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Gridley Little League Opens Season



Part of the fun of opening ceremonies is that each team got their moment, with each player's name announced, as they ran from back center field to the infield.

Story and photos by **Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The outfield was a sea of color Saturday as Gridley Little League (GLL) held its Opening Day ceremonies at the heart of Gridley's baseball community, Manuel Vierra Park.

Festivities began at 9 a.m. March 14, inviting each player in the league and their families to officially begin the 2026 season the traditional GLL way.

GLL President Lisa Shaw welcomed the large group of parents and players and, on a solemn note, reminded all that the community and the league had sustained recent losses.

Last season, Congressman Doug La Malfa threw out the first



Sons of the late Balde Torres, which the season was dedicated to, had the honor of throwing out the first pitch. Pictured left are Augie Torres and Zach Torres.

pitch on opening day. La Malfa passed away on Jan. 6 of this year following a medical emergency during surgery.

Closer to home, Gridley's Baldemar

"Balde" Torres died unexpectedly Jan. 31.

Balde played a pivotal role within the Little League community, coaching and volunteering many hours to the league over

the past 40 years.

Shaw led a moment of silence dedicated to the two men, the ballpark falling silent for a minute.

Momentum picked up as Shaw dedicated the season to the memory of Balde Torres and moved to the introduction of teams, beginning with the youngest players in the tee-ball brackets.

A colorful variety of team names were announced, followed by their coaches and team sponsors. Each athlete had their moment as they took to the field and their name rang out from the loudspeakers.

The Challengers were the last to take the field, standing behind a large "Opening Day" sign at center field. With all

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Butte County Fire to Purchase Roadside Message Boards

By **Lloyd Green**

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Butte County Board of Supervisors on March 17 approved an amendment to a state wildfire prevention grant allowing the Butte County Fire Department to purchase two electronic roadside message boards.

Fire Chief Garrett Sjolund said the department received state and CAL FIRE funding for wildfire fuels reduction work. The amendment adds \$40,000 to the project, bringing the total funding to about \$404,000.

The additional funding will be used for the one-time purchase of portable message boards that can be moved to areas where vegetation clearing and other wildfire mitigation projects are underway. Sjolund said the request grew out of a recent discussion with supervisors about better ways to communicate with residents when fire prevention activities are taking place.

"They can have a sign as they travel through the communities, knowing that we're going to be working in those areas," Sjolund said.

County officials said the boards will provide advance notice in areas where fuels reduction crews are operating along roadsides or near neighborhoods, particularly when heavy equipment is in use. The added visibility can improve safety for both the public and work crews and may help reduce delays that occur when drivers enter active work zones, Sjolund said.

The signs are expected to be used during a variety of wildfire prevention efforts, including roadside vegetation clearing, defensible space inspections and other fire mitigation activities. The message boards will also allow crews to post temporary notices in multiple locations as projects move from one community to another during the fire season.

Once purchased, the boards will be maintained and deployed by the Butte County Fire Department as part of ongoing fuels reduction and wildfire preparedness work carried out through the county's cooperative fire protection partnership with the state, officials said. ★

Redwood Pavilion Takes Shape

Story and photos by **Seti Long**

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - A redwood pavilion has quickly taken shape behind Sacred Heart Parish Hall in Gridley.

Nick Pello, owner of Pello Framing, led the assembly of the 23-foot-high pavilion built for use by the local Catholic church and the community.

Father Roland of Sacred Heart Parish said the inspiration for an outdoor gathering space dates back to 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, when services moved online or outdoors to protect public health.

At the time, the area served as a basketball court. As outdoor services continued, the idea for a pavilion began to take root.

Since then, the pavilion has been in development. Father Roland said the project came to fruition thanks to several generous donors.



The redwood pavilion began drawing attention in the community as the timber frame rose earlier this month. This photo shows the initial placement of the structure before the beams were fully secured. Photo by Seti Long

The project has drawn attention around town. The structure features 12-by-12-inch solid redwood beams assembled in a mortise and tenon style.

Father Roland said the pavilion's design was

meant to echo the architecture of the church, noting the similar exposed beams found inside both structures.

Nick Pello Framing has been leading a crew assembling the

pre-cut timber design from Western Timber Frame in Utah.

Pello has worked with timbers since he was 17 years old, first creating chainsaw carvings from

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The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

The total assessed value of taxable property in Butte County is approximately \$29.2 billion. There's a number for you to think about. If you're wondering where that ranks, Los Angeles County's properties are appraised at \$2 trillion. That's trillion with a T. Siskiyou County is only valued at \$5 billion. The state budget is about \$300 billion annually. So if the state of California wanted to sell Butte County to pay for the administration of the state for one year, they'd have to sell roughly 10 Butte counties.

The Gridley Little League had their opening day celebration, in which all of the teams show up, salute the flag, get announced, and then play a few games.

They also recite the Little League Pledge, emphasizing that parents pledge not to yell at umpires. More than 530 kids are playing Little League in Gridley. Unlike some godless local governments that don't have a prayer to start their meetings, the Little League kicks off its season with one. Good for them. Who are these God-fearing grown-ups to who give up hundreds of hours of their time for the good of our children? Well, here's a list: President Lisa Shaw (She is the new Dick Jones), Vice President Amanda Schohr, Secretary and VP of Challenger League Michelle Cable, Treasurers Aidee Rubio and Ellie Smith, Player Agent and Safety Officer Ethan Bell, Concessions Manager Martha Moreno Lasker, Umpire in Chief Daniel Inguanzo, Equipment Manager Bret Rogers, Sponsor and Fundraising Manager Lacy Bruning, and Compliance Officer Jamie Chambers.

Construction continues on an adolescent mental health service facility being built behind the Orchard, formerly The Big

Gridley Memorial Hospital (I thought it was big when I was born there). They estimate it to be completed by the end of the year.

Our Caltrans sidewalks up and down Highway 99 are a little bit behind schedule, but it's really making the houses along the highway south of town look a lot better now that they have a driveway and the curb with a gutter and sidewalk. Having recently walked a few blocks to the park, it would be a good idea for the City of Gridley to increase its sidewalk completion. There is no pathway to the city park that doesn't include spots in which the sidewalk ends, and you are forced to walk across someone's lawn. This should be a big issue in the upcoming municipal election. Each candidate should boldly state clearly- where they stand on sidewalk completion. Seven or eight hundred more yards of completed sidewalk will probably push the property value of Butte County over \$30 billion.

Josh F.W. Cook is an educator and administrator. ★

Knights of St. Patty's



Patrons were met curbside with smiles for those with prepaid tickets and those that were purchasing at the event. From left are Grover Lee Dahl, Mike Dahl, Jose Gonzales (back left), James Valenzuela (back right) and Yolanda Leanos.

Story and photos by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council #12527 held their 27th annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 14.

The fundraiser took place at Parish Hall and included a drive-thru option for those who chose not to dine inside.

Guests who attended in person saw festive decorations and had the chance to enter a drawing for a five-day, six-night trip to Hawaii through St. Vincent de Paul for \$10 per entry. Participants were also entered to win a gift basket of barbecue items and a gift certificate for a rack of ribs, courtesy of Manzanita Market.

Cooks began early, preparing traditional Irish corned beef and cabbage. Dine-in guests moved through a salad bar and buffet line and selected cookies for dessert.

Green beverages were served as attendees supported the Knights. Volunteers also provided car-side service for those on the go.

"We were in competition with two other events," said Raul Leanos of the Knights, referring to Little League Opening Day and the California Deer Association dinner.

Despite the overlap, Leanos said early numbers show the event turned a profit.

Funds raised by the Knights of Columbus are returned to the community



James Valenzuela says "Cheers" to St. Patrick at the Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner fundraiser.

through donations to programs such as Sober Grad Night and local high school sports teams, Leanos said.

Proceeds from the dinner support the Knights of Columbus and its community efforts. ★



James Valenzuela says "Cheers" to St. Patrick at the Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner fundraiser.

MEMORIAL

PEGGY EIDSON KEPLER • 07/18/1938 - 02/11/2026

Peggy Eidson Kepler, born on July 18, 1938, passed away on February 11, 2026, in Graeagle, CA, after a courageous battle with dementia. She was 87 years old.



contributing significantly to projects around the Lake Tahoe Basin.

Beyond her professional life, Peggy was passionate about the outdoors and sports. She was an avid tennis player, golfer, and enjoyed snow skiing and fishing with her family. She also modeled in several fashion shows and was a tennis instructor alongside her sister Doris. Known for her zest for life, Peggy and her sister were famous for their lively Fourth of July parties and beautifully decorated Christmas trees.

Peggy was a beloved figure in her community and cherished by her family. She was the loving mother of Cheri Kepler of Graeagle, CA, and grandmother to Ashley DeHann (Tony) of Salt Lake City, UT. She was also a proud great-grandmother to Maximus, Rocky, and Alice. Her nephew Rusty Stohlman from Meadow Valley, CA, survives her as well. Peggy was preceded in death by her son, Darrel Kepler; her husband, Raymond Kepler; her sister, Doris Anders; and her nephew, Randy Stohlman.

Peggy had an active and fulfilling life. She attended Gridley Elementary Schools and Gridley Union High School. Professionally, she worked at Sycamore School and later for Eugene Higgins, OD, before joining Granite Construction as a Flag Person,

A private interment for Peggy will be held at Gridley Cemetery at a later date. Her memory will live on in the hearts of those she touched with her vibrant spirit and loving nature.

Redwood Pavilion Takes Shape

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The solid redwood pavilion marks one of the first large-scale timber builds he has completed in some time. Pello said he would take on another similar project after seeing how this one has come together.

As for the mortise and tenon construction process, Pello said it can be tedious.

"You have to know your equipment," Pello said, adding that a skilled crew is essential when positioning large timbers.

Pello has worked with Father Roland and project manager Ron Fuchs of BCM Construction in Chico on the project, which broke ground around March 5.



Father Roland of Sacred Heart Church, left, and Nick Pello of Pello Framing pose in front of the redwood pavilion under construction behind Parish Hall in Gridley. The church property sits at the corner of Oregon and Sycamore streets. Photo by Seti Long

At the time of publication, crews were still installing the roof. Pello expects the project to be completed before the end of the week.

Father Roland hopes

to celebrate the pavilion's completion with the congregation. The parish also plans to host a Silent Disco at the venue that will be open to the community. ★



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Gridley Little League Opens Season

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 players filling the outfield grass, the entire league posed for an aerial group photo captured by drone.

Aerial shots have become more common with the league due to the sheer number of individuals attempting to fit into the frame.

"We have just under 500 players. I think 497," said Shaw, recalling the registration numbers.

Including coaches and assistant coaches in that number, there were easily more than 500 people on the field that morning.

Other elements of the ceremony included a prayer for the season by Jose Villalobos. Players and coaches then recited the Little League pledge and held their hands over

their hearts during the national anthem performed by Lorelei Villalobos.

The honor of throwing out the first pitch of the season went to Balde's sons, Augie and Zach Torres. The men took to the mound and plate, with Augie delivering a solid pitch to his brother's glove.

Shaw said that Balde had just selected his team before his passing. The Junior Baseball "Party Animals" proudly bear the sentiment "In Loving Memory of Our Coach, Balde Torres" in honor of their coach and the community's loss.

Unfortunately, those uniforms were among some affected by shipping delays, Shaw said. The league hopes to receive them soon.



From Tee-Ball players to Majors, each team circled the infield and removed their hats for respect during the Opening Prayer, Little League Pledge and National Anthem.

Because many teams were still missing their official uniforms, GLL arranged temporary jerseys in team colors with the "Gridley Little League" logo on the front. Players will receive their official jerseys as soon as they arrive and can keep the temporary placeholders as practice shirts.

Games began at 10:30

a.m. Saturday and continued into the evening as each team played its first game of the season.

Gridley Little League 2026 teams are listed as follows:

Tee-Ball Teams: Barons, Flying Tigers, Knights, Mighty Mussels, Rockhounds, White Caps, Wood Ducks and Yard Goats.

Farm Teams: Disco Turkeys, Dodgers, Hammerheads, Isotopes, Mud Cats, River Bandits, River Cats, Roughriders, Strippers and Tortugas.

Minor Baseball Teams: Bears, Bulldogs, Hurricanes, Longhorns, Sooners, Sun Devils and Tigers. **Minor Softball Teams:** Bulldogs, Gators, Sharks and Tigers.

Junior Baseball Teams: Loco Coconuts, Tailgaters and Party Animals. **Junior Softball Teams:** Loco Coconuts and Party Animals.

Major Baseball Teams: Cubs, Diamondbacks, Padres, Phillies and Tigers. **Major Softball Teams:** Marlins, Tigers and Mets. **Challenger League:** Rogue Rakers. ★



The Miami Hurricanes had plenty of energy for their debut at Gridley Little Leagues Opening Day.



These wild softball women are the Party Animals! They had one of the brightest jerseys on the field.

Dressing Up with Quota

Story and photo by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Gridley Quota Club is helping locals in need access affordable clothing through its thrift store while also supporting teens searching for prom dresses.

Although the Gridley group is not holding its own event, members are currently collecting used prom dresses for the Oroville Quota Club's 21st Annual Prom Project.

The Prom Project provides free prom attire to high school students in the area.

"We support our sister club in Oroville Quota," said Gridley Quota Club President Maggie Hepworth.

Hepworth said the Gridley store is accepting donations and hopes to see more dresses donated.

The Gridley Quota Thrift Store is located at 550 Spruce St. in Gridley and is



Quota's Alicia Oliverrez (left) and Maggie Hepworth (right) show off some of the current styles Gridley Quota Club intends to donate to the 21st Annual Prom Project, hosted by their sister group.

open Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All net proceeds from the store support Quota scholarships awarded to senior students at Gridley, Biggs and Live Oak high schools.

The store regularly accepts donations and asks that items not be left outside the building but brought in during store

hours to prevent messes.

The 21st Annual Prom Project, hosted by Quota of Oroville, is scheduled for March 24 through March 27 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, March 28 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pursuit Church, 2295 Foothill Blvd., Oroville. For more information, call Kiki Silva at 209-329-1057. ★

Guys and Dolls Draws Sold Out Crowd



The GHS Drama Club enjoyed a sold out crowd with their presentation of "Guys and Dolls." Left to right: Zaira Maldonado, Peyton Quist, William Bevan, and Miley Miranda. Photo courtesy of Itzel Martinez

By Cindy Scott

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Months of rehearsal paid off as a sold-out crowd enjoyed the GHS Drama Club's presentation of "Guys and Dolls" on Thursday, March 12. For Friday's performance, the cast performed with energy and expression despite a long day of band competition at Butte College.

Directors Connie Quist and Ethan Jacobsen recruited GHS art classes to paint the sets and backdrops, which depicted

downtown New York and Havana, Cuba. Students directed lighting and sound and managed props and sets backstage. The production emphasized student engagement, with participants gaining valuable experience.

William Bevan, who played Nathan Detroit, said he enjoyed the experience.

"It's fun to get out there on stage, especially if it's with people you enjoy being with," he said, adding that the rehearsal process helped prepare him to perform without getting nervous.

Asia Clark played Sarah Brown, a leader in the local Save A Soul Mission. Clark said she appreciated learning to work with others and getting to know them.

"It will make it easier to do that going forward. I find it really helpful," she said.

Clark added that she especially enjoyed closing night and sharing the experience with the cast.

The GHS musical theater tradition continues to benefit students and entertain audiences, with crowds of supportive families, friends and community members. ★

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Deputy's Actions Save Man's Life

By Lloyd Green

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The Sutter County Sheriff's Office has recognized Deputy Kenneth Combs with a Commander's Commendation for actions in two separate incidents that officials said helped save a life and prevent a prohibited person from possessing a firearm.

The commendation cites Combs' response on Nov. 27, 2025, while he was on routine patrol in Live Oak. Combs noticed a man slumped over in the driver's seat of a parked vehicle at Dollar General.

After knocking on the window and receiving no response, Combs opened the vehicle door and found the man unresponsive and struggling to breathe. Recognizing signs of a possible opioid overdose, Combs administered Narcan and began lifesaving efforts.

When fire personnel arrived, Combs assisted responders and administered a second dose of Narcan. The man soon began breathing normally. Fire personnel later told deputies that Combs' quick actions likely saved the man's life.

The Sheriff's Office also cited

Combs' response to a March 3 call involving a parolee reportedly in possession of a shotgun during a domestic disturbance.

Through investigation and coordination with other deputies, Combs helped conduct a high-risk traffic stop. Deputies took the suspect into custody and recovered the shotgun and ammunition, according to the Sheriff's Office.

Officials said the recognition reflects Combs' ability to remain calm under pressure while working with fellow deputies to resolve dangerous situations safely. ★



Operations Division Commander Jason Piazza, left, and Patrol Sgt. Ernesto Chavez, right, present Deputy Kenneth Combs, center, with a Commander's Commendation for his response in two incidents, including one in which officials said his actions likely saved a man's life. Photo courtesy of the Sutter County Sheriff's Office

Community Calendar

Does your group or organization have an upcoming community event? Email lloyd.green@mpg8.com Events are typically published within two weeks of their scheduled date, as space allows.

Friday, March 20 and Saturday, March 21

Maker's Muse Art and Music Festival
Friday 5 to 10 p.m., Saturday noon to 10 p.m., Orange Street from Fifth to Seventh streets, Chico. Free street fair celebrating community, art, music and local small businesses. The family friendly event features live music, art displays and performances.

Saturday, March 21

Spring Equinox Dance and Auction
5 to 10 p.m., Nettleton Gym, 851 Wall St., Chico. Hosted by the Children's Choir of Chico as a family friendly fundraiser. The Mardi Gras themed evening features food vendors, a no host bar, dessert concessions, live entertainment, silent auction items and drawings. Information and tickets: butte365.com/events.

"Light Up the Night" 2026 monca Gala
6:30 to 10 p.m., Silver Dollar Fairgrounds, 2357 Fair St., Chico. Fundraiser for the Museum of Northern California Art supporting outreach and programming. The evening includes a catered dinner, no host bar and opportunities to connect with local artists and supporters. Information and tickets: monca.org.

Thursday, March 26

Easter Bingo Night
6 to 8 p.m., Durham Veterans Memorial Hall, 9319 Midway, Durham. Easter themed bingo event with prizes donated by local businesses. Pre registration \$10 for 10 cards or \$15 at the door. Daubers available for \$3.

Saturday, March 28

Butte County 4 H Fashion Revue and Rainbow Craft Field Day
9 a.m., CSU Chico University Farm Pavilion and Agricultural Education Center, 311 Nicholas Schouten Lane, Chico. Youth participants will model or present projects while developing skills in creativity, presentation and craftsmanship. Information: 530 552 5812.

Spring Jamboree

10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Caper Acres, 500 South Park Dr., Chico. CARD's annual spring celebration includes crafts, games,

bounce houses, a scavenger hunt and photos with the Easter Bunny. Free community event.

Oroville Community Concert Band Spring Concert:

Swing into Spring
7 to 9 p.m., Oroville State Theatre, 1489 Myers St., Oroville. The concert features jazz themed selections arranged for concert band. Tickets available through the Oroville Chamber of Commerce or band members.

Thursday, April 2

Live Oak Lions Club Ham Bingo
Doors open 6 p.m., games begin 7 p.m., Live Oak Community Building, 10200 O St., Live Oak. Information: 530 701 3722.

Saturday, April 4

Spring 14 Mile Yard Sale
Community yard sale event across Gridley and surrounding areas. A \$15 fee places a sale on the official map. Applications are due by noon Tuesday, March 31 at the Gridley Chamber Office, 890 Hazel St. Maps will be available online and at the chamber office on Friday, April 3. Information: gridleyareachamber.org.

Neighbors and Notions Vendors and Yard Sale

10 a.m. to 3 p.m., American Legion Riders Post 210, 249 Sycamore St., Gridley. The event features local vendors, crafts, handmade goods and a community yard sale. Vendor space information: Nancy at 408 599 8998 or Tracy at 530 403 6545.

Friday, April 17

Live Oak Street Food Festival
5 to 8:30 p.m., Broadway Street, Live Oak. Hosted by the City of Live Oak Parks and Recreation Department. The event features food trucks, vendors, a beer garden, live music and family friendly activities. Information: 530 695 2112.

Saturday, April 18

Butte County Fair Volunteer Day and BBQ
8 a.m., Butte County Fairgrounds, 199 E. Hazel St., Gridley. Volunteers are invited to help with family friendly projects including planting, weeding, raking, sweeping and painting. A barbecue lunch will be served at 11 a.m. Information: 530 846 3626.

Ruck the Buttes

Registration 7:30 a.m., start 8 a.m., SYO Park, 7780 Butte House Road, Sutter. This 15-mile, military-inspired ruck is hosted by Garage Fitness & Nutrition. Participants are required to carry weighted packs, with guidelines of 10 pounds for women and 20 pounds for men. Entry is \$35 and includes a T-shirt and post-race snacks. Registration available at

laurensgarage.com/ruckthebuttes26.

Butte County Libraries

Butte County Libraries have the following upcoming events: (G) Gridley branch, 299 Spruce St. and (B) Biggs branch, 464A B St. Call 530-552-5652 for more information.

Friday, March 20: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (G) Ladies' night out movie, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Light refreshments served; men and teens welcome. (G)

Saturday, March 21: Afternoon kids' club, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. (B)

Tuesday, March 24: LEGO Tuesdays, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (B)

Wednesday, March 25: Color your world, 11 a.m. to noon. Adult arts and crafts. (G) Afternoon kids' club, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (G)

Thursday, March 26: Biggs chess club, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (B)

Friday, March 27: Sure Start family play time, 9 a.m. to noon. (G)

Saturday, March 28: Dungeons & Dragons Day, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. All experience levels welcome for adventurers ages 13 and older. (G)

Meeting Minders

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

American Legion Bingo, Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Gridley Veterans Hall, 267 Sycamore St.

Biggs City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 3016 Sixth St., Biggs. The next meeting is scheduled for March 24 and more information is available at 530-368-5493.

Butte County Board of Supervisors generally meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month, 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at 25 County Center Drive, Suite 205, Oroville. The next meeting is scheduled for March 24 and more information is available at 530-552-3300.

ESL Conversation Group meets Wednesdays from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Esperanza House Family Center, 630 Washington St. Practice speaking English in this free, friendly group setting. All levels are welcome to attend any or all sessions. There is also a Zoom option from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Butte County Library. Contact literacy@butte-county.net for more information.

Gridley City Council meets on the first and third Monday each month, 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 685 Kentucky St. Meeting agendas are posted to the following site on the Friday prior to each meeting: <http://gridley.ca.us/government-and-departments/city-council>

Gridley Senior Group Breakfast every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. includes Bingo at 9:30 a.m. Gridley

Recreation Center 194 Washington St. For more information, call 530-846-3264.

Gridley Unified School District (GUSD) Board meetings are generally on the first and third Wednesday each month, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Call 530-846-4721 for more information.

Live Oak City Council usually meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall, 9955 Live Oak Blvd. Call 530-695-2112 for more information.

Live Oak Lions Club meets every Monday at 6:30 p.m. at the Train Depot, 9826 Hwy. 99. Club mailing address is P.O. Box 325. Phone 530-701-3722.

Rotary Club of Gridley meets every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church Hall, 446 Kentucky St. For more information or membership, call 530-632-5990.

Survivors of Suicide Support Group meets the first and third Wednesday each month at 7 p.m. at the Gridley Recreation Department, 194 Washington Street. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1.

Community Resources – Find Food

First 5 Family Center at Esperanza House, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 630 Washington St., Gridley. Must be pregnant or live with and actively care for a child up to age 17. Call to schedule an appointment: 530-720-2255.

First Baptist Church of Live Oak Food Pantry, 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month, at 2480 Pennington Road, Live Oak. This is a drive-through Food Pantry, with entrance on Gum Street and exit on Pennington Road. Next distribution will be March 22. Call 530-695-2894 for more information.

Gridley Senior Food Distribution, 801 Washington Street, Room B. Once a month, call ahead for details: 530-846-4233.

Gridley United Methodist Church, 285 Magnolia St. Monday through Friday, during daytime hours. Come by the church and if they have food they will give client a box. Call 530-846-2520 for more information.

North State Food Bank, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. monthly at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 410 Jackson St., Gridley. Next distribution on Tuesday, April 7. Call 530-712-2600 for more information.

North State Food Bank, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Biggs Methodist Church, 441 C St., Biggs. Next distribution on Tuesday, April 7. Call 530-712-2600 for more information.

Sacred Heart Parish, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., 1561 Hazel St., Gridley on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Call 530-846-2140 for more information. ★

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California Announces \$23M for Fresh Food Access

By Lloyd Green Jr.

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG)

Gov. Gavin Newsom announced a \$23 million investment to expand access to fresh California-grown fruits and vegetables for residents who receive food assistance through CalFresh, the Women, Infants and Children program and the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program.

The funding will be distributed through the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Office of Farm to Fork and is intended to connect eligible Californians with locally grown produce while supporting farmers and local markets.

"California continues stepping up to ensure that every Californian has access to locally grown fruits and vegetables," Newsom said. "We're supporting our farmers, strengthening local markets and connecting families with fresh, nutritious produce."

Under the program, CalFresh recipients who shop at participating certified farmers markets and select retail outlets can receive incentives that increase their purchasing power for fruits and vegetables. For every dollar spent using CalFresh benefits, shoppers may receive an additional dollar to spend on qualifying produce within program limits.

State officials said the program addresses food insecurity while creating more market opportunities for California farmers. Past investments in similar incentive programs have also produced broader economic benefits, with state officials estimating that every dollar in incentives generates about three dollars in local economic activity.

Approximately \$21.5 million of the funding will support 12 projects across the state that increase purchases of California-grown fruits and vegetables

by CalFresh shoppers. Current nutrition incentive programs already operate at more than 280 locations statewide.

The grants will allow participating organizations to continue distributing incentives through spring 2027. Programs operate through certified farmers markets, community-supported agriculture programs, mobile markets and small retailers.

Another \$1.7 million will fund 11 projects connected to the Women, Infants and Children Farmers' Market Nutrition Program and the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program. Ten of those projects will provide nutrition incentives and technical support at 121 certified farmers markets in 19 counties, including Butte County.

Officials said the investment is part of California's broader effort to expand access to healthy food while supporting the state's agricultural economy. ★

Then and Now

Gridley Museum's Photo Contest



Shown is a historic Gridley building in its prime back "Then". Based off this photograph, where was this building and what is located there "Now"? Please submit your guess of what/where the building is to the Gridley Museum in writing. Must include: The number of the photo you are submitting your guess on, your full name, best contact phone number and email address (if possible) and your guess. Limit one guess per photo/per person, contest open to residents of Gridley, Live Oak and Biggs ages 12 and up. An answer key will be posted after the contest ends July 4, 2026. The Gridley Museum is located at 601 Kentucky St., Gridley and can be reached at 530-846-4482. Photo courtesy of the Gridley Museum

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

This column was written two weeks ago well before the first day of Spring and here we are with Spring here. It feels like the daffodils opened early and now most are gone but now the other plants will bloom in their glory. I had a great bloom of freesias. I'm planting the tete a tete miniature daffodils

everywhere. Fortunately, they are rapid spreaders. I dig up the extra bulbs and move them. I love free plants. The geraniums are taking off and blooming. So many colors of both flowers and leaves, I love them. It looks like I have a good crop of Apriums and O Henry peaches. My June Delight looks like not too many. The grape and the blackberry have taken off making many leaves with fruit to come. The blueberries are setting fruit and they look great. I love my flowers best but I have a great deal of affection for the fruiterers too.

The plant that I love that is blooming with vim and vigor is the Artotis. This plant is never available in

our area except at the Green Thumb Plant Sale on Red Suspender's Day. They are easy to propagate and every year I have some I donate to the sale. Our club prices are good. I now have three colors. I find them at nurseries in Ft Bragg. They are pricy but once you buy one you have it forever! Well worth the cost. Ask the club members for them. They are not very showy but they will be.

The snails have raised their heads or at least left their slimy trails on the sidewalks, on the plants and over many other surfaces. The toads were to have woken up the end of March so I'm hoping they get to eating soon. They need to gobble a lot of baby snails. ★

IHSS Worker Sentenced in Elder Abuse Case

By MPG Staff

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - A Butte County judge on March 11 sentenced an Oroville woman to nearly three decades in state prison for abusing an elderly man who was under her care.

Desiree Serena Herrera, 47, received a sentence of 29 years and eight months in prison in Butte County Superior Court after pleading guilty to multiple counts of elder abuse and felony assault.

The case began in September 2025 when Butte County Sheriff's deputies responded to Enloe Hospital after a patient

in his 70s arrived with multiple serious injuries that authorities suspected were caused by elder abuse.

Investigators determined the injuries were linked to Herrera, who worked as the victim's In-Home Supportive Services caregiver. Authorities said the abuse occurred over several months while the man was under her care.

During the sentencing hearing, Judge Kimberly Merrifield said the details outlined in the probation report were difficult to read. Merrifield described the acts committed against the victim as especially disturbing. ★



Farmworkers Lament Loss of Hours and Pay

California's 2016 agricultural overtime law was meant to raise wages for farmworkers. While some have benefited from the law, a growing body of research suggests it has ended up reducing overall earnings for farmworkers as employers shortened the workweek to keep their costs down. By 2022, when the law was partially phased in, farm employees in California were working three to five hours less per week than a decade prior. On average, their weekly income had declined by \$80 to \$120, according to research by Alexandra Hill, a University of California, Berkeley, professor who researches agricultural economics and farmworker well-being. Since the law was implemented, Colusa County farmworker Araceli Aceves Cortés said she had lost a third of her work hours. "Suddenly, I couldn't cover the electricity bill," she said. "I couldn't pay rent."

Canneries Reduce Tomato Acreage to Lowest in 50 Years

After a short-lived increase during the pandemic, California's processing tomato acreage is set to decline for a third consecutive year. The state's tomato processors planned to contract for 9.8 million tons from 185,000 acres this year, down about 11% from the 11 million tons processors asked for last year, according to a January report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If processors' intentions remain unchanged,

those figures would make the tonnage contracted from growers this year the lowest since 2005, and it would mark the first time in more than half a century that farmers in California plant fewer than 200,000 acres of processing tomatoes. Falling demand comes as a blow to farmers. In recent years, processing tomatoes were one of the few row crops that were generally profitable for growers. "It hurts us like I think it probably hurts every other tomato grower," Yolo County farmer Bruce Rominger said.

Delaying Harvest has Helped Blackbird Populations

Tricolored blackbirds once thrived in California's wetlands. But as the state developed, those ecosystems began to disappear, causing the species' population to decline and seek new breeding grounds. The birds now often gather during the spring to breed in Central Valley grain fields. Because the tricolored blackbird is listed as threatened under California's Endangered Species Act, farmers are not allowed to disturb the birds. That creates a dilemma for farmers who grow silage, a staple forage on dairies, as they are unable to harvest their crops on time. Since 2015, the Regional Conservation Partnership Program has compensated farmers for yield losses sustained in the course of protecting at-risk colonies. The program has succeeded in helping the species recover. From 2014 to 2025, the statewide tricolored blackbird population increased from a low of about 145,000 to about 229,000. ★

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Date filed in Butte County: February 6, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 23, 2025
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SIERRA 3-20-26

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The following person(s) are doing business as: Big F8th, Club Kingdom, 5340 Clark Road, Paradise, CA 95969 Kingdom Biz LLC, 5340 Clark Road, Paradise, CA 95969
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BIG 3-20-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000087
The following person(s) are doing business as: Pheasant Club, 493 B Street, Biggs, CA 95917
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The following person(s) are doing business as: Sylvios Pizza and Deli, 488 B Street, Biggs, CA 95917
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SYLVIOS 4-3-26

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FORESTRY 4-3-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000090
The following person(s) are doing business as: Rolls Real Estate, Rolls Estate Referrals, Jarrols Inc, 1834 Mangrove Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
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Date filed in Butte County: January 28, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 1, 20214
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ROLLS 4-3-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000229
The following person(s) are doing business as: Zaks Norcal Construction, 589 B Street, Biggs, CA 95917
Zach R Brown, P.O. Box 42, Biggs, CA 95917
Date filed in Butte County: March 4, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: March 4, 2026
This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 2026
ZAKS 4-3-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000078
The following person(s) are doing business as: AAA Inspections, 127 Apache Circle, Oroville, CA 95966
Kent Douglas White, 127 Apache Circle, Oroville, CA 95966
Date filed in Butte County: January 27, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A
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AAA 4-3-26

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The following person(s) are doing business as: North Valley Water Solutions, 845 Gilstrap Avenue, Gridley, CA 94948
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NORTH 4-10-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000269
The following person(s) are doing business as: TJA Farm, 140 Hurlburt Lane, Gridley, CA 95948
Trevor B Anthony and Jostyn R Anthony, 140 Hurlburt Lane, Gridley, CA 95948
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TJA 4-10-26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #26CV00519
Petitioner Valda Vagdaryte filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Valda Vagaryte to Valda Brewer.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall 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 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 April 22, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on February 26, 2026
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
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VAGDARYTE 4-3-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
CASE #26CV00500
Petitioner Jordan Smith filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jordan Smith to Jordan Simmons.
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall 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 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 May 6, 2026, 1:30 p.m. Department TBD, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on February 20, 2026
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
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SMITH 4-3-26

NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF
KELLY L. MOORE AKA KELLEY MOORE AKA KELLY LYNN MOORE AKA KELLY MOORE AKA KELLEY L. MOORE
CASE NO. 26PR00055

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Kelly L. Moore aka Kelley Moore aka Kelly Lynn Moore aka Kelly Moore aka Kelley L. Moore.
A Petition for Probate has been filed by Jaime Pagano, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Jaime Pagano be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: April 14, 2026, 9:00 a.m. in Dept Probate, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of

Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: William G. Ager, 1600 Humboldt Road, Suite 4, Chico, CA 95928; 530-680-6511
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MOORE 4-3-26

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Trustor: Lester Robert Monson and Viva Dell Monson, Trustees of the Monson Family Trust, dated April 26, 2007 Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 06/29/2007 as Instrument No. 2007-0031585 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Butte County, California. Date of Sale: : 04/22/2026 at 3:30 PM Place of Sale: At the main entrance to the Butte County Courthouse, 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$365,222.96 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 51 Sheldon Avenue, Gridley, CA 95948 A.P.N.: 024-270-030-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before

you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this internet website www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 25-03349-KO-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 888-264-4010, or visit this internet website www.ndscorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 25-03349-KO-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as a "representative of all eligible tenant buyers" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. NOTICE: To the extent that the sale is subject to Financial Crimes Enforcement Networks Residential Real Estate Reporting Rule (31 C.F.R. Part 1031), purchaser agrees to provide all required information and further agrees to reimburse trustee for any costs, expenses or fees incurred as a result of the collection of such information. Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 03/06/2026 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany And Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com Connie Hernandez, Trustee Sales Representative A-4868010 03/20/2026, 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026
GRIDLEY HERALD 04-03-26

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

March 20, 2026

Butte County Department of General Services
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(530) 552-3544

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Butte County.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about April 7, 2026, Butte County will submit a request to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), for the release of funding under the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Grant Funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq., as amended, under HUD Grant number 18-DRINF-18001 to undertake a project known as the Gridley Behavioral Health Center Project (project). The project is located at 185 Sycamore Street, in the City of Gridley within Butte County, California. The project is within 4 parcels (APNs: 010-170-001, 010-170-019, 010-170-003, and 010-170-020) totaling approximately 2.62-acres. The project would construct a one-story Behavioral Health Center (BHC) building on parcels owned by Butte County. The BHC would be approximately 10,000 square feet. The project also includes the renovation of the existing parking lots on the west and south side of the properties. The project is anticipated to have a depth of excavation of approximately 1-2 feet. The total estimated project cost and activity delivery cost would be approximately \$10,481,900, all funded by HCD.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The County has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) available on file at the Butte County Department of General Services, 2081 2nd Street, Oroville, CA 95965 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. and online at <https://www.buttecounty.net/363/Environmental-Review-Documents>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the County. All comments received NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM by April 6, 2026, will be considered by the County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. Comments may be mailed to Shawn Rohrbacker, Project Manager, Butte County Department of General Services, 2081 2nd Street, Oroville, CA 95965, or emailed to srohrbacker@buttecounty.net.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County certifies to HCD that Paula Daneluk, Director of Development Services, in her capacity as Certifying Officer consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HCD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HCD will accept objections to its release of funds and the County's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Butte County; (b) Butte County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HCD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HCD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Housing and Community Development, Disaster Recovery Section, 2020 W. El Camino Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95833. Potential objectors should contact HCD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Paula M. Daneluk, AICP
Director
Butte County Department of Development Services

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Chico Man Pleads to Animal Cruelty

By MPG Staff

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - A Chico man pleaded no contest in Butte County Superior Court to felony charges after authorities said he broke into his father's home and killed a cat during what he described as a satanic ritual.

Matthew Thomas Boyle-Dahl, 39, admitted to first-degree residential burglary and felony animal cruelty during a court appearance this week.

According to Butte County District Attorney Mike Ramsey, the incident occurred Feb. 2 when a neighbor who was housesitting Boyle-Dahl's father's home in Chico saw Boyle-Dahl inside the residence. The neighbor contacted the Chico Police Department because Boyle-Dahl did not have permission to be there and his father was in the hospital at the time.

Officers responded to the home but Boyle-Dahl had already left. Inside the residence, officers found the father's female tabby cat, named Squirrel, dead on the floor in what authorities described as a small pool of urine.

When officers asked if he had killed the cat, Boyle-Dahl responded, "F***



yeah, I'm a satanist ... I choked him out for a satanic ritual," and began laughing, according to the district attorney's office.

Authorities said Boyle-Dahl also admitted he had been taking items from his father's home throughout the week to obtain drugs and had been selling drugs from the residence over the previous several days.

Boyle-Dahl faces a maximum sentence of six years and eight months in state prison. He remains in custody and is scheduled to be sentenced April 22 in Butte County Superior Court. ★

Man Arrested After Firing at Deputy

By MPG Staff

MAGALIA, CA (MPG) - A 32-year-old Chico man was arrested Feb. 14 after authorities said he fired multiple shots at a Butte County sheriff's deputy during a pursuit that began in Magalia and ended with a SWAT arrest in Chico.

Deputies attempted to stop a vehicle about 9:53 p.m. near Wood Drive and Elwood Drive. The vehicle had been identified in a law enforcement bulletin related to a pursuit involving the Chico Police Department on Feb. 13.

The driver failed to yield and deputies pursued the vehicle through Magalia. Authorities said the vehicle continued southwest on Centerville Road toward Chico. During the pursuit, the driver, who was the sole occupant, fired shots from the back window at the pursuing deputy.

The vehicle later crashed into a ditch on Centerville Road. Investigators said

the driver exited and fired additional shots before fleeing on foot. The deputy returned fire. No injuries were reported.

Investigators identified the driver as Kristian Michael Stevens, 32, of Chico. Authorities said Stevens was wanted on multiple unrelated felony warrants and previously had been on Post Release Community Supervision, which he has since discharged.

Detectives with the Butte County Sheriff's Office and Chico Police Department later developed information that Stevens was at an apartment in the 1100 block of West Sacramento Avenue in Chico. After obtaining a search warrant, sheriff's and Chico police SWAT teams served the warrant and took Stevens into custody without further incident.

Authorities booked Stevens into the Butte County Jail on suspicion of attempted murder of a peace officer along with the outstanding warrants. ★



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

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

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

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! ★

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TRUSTEE SALE

reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Santiago Sanchez, a married man as his sole and separate property Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 03/10/2022 as Instrument No. 2022-0009202 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Butte County, California. Date of Sale: 04/29/2026 at 3:30 PM Place of Sale: Butte County Courthouse, 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$132,477.45 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 1155 Indiana St. Gridley, CA 95948 A.P.N.: 009-011-008-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property

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provide all required information and further agrees to reimburse trustee for any costs, expenses or fees incurred as a result of the collection of such information *Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 03/05/2026 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany And Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 800-280-2832; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com Connie Hernandez, Trustee Sales Representative A-FN4867920 03/20/2026, 03/27/2026, 04/03/2026 GRIDLEY HERALD 04-03-26



Bulldogs Softball Split Weekend in Colusa Tournament

By YSBC Sports

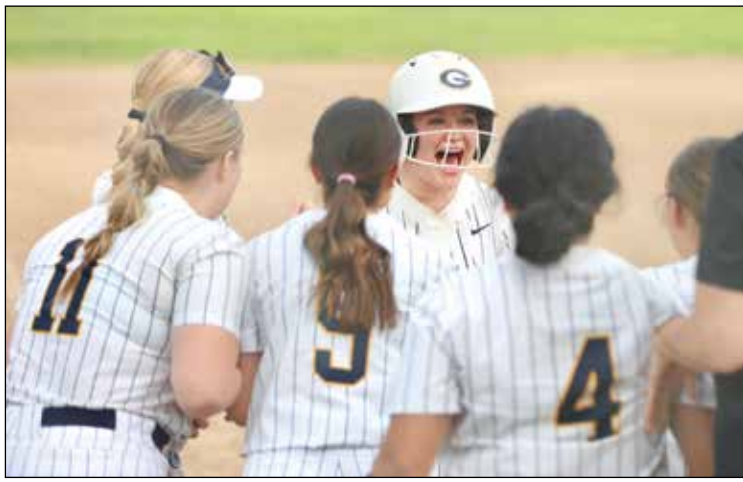
COLUSA, CA (YSBC) - The Gridley Bulldogs softball team completed their first tournament of the season and went 2-2 in the Colusa Tournament last weekend.

The defending Northern Section CIF Division III champions picked up victories over Paradise and Winters from the Sacramento Valley League on March 13.

Gridley senior Avery Mendenhall walked off the Bulldogs opening game of the tournament for Bulldogs as she hit a solo shot to left.

Mendenhall recorded a hit in every game of the tournament and locked down the hot corner of third base.

Gridley ended the first day of the tournament with a 6-4 victory



Gridley senior Avery Mendenhall gets celebrated after hitting a walk-off home run on March 13 in the Bulldogs' win over Paradise. Photo by Steven Bryla

over Winters as junior pitcher Kaydenze Pruitt had a great final game on the first day of the tournament.

Pruitt knocked in three runs off a triple and pitched 2.2 innings

from the circle.

On Saturday, the Bulldogs ran into familiar and fierce competitors as they faced off with two heavies from the Northern League in Yreka and Lassen.



Gridley sophomore catcher Malayna Ceballos (10) connects for a base hit on March 13. Photo by Steven Bryla

Gridley knocked off Lassen last season for the NSCIF D-III Section title last year.

The Bulldogs were up 8-3 on the Miners, but Yreka put up six runs in the fourth to hold on for the lead and give Gridley their first defeat of the year.

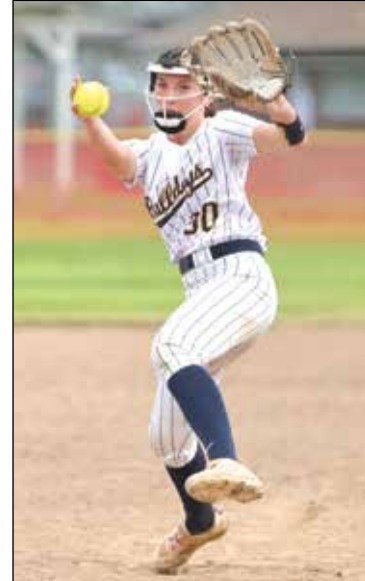
In the tournament finale, the Bulldogs faced off with Lassen, and they came up just short as the three runs in the fifth weren't enough to extend the game.

Bulldogs' sophomore Delanie Cloyd collected five hits over the two-day tournament, and they were all extra-base hits.

Gridley traveled back to Colusa on Monday and took on the RedHawks in a non-league matchup.

The Bulldogs are hosting their annual tournament this weekend as they have a couple of weeks to get ready for Westside League play.

For more sports coverage on local schools, visit ysbcsports.com. ★



Gridley junior Kaydenze Pruitt (00) tosses a pitch on March 13 against Paradise in the Bulldogs' victory. Photo by Steven Bryla



Gridley sophomore shortstop Delanie Cloyd (6) turns a double play on March 13. Photo by Steven Bryla

Biggs To Begin Municipal Code Review

By Lloyd Green

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - The Biggs City Council on March 10 approved a contract to begin a comprehensive review and recodification of the city's municipal code, a process city officials said is needed to bring local laws up to date.

City Administrator Nicolas Gauthier told the council the effort reflects a standard best practice for local governments, which typically review their municipal codes about every 10 years to identify outdated ordinances, inconsistencies and conflicts with state or federal law. Biggs has not completed a full review in roughly two decades.

"This is literally house-keeping of our codes," Gauthier said during the meeting, explaining that changes in statutes, court rulings and regulatory requirements accumulate over time and require periodic updates.

The council selected General Code, the company that currently publishes the city's municipal code online, to conduct the review, analysis and drafting required to modernize the city's ordinances.

Gauthier said the city sought quotes from three firms with experience in municipal code work. All proposals were within a similar price range, but General Code offered the lowest cost and already maintains the city's online code system.

The project will cost \$12,995 and

includes a full editorial and legal analysis intended to identify conflicts, redundancies and outdated provisions within the city's laws.

Under the proposed payment structure, the project cost will be spread across two fiscal years, with the first payment occurring during the current budget cycle and the remaining payments scheduled for the following year.

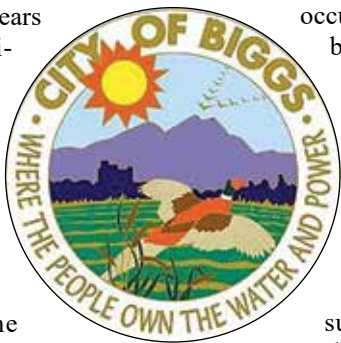
The recodification process is expected to take eight to 12 months and will occur in phases. The work will begin with a detailed review of the city's existing ordinances before a draft of the reorganized code is prepared for city review and adoption.

Gauthier said the review is also intended to reduce potential legal exposure by addressing gaps or outdated sections of the code.

Items already identified for clarification include accessory dwelling unit approvals, alcohol permitting procedures, code enforcement authority, record retention policies and clearer purchasing and bidding procedures.

The council voted 4-0, with Vice Mayor Bruce Johnson presiding, to approve the contract and authorizes Gauthier to begin the codification process.

Once completed, the project will produce a reorganized municipal code and updated online version intended to improve public access and usability, officials said. ★



Live Oak Canal Bridge Replacement Moves Toward Bidding

By Susan Meeker

SUTTER COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Plans are moving forward to replace the Live Oak Canal bridge at Sanders and Larkin roads after the Sutter County Board of Supervisors approved project plans and authorized staff to move toward bidding the work.

County officials said the replacement project is intended to improve the long-term reliability of the crossing and maintain safe travel for motorists using the rural roadway.

The board on March 10 approved adoption of the project plans and specifications and authorized the county to solicit bids for the bridge replacement project. The action also authorizes the county to execute a maintenance agreement with Reclamation District 777 related to the canal crossing.

Development Services Director Neal Hay told supervisors the approval allows the county to move forward with advertising the project for construction bids once remaining environmental permitting issues are resolved.

Hay said county staff had met earlier in the day with environmental consultants and regulatory agencies and identified a potential delay involving state permits.

"There's a slight wrinkle regarding the environmental permits for the project," Hay said, noting the county may need additional coordination with the California Department of Fish and Wildlife before

proceeding with the bidding process.

Even with the possible delay, Hay said approving the plans and specifications now allows the county to move quickly once the permitting issues are resolved.

Supervisors briefly discussed the request before voting to approve the item, allowing staff to proceed with the next phase of the project.

The project involves replacing the existing bridge structure where Sanders and Larkin roads cross the Live Oak Canal in rural Sutter County.

The county is replacing the bridge because it has a low sufficiency rating and the intersection geometry at Sanders and Larkin roads is considered poor, officials said. The project will also include realignment of a portion of the Live Oak Canal within the roadway right-of-way and drainage easement. The maintenance agreement with Reclamation District 777 will address responsibilities related to the canal infrastructure where the bridge is located.

Once environmental permits are finalized, the county will advertise the project for bids and return to the board with a contract recommendation after proposals are received.

Construction is expected to involve demolition, excavation, concrete work and roadway improvements, and will likely require closing the road segment for several months with detours posted for motorists, officials said. ★

Farmers Insurance Supports Rescue Team

By MPG Staff

BUTTE COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Butte County Sheriff's Search and Rescue team has received a \$7,500 grant from Brad Jacobson Farmers Insurance Agent and Farmers Insurance to help purchase safety equipment used in helicopter rescue operations.

According to the Sheriff's Office, the funding will support the purchase of helicopter rescue technician gear including helmets, communications equipment, flight suits and flight harnesses used during short-haul and helicopter rescue missions.

Officials said the equipment will help protect Search and Rescue volunteers as they assist in



Representatives from Butte County Search and Rescue accept a \$7,500 donation from Farmers Insurance in front of a Butte County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue vehicle. The volunteer team assists law enforcement in search, rescue and recovery operations throughout Butte County. Photo courtesy of Butte County Search and Rescue

complex rescue operations throughout Butte County.

Search and Rescue

teams assist law enforcement and emergency responders during wilderness rescues, missing

person searches and other incidents requiring specialized training and equipment. ★

Fat, Fat Jehoshaphat Musical

Gridley Christian Church News Release

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - On Sunday, March 22, Kids Choir will present the spring musical "Fat, Fat Jehoshaphat" at Gridley Christian Church at 10:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Using solos, group singing, speaking parts, lights and costumes, 17 kids from 4 years old through eighth grade will sing and act out the story of King Jehoshaphat from the Old Testament in the Bible.

Jehoshaphat (Keelia Hildebrand) teaches the importance of prayer to his subjects. The messenger (Paul Pino) brings a very frightening message. The high priest (Dwight Taylor) uses big words to impress

God. Jahziel the prophet (Archer Grimm) delivers a message from the Lord. The general (Charlie Hildebrand) protests about the choir being put in front for the battle. The choir director (Arabella Johnson) decides praise becomes a mighty sword.

Save the date for the "Let Freedom Ring" Music Camp scheduled for July 20-26 from 3 to 5 p.m. This will celebrate God's blessings during the nation's 250 anniversary.

Call Bonnie at 530-933-9845 to register and for more information. Gridley Christian Church is a place where everyone is family. It is located at 580 Washington St. To speak with Pastor Ed, call 530-846-4002. ★

Biggs Dominates Maxwell Softball Tournament

Story and photos by Jennifer Corriea

MAXWELL, CA (MPG) - Biggs' softball team ran the table last weekend outscoring its opponents 23-1 over the three games to lay claim to the tournament championship in Maxwell last weekend.

Beginning play on March 13, the Wolverines torched CORE Butte 16-0 as they banged out 12 hits.

Emmy Ibarra collected two hits and knocked in three runs, while Lyllian Baxter also finished with a pair of hits.

In the circle, Riley Harrison recorded the no-no, striking out five in the process.

Following up later that same afternoon, Biggs

shutout South Fork, a team from Humboldt County, by a score of 5-0.

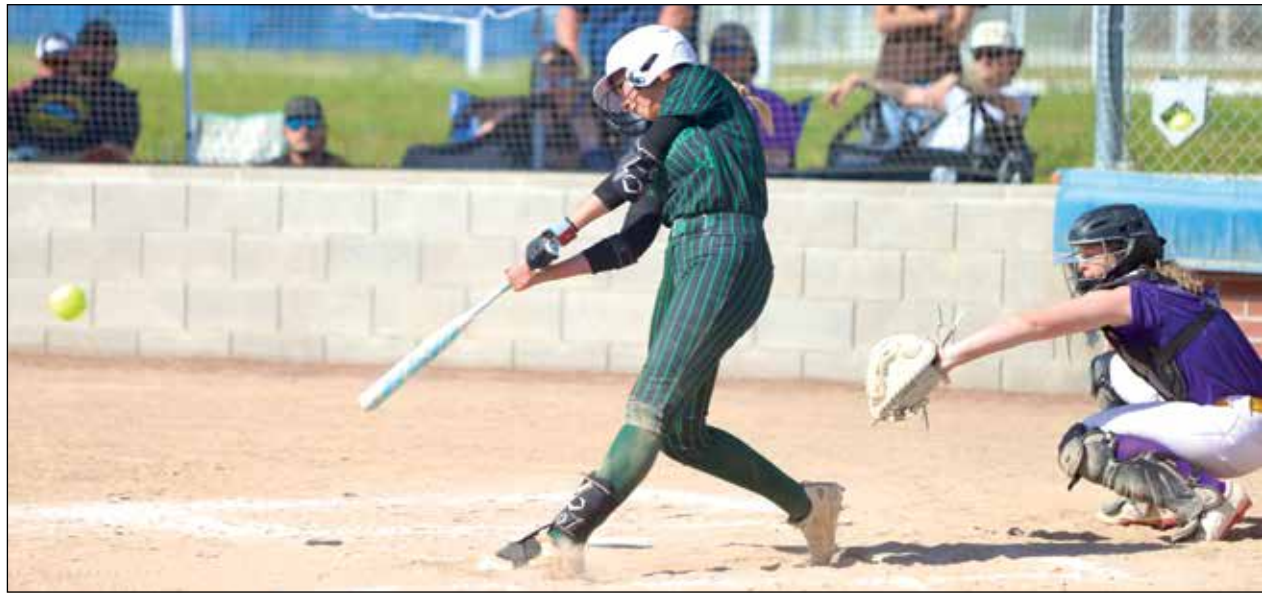
Daisy Seipert went 2 for 3 with a double and an RBI, while Gracie Sheppard and Emma Bermudez had two hits apiece.

Sheppard handled the pitching duties, fanning 14 and scattering five hits.

However, the best game of the entire tournament by far was the finale against Los Molinos, as the Wolverines walked it off in the sixth to prevail 2-1.

Sheppard did her part in the circle, limiting the Bulldogs two just three hits while striking out eight.

Baxter and Arden Vines accounted for Biggs' only two hits with each driving in a run.



The Wolverines' Arden Vines singles in the championship game at the Maxwell Tournament on March 14.

Meanwhile, the Live Oak squad also made a strong showing in Maxwell, finishing third after downing the host Panthers 16-4, falling 3-4 to Los Molinos and then bouncing back to defeat South Fork 7-6.

Although statistics from the win over Maxwell were unavailable, against the Bulldogs Oliviah Duran and Farrah Gomez both

recorded hits.

Sophomore pitcher Melina Juardo turned in a solid performance striking out five, scattering four hits and surrendering just one earned run.

Finishing up with a victory over South Fork, Merrideth Bole went 2 for 3 with a pair of RBI, while Duran ended the day 2 for 4 with two runs scored.

Jurado and Sarah Jupina

combined for the win in the circle.

This week, Biggs (7-1) hit the road to play a doubleheader against Mt.

Shasta on St. Patrick's Day, while Live Oak (4-5) hosted Pierce on Tuesday and heads to Los Molinos on Friday for a twin bill. ★



Biggs' Gracie Shepard delivers a pitch in the Wolverines' game against Los Molinos on March 14 at the Maxwell Tournament.



Biggs' Emma Bermudez slides safely into second base during the Wolverines' 2-1 win over Los Molinos at the Maxwell Tournament.



Biggs' Emma Bermudez slides safely into second base during the Wolverines' 2-1 win over Los Molinos at the Maxwell Tournament.



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