuba-Sutter's Life Building Center rehabilitation, the County's Housing Condition Survey, and the County's CDBG Program Income Owner Occupied Rehabilitation program.

- The execution and submittal of all application materials.

- Funding in the amount of \$500,000 is being requested for the rehabilitation of Habitat for Humanity Yuba-Sutter's Life Building Center, an existing homeless facility in Marysville, CA. Funding in the amount of \$300,000 is being requested for the County's Housing Condition Survey, which will record the state of housing units and identify target areas for community revitalization in the unincorporated areas of Yuba County. Funding is the amount of \$952,594 from the County's Program Income fund is intended to be expended on an owner-occupied rehabilitation program, which will financially assist low-income homeowners in home repairs that will reduce or eliminate healthy and safety codes.

Additional Information related to the project is available at 915 8th Street, Suite 123, Marysville, CA 95901 between the hours of 8 am to 4 pm on Monday-Friday or by emailing Simren Khagura, Planner II, at skhagura@yuba.gov or (530) 749-5470. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to Yuba County Community Development and Services Agency, at the address above, or you may contact Ian Scott.

Yuba County does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender identify, age, religion or disability. Any person wishing to testify at the Board of Supervisors hearing on the proposed project may appear before the Board at the prescribed time and place, or may submit written comments or objections to the Clerk of the Board at 915 8th Street, Suite 109, Marysville, CA 95901, prior to the hearing. Copies of the staff recommendations are available for inspection at the same address.

If you challenge in court the action or decision of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors regarding a zoning, planning, land use, or environmental determination made at any public hearing described in this notice, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone raised at such public hearing, or in written correspondence delivered to the Yuba County Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, such public hearing. (TD) February 20, 2026

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-039  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Shinobi Massage**  
1910 Hall Street  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Isai Barragan  
1910 Hall Street  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by an Individual.

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Signed:  
**Isai Barragan**

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Deputy Clerk  
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-002  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Gold King Batteries**  
5838 Lindhurst Ave.  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Jesus Alfredo Cerda Cuellar  
11 Mantaok Point Place  
Sacramento, CA 95835

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/02/2026.

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Signed:  
**Jesus A. Cerda**

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Deputy Clerk  
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-019  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**TAQUERIA AZUL**  
22 E 12th St.  
Marysville, CA 95901  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Esmeralda R. Guzman Mendez  
22 E 12th St.  
Marysville, CA 95901

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/22/2026.

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Signed:  
**Esmeralda Guzman Mendez**

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Deputy Clerk  
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-042  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**J Way HVAC**  
1944 Glenmore Dr.  
Olivehurst, CA 95961  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Jordan Force Vanrenselaar  
1944 Glenmore Dr.  
Olivehurst, CA 95961

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**Jordan Force Vanrenselaar**

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Deputy Clerk  
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## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-032  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Ag-Con Construction**  
1350 Turnbridge Way  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Larricq Contracting, Inc.  
1350 Turnbridge Way  
Plumas Lake, CA 95961

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**Larricq Contracting, Inc.**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on 1/1/2026.

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DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,  
Deputy Clerk  
Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13, 2026

## Notice of Public Online Storage Auction

Notice is hereby given that Marysville Mini Storage, 528 14th Street Marysville Ca 95901 intends to sell the personal property to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, known as the "California Self Service Storage Facilities Act", Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

The Auction will be conducted online at [www.bid13.com](http://www.bid13.com), starting February 20th 2026 at 10am, and ending February 26th 2026 at 10am. If there are no bidders, the property will be donated or disposed of accordingly.

Name: Katy J Curry, Eva M Shelgren, Gary D Charlton Jr, Paul A Wilson, Susan L Knight.

All purchased items sold AS IS, WHERE IS, and must be paid for and removed within 48 hours of the end of the sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. 530-742-6898. 2-20-26

## DOMESTIC WATER SUPPLY INFORMATION REQUEST

Information is hereby requested concerning domestic water supplies within and downstream from a future timber harvest plan (THP) so that added protection may be incorporated. Timber harvesting is proposed approximately 3.5 miles northwest of Camptonville, CA. The legal description is as follows: Portions of Sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, & 35, Township 19N, Range 8E, Mt. Diablo Base and Meridian. Brandy Creek, Bridger Creek, Horse Valley Creek, Mill Creek, and Willow Creek are the major watercourses adjacent to the plan area. If you have any surface domestic water usage within this area or 1000 feet downstream, please respond within 10 days of this publication date to:

Sierra Pacific Industries  
Attn: Zach Barber  
P.O. Box 1450  
Cedar Ridge, CA 95924

2-20-26

## FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 2026F-021  
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**VoxLux**  
14437 Old Marysville Road  
Camptonville, CA 95922  
County of Yuba  
Registered Owners:  
Todd S. Stock  
14437 Old Marysville Road  
Camptonville, CA 95922

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 01/1/2025.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:  
**Todd S. Stock**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on January 23, 2026.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,  
Deputy Clerk  
Feb. 13, 20, 27, Mar. 6, 2026

## TO PLACE YOUR YUBA COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE PHONE 530-743-6643

## Community Events

**CREATIVE THINKERS COMMUNITY CLASSES THURSDAY EVENINGS 6:30 to 8:30 pm at Steelhouse Coffee, 437 Center St, Yuba City**

**YUBA COUNTY SENIORS ON THE GO FREE LUNCHEON 3RD WED OF THE MONTH • 11 AM TO 1 PM**

Tri-Counties Community Center, 1830 B St, Marysville  
Free Seminars especially for Seniors

**BINGO • FIRST AND THIRD FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH • STARTS AT 6 PM**

Tri-Counties Community Center, 1830 B St, Marysville

### Next Step Community Breakfast

Second Sunday of the Month at Brownsville Community Center downstairs located at 17103 Ponderosa Way. Complete breakfast includes: Coffee, orange juice & peaches. Choice of eggs, ham or sausage. Choice of pancakes, french toast or biscuits & gravy. Adults \$10, Children under 12 \$5, 3 & under Free.

**ROY BOURG VFW POST 4095's 'CORNHOLE TOURNAMENTS' OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 6 pm 2nd & 4th Mondays**

4965 Powerline Rd, Olivehurst. Info: 530-777-9057

**DOBBINS CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKET BACK IN THE SPRING OF 2026 SATURDAY • 10 am-2 pm**

9761 Marysville Rd, Dobbins  
Vendor Information call Teresa McFall 530-635-0452

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC LIEN SALE

Notice is hereby given that Erle Road Self Storage 5600 Lindhurst Ave, Marysville, CA 95901 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700-21716 of the Business & Professions Code, known as the "California Self Service Storage Facilities Act", Section 2328 of the UCC, Section 535 of the Penal Code and provisions of the Civil Code.

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on **Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 10:00 AM**, on the premises where said property has been in storage at Erle Road Self Storage 5600 Lindhurst Ave. Marysville, CA 95901, telephone 530-634-9781. Units to be sold belonging to the following:

Name  
Cristian Merida  
Ramsey G. German  
Theresa Collen Miller Heibreder  
Randy D. Laughlin  
Devan Gabriel Anthony Walsh

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in CASH only. All purchased items sold AS IS, WHERE IS, and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Auctioneer Kristie Oropeza, Bond# W150153447 (2/13/26 & 2/20/26)



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# Community Calendar

## Sutter County Library

Sutter County library main branch, at 750 Forbes Ave., Yuba City has the following events this week. Call 530-930-2315 for more information on general library offerings.

**Friday, Feb. 20:** Skill share, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All ages are invited to come share a skill or learn something new. The library will provide all the necessary supplies for sewing, knitting, crocheting, or cross-stitching. Day of Remembrance 2026: Author talk with Jan Morrill, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. See more below.

**Saturday, Feb. 21:** Puzzle race, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Families can compete against other groups in a friendly, fun environment.

**Tuesday, Feb. 24:** Stay and Play, 11 a.m. to noon.

Wednesday, Feb. 25: Story time and craft, 11 a.m. to noon. LEGO club, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**Thursday, Feb. 26:** Story time and craft, 11 a.m. to noon.

**Friday, Feb. 27:** Skill share, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All ages are invited to come share a skill or learn something new. The library will provide all the supplies necessary for sewing, knitting, crocheting, or cross-stitching.

**Saturday, Feb. 28:** Chess club, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## Yuba County Library

Yuba County Library has the following upcoming events at Health & Human Services, 5730 Packard Ave., Marysville (location may vary, as noted):

**Friday, Feb. 20:** DIY "Blind Date with a Book", 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Yuba County Government Center, 915 8th Street., Marysville. Registration is required.

**Tuesday, Feb. 24:** Bilingual story time with special guest and community helper, Lili Barrington from Yuba County Health and Human Services, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Registration is required.

**Wednesday, Feb. 25:** First five story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Registration is required.

**Thursday, Feb. 26:** First five story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Registration is required.

**Friday, Feb. 27:** Baby Bounce for ages up to 2 years old, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Call 530-749-7380 for more information or email library@co.yuba.ca.us

## Continuing through Wednesday, March 18

**Collecting New and Gently Used Promwear**, daily at Yuba Sutter Marketplace Management Office, 1215 Colusa Ave., Yuba City, Little Spark's Coffee & Sweet Treats at the Yuba Sutter Marketplace Food Court, or Sutter County Superintendent of Schools Office, 970 Klamath Lane. We're planning for a big giveaway event next month and we need donations to make this a success. See www.shopyubasuttermarketplace.com/events for specific collection hours.

## Friday, Feb. 20

**Sutter-Yuba Punjabi Employee Pesticide Safety Training**, 8:30 a.m. to noon at 142 Garden Hwy., Yuba City. Check-in at 8:30 a.m., program begins at 9 a.m., followed by lunch donated by Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau and Pacific Coast Producers. Limited to 50 people, call Simar Bains at 530-822-7500 to register.

**Day of Remembrance 2026:** Author talk with Jan Morrill, 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Sutter County Library, 750 Forbes Ave., Yuba City. The evening will begin with readings from Jan's books. Her work reflects memories of growing up in a multicultural, multi-religious, and multi-political household, shaped by her family's experiences during World War II. Both books will be available for purchase

following the event. This meaningful program offers an opportunity to reflect, learn, and engage through storytelling. All are welcome.

## Saturday, Feb. 21

**Almond Blossom Antique Tractor Day**, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Enjoy a beautiful drive through the almond blossoms and the Sutter Buttes. Tractors leave Sutter High School at 9 a.m., rides are first-come, first-served for \$5 each or \$20 per family. At 10 a.m. a full slate of tractor events is available at SYO park, 7740 Butte House Rd., Sutter. Event brought to you by Sutter Lions Club.

**Yuba-Sutter Winter Pow Wow**, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Tri Counties Community Center, 1830 B St., Marysville. Open to the public, this free event is sponsored by the American Indian Education Program, Marysville Joint Unified School District. This is a Native American tradition that brings together many different tribes and communities. Pow Wows are cultural celebrations that include dancing, singing, socializing, crafts, arts, and food.

**Scholastic Art & Writing Regional Awards**, two sessions, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas St., Yuba City. Students from throughout the north state region will have their art and writing on display. The free awards celebration will take place with some students moving on to the regional awards level and then, if selected, on to the nationals in New York City. Seating is limited, register at www.yubasutterarts.org.

**Marysville JACL Day of Remembrance – Tule Lake:** An Inside Look, noon to 2 p.m. at 1333 Butte House Rd., Yuba City. Join us in Ettl Hall for the annual Day of Remembrance of Japanese American Internment. Light refreshments will be served. This program is presented in partnership with the Marysville Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League and is sponsored by Shoei Foods, USA.

**Kids Club**, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at Yuba Sutter Marketplace, 1215 Colusa Ave., Yuba City. Celebrate the Lunar New Year and the Year of the Horse with us. Kids Club is held in our North Court Area near JCPenney. Register in advance at www.shopyubasuttermarketplace.com.

## Monday, Feb. 23

**God in the Garden program for young children**, held Mondays from 10 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. at the church, located at 1390 Franklin Ave. in Yuba City. St. Andrew Presbyterian Church will offer "God in the Garden," a weekly program designed for children ages 0 to 5 and their caregivers. The program includes music, storytelling, play and simple crafts, with activities planned rain or shine. For more information, call (530) 673-7353.

## Tuesday, Feb. 24

**YS Chamber Lunch Mob at Cisco's Taqueria**, 11:30 a.m., The community is invited to gather for lunch at 301 Third St., Marysville, to support a local business, connect with fellow residents, and strengthen the local business community.

**Expungement and Employment Law Workshop**, A free expungement and employment law informational workshop will be held Tuesday, Feb. 25, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Yuba County One Stop, 1114 Yuba St., Marysville, in the Maidu Conference Room. The workshop, presented by Capital Pro Bono, will cover Clean Slate law updates, the expungement process, eligible crimes, discrimination, and at-will employment. Attorneys will be onsite to guide participants through required documents, how to obtain criminal records, and how

to file petitions. A question-and-answer session will follow, and applications for more intensive services will be accepted after the workshop. Pre-registration is requested by calling (530) 749-4962.

## Wednesday, Feb. 25

**Yuba-Sutter Pastor's Appreciation Breakfast**, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Hillcrest Catering, 210 Julie Dr., Yuba City. Please join us for a special "thank you" breakfast celebrating our community and ministry partnerships. Your presence would mean so much as we gather to encourage one another and give thanks for God's work in our region. This event is brought to you by the Christian Assistance Network of Yuba Sutter (CAN). Tickets and more information at www.canyubasutter.rsvpify.com.

**Conversations in Healthcare Town Hall**, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Yuba County Government Center Supervisor's Chambers, 915 8th St., Marysville. Join us to hear directly from community voices and healthcare partners. Learn about regional healthcare priorities and emerging solutions. Engage in open dialogue that helps shape a healthier Yuba-Sutter region.

## Thursday, Feb. 26

**Propanil Stewardship Meeting**, The UC Cooperative Extension will host the 2026 Propanil Stewardship Meeting on Thursday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m. to noon at the CIP Conference Room, 100 Sunrise Blvd. in Colusa. The meeting will cover propanil stewardship and alternative watergrass management strategies, including regulatory updates, resistance development, application practices, and herbicide alternatives. Presentations will be given by UC Cooperative Extension advisors, the Colusa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, and UC Davis faculty. Continuing education credits for DPR and CCA are available. For more information, call 530 822 7515 or email sutterryuba@ucan.edu.

## Friday, Feb. 27

**Hope in Motion: A Youth Art Exhibit**, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 103 D St., Marysville. Join us for this exhibit, hosted by Hope Haven Counseling & Support Center in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. This youth-led art showcase will feature visual art, poetry, spoken word, and more, highlighting young voices while promoting awareness around healthy relationships and teen dating violence. Light refreshments will be provided and select artwork will be available for purchase.

**Academy Awards Speakeasy**, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at a Sutter Theater Center for the Arts, 754 Plumas St., Yuba City. Dress like your favorite film character and step into a hidden location that requires a secret code to ring in award season in style. Special coffee drinks and a no-host bar available, along with free light appetizers. Tickets and more information at www.yubasutterarts.org.

## Saturday, Feb. 28

**Have a Heart for Kids, 5k Run and Walk**, 9 a.m. at River Valley High School, 2250 Laguna Rd., Yuba City. This is a fundraiser for the Yuba City Education Foundation. Every dollar raised goes straight back to the kids of Yuba City Unified School District. For more information, or to sign up, visit www.runsignup.com.

**Workshop: Growing Tomatoes and Peppers**, 10 a.m. to noon at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 1390 Franklin Rd., Yuba City. This session covers prepping your beds, ideas for trellising, and techniques for a healthy, fruitful harvest. You'll get hands-on examples and pro tips from experienced local gardeners. All members of the community are

welcome, experience levels from beginners to expert.

**Chili Cook-Off**, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 205 S. Walton Ave., Yuba City. This event benefitting the Marysville Cancer Center includes chili tasting, children's activities and live music. Tickets are \$5 per person; kids ages 8 and under are admitted free. Call 530-632-1460 for more information.

**Annual Fundraiser Dinner for Sutter High School Trap**, Keet, Sporting Clays and Olympic Bunker Team, 5 p.m. at the Five30 Event Center, 1104 J St., Marysville. Join us for an evening of fun, prizes and live auction items for those who love the outdoors. Call 530-301-4622 for tickets and more information.

## Meeting Minders

Ongoing Activities (Current as of publication, please verify schedule with the organization):

**American Legion Post 42** meets the second Monday each month at 211 17th St., Marysville. For more information, call 530-743-0948.

**Marysville City Council meeting**, 6 p.m., first and third Tuesday each month in the City Council chambers at 526 C St. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 3.

**Rotary Club of Yuba City** meets Wednesdays at noon at the Harvest Room, 1475 Tharp Rd., Yuba City.

**Seniors on the Go – Olivehurst**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of every month at the VFW, 4956 Powerline Rd., Olivehurst. Enjoy a free community lunch and stay for activities. Next event is Wednesday, Feb. 25. All seniors and their guests are welcome, no registration required. Call 530-392-2187 for more information.

**Seniors on the Go – Yuba County**, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at the Tri-Counties Community Center, 1830 B St., Marysville. Enjoy a free luncheon followed by free seminars especially for Seniors. Call 916-296-1907 for more information.

**Sutter County Board of Supervisors meeting**, 3 p.m., generally on the second and fourth Tuesday each month, in the council chambers, 1201 Civic Center Blvd., Yuba City. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 24.

**City Council meetings for Yuba City**, 6 p.m., first and third Tuesday each month in the council chamber at City Hall, 1201 Civic Center Blvd. Call 530-822-4817 for more information. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 3.

**Yuba County Board of Supervisors meeting**, 9 a.m., generally on the second and fourth Tuesday each month, in the board chambers, 915 8th St., Marysville. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 24.

## Community Resources – Find Food

First Presbyterian Church, 10 a.m. to noon every Friday at 1905-C Covillaud St., Marysville. Call 530-742-5541 for more information.

**First Lutheran Church**, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. every Friday at 850 Cooper Ave., Yuba City. Call 530-673-8894 for more information.

**Olivehurst Seventh Day Adventist Church**, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 1767 14th St., Olivehurst on the second and fourth Wednesdays each month, or by appointment. Please call 530-742-7855

**The Salvation Army Food Pantry**, 401 Del Norte Ave., Yuba City on the third Friday each month from 9 a.m. until food is gone. Call 530-673-7353 for more information.

**Yuba-Sutter Food Bank**, at www.feedingys.org has a full list of food pantries throughout the area. Call 530-673-3834 for more information. ★

## LEGAL ADVERTISING

Legal Advertising  
530-743-6643

Territorial Dispatch Adjudicated For and By the County of Yuba, Adjudication No. YCSCCVPT 13-0001066 – February 05, 2014

825 9th Street • Suite A  
Marysville, CA 95901

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF YUBA  
IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF:  
Clover Regina Skaggs-Boatright PETITIONER(S)  
CASE NUMBER: CVPT 26-00253  
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME**

HEARING DATE:  
03/23/2026  
DEPT: 4  
TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Petitioner(s) Clover Regina Skaggs-Boatright filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

from: Clover Regina Skaggs-Boatright  
to: Clover Regina Boatright

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

A copy of this order to show cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Territorial Dispatch.

DATE: 2/11/2026

Stephen W. Berrier  
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13, 2026

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2026F-033

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**GoWright Bookkeeping**  
2207 Nicklaus Dr.  
Linda, CA 95901

MAILING ADDRESS  
PO Box 9150  
Beale AFB, CA 95903

County of Yuba

Registered Owners:  
Connie Gomez Wrighthouse  
PO Box 9150

Beale AFB, CA 95903

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:

**Connie Gomez Wrighthouse**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on January 29, 2026.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By NELIDA WILLIAMS,  
Deputy Clerk

Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, 2026

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS  
NAME STATEMENT**

File No. 2026F-044

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

**Best Painting Services**  
420 D Street  
Marysville, CA 95901

County of Yuba

Registered Owners:  
Jasbir Dhmi  
PO Box 888

Yuba City, CA 95992

Jon-Michael Aryan Anthony  
PO Box 888

Yuba City, CA 95992

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.

(I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct).

Signed:

**Jasbir Dhmi**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yuba County on February 12, 2026.

(I Hereby Certify That This Copy is a Correct Copy of the Original on File in my Office).

DONNA HILLEGASS,  
County Clerk  
By BRIDGETTE EVANS,  
Deputy Clerk

Feb. 20, 27, Mar. 6, 13, 2026

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# Signal Activated at SR 20, Kibbe Road



A newly activated traffic signal controls traffic at the intersection of State Route 20 and Kibbe Road in Yuba County. The signal provides direct access to the Hallwood Aggregate Plant and is intended to improve traffic flow and safety while reducing truck traffic on nearby Walnut Avenue. Photo courtesy of Caltrans

By MPG Staff

**YUBA COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - A new traffic signal is now operational at the intersection of State Route 20 and Kibbe Road in Yuba County, according to Caltrans.

The signal marks the completion of a roadway improvement project led by Yuba County in partnership with Teichert Materials. The project provides direct access between SR 20 and Teichert's Hallwood Aggregate Plant.

Caltrans advised motorists to prepare to stop at the new signal and to follow posted signs as traffic patterns adjust. Drivers should slow down and use caution when approaching the intersection.

County officials said the new access point is expected to reduce heavy truck traffic on Walnut Avenue by routing trucks to and from the aggregate plant via SR 20. The change aims to improve traffic flow and safety for nearby residents. ★

# Sutter County Launches Fatherhood Initiative

By MPG Staff

**SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sutter County Children & Families Commission has launched a new Fatherhood Engagement Initiative aimed at promoting the role of fathers in early childhood development.

The countywide public awareness campaign focuses on fathers of children ages zero to five and highlights how early involvement supports healthy growth and family stability. The campaign is currently visible through ads at a local movie theater, billboards throughout Sutter County and social media outreach.

All campaign materials feature local fathers from across the county and show everyday interactions between dads and their young children. Organizers said the goal is to present positive and relatable images that reflect a range of family experiences.

"Fatherhood matters, from the very beginning," said Michele Blake, executive director of the Sutter County Children & Families Commission. "When fathers are engaged in their children's lives during the earliest years, it strengthens families, supports healthy development and helps children thrive."

The initiative aligns with the commission's strategic plan and its ongoing focus on family engagement, early childhood development and equitable access to services. Officials said the campaign is designed to encourage involvement and connection while reinforcing support systems for families.

The commission serves as Sutter County's local First 5 agency and works to improve outcomes for young children and their families through education, outreach and community partnerships.

More information about the commission and its programs is available at [sutterkids.org](http://sutterkids.org) ★

# California First District Opens 2026 Art Competition

By MPG Staff

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The Office of California's First Congressional District has opened the 2026 Congressional Art Competition to high school students across the district.

This year's theme is "America, a 250-year Celebration of Liberty."

Students can find guidelines and entry details at [forms.house.gov/services/ca01-art-competition](http://forms.house.gov/services/ca01-art-competition). The deadline to apply is Friday, April 10.

The annual competition will continue following the recent passing of Rep. Doug LaMalfa.

The program offers high school students in the First District an opportunity to present their work at the national level.

The winning artwork will hang for one year in the U.S. Capitol alongside entries from other congressional districts nationwide. ★

# Threats to Police Lead to Felony Verdicts

By MPG Staff

**YUBA CITY, CA (MPG)** - A Yuba City man was convicted Feb. 4, on 11 felony counts, including criminal threats and attempting to prevent an executive officer from performing official duties, following a two-day jury trial.

Robert Joseph Keith Tapp, 32, was found guilty after an incident Sept. 18, 2025, that began with a reported threat against a civilian and escalated into threats against responding police officers and their families.

According to trial testimony, a woman reported that she encountered Tapp asleep near a dumpster and asked if he needed help. She told the jury that Tapp, who was armed with a knife, responded by yelling profanities and threatening to kill her.

Yuba City police officers responded to investigate the reported criminal threat. Officers testified that Tapp immediately became verbally aggressive and threatened them as they attempted to de-escalate the situation. Additional officers responded to the scene, and Tapp was arrested without a physical altercation. Before being taken into custody, he threatened to kill Officers Liebman and Hatfield and made threats against their families, according to testimony.

The prosecution presented testimony from the civilian victim, Officer Hatfield and Officer Liebman. All three told jurors they believed Tapp would carry out his threats and feared for their safety. Jurors also reviewed nine videos showing Tapp's conduct from the officers' arrival through his booking into the Sutter County Jail.

Sutter County District Attorney Jennifer Dupré said the verdict reflected the seriousness of the threats.

"The State of California affords rights to all victims, regardless of whether they are civilians or our law enforcement officers responding to calls for aid and protecting the public," Dupré said in a statement. "In Sutter County we take protection of victims extremely seriously, and we are grateful that the jury understood the severity of the threats and brought back the appropriate verdict for all victims in this case."

The Sutter County District Attorney's Office credited cooperation with local law enforcement agencies and district attorney investigators for the outcome of the case.

Tapp has now been convicted of seven strike offenses under California's Three Strikes Law. Prosecutors said any future felony convictions would carry increased penalties.

Sentencing is scheduled for March 2 at 9 a.m. Tapp faces a maximum sentence of seven years in state prison. ★

# Sutter Ratifies \$450,000 Defense Grant

By MPG Staff

**SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sutter County Board of Supervisors has ratified a \$450,000 grant agreement with the California Office of the State Public Defender to expand services within the Sutter County Public Defender's Office.

The funding comes through the Expanded Public Defense Grant Program and will run from Feb. 1 through June 1, 2028. County officials said the grant will support a new holistic defense initiative.

The program will add a full-time licensed social worker and a part-time social worker to the Public Defender's Office. The positions will focus on clients with complex needs, including behavioral health challenges, housing instability and frequent contact with law enforcement.

Public Defender Michael Sullinger said the grant will allow the office to look beyond the charges filed in court.

"This grant strengthens our ability to address the full scope of challenges our clients face," Sullinger said. "The goal is to identify non-carceral avenues of assistance, on an individualized basis, for persons charged with non-violent offenses, in an effort to treat the root causes, including but not limited to, housing instability, employment instability, family unit instability, mental health issues not addressed by other programs, trauma centered disabilities and substance abuse issues, that resulted in or contributed to an individual's criminal conduct."

Under the model, attorneys will work with social workers to coordinate mitigation efforts and connect clients with housing, behavioral health treatment and other community-based services. County officials said the approach aims to reduce incarceration and support long-term stability.

The county plans to build on partnerships developed through the CalAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative. Officials said stronger coordination between legal advocates and service providers may improve reentry outcomes and reduce repeat offenses.

Board Chairman Mike Ziegenmeyer said the board supports programs that improve outcomes while remaining fiscally responsible.

"Similar programs implemented elsewhere have resulted in significant cost savings, and we are always striving to maximize efficiency," Ziegenmeyer said. "We look forward to seeing how this enhances public safety." ★

# Marysville POLICE LOG



## February 4 - February 10

### Wednesday, Feb. 4

- 9:11 a.m. Arrest for violation of a city ordinance on the 100 block of Front Street.
- 4:49 p.m. Auto theft reported on the 300 block of Sixth Street.

### Thursday, Feb. 5

- 5:59 a.m. Missing person reported on the 2100 block of Roberta Avenue.
- 8:29 a.m. Arrest for violation of a city ordinance on the 100 block of Front Street.
- 11:07 a.m. Tampering with a vehicle reported on the 1100 block of Divver Street.
- 10:42 p.m. A noninjury traffic collision at Seventh Street and E Street resulted in an arrest.
- 11:51 p.m. Auto theft reported on the 200 block of East 17th Street.

### Friday, Feb. 6

- 8:32 a.m. An audible alarm on the 400 block of Fourth Street resulted in an arrest.
- 8:38 p.m. Suspicious circumstances reported on the 200 block of East 18th Street.

### Saturday, Feb. 7

- 8:01 p.m. Arrest for suspicious circumstances on the 100 block of Fourth Street.
- 8:57 p.m. Suspicious circumstances reported on the 2000 block of Covillaud Street.

### Sunday, Feb. 8

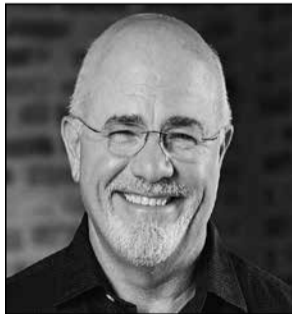
- 1:14 p.m. Arrest for suspicious circumstances on the 800 block of H Street.
- 9:15 p.m. Traffic stop on the 600 block of E Street resulted in an arrest.

### Monday, Feb. 9

- 10:08 a.m. Arrest for violation of a city ordinance on the 1100 block of Yuba Street.
- 10:21 a.m. Assisted an outside agency with an arrest on the 200 block of F Street.
- 6:18 p.m. Child custody violation reported on the 2400 block of Jilla Drive.

### Tuesday, Feb. 10

- 8 a.m. Arrest for violation of a city ordinance at 11th Street and D Street.
- 10:38 a.m. Suspicious circumstances reported on the 5700 block of Packard Avenue.
- 2:21 p.m. Arrest for suspicious circumstances on First Street.
- 5:56 p.m. Vandalism reported on the 100 block of Biz Johnson Drive.
- 11:32 p.m. Traffic stop at 10th Street and G Street resulted in an arrest. ★



Dave Ramsey

# Dave Ramsey Says Compromises Are Part of Marriage

Dear Dave,

My wife and I have been married for two years, and we both have good jobs. Together, we bring home around \$190,000 combined. We also have \$100,000 in a savings account, and no debt except for our mortgage. A couple of weeks ago, I was contacted about an opportunity to take a job in commercial real estate in my hometown. To be honest, this kind of work has been a dream of mine for several years. The problem is my wife is upset by the idea of moving. She says it's because she doesn't want to be even further away from her family, but it seems like something else is bothering her. Do you have any advice?

- Freddie

Dear Freddie,

Anytime you're in a relationship and something like this happens, it's a little like making a sale in that you've got to dig out

the real reason for the objection. It could very well be that she doesn't want to be further away from her family, and that's natural—to an extent. But like you said, there could be other factors involved.

There might be something in your past that bothers her, or something she doesn't want you to revisit. There may even be feelings of discomfort with your family for things that have happened or been said. It could also be the insecurity that goes along with a move, a new home and a new job. I don't know how far away you're talking about moving, but it could also be she's worried about leaving her job.

From a relationship standpoint, you two each need to lay your cards on the table and be honest with each other. Open up, and really talk about it. Otherwise, it's going to become a sore spot and cause even more problems. Part of marriage is making compromises. Sometimes compromises must be made by one, or both, people in or-

der to do what's best for the relationship in the present and in the long run.

It could be that you just need an impartial referee. Would you both be willing to attend a few sessions with a good pastor or marriage counselor together? Talking to either one doesn't mean your marriage is on the rocks, but sometimes a compassionate and objective third party can help dig down below the surface to uncover issues and help find a reasonable solution to problems.

I hope this helps. God bless you both, Freddie.

- Dave

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

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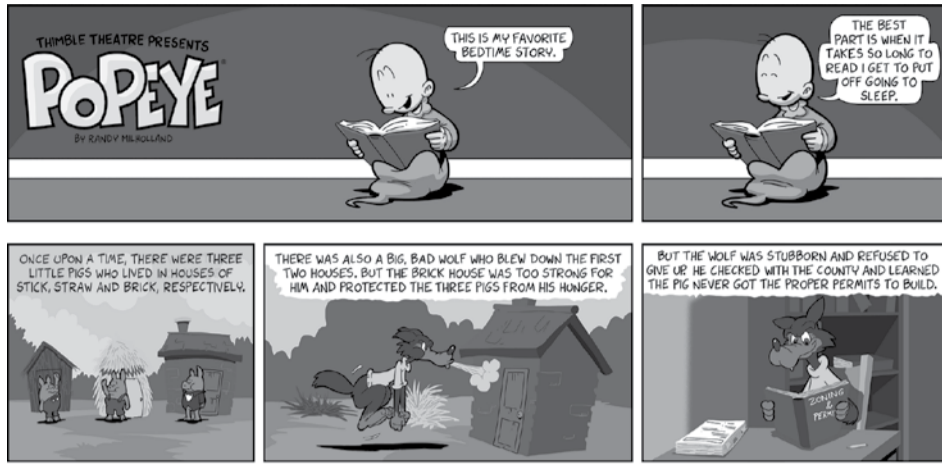
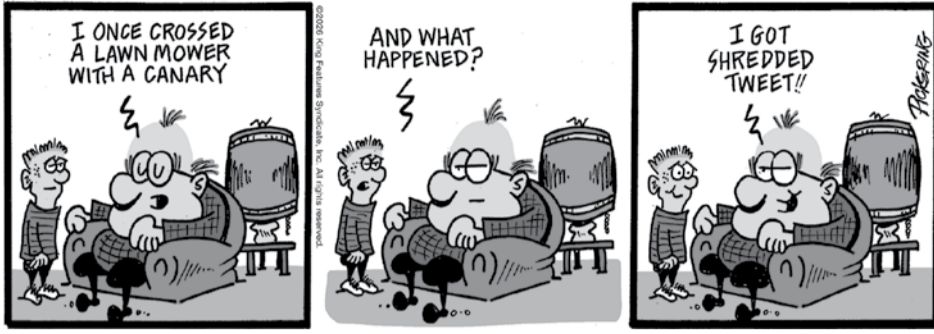
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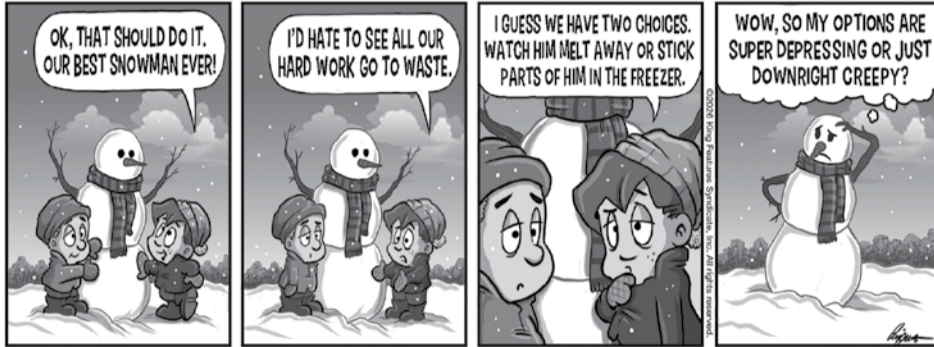
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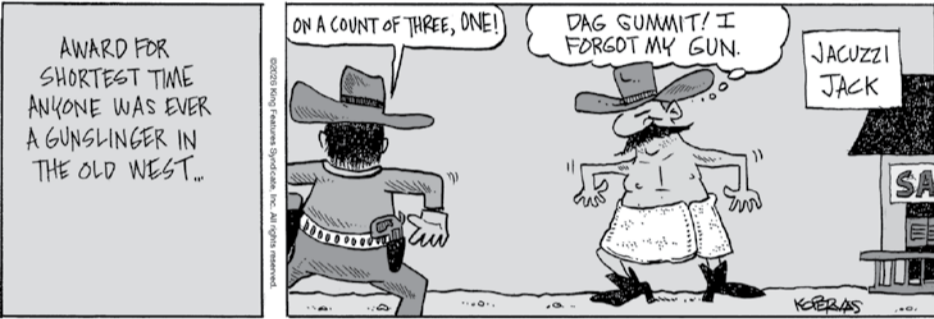
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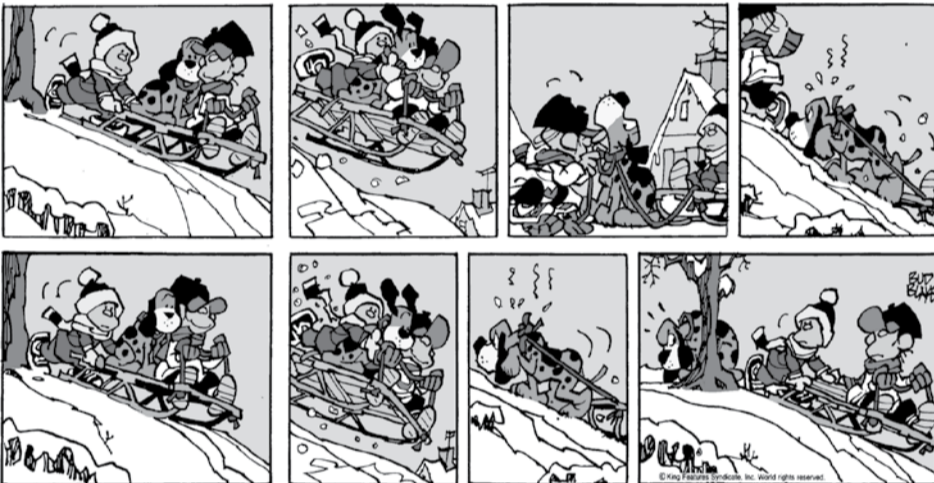
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# California Lawmakers Strike Back at DUI Repeat Offenders

**Assemblyman Tom Lackey  
News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - After witnessing the devastation caused by drunk drivers firsthand, former California Highway Patrol (CHP) Sergeant Assemblyman Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) is partnering with Assemblywoman Cottie Petrie-Norris (D-Irvine) and Senator Bob Archuleta (D-Pico Rivera) to protect victims, and hold repeat DUI offenders accountable.

“As a CHP officer, I have stood on the side of the road with families who have just lost loved ones to drunk drivers. Those scenes will never leave me,” Assemblyman Lackey said. “When you have seen what I have seen, you understand that one weak law can cost a life. We owe it to the victims to do better.”

“After losing my eldest grandchild Samantha to a drunk driver, this fight is deeply personal to me,” said Senator Archuleta. “It is clear to me from my time with the Montebello Police Department



“When you have seen what I have seen, you understand that one weak law can cost a life. We owe it to the victims to do better.” Photo courtesy of Freepik

that these are completely preventable tragedies. California must finally step up and make real change. This isn’t a partisan issue. We owe it to every family to prevent these heartbreaking

losses and save lives.”

Despite the devastating and permanent consequences of drunk driving, California’s laws fail to protect the public from repeat offenders and those who

kill while driving intoxicated. Victims and survivors are ignored by a system that fails to address the magnitude of their loss.

Assemblyman Lackey, Senator Archuleta, and Assemblywoman

Petrie-Norris have each introduced their own bills targeting impaired driving, working together on a coordinated package to protect California drivers and hold repeat offenders accountable.

AB 1685 increases the points assessment for a conviction of vehicular manslaughter and vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated from two points to three, bringing repeat offenders closer to license suspension or revocation.

AB 1686 will allow for a felony or misdemeanor charge for a second offense of a DUI within 10 years.

AB 1687 changes the time-frame for how long the Department of Motor Vehicles can revoke a person’s license after they have been convicted of their third DUI from three years to eight years.

“This legislation isn’t about retribution,” Lackey said. “It’s about saving lives. Every DUI death is preventable, and we owe it to families to stop repeat offenders before anyone else suffers this unimaginable loss.” ★

## Bill Strips Veterans of Choice, Delays Access to Earned Benefits

**Assemblyman  
Jeff Gonzalez  
News Release**

**CALIFORNIA (MPG)** - Feb. 10, Governor Gavin Newsom signed Senate Bill 694 (Archuleta), a measure promoted as “protecting Veterans,” but one that ultimately restricts their freedom to choose how they access earned disability benefits.

Despite calls for a veto, the governor chose to side with institutional interests over the lived experiences of disabled Veterans. SB 694 eliminates lawful private assistance options that many Veterans rely on after traditional systems fail them. These systems are plagued by backlogs, understaffed offices, and delays that can last months or years, often resulting in underrated claims or denials.

“There’s a market for private assistance because the system doesn’t work for everyone,” said Josh Smith, CEO and co-founder of Veteran Benefits Guide. “Seventy percent of the 55,000 Veterans we’ve helped over the past decade tried free services first. They came to us because they had no other option.”

Veterans did not turn to private assistance out of convenience, but out of necessity. SB 694 removes those options entirely, replacing choice with gatekeeping and delay.

The bill was advanced using procedural maneuvers that shut out meaningful Veteran input. It moved through the Assembly as a different bill before being gutted and amended in the Senate. The only Veteran serving in the



Newsom signed Senate Bill 694 (Archuleta), a measure promoted as “protecting Veterans,” but one that ultimately restricts their freedom to choose how they access earned disability benefits. Courtesy photo

Assembly was listed as a co-author when the measure was sent to the Governor’s desk, despite requesting in writing to be removed.

In the Legislature, four out of five Veteran lawmakers voted against SB 694. Supporters framed Veteran choice as exploitation, sidelined dissenting Veteran voices, and elevated institutional stakeholders while ignoring the lived experiences of disabled Veterans who rely on these services to survive.

“As the only veteran in the Assembly, Jeff knows firsthand the needs of veterans and to take away their resources like this is unacceptable to those who served our country,” said Assembly Republican Leader Heath Flora.

“Veterans know what delay costs,” said Assemblyman Jeff Gonzalez (R-Indio). “When benefits are held up, it’s not abstract. It means missed rent, postponed medical care, untreated PTSD, and families left without stability. As a Veteran, I find it deeply troubling that the state would take away options Veterans chose because the system was not working for them.”

Industry data shows that prolonged benefit delays can cost Veterans an average of

more than \$18,000 in lost income. Surveys indicate that 95 percent of Veterans believe they should have the right to choose who helps them navigate the claims process. SB 694 ignores that reality.

Lawmakers were presented with an alternative. Assemblyman Gonzalez worked on a bipartisan proposal that would have preserved Veteran choice, established real consumer protections, cracked down on bad actors, and provided additional funding for County Veteran Service Offices. That balanced approach was rejected in favor of a blanket prohibition that limits access rather than improving outcomes.

Other states have chosen reform over restriction. California instead chose prohibition. This decision will eliminate jobs, drive legitimate Veteran serving businesses out of state, and reduce transparency for Veterans seeking help.

“This bill does not protect Veterans. It protects a broken status quo,” Gonzalez added. “If we are serious about having Veterans’ backs, we should be expanding access and accountability, not taking options away from the people who earned these benefits through their service.” ★

## California Doubles Down on Commitment to Transit

**Caltrans News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - Caltrans recently announced major steps in strengthening its commitment to public transportation by establishing a new Deputy Director for Transit and Rail Programs and restoring the Division of Mass Transportation to create a dedicated team focused on providing faster, more reliable and connected transit services statewide.

The department is also releasing its first holistic Director’s Policy on Transit to support more coordinated and efficient transit and rail services along the State Highway System and ultimately improving connections for millions of California riders.

“Caltrans is taking great strides in making our transportation network safer and more efficient by prioritizing transit to improve mobility for Californians of all ages and abilities,” said Caltrans Director Dina El-Tawansy. “These critical steps will help California achieve its progressive climate, health, equity, and environmental goals while fostering socially and economically vibrant, thriving and resilient communities.”

The Director’s Policy outlines the department’s vision of delivering transit priority projects on state highways and enhancing Caltrans’ role in developing transit statewide. It focuses on transit priority facilities such as dedicated bus lanes, signal priority and other infrastructure to make road-based transit service faster and more reliable on the State Highway System.

These changes will help reduce travel times, improve safety and make transit a more attractive option for Californians. The policy aims at improving air quality by reducing the number of cars on our roadways and lowering greenhouse gas emissions and prioritizes transit as a core consideration in Caltrans’ decision-making

processes to ensure all communities enjoy equitable and improved access to transit.

To drive this transformation, Caltrans is aligning resources and expertise and reinforcing its commitment to public transit by establishing the Deputy Director for Transit and Rail Programs. This executive role is dedicated to overseeing transit and rail programs and accelerating the delivery of projects that make public transportation more efficient and accessible.

The Division of Mass Transportation, in partnership with the Division of Rail, will work closely with partners to integrate transit into California’s transportation system and support initiatives that

make public transportation more convenient and more sustainable. It will do so in partnership with the new California Transit Advisory Committee (CALTAC), which will advise Caltrans on transit-related matters.

California Transit Advisory Committee will consist of 20 member agencies and organizations from a diverse group of transit stakeholders, such as transit agencies, state universities, disadvantaged communities and transit experts.

California Transit Advisory Committee will meet regularly to ensure that policy stays current and reflects the most innovative state of the practice. As such, California Transit Advisory Committee will position Caltrans to develop a world-class, equitable transit system.

The new executive leadership, organizational structure and coordinated transit policy will work hand-in-glove to achieve a world-class transit and rail network and cultivate a thriving and connected California.

Learn more about the Director’s Policy on Transit at: <https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-planning/division-of-transportation-planning/office-of-transit-planning/directors-policy-on-transit>. ★



## New Home Sales in Greater Sacramento Region Climb 79%

**North State Building Industry Association  
News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - New home sales in the greater Sacramento area got off to a fast start in January, soaring 79 percent higher than December’s totals, the North State Building Industry Association reported recently.

A total of 605 new home sales were reported by Building Industry Association members across the eight-county region, compared to just 338 sales in December. Traditionally, December is the slowest month for new home sales in the region while January, February and March are often the strongest.

The monthly total was up 1 percent from last January’s 598 and tied August 2024 for the highest monthly sales volume since May 2024, when



Traditionally, December is the slowest month for new home sales in the region while January, February and March are often the strongest. Photo courtesy Freepik

666 homes sold.

Building Industry Association President and CEO Tim Murphy said several factors likely contributed to

the surge in sales.

“Mortgage rates are holding steady in the low 6% range and attractive builder incentives remain available,” Murphy said. “Prospective buyers may simply be tired of sitting on the fence and are ready to take advantage of those incentives, along with the wide range of locations and floorplans currently available.”

Once again, Roseville and Rancho Cordova led the region in sales, with 133 and 124 respectively. Elk Grove was third with 54, followed by Sacramento (51) and Lincoln (45). The remainder of the top 10 were Natomas (41), Plumas Lake (36), and in a three-way tie for eighth place, El Dorado Hills, Folsom and Galt with 19 each.

There were 189 active communities at the end of the month in the region, which includes Amador, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties. ★

# Marysville Tops Colfax in Season Finale for Battle of Second Place in PVL



Marysville junior Zackary Gmager (23) puts the ball up on Feb. 13 in the Indians' win against Colfax. Photo by Steven Bryla



Marysville junior Zackary Granger (23) goes up for a layup on Feb. 13 in the Indians' win over Colfax. Photo by Steven Bryla



Marysville junior Karter Ellyson (21) lays the ball in on Feb. 13 during the Indians' win against Colfax. Photo by Steven Bryla

By YSBC Sports

**MARYSVILLE, CA (YSBC)** - The Marysville Indians boys basketball team secured a second-place finish in the Pioneer Valley League after they defeated the Colfax Falcons 62-48 on Feb. 13.

On top of the winner getting second in the PVL, the outcome of the game had high implications towards the postseason as Marysville and Colfax were next to each other in the final rankings released by MaxPreps on February 12.

The Indians came out sloppy with the ball in the opening quarter and fell into an 8-2 early deficit to the Falcons.

Despite the multiple turnovers, the Marysville defense was tough and Colfax didn't get any easy baskets. The Indians led 14-13 at the end of the first.

Marysville head coach Stan Easter expressed to Yuba Sutter Butte Colusa Sports postgame that they were lucky to have the lead and he let his team know it in the transition to the second quarter.

"If we open up like that in the playoffs, that could make us a one-and-done team,"

Easter said.

Falcons sophomore Caleb Lynch was a huge presence in the quarter for Colfax in the second as he scored all of his eight points in the game during the second, including a buzzer-beating three to end the first half and gave the Falcons a 26-23 lead at the half.

Colfax extended their lead to eight within the first couple minutes of the third quarter and Indians junior forward Zackary Granger picked three fouls on three straight possessions which gave him four fouls in the game and a lengthy time on the bench.

Granger re-entered in the fourth and scored seven in the final quarter.

Marysville slowly chipped away at the Falcons lead as they cut it to five with four and a half minutes to go in the third.

Indians junior Isaiah made the whole gym shake with two minutes and 14 seconds remaining in the third.

Henry hit a corner three in front of the Marysville bench to cut their deficit to one, but he was fouled and tied the game at 38 at the free-throw line.

On the ensuing possession, Indians junior Steven Martin stole the ball from

the consistent pressure of the Marysville full-court press and took a 40-38 with two minutes to go in the third.

Martin finished with 17 points in the win. Henry ended the third with another three and the Indians took a 45-40 lead heading into the fourth.

Easter told his players on the floor in the third that he wanted them to drive to the basket instead of shooting from the perimeter.

The Indians responded to Easter's message and found open lanes near the basket and forced the Falcons into multiple fouls that sent them to the charity stripe.

Marysville attempted three free throws in the first half, but drastically improved that statistic to 24 attempts in the second half.

Indians sophomore guard Davi Perez went to the line six times and junior Karter Ellyson took four attempts from the line.

Perez was one of the three Marysville players in double figures as he contributed 12 points in the win.

Perez expressed to YSBC that there were definitely moments where the Indians didn't perform their best, but they have full trust in one another and they stayed together.

"It's our mindset," Perez said. "When we're playing together, it makes our games so much easier."

Easter added that Ellyson contributed in a big role off the bench as he was a force in rebounding and played with a lot of confidence on the floor.

Ellyson said the team chemistry is strong because of all of the work they did as a squad in the offseason that helped build the confidence in the team and aided to trusting each other on the floor.

"We did a ton of team bonding and we're all willing to put our lives on the line for each game," Ellyson said.

The Indians opened the fourth with a 6-0 run and took a double-digit lead.

Marysville controlled the remainder of the game and held on for the win.

The CIF Sac-Joaquin Section brackets were released on Saturday, Feb. 14 and the Indians were given the No. 3 seed in the Division IV bracket.

Marysville hosted Dixon in their first-round matchup of the playoffs on Wednesday. The result of this game was played after the print deadline. ★

# Sutter Girls Basketball Secures First League Crown



Sutter's Mia Bautista (12) and Presley Peyret (2) smile after a timeout called on Feb. 12 in the Huskies' win against Natomas. Photo by Steven Bryla



Sutter freshman Gia Rickertsen (10) shoots a jumper on Feb 12 in the Huskies' victory against Natomas. Photo by Steven Bryla



Sutter senior Presley Peyret (2) shoots a three on Feb 12 in the Huskies' win over Natomas. Photo by Steven Bryla

By YSBC Sports

**SUTTER, CA (YSBC)** - The Sutter Union girls' basketball team clinched their first league title in nine years as they beat the Natomas Nighthawks 49-46 in a Golden Empire League matchup on Feb. 12.

Sutter ended the season with winning nine of their 10 games.

Huskies freshman Gia Rickertsen was a big presence in the first quarter as she scored six of the nine points in the

first quarter.

Natomas trailed 9-6 after the first but Nighthawks junior guard Ana Elkins found the outside stroke from the perimeter as she scored eight of her game-high 24 points in the second.

Natomas took the lead with three minutes to go in the first half and led 22-14. Sutter went cold from the field and struggled holding onto the ball in the second quarter.

The Huskies momentum changed quickly in the second

half as they opened with a 6-2 run in the third where Sutter junior Mia Bautista and senior Presley Peyret each knocked down a pair of three pointers.

Bautista expressed to Yuba Sutter Butte Colusa Sports that she is ecstatic for the way her and her teammates bonded together for the victory and were able to get a league title for the program.

Bautista led the Huskies with 18 points in the win. She added that the Huskies weren't as physical in the first half, but they made

that adjustment early in the third quarter.

Sutter took a 36-29 lead heading into the final quarter and held on despite a good effort by the Nighthawks to bring the game to one possession in the final minute.

Elkins couldn't miss in the final quarter and brought Natomas back into the game, but the Sutter defense forced Elkins to heave the ball just inside the half-court line.

The Huskies celebrated with

hugs and jumping as Elkins' shot fell short for the GEL crown.

Sutter head coach Brandee Harter hugged her team and glistened the floor with smiles.

Harter told YSBC that although it's great to win a league title, the job isn't done yet.

The Huskies were given the No. 8 seed in the CIF Sac-Joaquin Section Division IV bracket.

Sutter hosted Valley Christian (Roseville) on Tuesday night and the result of this game was after press time. ★

# Northern Section Releases Schedule for Hoops

By YSBC Sports

**SUTTER-BUTTE COUNTIES, CA (YSBC)**

The CIF Northern Section released their boys and girls basketball postseason brackets on Saturday, Feb. 14.

Here are the matchups and some input on the first-round matchups.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

Wednesday, Feb. 18 at 7 p.m.

### Division IV

Live Oak at Gridley - Live Oak failed to win a league game for the third consecutive season and lost by double digits every league game this year.

Gridley dominated everyone in the league except Oroville as those were the two Westside League losses the season.

The Bulldogs are looking to return to the section finals for a third-straight season.

Thursday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m.

### Division VI

Plumas Charter at Biggs - Biggs is poised and has the talent to return for a third-straight appearance in a section final.

As the Wolverines owned the Mid-Valley League this year, they had a lot

of close matchups during league play.

On top of the gritty defense in the Biggs program, the Wolverines have an offense that is a nightmare for opponents to defend.

All five starters in the Biggs lineup are averaging double-digit points per game. The Wolverines share the ball extensively up and down the floor and are one of the most fun teams in the area to watch.

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m.

Live Oak at Winters - Live Oak is an improved roster and hasn't tasted victory since the first week of December.

Despite the distant time between a win, the Lions are a lot more competitive and heading into the right direction for the future of the program.

Winters had a strong run in the Sacramento Valley League where they finished in second place of a competitive league.

Central Valley at Gridley - Gridley got a favorable draw in this bracket and was expected to take this first-round matchup with ease.

The Bulldogs couldn't have asked for a better final week of the regular season

as they had impressive victories over Orland and Oroville.

Gridley's big three that consists of senior Aubree Weaver and sophomores Iris Counihan and Madi Carey. The trio paved the way for the win over Oroville as they combined for 42 points.

Counihan had a monstrous game against the Trojans where she erupted for 31 points.

Central Valley headed into the matchup on Tuesday without being victorious in their previous 10.

If Gridley held onto the win on Tuesday, they would have played the winner of Winters and Live Oak on Thursday.

Friday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m.

Biggs at Loyalton - The Division VI bracket in the Northern Section could be the deepest bracket of the tournament as the top five teams all won their leagues.

Biggs rolled through the second half of their schedule as they won by double digits in each league game since Jan. 27.

The Wolverines are composed as a team and they share the ball unselfishly. ★



Gridley sophomore Madi Carey (2) attempts a layup on Feb. 3 in the Bulldogs win over Coming. Photo by Chris Pedigo