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Annual chamber event honors service, business and community leadership



Single Mom Strong received the Nonprofit of the Year award. The organization provides mentorship, life skills programs and financial literacy support for single mothers. Photo courtesy of Looking Forward Photo Booths and Flix in Motion

By Omella Rossi

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - A firefighter who mentors future leaders, a nonprofit empowering single mothers and a catering pioneer who has served the region for decades were among those honored during the 68th Annual Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce Community Awards Dinner.

The annual event, held March 10 at the Citrus Heights Event Center, recognized eight individuals and organizations for their contributions to public safety, business, civic leadership and



Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Amanda Camacho (left) recognized immediate past board chair Dr. Gabrielle Rasi (right) for leading the chamber during a period of transition. Photo courtesy of Looking Forward Photo Booths and Flix in Motion

community service. The Heights Police Chief program, emceed by Citrus Alex Turcotte, drew local

officials, business leaders and residents for an evening of recognition and fundraising.

Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Amanda Camacho opened the program by highlighting the collective effort behind the city's success.

"It is truly an honor to stand before you tonight as we celebrate the individuals and organizations that make Citrus Heights such a special place," Camacho said. "Our community thrives because of the dedication, innovation and hard work of so many in this room."

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## February a Solid Month for New Home Sales



Sales were up 4 percent from February 2025 and 7 percent above the historical average for the month. Photo courtesy Freepik

**North State Building Industry Association News Release**

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The first quarter of the year generally sees the greatest number of new home sales in the greater Sacramento region, and 2026 is no exception, as 542 sales were reported by North State Building Industry Association members in February.

Sales were down 10 percent from January, but because there were five weeks in January and four in February, the weekly totals were up 12 percent month over month. Sales were up 4 percent from February 2025 and 7 percent above the historical average for the month.

Tim Murphy, North State's president & CEO, said the sales reflected the continued demand for new homes in the region.

"Despite affordability headwinds, new homes in the region continue to sell at above-average levels thanks to incentives being offered by homebuilders and the fact that mortgage interest rates dropped at the end of February to just under 6 percent for the first time since 2022," Murphy said.

"While March historically marks the peak of sales in our area, the outlook for the immediate future is uncertain due to the current unrest in the Middle East and its potential for far-reaching impacts. But builders are continuing to work with buyers to make purchases possible, and the advantages new homes offer continue to make buying new a great option."

Rancho Cordova took the top spot in February with 112 sales, followed by Roseville close behind with 100. Sacramento saw 66 sales, Elk Grove had 53 and Plumas Lake rounded out the top five with 43.

There were 194 active communities at the end of the month in the region, which includes Amador, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties.

The North State BIA is the leading advocate for the home building industry in the greater Sacramento region. For more information, visit [www.northstatebia.org](http://www.northstatebia.org).

## Amazon Fresh Closes in Sunrise Village

By Thomas J. Sullivan

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Amazon Fresh officially closed its doors in the Sunrise Village Shopping Center to its customers on Friday, March 13, although a small group of employees could still be seen working inside the grocery store.

The company opened its first Sacramento-area Fresh store in August 2024, filling a former Toys R Us space in Roseville. One month later, in September 2024, Amazon Fresh opened in Elk Grove, and then in November 2024, Amazon Fresh opened in Citrus Heights.

Looking in from outside the store, shelves, end caps and refrigerators were largely empty. An outside door through which customers could pick up or return Amazon merchandise was locked.

In a company blog post on Tuesday, Jan. 27, the tech and retail giant



Amazon Fresh officially closed its doors in the Sunrise Village Shopping Center to its customers on Friday, March 13. Photo by Thomas J. Sullivan

publicly announced plans to close all of 60 Amazon Fresh grocery stores in the United States, including its Citrus Heights location, "to prioritize investment in growth areas."

Three Amazon Fresh supermarkets were located in Northern California. According to the

company, Amazon closed all its Amazon Fresh stores nationwide while planning to convert some into Whole Foods Markets, the e-commerce giant reported.

The major online retailer took over Whole Foods in 2017. Whether or not the former Citrus Heights may be converted to a Whole

Foods Market is not yet known.

Some former Amazon Fresh employees who preferred to remain anonymous, said they were actively looking for employment with Grocery Outlet, scheduled to open on April 2 in the same shopping center. ★



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# Champions of Citrus Heights

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Camacho also recognized immediate past board chair Dr. Gabrielle Rasi for leading the chamber during a period of transition.

Rasi said serving the chamber and community was deeply meaningful.

"It was the greatest honor to serve this community," Rasi said. "I love our town. I love our city. And it's an honor to represent all of you."

Among the evening's honorees was Officer Hayden LaCurelle, named Police Officer of the Year. Turcotte said LaCurelle's proactive work with local businesses helped address retail theft and strengthen partnerships across the community.

"Through his relentless efforts in combating retail theft, Hayden successfully recovered thousands of dollars in stolen merchandise for local businesses," Turcotte said. "His dedication reflects the true spirit of community policing."

Captain Terrence Manley of the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District received the Firefighter of the Year honor, also recognized as the district's Suppression Member of the Year.

Assistant Fire Chief Joe Aldrich said Manley's leadership and mentorship have helped strengthen the department.

"His leadership and devotion to duty far exceed expectations," Aldrich said. "What really sets Captain Manley apart is his commitment to mentoring and fostering a strong culture of trust and empowerment."

Manley said serving the community has been a privilege.

The Renee Larscheid Ambassador of the Year award was presented to Annah Rulon. The award is named for longtime chamber leader Renee Larscheid, who spoke about the importance of the ambassador program.

"Our ambassadors are truly the heart of the chamber," Larscheid said. "They are the friendly faces that welcome members, celebrate ribbon cuttings and show up again and again to support our businesses and our community."

Community Advocate of the Year was awarded to Citrus Heights City Manager Ash Feeney. Presenter Dr. Rasi said Feeney's leadership has helped strengthen partnerships between the city and the business community.

"Strong communities require care, attention and dedication to help them grow," Rasi said.

Feeney thanked the audience and reflected on the city's future.

"Citrus Heights is a fantastic community with solid roots," Feeney said. "Our future is very bright. It takes a community, and you're all part of it."

The City Staff Chamber Champion Award went to Community Development

Director Casey Kempenaar, recognized for helping businesses navigate city processes and move projects forward.

Kempenaar said his approach is rooted in a simple principle.

"I grew up in a scouting environment, and we learned to always leave the place better than we found it," he said. "Every day we're trying to make our business community a little bit better."

The chamber also honored organizations making an impact in the local economy and community.

Harris Industrial Gases was named Small Business of the Year. Chamber Vice Chair Colin Wallace said the company's history reflects the spirit of small business.

"This year's small business of the year has been doing exactly that for 90 years," Wallace said. "Ninety years of innovation, dedication and supporting industries that keep our region moving forward."

Company President Kathleen Harris said the business has grown far beyond its beginnings.

"We started with two men," Harris said. "Now we have four facilities in two states and 45 employees."

Single Mom Strong received the Nonprofit of the Year award. The organization provides mentorship, life skills programs and financial literacy support for single mothers.

Presenter Cynthia Lee said the organization's work extends far beyond its programs.

"What makes this organization special isn't just the programs they provide, it's the community they have created," Lee said.

Founder Tara Taylor said the nonprofit began with a simple idea and a desire to support families.

"When we came to Citrus Heights, we were a girl with a dream," Taylor said. "Now we are nine years in, and we are making a difference in this region."

A portion of the evening's proceeds was donated to the organization.

The program concluded with the Lifetime Achievement Award, presented to Randy Peters, founder of Randy Peters Catering and Event Planning. Presenter Franklin Burriss said Peters' work has helped shape countless community gatherings across the region.

"Through his generosity, he has helped strengthen the fabric of our community," Burriss said.

The evening also included a "dessert dash," where tables bid for their favorite desserts, with remaining treats raffled afterward. The program ended with a door prize drawing that included a \$1,000 gift card to Kenny G & Company Fine Jewelry or a professional landscape design and turf installation from Artificial Grass Depot. ★

# West Coast Sourdough Celebrates Anniversary



Owner Jasprit Kaur and her family cut a celebratory red ribbon last week, acknowledging the ongoing success of their franchise restaurant, West Coast Sourdough after nearly two years in business in Citrus Heights.

*Story and photo by Thomas J. Sullivan*

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Owner Jasprit Kaur and her family cut a celebratory red ribbon last week, acknowledging the ongoing success of their franchise restaurant, West Coast Sourdough after nearly two years in business in Citrus Heights.

The ribbon cutting ceremony, hosted by the Citrus Heights Chamber of Commerce, included the presentation of certificates of recognition from state and local officials, including Citrus Heights Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff. Members of the Citrus Heights Police Department including Chief Alex Turcotte were also on hand to extend their good wishes.

The 2,400-square-foot sandwich restaurant at 6920 Auburn Blvd., Suite 150 in Stock Ranch across from an Applebee's restaurant is family-owned, said Jasprit Kaur who recognized all those who took time to mark the special occasion and each of member of her customer service team who greet their customers each business day, pour their coffee and make each sandwich with pride and care.

"I'm especially grateful for the support of all our customers who have helped contribute to our success, and to the local community which has made us feel a welcome," she said.

Seth Just, regional director of operations for West Coast Sourdough said the Citrus Heights store, which opened in November 2024, has been doing brisk business since opening day.

Much of that specific success may be attributed to the restaurant's close proximity to Costco and Walmart superstores in the Stock Ranch plaza which continues to attract a substantial early morning shopping crowd before doors open for morning coffee, Just said.

The Stock Ranch restaurant is about twice the size of a typical West Coast Sourdough store and offers a combination of sandwiches and Peet's Coffee to its customers.

The company struck a partnership in 2023 with Peet's Coffee, based in Berkeley, to sell its coffee and coffee-style beverages in all its new locations, beginning with Citrus Heights.

The interior of the restaurant features plenty of tables that feature the company's bright red Golden Gate Bridge logo which includes the name of the restaurant, against a light blue-green sky background.

West Coast Sourdough, founded in 2020, serves sandwiches, soups and salads. The menu also includes gourmet salads, daily New England Clam Chowder, Tomato Bisque and a rotating selection of soups. A variety of hot and cold sourdough sandwiches – and both vegetarian and non-vegetarian options are offered.

West Coast Sourdough is located at 6920 Auburn Blvd. in the Stock Ranch plaza in Citrus Heights. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Call 916-910-9440 for more information or visit: [wcsourdough.com](http://wcsourdough.com). ★

# Backyard Bash Spring Band Series is Back

**Sunrise MarketPlace News Release**

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Residents of Citrus Heights and surrounding communities will have three opportunities this spring to enjoy live music, food and family-friendly fun as Sunrise MarketPlace launches the Backyard Bash Spring Band Series at the MarketPlace at Birdcage.

The free community event will take place on three evenings this spring from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., transforming the outdoor space behind Jamba Juice at 6061 Sunrise Boulevard into a relaxed backyard-style gathering space filled with live entertainment and local flavor.

The series features three popular local cover bands performing across three dates including Aces on April 3, Department of Rock on April 17 and Hack Attack on May 1.

Each event will offer more than just music. Guests can enjoy food trucks, adult backyard games such as Cornhole and Giant Jenga and a beer and wine garden hosted by the Citrus Heights Rotary Club. The event is designed to be welcoming for all ages, making it an ideal evening outing for families, friends and neighbors looking to enjoy spring evenings together.

The Backyard Bash Spring Series is part of Sunrise MarketPlace's ongoing effort to bring engaging community programming to the district while supporting local businesses and strengthening the area's identity as a hub for entertainment, dining and connection.

Organizers say the event series will be

supported by a comprehensive marketing and engagement strategy designed to increase awareness and bring more visitors into the district. Promotions will utilize digital platforms, social media and print outreach to highlight participating businesses and encourage attendees to explore the Sunrise MarketPlace before and after the concerts.

The series also aims to reinforce Sunrise MarketPlace as a central gathering place for the Citrus Heights community. By featuring local bands, regional food vendors and interactive experiences, the events celebrate the unique character and energy of the city while creating opportunities for residents to connect.

Local businesses throughout the district will also be encouraged to participate through cross-promotions and special offers to help drive additional foot traffic during the events.

"Events like the Backyard Bash series help create a vibrant sense of place," organizers said. "It's about bringing people together, supporting local businesses, and giving the community a reason to come out and enjoy Citrus Heights."

Community members are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, invite friends and neighbors, and come ready to enjoy an evening of live music, food and spring-time fun.

For updates and additional event information, residents can follow Sunrise MarketPlace on social media or visit <https://sunrisemarketplace.com/backyard-bash/>. ★



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# Retired Teacher's Uganda Trip Inspires Through Music

By Thomas J. Sullivan

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - Carol Spiker, a retired special education teacher and member of Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church in Citrus Heights recently returned from a two-week symposium mission trip to the capital city of Kampala, Uganda where she brought her lifelong love of music to a young group of special education students.

It wasn't long before Spiker was affectionately given the nickname of "Jaja," a Ugandan word for grandmother as she delighted the children with both her fiddle playing and teaching them how to play the kazoo.

Spiker was recently welcomed back from her trip by Celtic Cross Pastor Sam Jun who invited her to share the details of her trip with the congregation and Joy Lineback who chairs mission outreach work for the church.

The congregation of Celtic Cross Presbyterian Church, located at 5839 Dewey Drive, provided \$1,000 in support to allow Spiker to participate as part of the Sacramento Uganda Fellowship on a two-week February mission trip to the largest city in Uganda, which is situated in the southern part of the country, just north of Lake Victoria.

The Sacramento Uganda Fellowship was established in 2016 as a New Worshipping Community under the support of the University Presbyterian Church, now known as Sierra Vista Community Church in California.

The annual Sacramento Uganda Symposium is a gathering focused on sharing knowledge, training youth, empowering women and creating sustainable development paths for Uganda. The symposium brought together experts, leaders and community from both Uganda and the United States.

In 2020, Sacramento Uganda



"I can't wait to go back," Spiker said. "There's so much work to be done to help develop reading programs and to train special education teachers to develop reading programs for all of their students." Photo courtesy of Carol Spiker

Fellowship initiated the Sacramento Uganda Ministry Network (SUMD) to unify and coordinate faith-based development efforts across various churches and organizations with a shared vision. This network fosters cross-border ministry and outreach in sectors like education, music, health and agriculture.

Spiker joined eight other members of the North Central California Presbytery (NCCP) in Carmichael on the Uganda trip which sponsored her and provided liability insurance during her travels.

Spiker said it was her first time travelling in Uganda where she said she developed a greater understanding of the challenges which face young students who can be dismissed from public education at age 8 or 9 if they fail to pass a reading proficiency test.

Many of the children Spiker encountered are orphans and need special education support.



Spiker prepared presentation boards for the Celtic Cross congregation highlighting her many experiences in Uganda with a safari outside the capital city of Kampala. Photo courtesy of Carol Spiker

Most students have a basic fluency in English as Uganda was a former British colony early in its history.

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Spiker said. "There's so much work to be done to help develop reading programs and to train teachers to develop reading programs for their students."

In April, Spiker will make a presentation to the congregation of Celtic Cross about her recent trip and what she learned. While on the trip, Spiker was able to take a safari and explore the countryside outside the capital, she said.

Spiker also brought back an assortment of keepsakes from her trip and plenty of photographs to share.

"The children are eager to learn to read, and there's a shortage of books available, including popular classics like Dr. Seuss which are available to them," Spiker said.

Spiker hopes to encourage donations of children's books in good condition which can be provided to the students she met.

And it wasn't just reading that Spiker actively wanted to introduce the students to during her recent to Uganda. Music was on her mind too.

She carefully packed two suitcases, one of which included a fiddle which she brought to play and which she then donated on behalf of the West Coast Swing Society in Rancho Cordova, of which she is a member of.

Spiker is also a multi-instrumentalist and enjoys playing banjo and all kinds of stringed instruments in a variety of local country and bluegrass-style bands sits in with, including "Assorted Nuts," a personal favorite.

She brought kazoos and small rhythm musical instruments to the children and taught them to play them. She also donated these same instruments to the schools she visited.

"We had a great time playing together," she said.

"Music is the universal language," she said. On one occasion, while dancers performed on stage, Spiker accompanied them with her fiddle. ★

## Trade School Scholarships Now Open



With demand for electricians, plumbers, welders, HVAC technicians, construction workers and other skilled professionals continuing to grow, Helping Hands OV leaders say the program is designed to strengthen the local workforce while supporting careers that directly serve the community. Photo courtesy of Helping Hands OV

### Helping Hands OV News Release

**ORANGEVALE, CA (MPG)** - Helping Hands OV is investing in the future of the skilled trades, announcing that applications are now open for its Blue-Collar Trade School Scholarship Program. The deadline to apply is May 1.

The scholarship is available exclusively to residents of Orangevale, Fair Oaks, Folsom and Citrus Heights. Whether a recent high school graduate ready to step into the trades, a newcomer pursuing hands-on training or a current tradesperson completing required continuing education, eligible residents are encouraged to apply.

With demand for electricians, plumbers, welders, HVAC technicians, construction workers and other skilled professionals continuing to grow, Helping Hands OV leaders say the program is designed to strengthen the local workforce while supporting careers that directly serve the community.

"These are the careers that keep our homes safe, our lights on and our neighborhoods running," said Helping Hands OV President and Founder, Sydnie Anderson. "We're proud to stand behind residents willing to roll up their sleeves and build something meaningful."

Applicants must submit an essay outlining why they chose their trade, how their skills will positively impact the

community and how they plan to succeed in their industry. References and attending school are also required. Scholarship awards, if granted, are paid directly to the school the recipient attends.

Beyond financial support, the program emphasizes service. Scholarship recipients are expected to volunteer with Helping Hands OV during the calendar year, assisting with small home-repair jobs, community projects and events benefiting seniors, veterans and families in need.

Complete eligibility guidelines and application details are available at [helpinghandsov.org](http://helpinghandsov.org). All materials must be submitted by May 1.

Helping Hands OV is also calling on local teens to get involved through its Green Teen Project. Open to youth ages 13 to 17, the program invites teens to complete yardwork at no charge for neighbors in need. Participants may also serve at the Orangevale Grange if they prefer. Teens earn awards for every 10 yard work projects completed, and all Green Teens are invited to the organization's summer bash celebration.

Both programs reflect the nonprofit's mission to connect the community through service while preparing the next generation of skilled workers.

For scholarship information or to register for the Green Teen Project, visit [helpinghandsov.org](http://helpinghandsov.org) before May 1. ★



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# Athletics' Star Tyler Soderstrom Announces Inaugural Charity Poker Tournament

## Athletics News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Tyler Soderstrom, a California native and rising star of the Athletics, is proud to announce his Inaugural Charity Poker Tournament, an exclusive fundraising event benefiting EASE and Keaton's Child Care Alliance. The event will take place on Monday, May 11, from 5:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Kimpton Sawyer Hotel, 500 J St, Sacramento.

As a lifelong Californian who has grown up within the Athletics organization, Soderstrom has embraced both the responsibility and opportunity that come with his role on and off the field. Now entering a new chapter of his career with the A's, Tyler is committed to using his platform to make a lasting impact in the communities that helped shape him.

The inaugural tournament reflects Soderstrom's dedication to giving back to organizations that provide life-changing support to children and families facing adversity. Both beneficiary organizations align closely with Tyler's belief in mentorship, community and showing



Tyler Soderstrom, a California native and rising star of the Athletics, is proud to announce his Inaugural Charity Poker Tournament, an exclusive fundraising event benefiting EASE and Keaton's Child Care Alliance. Photo courtesy of Tyler Soderstrom Charity Poker Tournament

up for others when it matters most.

"Launching this event means a lot to me. Year one is always special, and I'm excited to bring people together for a night that's fun, meaningful, and focused on giving back. Both EASE and Keaton's have changed lives in powerful ways, and being able to support them through this event is something I'm incredibly

proud of," said Soderstrom

The one-of-a-kind evening will bring together the community for a memorable night of poker, cocktails, local bites, prizes and unique interactions with Soderstrom and fellow athletes. Designed to blend entertainment with impact, the event offers guests and sponsors an opportunity to connect through sport while supporting

meaningful causes. For sponsorship opportunities and to purchase tickets, visit <http://Soderstrompoker.com>.

Sponsorship opportunities range from \$500 to \$25,000, offering brands premium visibility and engagement through event signage, gift bag inclusion, on-site recognition, and access to a high-profile audience passionate about sports and

philanthropy. Proceeds from the event will benefit EASE, which supports youth through mentorship, education and life skills development, and Keaton's Child Care Alliance, which provides critical emotional and financial support to families navigating childhood cancer.

"EASE changed my life when I was struggling with food insecurity, low grades, and an uncertain future. When I didn't believe in myself, they believed in me. They guided me, encouraged me, and surrounded me with mentors who felt like family. EASE gave me hope when I felt lost and opportunities I never thought I deserved. I truly don't know where I would be without the EASE team," said EASE Alumni Tyler Jennings.

Maricsa, mother of Abby, 15-year-old Osteosarcoma Survivor added, "In the darkest of times, you became a new member of our family—granting us emotional and financial support when we most needed it. Keaton's is a blessing to our family. The care, family events and kindness gave us strength and hope while fighting our daughter's cancer." ★

# ARC Women's Swim and Dive Capture Team Title at Cuesta Super Invite

## American River College Athletics News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - The American River College (ARC) Women's Swim and Dive team delivered an outstanding performance the weekend of March 7, claiming the team championship at the 20-team Cuesta Super Invite. The meet opened with an exciting sprint format, highlighted by the 50 freestyle shootout, where the American River College placed five swimmers in the top 10: Amber Inderkum, Sasha Samoylovich, Anabel Maldonado, Jackie Clouser, and Ella Hanson.

Freshman Ella Hanson had a breakout weekend, posting personal-best times in all of her events while playing a key role in the team's relay success. Her strong swims provided an important boost to the American River College's relay squads throughout the meet. The distance group also delivered



The American River College (ARC) Women's Swim and Dive team delivered an outstanding performance the weekend of March 7, claiming the team championship at the 20-team Cuesta Super Invite. Photo courtesy of the American River College Athletics

impressive performances, with multiple personal bests across the board.

Claire Contreras led the charge with wlifetime-best times in the 50, 200 and

500 freestyle events.

The American River College's scoring leaders included Sasha Samoylovich and Amber Inderkum, who both finished among the meet's top five high-point scorers, contributing significantly to the team's overall victory. Following the weekend's results, all ARC relay teams are now ranked in the top eight in the state, positioning the program strongly as the season progresses.

The divers also played a crucial role in securing the team win. Sophomore Ashley Johnson earned second place on both boards, while freshman Arie Black added valuable points with a third-place finish.

With standout swims, strong relay performances and key contributions from the diving squad, the American River College showcased depth and talent across the board on its way to a dominant victory at the Cuesta Super Invite. ★

# Picton Named to Big Sky All-Tournament Team



Sacramento State junior guard Natalie Picton was named to the Big Sky Conference All-Tournament Team after helping lead the Hornets to a berth in the semifinals for only the fifth time in school history. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

## Sacramento State Athletics News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Sacramento State junior guard Natalie Picton was named to the Big Sky Conference All-Tournament Team after helping lead the Hornets to a berth in the semifinals for only the fifth time in school history.

Picton became only the seventh different Hornet to earn an all-tournament spot, joining Emily Christensen (2012), Alle Moreno (2013), Adella Randle-El (2015), Kahlajah Dean (2023, MVP), Isnelle Natabou (2023), and two-time honoree Benthe Versteeg (2024-25).

The native of Welland, Ontario, was the only all-tournament team member not to hail from one of the two championship competitors as tournament champion Idaho

placed three and runner-up Montana State had a pair.

After helping the Hornets gain a berth into the quarterfinal round for only the second time in school history, Picton averaged 17.0 ppg and shot 42 percent from the field overall for Sacramento State, guiding the program to a win over Idaho State, 62-53, and a hard-fought loss to top-seeded Idaho, 59-51, in what was a one-point game with eight minutes remaining in regulation.

She finished with a team-high 19 points on 7-of-16 from the field in the win over the Bengals, adding three assists and a steal in 39 minutes. Twenty-four hours later, Picton shared game-high honors with 15 points against the Vandals to post her third-straight double-digit scoring game and her eighth in the last 10.

Wrapping up her first season as a Hornet, Picton finished second on the team in scoring at 13.4 ppg, while averaging 3.7 rpg and leading the team with 67 steals (2.16 spg). She shot 37 percent overall from the field and was second on the team with 66 three-pointers made while finishing in double figures 22 times.

She set a collegiate high with 27 points in a win over Simpson on Dec. 15 and added four more games with 20-or-more points. Picton also posted collegiate highs with nine made field goals (twice against Simpson and Weber State) and six three-pointers made (twice against UC Davis and Montana), while grabbing a career-high eight rebounds against the Grizzlies on Jan. 31.

Defensively, she finished with multiple steals in 21 of 31 games, including 10 games of three or more. Her 67 steals were the most by a Hornet in a single campaign since Maranne Johnson swiped 77 steals in 2017-18. ★

# Montero Joins Republic FC's First Team on USL Academy Contract



Republic FC announced March 11 the addition of academy player Jackson Montero to the club's first team roster. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

## Sacramento Republic FC News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Republic FC announced March 11 the addition of academy player Jackson Montero to the club's first team roster. The defender has signed a USL Academy Contract, pending league and federation approval, and will be eligible to play in first team matches in 2026.

"Jackson continues to put in the work to develop his game, and we're thrilled to offer him this opportunity again this year," said Republic FC Head Coach Neill Collins.

This is the second straight year that Republic FC has extended an Academy Contract to Montero. He first joined the Indomitable Club in 2017 and has featured for every age group during his youth career. In 2022, he as a member of the club's U15 team that reached the semifinal round of the MLS NEXT Cup – the only non-MLS academy to reach the late stages of the annual national tournament. Before joining Republic FC, he featured for local clubs San Juan Soccer Club and Sacramento United.

With Montero's signing, seven players on Sacramento's 2026 roster come from the youth academy. Da'vian Kimbrough, Blake Willey, and Chibi Ukaegbu have risen through the ranks to sign professional contracts with their hometown team, while defenders Rohan Chivukula and Luke Strassburg and goalkeeper Brooks Doolittle signed USL Academy Contracts during the offseason. USL Academy Contracts allow academy players the chance to train and compete with the first team in professional matches while retaining their NCAA eligibility.

Since its inception in 2015, Republic FC's Academy has created a strong, local pipeline of youth players ready for professional-level competition, with over 40 players earning the opportunity to join the first team on USL Academy contracts and over 25 going on to sign professional contracts with Republic FC or other clubs. In 2025, players from Sacramento's youth academy combined for 80 gameday roster selections, 56 appearances, and over 3,000 minutes. ★

# Local Women Business Owners Honored at NAWBO Gala

*Celebrating Three Decades of Women's Leadership Excellence in Sacramento Valley*

## NAWBO Sacramento Valley Chapter News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento Valley Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) hosted the 30th Annual Outstanding Women Leaders (OWL) Awards Gala on March 7 at the Sheraton Grand in downtown Sacramento.

For three decades, the OWL Gala has honored and celebrated the top achievers among women entrepreneurs, along with corporate, government and community leaders who have advanced the status of women in our region.

"The OWL Gala represents what NAWBO stands for – celebrating achievement, fostering connection and empowering the next generation of women leaders," said Christina Dixon, board president of NAWBO Sacramento Valley. "Our 30th anniversary event is a powerful reminder of how far we've come and the limitless potential ahead."

KFBK news anchor Kitty O'Neal returned for her 30th time as host of this elegant evening, designed to support women business leaders past, present and future.

### 2026 Outstanding Women Leader (OWL) Categories and Finalists:

Leslie Bosseman,

co-founder/owner/preschool director, The Makers Place/Lead with Intention took home the Woman Innovator Award, which recognizes a trailblazer in her field in innovation and industry advancement.

The Woman in Public Service Award, which Honors a woman serving in a government or public service role (elected or appointed) who demonstrates exemplary leadership and advocates for positive change for women in business went to Senator Annelise Ashby, who was not present at the gala.

The Executive Woman Award which honors an executive-level professional with no ownership interest who demonstrates exceptional leadership and community involvement went to American River College President Dr. Lisa Cardoza.

Lisa Culp, executive director, Women's Empowerment took home the Impact Award, which celebrates a woman leader who has made a demonstrated impact on the economic advancement of women in the region.

The Woman on the Way Award, which honors a businesswoman in operation for less than five years showing strong potential for sustained growth and leadership



**The Rising Star Award** which recognizes an outstanding young woman in high school or college who demonstrates leadership, initiative and potential to make a lasting impact in business, community or public service went to Lyrik Robinson, Visions in Educations Charter School. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



**The Executive Woman Award** which honors an executive-level professional with no ownership interest who demonstrates exceptional leadership and community involvement went to American River College President Dr. Lisa Cardoza. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



Leslie Bosseman, co-founder/owner/preschool director, The Makers Place/Lead with Intention took home the Woman Innovator Award, which recognizes a trailblazer in her field in innovation and industry advancement. Giving the award to Leslie was Dave Tamayo, SMUD Board, Ward 6. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



Lisa Culp, executive director, Women's Empowerment took home the Impact Award, which celebrates a woman leader who has made a demonstrated impact on the economic advancement of women in the region. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



**The Wise Woman Award**, which acknowledges a woman business owner with 10-plus years of success and leadership in her industry went to Allison Otto, president and CEO, Otto Construction. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



From left: Incoming NAWBO Board President Nicole Townsend, event MC, Kitty O'Neal, KFBK and current Board President Christine Dixon. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill



SMUD held a live auction at the NAWBO Gala on March 7. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill

went to Lydia Belaski, owner, charQteric.

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**About NAWBO**  
Founded in 1975, the National Association

of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) is the unified voice of over 12 million women-owned businesses in the United States representing the fastest growing segment of the economy. To learn more about NAWBO Sacramento Valley Chapter visit [www.NAWBO-Sac.org](http://www.NAWBO-Sac.org). ★



Lydia Belaski, Woman on the Way award recipient pictured with husband Jeff Belaski. Photo courtesy of Tia Gemmill

## Sacramento County Board of Supervisors Approves Gift to Animal Care

### Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors has formally approved a generous \$359,823.44 donation to Sacramento County Bradshaw Animal Shelter from the Estate of Robert W. Steger. This transformative gift will directly support lifesaving care for animals in our community.

With the Board's approval, Animal Care Services is authorized to accept and utilize the full \$359,823.44.

Robert W. Steger was a devoted cat and dog lover whose generosity reflected his deep compassion for animals. Through this extraordinary bequest, his legacy will continue to make a lasting difference for thousands of pets and the families who love them.

"This gift is more than a donation, it is a legacy of compassion," said Annette Bedsworth, Director of Animal Care Services. "His contribution is truly a testament to his kindness and unwavering support for our mission. Because of Mr. Steger's belief in giving animals a second chance, we will be able to expand programs like our MASH



Animal Care Services will use these funds to expand critical programs like MASH, increasing access to spay and neuter services across Sacramento County. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

clinics and provide more spay and neuter services to Sacramento County residents. That investment in prevention saves lives and strengthens our community."

Animal Care Services will use these funds to expand critical programs like MASH, increasing access to spay and neuter services across Sacramento County. By investing directly in prevention, this gift will help reduce unwanted

litters, ease shelter overcrowding, and keep more pets healthy and at home.

In accepting this donation, Sacramento County honors Robert W. Steger's commitment to animal welfare and ensures his kindness will continue saving lives for years to come.

For more information about Sacramento County Bradshaw Animal Shelter or to learn how to support its mission, visit [BradshawShelter.net](http://BradshawShelter.net). ★

## March is National Social Work Month

### Sacramento County News Release

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)** - March is National Social Work Month, a time to recognize the social workers who help families and communities across Sacramento County. First celebrated in 1963, Social Work Month is now observed nationwide by thousands of social workers and their employers each year. Sacramento County employs hundreds of social workers in different departments, including the Department of Child, Family and Adult Services (DCFAS) and the Department of Human Assistance (DHA).

This year's theme, "Social Workers: Uplift. Defend. Transform.", reflects the role social workers play in our community.

Uplift: Social workers provide hope and stability during some of life's most difficult moments – supporting children, older adults, families in crisis and individuals working

toward self-sufficiency.

Defend: They advocate for safety, dignity and access to services, ensuring residents are treated with fairness and respect.

Transform: Through collaboration and innovation, social workers connect people to critical resources and help create long-term pathways toward stability and well-being.

"Social workers exemplify professionalism, integrity and steadfast dedication in their service to children, families and adults across Sacramento County. Their commitment to upholding the well being of our community is both commendable and essential. It is a privilege to recognize and honor the meaningful contributions they make each day," said Shelby Boston, MSW, director, Sacramento County Department of Child, Family and Adult Services

The dedication of social workers extends beyond this month – they make a lasting impact in the lives of those they serve each day of the year. ★

## Methodist Hospital Achieves Patient Safety Excellence Award

### Dignity Health News Release

**SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)** - Dignity Health Methodist Hospital of Sacramento announced that it has achieved the 2026 Patient Safety Excellence Award™ from Healthgrades, the No. 1 site Americans use to find a doctor or hospital. This award reflects Methodist Hospital's commitment to safe, patient-centered care and puts the organization in the top 10 percent of hospitals nationwide for patient safety for a second year in a row.

Alongside this national recognition for patient safety, Methodist Hospital was recipient of numerous accolades based on its exceptional performance in key service areas. In cardiac care, the hospital earned Five-Star Recipient for Treatment of Heart Failure for two years in a

row (2025-26). In critical care, it was recognized as a Five-Star Recipient for Treatment of Sepsis (2026). These achievements further underscore the organization's commitment to delivering compassionate, individualized care at every step of the patient journey.

"We are immensely proud of these significant Healthgrades achievements, including our ongoing national recognition for patient safety, Five-Star ratings for Heart Failure and Sepsis, and the 2025 Patient Safety Excellence Award," said Phyllis Baltz, President and CEO of Dignity Health Methodist Hospital of Sacramento. "These honors signify our team's steadfast focus on delivering outstanding outcomes and an exceptional care experience. It's truly a testament to the dedication of our entire staff in making

patient safety and quality our top priorities."

Methodist Hospital of Sacramento's achievement is based solely on what matters most: patient outcomes. To determine the national leaders in patient safety, Healthgrades evaluated risk-adjusted complication and mortality rates from approximately 4,500 hospitals nationwide across 13 patient safety indicators (PSIs), with each PSI representing a serious, preventable complication.

Healthgrades' annual analysis revealed significant performance gaps between the nation's highest- and lowest-achieving facilities, making it increasingly important for consumers to seek care at a hospital with top safety ratings. During the 2022-24 study period, 167,228 preventable safety events occurred among Medicare patients at U.S.

hospitals, with four PSIs accounting for nearly 78 percent of all incidents.

Patients treated at Methodist Hospital and other award-winning facilities had a profoundly lower risk of experiencing an in-hospital fall resulting in fracture (52.4 percent less likely); collapsed lung due to a procedure in or around the chest (57.5 percent less likely); catheter-related bloodstream infections acquired in the hospital (67.8 percent less likely); and pressure sores or bed sores acquired in the hospital (71.9 percent less likely).

"The data behind this year's Patient Safety Excellence Award highlights how measurable improvements in safety can prevent thousands of complications," said Dr. Alana Biggers, MPH, medical advisor at Healthgrades. "By prioritizing evidence-based safety practices, Dignity

Health Methodist Hospital of Sacramento is achieving better clinical outcomes and cultivating a culture where patients come first."

Where you're treated matters, which is why Healthgrades is committed to providing the most scientifically accurate information about doctors and hospitals, with data insights not available anywhere else. For additional guidance on finding safe, high-quality care in 2026, visit [healthgrades.com](http://healthgrades.com).

Statistics are calculated from Healthgrades' Patient Safety Excellence Award Methodology, which is based primarily on AHRQ technical specifications (Version 2025.0.1) to MedPAR data from approximately 4,500 hospitals for years 2022 through 2024 and represent three-year estimates for Medicare patients only. ★

# Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



## Play to Win!

The Sacramento Kings surprised fans with startling wins, no less back-to-back over the Los Angeles Clippers and Sunday night over the Utah Jazz.

Not many saw this coming, and with a road win and home win on back-to-back nights, fans were treated to two wins that saw both veterans and the youth of the team come together and prove that there is reason for optimism.

DeMar DeRozan continues to defy age as he led the Kings in scoring, putting up 27 points against the Clippers and following it up with an eye popping 41 points against the Utah Jazz. DeRozan added 11 assists to go with his 41 points, and veteran teammate Russell Westbrook once again treated fans to another triple double.

Without question the veterans came to play but the Kings youngsters are making a definite contribution. Nique Clifford continues to develop as a rookie as does Maxime Raynaud, and surprisingly newcomer Killian Hayes added 16 points and eight assists in the win over the Utah Jazz. Hayes is making people wonder if there may be room on next year's team for him, and what the Kings garner in the upcoming draft will go a long way in determining his future.

Sadly, not all Kings fans are celebrating. Many, including several radio personalities, are actually criticizing the Kings for winning! At this point in the season everyone wants to talk about tanking, and it's a sad state of affairs if basketball fans can't depend on players giving it their best effort regardless of the standings.

Yes, everyone is acutely aware that the worst record has a better chance at getting the first pick in the draft, but that in no way means that players should be giving less than their best effort.

Fans buy tickets to see their champions hit the hardwood with full effort, and I'm proud that the Kings aren't buying into this nonsense of laying down on the job.

The draft will be what the draft will be, but let the gladiators of the hardwood compete, and compete with the goal of winning. If not, what's the point.

Season ticket holders will be in scarce

supply if teams take the low road, and it's my hope that the Sacramento Kings will hold their heads high and play with 100 percent effort every night.

With the best players on the team sidelined with injuries, the youngsters are getting every opportunity to show what they can do, and it gives coaches and fans alike a real opportunity to see what these first- and second-year players have to offer.

One conundrum continues to be Devin Carter who has not been given the same minutes and opportunity as Nique Clifford to show what he can do. Now is the time to give Carter all the minutes he wants so this staff can fully evaluate what Devin has to offer. With just over a dozen games to go, don't leave anything to wonder. Let the youngsters have the ball and minutes to go with it.

There is a great deal of talent on this team already, and with the development of Precious Achiuwa and Dylan Cardwell, the Kings are one noteworthy draft pick from forming a truly formidable front line.

A.J. Dybantsa from the BYU Cougars would look nice in a Kings uniform next season, and it remains a possibility that it might just happen.

So, I will continue to root for wins despite the noise in the background and know that the draft will work itself out.

Whether you're a Russell Westbrook, DeMar DeRozan fan or you've found one of our many youngsters to root for, this team is not nearly as far from a playoff team as many would think.

Build around Domantas Sabonis and they will come! The King of the double-double will be back at full strength next season and we need the fans to be back with him.

Basketball pundits can't stop talking about how deep the upcoming draft is going to be, and I can't help thinking the Kings are due for a game-changing pick that will have fans on their feet for years to come.

Let's keep lighting that beam, and with it smiles on the faces of Kings fans too!

All the best! ★

## As Gas Prices Soar, California's New Carbon Emission Rules Prompt a War of Words



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

This week — as the conflict between the U.S. and Iran raged and gasoline prices soared due to disruption in the global oil trade — a political war erupted in California over proposed air pollution rules that could increase fuel prices even more.

The California Air Resources Board's new crackdown on greenhouse gas emissions, "risks driving production, and the associated emissions, out of state, ultimately undermining both California's economic base and global climate objectives," the California Manufacturers & Technology Association says.

Association President Lance Hastings added in a statement, "If these proposed regulations move forward, Californians should brace for higher costs across the board with no end in sight. There is still time to fix this. CARB and the Legislature must act before it's too late."

The proposed regulation "will cripple the survivability of the state's remaining refineries, which will result in California losing the entire industry to this misguided program," Andy Walz, a high-level Chevron executive, said in a statement. Two California refineries have announced plans to shut down and Chevron, which operates two of the remaining plants, has repeatedly implied

that California's regulatory climate might force it to flee the state as well.

However as business pressured the Air Resources Board to ease the limits, a coalition of environmental groups, including the Environmental Defense Fund, complained that the proposed rules don't go far enough.

"Last year, in the face of federal backtracking, California reinforced its leadership on fighting climate change by extending its cap-and-invest program while prioritizing reducing high electricity bills and saving households money," their letter read. "However, CARB's 2026 proposed C&I program amendments fall short of the near-term ambition needed for California to be on a consistent and affordable path to achieve its 2045 carbon neutrality goals."

Meanwhile, 15 Democratic legislators released a letter expressing concern that the new rules would raise fuel and energy costs that are already among the nation's highest.

"This crisis is not a fallacy nor a thinly veiled threat. It is a reality borne by consumers today, who are historically and empirically least able to afford it," the legislators said, adding, "California's climate leadership cannot come at the cost of destabilizing our energy markets and burdening those least able to bear it."

Interestingly — or ironically — all 15 signatories voted less than a year ago for the legislation that empowered the air board to draft the revisions, which were released in January and are due to be finalized in May.

The legislation behind this flurry of warnings and laments is Assembly Bill 1207, which emerged from

backroom negotiations last September. It quickly passed and Gov. Gavin Newsom signed it.

The measure renames the cap-and-trade program cap-and-invest and extends it 15 years from 2030, the current expiration date, coinciding with the state's declared intention to make California carbon neutral by 2045. It authorizes the Air Resources Board to adjust the emission limits accordingly.

Until now, the state's business community had fundamentally supported the auctioning of emission allowances as a market approach preferable to the direct regulation of emissions, which many environmental groups favored.

Capitol politicians also liked auctions because they generate large amounts of money — an estimated \$31 billion since 2013 — that are supposed to finance carbon emission reductions. One major recipient has been the state's much-troubled bullet train project. However, when the state incurs one of its periodic budget crises, the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund has also been tapped for expenses that have little, if any, connection to greenhouse gases.

The cost of living is now a top-drawer political concern, and with gasoline prices topping \$5 a gallon in many regions, anything that pushes consumer prices even higher is bound to become a political football.

*Dan Walters is one of the most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. ★*

## Social Security Matters

### When Will I Get Full Credit for Delaying my SS Retirement?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

**Dear Rusty:** The time is nearing that I want to move from my current Social Security survivor benefit to my own SS retirement benefit at 70 years of age. I have been looking more deeply into the application of Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs), and I have read that DRCs accumulated in the year that I turn 70 (September 2026) will not be effective when I actually turn 70. Rather, those DRCs won't be paid until the following year. Can you verify that this is correct? I presume that if the DRC's are not applied at age 70, that they will be applied sometime after the first of the year and any increase will be paid retroactively.

**Signed: Retiring Soon**  
**Dear Retiring Soon:** The Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) you speak of have accumulated at the rate of 8% per year

(.667% per month) since you reached your SS full retirement age (FRA), which means that at age 70 your monthly SS benefit will be about 129% of the amount you were entitled to at your FRA of 66 years plus 4 months.

However, your understanding of how DRCs will work for you at age 70 is not correct. If you claim for your Social Security retirement benefits to begin in September 2026 (the month you turn 70) you will receive all DRCs, you have accumulated up to that point in time. In other words, you will get your full age 70 benefit amount immediately, including all DRCs earned until then, effective with your first SS retirement payment (which you will get in October 2026). What you have likely read about is that DRCs work a bit differently for those who claim SS after their full retirement age, but before their 70th birthday month.

For those who claim mid-year but before age 70, only DRCs earned through the end of the preceding year are initially applied, and DRCs earned during the current year are not paid until the following January. This results in a loss of some SS benefit between the

time benefits start and the following January, because only the amount earned as of the end of the previous year are first paid, and the full number of DRCs earned during the current year are applied in January. But, as is the case for you, when benefits are claimed to start in the month you reach 70 years of age, all DRCs earned up to the month of your 70th birthday are immediately applied.

Congratulations on selecting a strategy which will maximize your monthly Social Security benefit.

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## Kristi Noem Rides Off into the Sunset

man, the border czar who supplanted her in Minneapolis, was on TV and sought to outpace him.

The Journal related that Lewandowski was desperate to get a federally issued gun and badge and exacted retribution against those who didn't cooperate (he failed to get the gun, but apparently got the badge).

DHS officials denied much of the Journal story, but even if a fraction of it was true, it was still damning.

The two were turfy, sharp-elbowed bureaucratic players, not a new or unusual offense in Washington. But their enemies tended to be people who knew what they were doing, with Tom Homan high on the list.

Noem and Lewandowski raised eyebrows by taking an unusual amount of control over the department's spending. Self-dealing played a direct role in Noem's defenestration. The department approved a \$220 million contract -- funneled in part through firms run by Noem and Lewandowski allies -- for an ad campaign encouraging illegal immigrants to go home.

The ad starred -- who else? -- Kristi Noem. She was on horseback and in chaps. The implicit message was that if illegal immigrants didn't leave on their own, she'd immediately form a posse and run them over the border. It was a production worthy of a spaghetti western, or -- more to the point, given her political ambitions -- a commercial for a 2028 presidential campaign.

Noem couldn't defend the sketchy spending decisions, or the blatantly self-glorify-

ing ad, or much of anything else, in brutal back-to-back House and Senate congressional hearings that precipitated her doom. She'd already been taken down a notch after the Minneapolis ICE operation went sideways. Not working with copious supplies of credibility to begin with, she tossed away whatever she had by instantly labeling both agitators shot by DHS agents "domestic terrorists."

All of this said, it was Trump who hired Noem despite her manifest deficiencies, including no notable experience in immigration enforcement. She was camera-ready and loyal, so why not? Her designated replacement, Oklahoma senator Markwayne Mullin, also doesn't have a background in immigration policy. One hopes, though, that he won't interfere with the professionals and will continue the Homan-backed approach of focusing on apprehending illegal immigrants who have committed other criminal offenses and received final orders of removal, and ramping up worksite enforcement.

The French World War I-era statesman Georges Clemenceau once said, "War is too important to be left to the generals." By the same token, immigration enforcement is too important to be left to self-serving glory hounds who are focused more on the main chance than the underlying mission.

Trump's first firing was the right one.

*Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review. (c) 2026 by King Features Synd., Inc. ★*



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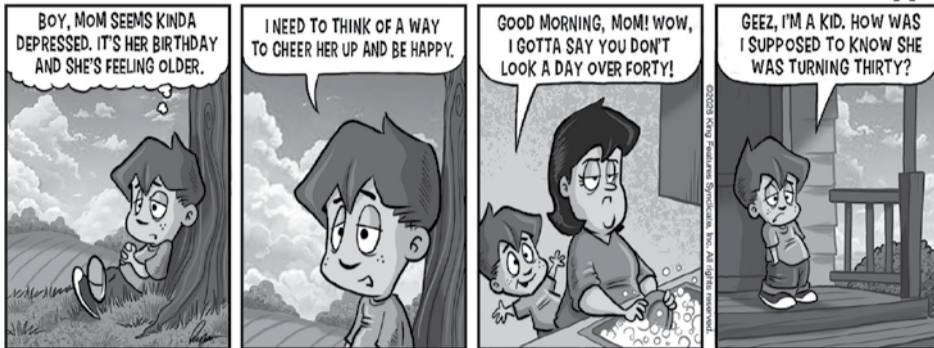
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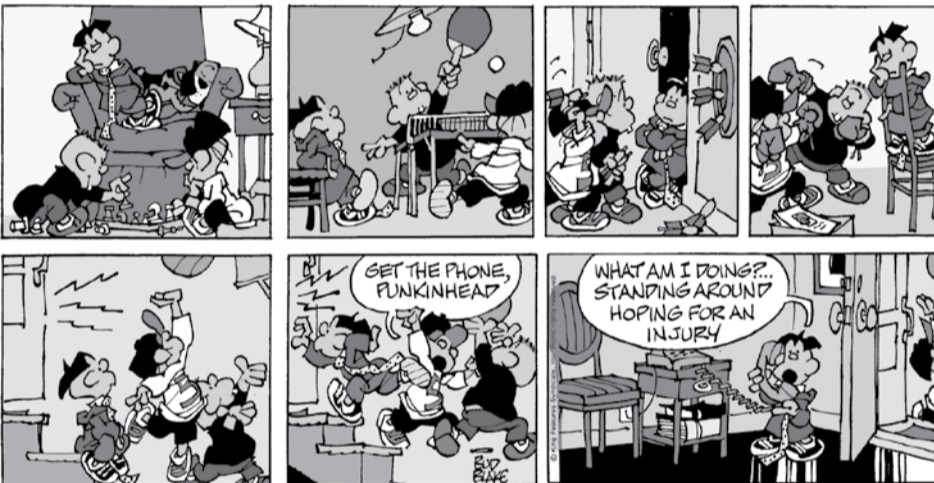
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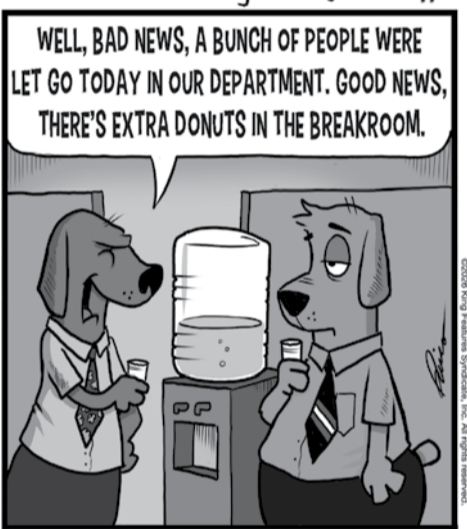
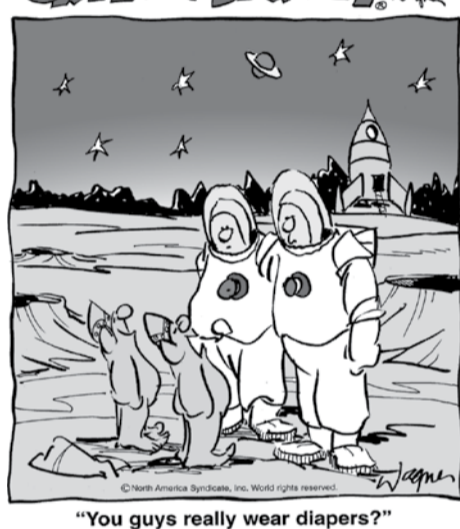
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Linda Westphal, P.O. Box 2033, Citrus Heights, CA 95611 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "818 Arcturus" 6133 Westport Lane, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 13, 2026  
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ARCTURUS 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00926**  
Gerald J Djuth, 2701 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Healing Points Wellness Center" 2701 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 30, 2026  
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HEALING 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00958**  
Jaijuan Francis, 9679 Elmira Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Design With Florae" 9679 Elmira Circle, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 2, 2026  
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DESIGN 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01008**  
Kristel Roper, 9821 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite B, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Dauntless Counseling" 9821 Fair Oaks Boulevard Suite B, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 3, 2026  
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DAUNTLESS 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01145**  
Lazaro Rental LLC., 3892 Marshall Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lazaro Rental" 3892 Marshall Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 6, 2026  
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LAZARO 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00501**  
Rowell Enterprises, Inc., 9028 Elm Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rowell Excavation" 9028 Elm Avenue, Orangevale, CA 95662. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 14, 2026  
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ROWELL 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01327**  
Dayleen Simpson, 5855 Revelstok Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Crestline Processing" 5855 Revelstok Drive, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 13, 2026  
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CRESTLINE 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00922**  
AaPax Medical Transportation LLC, PO Box 184, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "AaPax Medical Transportation" 6964 65<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 30, 2026  
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AAPAX 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01380**  
Royal feather since 1991 LLC, 6420 Wisp Court, Rocklin, CA 95765 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Wish a Wish" 5800 Madison Avenue Suite S, Sacramento, CA 95841. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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WISH 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01383**  
Carly B Alfonso, 11440 Sunrise Gold Circle #3, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Peachy Keen Resel" 11440 Sunrise Gold Circle #3, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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PEACHY 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01158**  
AJ Venture Group LLC, 8628 Valley Rim Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "3 Monkeys Elkhorn" 5323 Elkhorn Boulevard, Suite B, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 9, 2026  
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AJ 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01365**  
Chad Overstrom, 8028 Quaker Ridge Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Green Valley Property Care" 8028 Quaker Ridge Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 17, 2026  
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GREEN 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00983**  
Jorrick Solutions LLC, 410 Ave Monte Sol, Suite 14 PMB 1071, Fajardo, PR 00738 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Maria's Cleaning" 410 Ave Monte Sol, Suite 14 PMB 1071, Fajardo, PR 00738. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 2, 2026  
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MARIAS 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01381**  
GB Freight Inc, 2540 Greg Jarvis Way, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Book Sky Fares" 2540 Greg Jarvis Way, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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BOOK 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01422**  
AMIZZ Corporation, 3162 Osuna Way, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Division One Plumbing" 3162 Osuna Way, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 19, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00817**  
Sisters Creative LLC, 1212 Mariemont Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Poppy & Thread Needlepoint" 1212 Mariemont Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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POPPY 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01406**  
Miguel A. Zapata and Raquel Zapata, 12309 Tawana Dome Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "USA Pro Carpet Care" 12309 Tawana Dome Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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Mariah Benavides, 5513 Woodleigh Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Pretty Platter" 5513 Woodleigh Drive, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
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PRETTY 3-20-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01379**  
Jessica Antram, 8344 Deville Oaks, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Lucky Paws" 8344 Deville Oaks, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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LUCKY 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01411**  
SOE Investments, 2678 Forrest Street, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Star Fashion" 2440 Northgate Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 19, 2026  
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STAR 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01294**  
Clara Senior Living Inc., 4665 Freeway Circle, Sacramento, CA 95841 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hollister Care Home" 3734 Hollister Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 13, 2026  
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HOLLISTER 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01463**  
Ilia Bolshin, 2980 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "True Lock Solutions" 2980 Marysville Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2026  
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TRUE 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01460**  
Eagle Auto Works LLC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Eagle Auto Registration Services" 2539 Tesla Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2026  
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EAGLE 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01154**  
RJ Mac Holding LLC, 1125 Scarlett, Allan, TX 75002 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Twisted Mac" 4790 Manzanita Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 9, 2026  
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TWISTED 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01007**  
Jessie Richards, 6016 Westbrook Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "She Tech Collective" 6016 Westbrook Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 23, 2026  
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Jefferson A. McGee, 8105 Cottonmill Circle, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Florin Mortgage Company/Florin Capital" 8105 Cottonmill Circle, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 3, 2026  
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FLORIN 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01209**  
Terrence Miller, 7006 Checkerbloom Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Clarix Water" 7006 Checkerbloom Way, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 10, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01372**  
Muhammad A. Arshad and Annum Jamat, 5768 Beadnell Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "MarketingGear" 5768 Beadnell Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 17, 2026  
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MD Reasonable Services International LLC, 3301 Huntsman Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Daddy Smoke & Gift" 10401 Folsom Boulevard, Rancho Cordova, 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 18, 2026  
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DADDY 3-27-26

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Northstate Nursing, Inc., 2804 Gateway Oaks Drive #100, Sacramento, CA 95833 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sustainable Psychiatry/Selective Psychiatry" 2804 Gateway Oaks Drive #100, Sacramento, CA 95833. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 10, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01506**  
Steven Entriken Jr, 3225 Chelsea Road, Sacramento, CA 95864 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Diggitly Dawgs" 3225 Chelsea Road, Sacramento, CA 95864. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2026  
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Mikhail Baca, 5545 Marconi Avenue, Apt 204, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Prestige Level Flooring" 5545 Marconi Avenue, Apt 204, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 24, 2026  
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PRESTIGE 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01234**  
Dogwood Enterprises LLC, 815 Anastasia Drive, Lakeport, CA 95453 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Grocery Outlet South" 815 Anastasia Drive, Lakeport, CA 95453. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 10, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01539**  
Gloria F Andres, 8408 Honey Hill Court, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hooked by G/Hooked by G Creations" 8408 Honey Hill Court, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 24, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01572**  
Ziv Mallul, 4190 E Commerce Way #152, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BestBoy Locksmith" 27652764 Patent Drive #288, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 24, 2026  
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Ronny Moran, 2222 River Trails Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Blue Door Property Services/Blue Door Pro Services" 2222 River Trails Circle, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01613**  
On the Team Enterprises, LLC., 700 Albemarle Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "On The Team Logistics/On The Team Consulting & Research" 700 Albemarle Avenue, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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TEAM 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01536**  
Signed and Secured LLC, 1900 Danbrook Drive Unit 323, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Signed Insurance Solutions" 1900 Danbrook Drive Unit 323, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00834**  
Alvaro De La Isla Alvarez, 2914 Poole Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Million Hotdogs" 2914 Poole Drive, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 28, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01511**  
Ralf Czekai, P.O. Box 883, Carmichael, CA 95609 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Handyman Contractor" 8341 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01487**  
ReEATH Farms, Inc., 500 Capital Mall, Suite 2350, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Nacheez/RE Stores" 500 Capital Mall, Suite 2350, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2026  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01627**  
Sherman Bridge GP LLC, 5000 Riverside Drive, Bldg 5, Suite 100W, Irving, TX 75039 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sherman Bridge Lending" 8344 Deville Oaks, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2026  
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SHERMAN 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01625**  
Sherman Bridge GP LLC, 5000 Riverside Drive, Bldg 5, Suite 100W, Irving, TX 75039 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sherman Bridge" 5000 Riverside Drive, Bldg 5, Suite 100W, Irving, TX 75039. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2026  
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BRIDGE 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01453**  
Barrett Tetlow, 1425 36<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BDT Strategies" 1425 36<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2026  
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BDT 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01640**  
Curtis Davis, 1599 English Colony Way, Penryn, CA 95663 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Copperfly Property Services" 1599 English Colony Way, Penryn, CA 95663. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2026  
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COPPERFLY 3-27-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01472**  
Gianna Maglietta, 4313 Lace Fern Street, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mama G's Bakery" 4313 Lace Fern Street, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 20, 2026  
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MAMA 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01703**  
Special Service Bird Control Inc., 2301 Vehicle Drive Suite A, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Special Service Pest Management" 10078 Kern River Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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SPECIAL 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01550**  
GP Surface LLC, 8123 Sunrise Boulevard Apt 217, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "ExactForm3D" 6834 26<sup>th</sup> Street Unit #18, Rio Linda, CA 95673. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 24, 2026  
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EXACT 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01442**  
Jaspreet Singh, 4001 Watt Avenue #120, Sacramento, CA 95826 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "DJ Drop" 4001 Watt Avenue #120, Sacramento, CA 95826. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 19, 2026  
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DJ 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01185**  
Yana Pekarski, DDS – 5931 Stanley Avenue Suite 3, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Holistic Dentist/Sacramento Holistic Dentistry" 5931 Stanley Avenue Suite 3, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 9, 2026  
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SACRAMENTO 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01420**  
True Nature Coaching, 5201 C Street, Sacramento, CA 95819 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Critical Point Coaching" 5201 C Street, Sacramento, CA 95819. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 19, 2026  
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POINT 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01749**  
Soma Unlimited LLC, 3843 Terraview Street, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Urban Food" 3843 Terraview Street, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 3, 2026  
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URBAN 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01224**  
Sonya Bates, 2678 Kingfisher Lane, Camino, CA 95709 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Soma Wellness Spa" 107 Scripps Drive Suite 110, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 10, 2026  
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SOMA 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01764**  
Michelle Lopez-Hardie, 11886 Kingspoint Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Michelle's Mobile Fitness" 11886 Kingspoint Court, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 3, 2026  
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MICHELLES 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01741**  
Chardi Kala Printing LLC, 7837 Stockton Boulevard Suite #100, Sacramento, CA 95823 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pro Print Linkers" 7837 Stockton Boulevard Suite #100, Sacramento, CA 95823. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 2, 2026  
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PRO 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01759**  
Yvonne Evans, 2111 W. La Loma Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Yannah's Art & Soul Studio" 9719 Lincoln Village Drive Suite 500E, Sacramento, CA 95827. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 3, 2026  
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YANNAHS 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01790**  
Tayehs Management Co., Inc, 7635 Agate Beach Way, Antelope, CA 95843 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Amazing Athletes" 7635 Agate Beach Way, Antelope, CA 95843. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 3, 2026  
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AMAZING 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01616**  
Adam Weeks, 7225 Lincoln Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Fire Bean Bookkeeping" 7225 Lincoln Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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FIRE 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01612**  
Mike Sherman, Inc, 1400 N Colt Road Suite 1304, McKinney, TX 75071 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "TSC Accounts Receivable Solutions" 1400 N Colt Road Suite 1304, McKinney, TX 75071. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February

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TSC 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01491**  
NV Comm., LLC, 5725 S Valley View Boulevard Suite 5 PMB 843220, Las Vegas, NV 89118 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BBQ Mexicana/Pacho Mamas" 3011 Lake Mead, Suite 100, North Las Vegas, NV 89032. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 23, 2026  
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BBQ 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01644**  
Viliani Liu, 3817 Clay Street, Sacramento, CA 95838 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Pacific Concrete" 3817 Clay Street, Sacramento, CA 95838. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 26, 2026  
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PACIFIC 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00615**  
Perry Trenton LLC, 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PT Studios: Veni Vidi Vici" 2108 N Street Suite N, Sacramento, CA 95816. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 21, 2026  
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PT 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01671**  
Reynolds Mortgage & Real Estate Services Inc., 7968 Orange Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Golden Faith Property Management" 7968 Orange Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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GOLDEN 4-3-26

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01712**  
Anaya Ali and Arzoo Wais, 3731 Imogine Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95835 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "A2 Sips & Sweets" 3731 Imogine Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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NICKS 4-3-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-00736  
Judy Lynne Fearon, 66 Cambria Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95621 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Judy Lynne Designs" 66 Cambria Circle, Citrus Heights, CA 95621. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County January 26, 2026  
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JUDY 4-3-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01826  
Sarajuddin Safi, 1401 21<sup>st</sup> Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sfinity Junk Removal Services" 1401 21<sup>st</sup> Street Suite R, Sacramento, CA 95811. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 5, 2026  
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SFINITY 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01711  
Olaf Alexander Kroettinger and Lucie Mary Kroettinger, 1544 Manasco Circle, Folsom, CA 95630 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Watchdogs Surveillance" 1544 Manasco Circle, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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WATCHDOGS 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01905  
Backdd LLC, 2108 N Street #14806, Sacramento, CA 95816 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Arden Square Studio" 3160 Arden Way Suite 137, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 9, 2026  
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ARDEN 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01776  
Xiaoling Ross, 3601 Manzanola Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Coins, Cards and Glass" 3601 Manzanola Way, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 3, 2026  
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COINS 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01687  
Donna Merrick, 229 Palm View Lane, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Paws Off My Coffee" 229 Palm View Lane, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01727  
Hopeside Detox, LLC, 1227 School Street, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Hopeside Recovery Center" 1227 School Street, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 2, 2026  
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HOPESIDE 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01619  
Mohammed Darwish, 649 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Rapid Lock & Key" 649 El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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RAPID 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01980  
AZA Brothers Inc., 5219 Elkhorn Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Gill Brothers Market" 5219 Elkhorn Boulevard, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 10, 2026  
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GILL 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01961  
Sacramento Catholic Family Insurance Services, Inc, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95818 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "George L. Klumpf Chapel of Flowers" 2122 28<sup>th</sup> Street, Sacramento, CA 95818. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 10, 2026  
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GEORGE 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01863  
Brand Image Care Inc., 3249 Quality Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Brand Image Cleaning/Brand Image Care Management/Bic Management/Brand Image Catering" 3249 Quality Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 6, 2026  
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BRAND 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01620  
Stephanie Jean Flores, 10058 Wyatt Ranch Way, Sacramento, CA 95829 is doing business

under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "The Essence of Scent" 10058 Wyatt Ranch Way, Sacramento, CA 95829. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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ESSENCE 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01975  
Gilda El-Hage, 4808 Lukella Drive, Folsom, CA 95630 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "APX Federal Supply" 4808 Lukella Drive, Folsom, CA 95630. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 10, 2026  
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APX 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02008  
Gulagha Shafie and Mohammad Asif Azizi, 2505 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825 are doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sonic Tire & Auto Repair" 2505 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 11, 2026  
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SONIC 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01992  
Materia Enterprises Inc, 8139 Sunset Avenue, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Squarefield Cannabis/Bombay Farms" 1021 Fee Drive, Sacramento, CA 95815. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 10, 2026  
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SQUAREFIELD 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01184  
New Strength Foundation, 853 Alsace Drive, Corona, CA 92882 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "New Strength Foundation" 853 Alsace Drive, Corona, CA 92882. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 9, 2026  
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NEW 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01910  
Preetpal Singh, 8245 Florin Road, Suite A2, Sacramento, CA 95828 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "PC Distribution" 8245 Florin Road, Suite A2, Sacramento, CA 95828. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 9, 2026  
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PC 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01366  
Peata Pattie Lefao Jones, 5815 Dulwich Way, Sacramento, CA 95835 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Aafiyah's Friends Daycare" 5815 Dulwich Way, Sacramento, CA 95835. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 17, 2026  
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AAFYAHS 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01702  
Ahmad Almhaimed, 5409 Parkville Court, Sacramento, CA 95842 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Al Furat Motors" 5409 Parkville Court, Sacramento, CA 95842. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 27, 2026  
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AL 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01577  
NV Comm., LLC, 5725 S Valley View Boulevard Suite 5 PMB 843220, Las Vegas, NV 89118 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Border Grill" 3011 Lake Mead, Suite 100, North Las Vegas, NV 89032. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County February 25, 2026  
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BORDER 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02019  
Next Build Inc, 8752 Winding Way, Fair Oaks, CA 95628 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Elevate Auto" 10412 Fair Oaks Boulevard, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 11, 2026  
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ELEVATE 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01947  
Rachel's Pet Portraits, 1010 11<sup>th</sup> Street #715, Sacramento, CA 95814 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) Rachel's Pet Portraits/Paint Your Pet Pawty!" 1010 11<sup>th</sup> Street #715, Sacramento, CA 95814. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 9, 2026  
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RACHELS 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02042  
Landuse Lending LLC, 180 Promenade Circle Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95834 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Land Buyers" 180 Promenade Circle Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95834. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 12, 2026  
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SACRAMENTO 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-01820  
Zandra Useche, 7873 Twin Oaks Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Unlimited Helping Hands" 7873 Twin Oaks Avenue, Citrus Heights, CA 95610. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County

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### STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-06279  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME OF: Painting Forest, 2108 N Street #9436, Sacramento, CA 95816  
Wai Lam Chu, 2108 N Street #9436, Sacramento, CA 95816.  
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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2024-02438  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name of: Magnolia Suites, 4801 Marconi Avenue #11, Carmichael, CA 95608.  
Bruce Mintzer, 4801 Marconi Avenue #11, Carmichael, CA 95608.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on March 29, 2024 in the County of Sacramento.  
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MAGNOLIA 4-10-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME FILE NO. FBNF2025-05274  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name of: Maelstrom Web Services & Maelstrom Tutoring, 2740 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821.  
Mason Goulding, 2740 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821.  
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### ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

**CORRECTED ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**  
**FOR CHANGE OF NAME**  
**CASE NO. 25CV003329**  
Superior Court of California, County of SACRAMENTO  
Petition of: ShankaraNarayanan Jayaraman and JanakaSudha Shankara Narayanan for Change of Name  
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:  
Petitioner: ShankaraNarayanan Jayaraman and JanakaSudha Shankara Narayanan filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:  
Sriram J.S. aka Sriram, Janakasudha Shankara Narayanan to Sriram J. Shankara Naryanan  
Srihari J.S. aka Srihari, Janakasudha Shankara Narayanan to Srihari J. Shankara Narayanan  
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.  
Notice of Hearing:  
Date: 08/06/2026, Time: 9:00 AM, Dept.: 54  
The address of the court is 720 9th Street Sacramento 95814 (To appear remotely, check in advance of the hearing for information about how to do so on the court's website. To find your court's website, go to www.courts.ca.gov/find-my-court.htm.) A copy of this Order to Show Cause must be published at least once each week for four successive weeks before the date set for hearing on the petition in a newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Carmichael Times  
Date: 1/23/2026  
HON. CHRISTOPHER E. KRUEGER  
Judge of the Superior Court  
2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20/26  
CNS-4015766#  
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**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
FILE NO. FBNF2025-06279  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME OF: Painting Forest, 2108 N Street #9436, Sacramento, CA 95816  
Wai Lam Chu, 2108 N Street #9436, Sacramento, CA 95816.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on August 25, 2025 in the County of Sacramento.  
Filed with the clerk of Sacramento County: August 25, 2025.  
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**STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME**  
FILE NO. FBNF2024-02438  
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious business name of: Magnolia Suites, 4801 Marconi Avenue #11, Carmichael, CA 95608.  
Bruce Mintzer, 4801 Marconi Avenue #11, Carmichael, CA 95608.  
The Fictitious Business Name Statement was filed on March 29, 2024 in the County of Sacramento.  
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# Sports Center Approved for Sunrise Mall Site

By Thomas J. Sullivan

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - The City of Citrus Heights announced March 6 a landmark partnership with The Mettle Shop and Tallen Capital Partners LLC to bring a new Sunrise Sports Center to Sunrise Mall, launching the first major development under the Sunrise Tomorrow Specific Plan.

San Diego-based Tallen Capital Partners LLC will acquire the northern portion of Sunrise Mall owned by Great Neck, New-York based Namdar Realty Group, and then sell 11 acres to Mettle Shop for construction of the Sunrise Sports Center's development, according to a press release by the city of Citrus Heights.

In an interview with the Sacramento Business Journal, Terry Tallen, founder and CEO of Tallen Capital Partners LLC, said he's seeing Mettle Shop's Sunrise Sports Center as an anchor tenant for the mall.

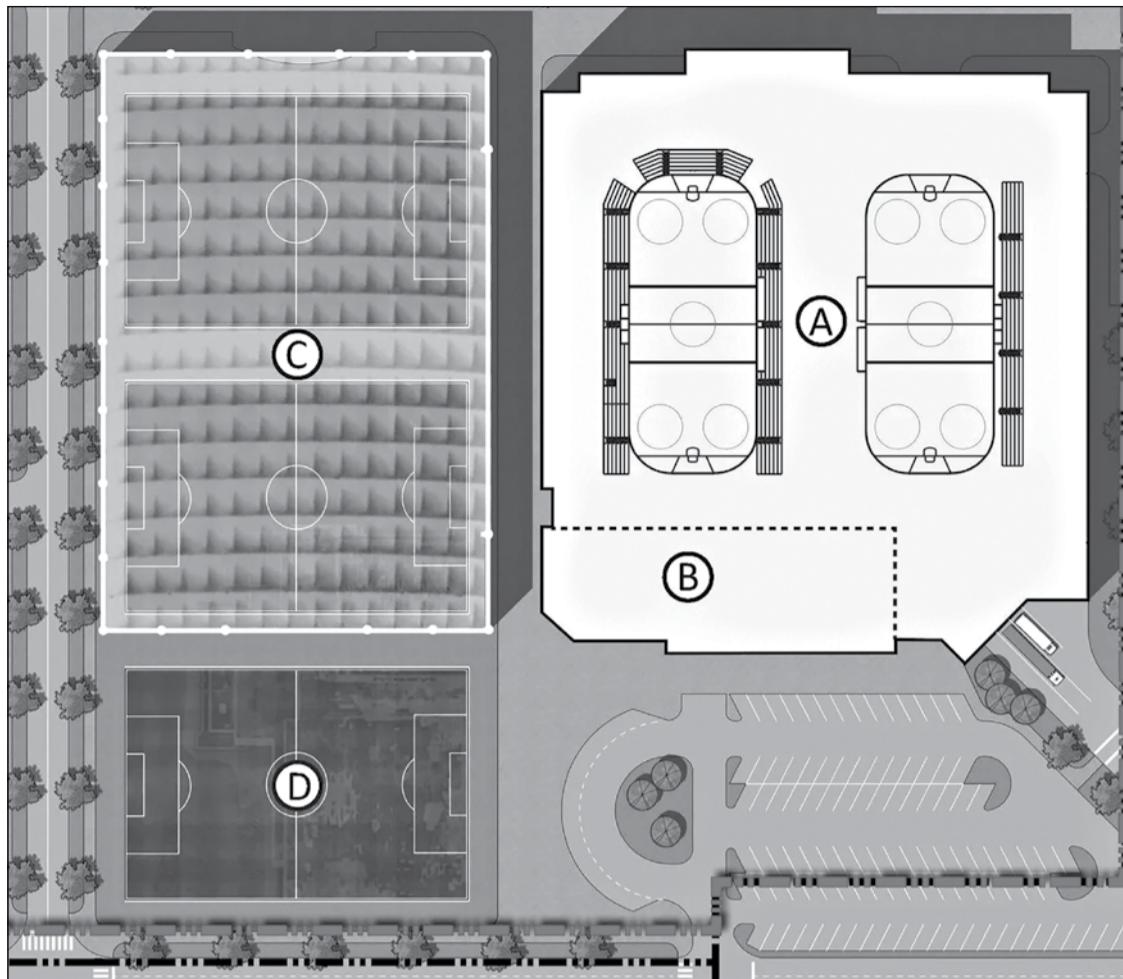
In this collaboration, Tallen Capital Partners will assume the role of majority owner and developer for the project.

The Sunrise Sports Center will introduce a state-of-the-art, 160,000-square-foot sports facility on an 11-acre site. At its core is a 4,000-seat multi-use arena designed to host sporting events, concerts and more.

The center will also feature two NHL-sized ice sheets and multi-use turf fields, establishing a premier destination for athletes, families and visitors, and offering a wide range of recreational and entertainment opportunities.

"We believe that sports have the power to strengthen and enrich communities, and we are genuinely excited to collaborate with Citrus Heights and Tallen Capital Partners to bring these opportunities to life through the Sunrise Sports Center," said Joe Wagoner, CEO of The Mettle Shop, in reported remarks.

Mettle Shop, which includes



The Sunrise Sports Center will introduce a state-of-the-art, 160,000-square-foot sports facility on an 11-acre site. At its core is a 4,000-seat multi-use arena designed to host sporting events, concerts, and other major events. Photo courtesy of Tallen Capital Partners LLC and The Mettle Shop

former executives from franchises such as the Sacramento Kings, Sac Republic FC and the Oakland A's, had planned to build a similar sports complex in Folsom on 18 acres on the northwest corner of Folsom Ranch, on Prairie City Road.

The Sunrise Sports Center is the first major project under the city's Sunrise Tomorrow Specific Plan, adopted unanimously in 2021 after years of community input and strategic planning to reimagine the 100-acre Sunrise Mall site for new purposes.

The estimated cost of redeveloping Sunrise Mall will depend on how much land Tallen Capital ends up owning, but the likely cost could be estimated at \$400 million, according to Tallen.

"The Sunrise Sports Center is

a bold new vision for our city. This planned partnership demonstrates our steadfast commitment to creating a vibrant regional destination that energizes our local economy," Citrus Heights Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff said.

The Sunrise Mall property spans nearly 100 acres in Citrus Heights and is currently divided into seven separate parcels owned by five different entities, including the Namdar Realty Group, Ethan Conrad Properties, JCPenney, Red Robin and Antioch Street LP.

Last June, Namdar Realty Group began quietly marketing its part of the mall for sale. In August, a third-party pre-condemnation appraisal of Sunrise Mall was requested by the city of Citrus Heights was initiated on

Aug. 28, but is not yet complete, according to city communications officer Marisa Brown.

As of Jan. 7, Namdar Realty Group has accrued just over \$3.56 million in outstanding fines that span from July 2024 through the present, the city said.

With a projected timeline of 12 to 15 months for construction, the Sunrise Sports Center could begin hosting events as soon as early 2028.

On the southeast portion of his piece, Tallen said he's envisioning somewhere between 250 and 350 apartments. To the north, along Sunrise Boulevard, will be restaurants and entertainment uses to complement Sunrise Sports Center.

A separately owned 2.8-acre parcel at the prominent

corner of Sunrise Boulevard and Greenback Lane, owned by Antioch Street LP, has already been subdivided to allow for a future hotel.

"Tournaments, regional sporting events, concerts and other large gatherings typically require overnight accommodations for participants, families, teams and visitors. As a result, integrating a hotel into the Sunrise Mall redevelopment aligns with the expected activity generated by these uses and helps capture the economic benefits associated with visitor spending while supporting the long-term viability of the site as a regional destination," said city communications officer Marisa Brown.

Hotel development is allowed on areas of the Sunrise Tomorrow property, with up to three being envisioned at buildout, she said.

Tallen Capital Partners is also in negotiations to acquire the 18 acres on the northeast side of the mall owned by retailer JCPenney, the only remaining anchor store still open in Sunrise Mall. A message sent Friday to JCPenney's media relations department for comment was not immediately returned.

City Manager Ashley Feeney shared, "The City Council's commitment to the Sunrise Tomorrow vision has been instrumental in bringing the Sunrise Sports Center to life, setting the stage for a transformative new chapter for the Sunrise Mall site as a premier regional destination for sports, shopping, entertainment, dining, working and living."

Site planning within the Sunrise Tomorrow Specific Plan is conceptual, and any required modifications will be reviewed to maintain alignment with the overall Specific Plan vision, according to the city.

For more information and to receive project updates, visit [www.sunrisetomorrow.net](http://www.sunrisetomorrow.net) <https://www.sunrisesportscenter.com/>. ★

# City Launches Public Outreach for Sayonara Drive Name Change

By Shaunna Boyd

**CITRUS HEIGHTS, CA (MPG)** - At the March 11 meeting of the Citrus Heights City Council, they considered an Economic Development and Participation Agreement (EDPA) with The Mettle Shop to support the redevelopment of a portion of the Sunrise Mall site.

The proposed project would redevelop 13.75 acres of the site into the Sunrise Sports Center, a multi-sport arena designed as a regional destination for ice sports, field sports, live entertainment and community recreation.

City Manager Ash Feeney said redevelopment of existing sites can be challenging, but this project is "a great match."

Mayor MariJane Lopez-Taff said, "This is pretty close to a magic wand moment."

Vice Mayor Porsche Middleton agreed it was a "once in a generation opportunity."

The council voted unanimously and enthusiastically to approve the agreement.

The council also considered Fiscal Year 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Adjustments.

Staff said the city is currently relying on cash reserves to fund some services. However, this is expected due to the

timing of some revenue collections.

The total proposed budget amendments will increase General Fund revenue appropriations by \$1.18 million. Overall expenditures are currently trending below budget, with a \$522,850 adjustment recommended to align expenditures with current operational needs.

The city ended fiscal year 2024-25 with net positive ending reserve of \$35.3 million, and fiscal year 2025-26 is projected to end with \$35.4 million reserve.

Vice Mayor Middleton thanked staff for the report, which shows "in very real terms, what we're doing, how we're doing, so we can best decide how to move forward. I love to see that we're doing so well."

The council voted unanimously to approve the mid-year budget adjustments.

The council then discussed the timeline for a possible renaming of Sayonara Drive, to reflect the revitalization of the neighborhood through the Habitat for Humanity project currently underway.

Staff explained that the area has historically had a negative reputation, with high rates of crime, overcrowding, traffic concerns, deferred building maintenance and absentee

property ownership. With the new improvements to the street, council requested consideration of a new name to reflect this new chapter.

If council decided to move forward with the change, staff said it would best be completed by June, when the first Habitat for Humanity tenants will receive their keys. Under the proposed timeline, notification of the potential change would begin this month to gauge support from owners and tenants on Sayonara Drive. Name recommendations would be accepted through April 17, and outreach would also include a community meeting in April. A list of potential names would be presented to council for final selection in May. Council would also decide whether the change would apply to the entire street, or a smaller section localized to the Habitat for Humanity homes.

Mayor Lopez-Taff said, "I think it's going to be revitalizing for that particular neighborhood to rename themselves."

Councilmember Jayna Karpinski said it could be a hassle for residents to go through all the paperwork to change their address. She asked what would happen if the majority of those residents didn't support the change. City Manager Ash

Feeney explained that the council can take public opinion into account, but ultimately the council has the authority to change the name.

Mayor Lopez-Taff suggested they let this process

run its course and gather public input before having a more in-depth discussion. The council consensus was for staff to move forward with the public engagement process.

The city held a Council Strategic Planning Session on March 18, replacing the March 25 meeting. The next regular meeting of the Citrus Heights City Council is scheduled for April 8. ★

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# Community College Students Can Claim CalKIDS Scholarships

CalKIDS News Release

**SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)** - In a significant step toward strengthening college access and affordability, State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA, announces that CalKIDS, the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO), and the California Cradle-to-Career Data System (C2C) have launched a coordinated initiative to help eligible community college students access their CalKIDS Scholarships.

Through this partnership, state education leaders are leveraging existing student data systems to help community colleges pinpoint enrolled students who have CalKIDS Scholarships available to claim and use. The effort identified 40,000 community college students with approximately \$20 million in CalKIDS Scholarships available. These insights will strengthen targeted, campus-level outreach to connect students with those funds for qualified educational expenses.

CalKIDS, administered by the ScholarShare Investment Board and chaired by State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA, is a statewide automatic scholarship program created to expand access to college and career training. Eligible California public school students automatically receive up to \$1,500 in CalKIDS Scholarships and must claim their account to use the funds for qualified educational expenses until age 26.

Since CalKIDS launched in 2022, the program has supported nearly 70,000 students with more than \$37 million for expenses at community colleges across the state.

"This partnership reflects California's commitment to ensuring that students can access the opportunities already available to them," said California State Treasurer Fiona Ma, CPA. "Through CalKIDS, we are investing in students long before they arrive on a college campus, and this effort helps ensure those scholarships are actually reaching the students who need them most."

As part of the initiative, CalKIDS participant information is securely matched through the California Cradle-to-Career Data System, which has an existing data-sharing arrangement with the Chancellor's Office. The matched eligibility report is now available to authorized

college staff through their Data on Demand platform. Community college districts can use this information to conduct individualized outreach to enrolled students who have available CalKIDS Scholarships, ensuring students are aware of funds that can immediately support their educational goals.

"This collaboration demonstrates the power of connected systems, with Californians at the heart of our shared goals," said Mary Ann Bates, executive director of the California Cradle-to-Career Data System. "This joint initiative is government efficiency and effectiveness in practice, and the California Cradle-to-Career Data System is eager to continue delivering actionable insights that can directly benefit students in their higher education journeys."

The California Community College system serves more than 2.2 million students annually and plays a central role in advancing economic mobility across the state. By integrating CalKIDS Scholarship data into existing student support systems, campuses can further strengthen affordability efforts and student persistence.

"Imagine what \$1,500 from CalKIDS can mean for a first-generation community college student juggling two part-time jobs. It can be the difference between stopping out and staying enrolled. That is why the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office has partnered with the Cradle-to-Career Data System and State Treasurer Fiona Ma. Together, we are building the systems that deliver on this promise. This is what Vision 2030 is about: strong partnerships and modern data systems that ensure every student, in every community, can access the opportunity they have already earned," said California Community Colleges Chancellor, Sonya Christian.

Community college districts are encouraged to use the Data on Demand platform to identify enrolled students with CalKIDS Scholarship indicators and conduct targeted outreach through existing campus communications and student support channels.

Students can visit CalKIDS.org to confirm eligibility and claim their scholarship. To claim funds, students will need their Statewide Student Identifier (SSID), a ten-digit number that can be found on their high school transcript or by contacting their former high school. ★

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<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$1.79</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$1.29 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$3.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$2.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$5.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$5.49 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$5.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$4.99 /ea</p>
<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$4.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$3.99 /ea +TAX</p>			

## ASIAN GROCERY

<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$9.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$5.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$24.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$19.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$2.59</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$1.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$3.49</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$2.99 /ea</p>
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## EUROPEAN GROCERY

<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$7.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$6.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$6.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$5.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$3.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$2.99 /ea</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$24.99</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$18.99 /ea</p>
<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$3.49</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$2.49 /ea</p>			

## EUROPEAN DELI

<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$6.49/LB</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$5.49 /lb</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$7.49/LB</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$6.49 /lb</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$6.69/LB</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$5.69 /lb</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">REG. \$7.69/LB</p> <p style="margin: 0; font-size: 1.5em; color: red;">\$6.69 /lb</p>
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## FROZEN & FISH DEPT

REG. \$16.99/EA

\$12.99 /ea

Dried Cod Fish 500 g

## HOUSEWARE

REG. \$10.99

\$8.99 /ea

ELECTRIC RICE COOKER

\$5.49

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\$5.99

ELECTRIC BBQ GRILL

\$39.99 /ea

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