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Secures Her Place on U.S. Karate Teams



Anderson trains at Ramtown Karate, where she works closely with coaches and teammates who contribute to her development. She credited her training environment for helping prepare her for high-level competition. Photo courtesy of Ramtown Karate

By Kendall Brown

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Anna Anderson of Ramtown Karate returned from the Karate U.S. Open in Fort Worth, Texas with a gold medal and a place among the top competitors in her division, marking a milestone in her competitive career.

Anderson competed against athletes from around the world at the event, one of the largest international karate tournaments in the United States. She said her mindset entering the competition differed from

previous experiences.

"I was really excited to be there," said Anderson. "In the past, I'm normally really nervous, but this time I didn't have that. I was just excited to compete."

That confidence carried her through the 18-to-20 division, where she captured first place. Anderson said her approach that day was clear from the start.

"I just woke up that morning, and I knew I wasn't losing," she said.

During the tournament, Anderson recorded two matches in which she

did not allow a single point, relying on preparation and adherence to her strategy.

"We had a game plan, I listened to my coach," she said. "I just felt like I wasn't going to lose. I had a good mindset that day."

In addition to her division title, Anderson competed in the 18-to-34 category, facing older, more experienced opponents. She described the transition as challenging but manageable.

"Definitely 18-to-34 is different
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Council Approves New Service Pistols for Police Department

By Shaunna Boyd

DIXON, CA (MPG) - At the April 7 meeting, the Dixon City Council recognized Police Lieutenant Jenna Cameron for her years of dedicated service on the occasion of her retirement.

Mayor Steven Bird read the proclamation, stating that Lieutenant Cameron served with "dedication, professionalism and a steadfast commitment to the safety and wellbeing of the community."

Police Chief Robert Thompson said Cameron's impact on the police department and the people of the city was "evidenced by the presence in the room tonight," indicating the crowd of people in attendance.

The council members all congratulated Cameron and wished her well. Mayor Bird said, "You will be dearly missed."

The council heard an update on the city's Chrome VI litigation, which they are pursuing against the State of California and the state water board, in conjunction with several other cities and public agencies. As part of the plaintiff group, the City of Dixon asserts that the state's updated Chrome VI regulations are economically and technologically infeasible, fail to comply with safe water drinking act requirements, violate the Administrative Procedures act and are an unconstitutional and unfunded mandate.

Arguments were submitted at a hearing on March 5, and the judge will issue an order no later than June 3. Once it is received, the city will have more information about how to move forward, depending on the decision.

During public comments, a resident expressed concerns about the city's plan for meeting the Chrome VI requirements. A number of wells would be placed on standby, drastically reducing the overall water production. Other wells would receive costly treatment to reduce the amount of Chrome VI, and he worried those costs would be passed on to the ratepayers.

Mayor Bird said the council shares many of the residents' concerns on this issue, which is why they are fighting the state requirements through litigation.

The council then
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Dixon Unified Names Steven Krebs 2025 Educator of the Year

By Kendall Brown

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Steven Krebs, an English and AVID teacher at Dixon High School, was named the 2025 Educator of the Year during the Celebrate Dixon event on March 14, recognizing more than two decades of work in the classroom.

Krebs said he was caught off guard when he learned of the honor.

"I was surprised and humbled that I was chosen," he said. "I have been a teacher since January 2000, and I've worked hard every year to improve my teaching. I'm nearing the end of my career and hadn't given the award much thought lately, so I was shocked when I was told."

The recognition, awarded by the Dixon Unified School District,



Steven Krebs, an English and AVID teacher at Dixon High School, was named the 2025 Educator of the Year during the Celebrate Dixon event on March 14, recognizing more than two decades of work in the classroom. Photo courtesy of Steven Krebs

represents what Krebs described as a culmination of his career.

"It feels like a nice capstone to my career," he said.

Krebs did not initially plan to become a teacher. He earned a bachelor's degree in finance from California State University, Chico, and worked in financial planning before changing direction.

"There was always a part of me that was unfulfilled," said Krebs.

After relocating to Seattle with his wife, Lisa Krebs, who had recently become a teacher at the time, Krebs began tutoring students in an after-school program. The experience led him to pursue a career in education. He returned to school, earning a degree in English from the University of Washington,

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Anderson Captures Gold

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 from 18-to-20,” said Anderson. “I think it’s a little intimidating at first, but once I saw who I was competing with, I felt I belonged there. I didn’t feel scared or nervous at all. I just wanted to prove myself.”

Although she said she did not achieve the results she had hoped for in that division, Anderson said the experience demonstrated her ability to compete at a higher level.

Her performance at the U.S. Open comes alongside another achievement: earning spots on both the USA Olympic-level 18-to-34 Women’s Team and the U21 USA Team. Anderson said the accomplishment fulfills a long-standing goal.

“It’s just a really big achievement and goal,” she said. “Ever since I found out about the U.S. team, it’s been a goal. So, to say the first time I tried out, I got it? That’s a big accomplishment.”

Anderson trains at Ramtown Karate, where she works closely with coaches and teammates who contribute to her development. She credited her training environment for helping prepare her for high-level competition.

“I have coaches that care about me and teammates that give up their time and weekends to train with me,” she said. “My other two teammates, Andrew Pisany and Lazer Ingram, are great sparring partners, always inspiring me.”

Chief instructor Jim Ernest said Anderson’s success reflects both her individual effort and the program’s history of producing high-level



Anna Anderson of Ramtown Karate returned from the Karate U.S. Open in Fort Worth, Texas with a gold medal and a place among the top competitors in her division, marking a milestone in her competitive career. Photo courtesy of Ramtown Karate

competitors. “It’s really exciting, especially since it’s a continuation,” said Ernest, “She is the youngest person ever to be on the USA Olympic Karate Team. Now she’s got to hold on to that position.”

Ernest said Anderson’s training regimen is rigorous, often involving multiple sessions each week, and includes sparring with high-level fighters.

Anderson said competing internationally has reinforced the importance of teamwork in what is often viewed as an individual sport.

“I can’t do everything by myself,” said Anderson. “I have a team supporting me that wants to help me.”

Looking ahead, Anderson

is preparing for the Pan American Championship in Brazil. She said her goals include both performance and experience.

“My goal is to medal and just enjoy the experience,” said Anderson. “How often can you say you get to go to Brazil to compete in a sport you love?”

For younger athletes in Dixon and Vacaville, Anderson said her path shows that success in competitive karate is possible even for those who begin later.

“It’s okay if you start late, you can still do it,” said Anderson. “I started competing around two and a half years ago. You have to put in a lot of time and effort, but it’s worth it.” ★

Dixon News Briefs



Dixon Community Theater will premiere its newest production, Rodger and Hammerstein’s “Cinderella,” at 7 p.m. April 24. All showings will be held at Dixon Performing Arts Center, 555 College Way. Photo by Nicolas Brown

By MPG Staff

Dixon High Sports

Dixon High School Boys Varsity Track Team will compete at home at 11 a.m. April 18. Hosted at Dixon High School, 555 College Way, the Rams will take on the Bella Vista High School Broncos.

For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit dixonramsathletics.com or call 707-693-6330.

Free Smoke Alarm Event

The Senior/Multi-use Center is hosting a free smoke alarm and fire prevention education event with American Red Cross from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. April 25. Held at the Multi-use Center, 201 S. Fifth St., Dixon residents who sign up will receive free 10-year smoke alarm installation, alarm checks and a personalized fire escape plan on the day of the event.

For more information, visit the City of Dixon, CA Facebook page or call 707-678-7022.

Dixon Chamber Connections Networking

The Dixon Chamber of Commerce is hosting a networking event from noon to 1:30 p.m. April 16. This free in-person event, held at The Farmstead at Dixon, 350 Gateway Drive, allows local professionals to connect. Offering a diverse range of potential connections, attendees are encouraged to bring business cards.

For more information, visit dixon-chamber.org or call 707-678-2650.

Lunch Bunch at Pedro’s Cocina

The Dixon Chamber of Commerce is hosting another lunch bunch networking event from noon to 1:30 p.m. April 21. Held at Pedro’s Cocina, 1425 Market Lane, the free event offers guests a no-host lunch and networking opportunities.

For more information, visit dixon-chamber.org, or call 707-678-2650.

Teen Open Mic Night

Dixon Library is hosting a Teen Open Mic Poetry Night from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. April 16 in recognition of National Poetry Month. Held at the library, 230 N. First St., the free event will see teen participants performing poetry or music, with acts limited to five minutes. Vulgar language is prohibited. Registration is recommended but not required.

For more information about Dixon Library events, visit solanolibrary.com or email rdgjertsen@solanocounty.gov.

Bunco Night

Joystick Gaming Lounge will host its monthly Bunco Night from 6 to 8 p.m. April 23. Held at the lounge, 420

Gateway Dr., Suite C, the event includes prizes, with food and beverages available for purchase. The event costs \$20 per attendee. Proceeds from beer and wine sales will benefit Kiwanis Club of Dixon. Notably, Kiwanis Club will host its monthly meeting at the lounge from 6 to 7:30 p.m. April 27.

For more information, visit joystick-dixon.com or call 707-676-5697.

Spring Sound Bath & Yoga

Busy Bee Studios is hosting a sound bath and yoga session from 1 to 2:45 p.m. April 19. Held at the studio, 1115 Stratford Ave., Suite F, the event includes flowing yoga practice followed by an immersive sound bath journey for \$45 per person.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit busybeeyoga.com or call 707-295-1855.

Dixon Grown Outreach Meeting

The City of Dixon is hosting a series of outreach meetings to help every resident in the community have their voice heard in the future development of Dixon. Meetings are scheduled for 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. April 22 at Gretchen Higgins Elementary, 1525 Pembroke Way, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. April 23 at Tremont Elementary, 355 Pheasant Run Dr., and 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. April 25 at the Senior/Multi-Use Center, 201 S. Fifth St.

For more information, visit dixongrown.com.

Dixon Community Theater Presents “Cinderella”


Dixon Community Theater will premiere its newest production, Rodger and Hammerstein’s “Cinderella,” at 7 p.m. April 24. Held at the Dixon Performing Arts Center, 555 College Way, the production will have several 7 p.m. evening showtimes, including April 25, May 1 and May 2. Matinees at 2 p.m. will be held April 26 and May 3. Tickets are already on sale online but can be purchased at the door.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit dixoncommunitytheater.org or email info@dixoncommunitytheater.org.

Kids Homework Help

Dixon Library is hosting after-school homework help courtesy of Dixon High School Key Club from 4 to 5 p.m. April 20. Held at the library, 230 N. First St., the free event offers homework support to students in kindergarten through 6th grade on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited.

For more information, visit solanolibrary.libnet.info/events or call 1-866-572-7587. ★




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Tickets for the Flying U Bull Riding event May 8, Maxx Kakt Truck & Tractor Pulls May 9, and the Moondog Motorsports Demolition Derby May 10, can be purchased for \$40 for all ages. Photo courtesy of Dixon May Fair



For parents, the all-you-can-ride wristbands are a great way to go for kids with an unlimited appetite for the spectacular rides. Butler Amusements is offering wristbands, which allow the rider unlimited rides on any one day, for \$35 in advance through May 6. Photo courtesy of Dixon May Fair

Dixon May Fair News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Tickets for the popular Dixon May Fair grandstand shows, fair admission and carnival wristbands are now available for purchase for the upcoming fair, May 7 to 10. The fair has several opportunities to save money and time when you buy your fair and grandstand event tickets early using their online ticket system.

The convenience of online ticketing is

available for grandstand events, carnival ride wristbands and admission. Online processing fees of \$1 per ticket apply.

Tickets for the Flying U Bull Riding event May 8, Maxx Kakt Truck & Tractor Pulls May 9 and the Moondog Motorsports Demolition Derby May 10 in the First Northern Bank Grandstand can be purchased for \$40 for all ages. Grandstand tickets purchased in advance include fair admission. Tickets purchased on the day of the event do not include fair admission. Advance purchase is recommended because all grandstand events have sold out in recent years.

For parents, the all-you-can-ride wristbands are a great way to go for kids with an unlimited appetite for the spectacular rides. Butler Amusements is offering wristbands, which allow the rider unlimited rides on any one day, for \$35 in advance through May 6. The wristbands are good for any one day of the fair. During the fair, wristbands will be \$40.

There are additional discounts on fair admission as well. Advance purchase adult tickets online are just \$11 and will be \$15 at the gate. KUIC Radio sponsors Thrifty Thursday, May 7, when all admissions are just \$5. And on Kids Day, Friday, May 8, all kids 12 and under are admitted for free.

The Dixon May Fair, May 7 to 10, is located at 655 S. First St. The website for ticket purchases is www.DixonMayFair.com. The box office will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday beginning April 20. ★

April Is Child Abuse Awareness Month



Dixon Family Services Case Manager, Sonia Santillan (left) and Pantry Manager, Marisol Jimenez (right). Photo courtesy of Dixon Family Services

Dixon Family Services News Release

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Dixon Family Services (DFS) has a banner in front of its building during the month of April to remind people that April is Child Abuse Awareness Month and that there are things we can all do to reduce and prevent child abuse and neglect.

Child abuse, in its many forms, happens every day and has major impacts on the future of those victimized. Solano County percentages are higher than California averages.

Studies show that there is a direct link between child abuse and a greater risk later in life of depression, alcoholism, drug abuse, smoking, eating disorders, obesity, sexual promiscuity, certain chronic diseases and suicide.

Dixon Family Services (DFS) does all it can to help ensure the safety and well-being of Dixon's children all year long. As a Family Resource Center, it is a priority goal to reduce the incidences of child abuse and neglect in homes and in the community at large by enlightening and informing people of the signs to watch out for, reporting suspected abuse and steps to take to create an environment that can reduce the possibilities for abuse or neglect of children.

Though Dixon Family Services' main focus is to assist households living at or below the poverty line, child abuse knows no boundaries and is found in families of all socio-economic

backgrounds and cuts across lines of ethnicity, culture, socioeconomic and education.

In 2025, Solano County Child Welfare Services investigated 172 child maltreatment allegations in Dixon. This was an increase over 165 in 2024.

Several factors can create increased risk of child abuse, including lack of parenting skills, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, mental illness, poverty and substandard housing conditions, domestic violence, and a parent's history of child abuse. These same risk factors can be barriers to abusers' acknowledgement of the problem and ability to seek programs or services intended to stop the abuse, such as parenting classes, counseling, peer support or other approaches.

As a community, we have a responsibility to nurture and protect our children, as well as other people's children, to ensure they can become healthy and productive adults.

Do not hesitate to report what you think might be abusive behavior to local police or county child protective services. Let professionals determine if your concerns are worth investigating.

For more information about child abuse, ways to help prevent it, and how to report it, visit dixonfamilyservices.org, the Children's Network website childnet.org, the Partners in Prevention website partnersinprevention.org, or call Solano Child Welfare Services at 800-544-8696 or your local police department to report. ★

Dixon Little League to Host Family Day Fundraiser April 18



The event officially begins at 9 a.m. and will feature games across multiple divisions, along with raffles, a cakewalk and other activities designed for all ages. The fundraiser is the league's largest of the year, with proceeds benefiting players, field maintenance, and program operations. Photo by Nicolas Brown



Dixon Little League will host its annual Family Day Fundraiser on April 18 at the Dixon Little League Fields, 298 E. Chestnut St., offering a full day of baseball, food and family activities to support local youth sports. Photo by Nicolas Brown

By Kendall Brown

DIXON, CA (MPG) - Dixon Little League will host its annual Family Day Fundraiser on April 18 at the Dixon Little League Fields, 298 E. Chestnut St., offering a full day of baseball, food and family activities to support local youth sports.

The event officially begins at 9 a.m. and will feature games across multiple divisions, along with raffles, a cakewalk and other activities designed for all ages. The fundraiser acts as the league's largest

of the year, with proceeds benefiting players, field maintenance and program operations.

A professional photographer will be on site offering family photos for \$25. Attendees can also participate in raffles that include prizes such as two standard flight packages from Yolo Ballooning Adventures, valued at \$598.

Food will be available throughout the day from vendors, but Dixon Firefighters Charitable Fund will sell taco meals at 11 a.m. while supplies last. The meal includes three

tacos, chips and a drink for \$15.

Games are scheduled throughout the day on four fields. Field 3 will host AA competition, beginning with the Mets facing the Orioles from 9 to 11:15 a.m., followed by the Yankees vs. Red Sox from noon to 2:15 p.m., and the Royals vs. Tigers from 3 to 5:15 p.m.

On Field 2, AAA teams will compete, including the Dodgers vs. A's at 9 a.m., the Blue Jays against a Rio Vista team at noon, and the Marlins facing another Rio Vista team at 3 p.m. The Giants will take on the Padres in the final game from 6 to 8:45 p.m.

Field 1 will feature Single A matchups starting at 8:30 a.m., while Field 4 will host Tee Ball games beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at 2:30 p.m.

Community members are encouraged to attend and support the league. Those interested in becoming vendors or donating raffle items can contact 707-862-1048 or 707-316-9600.

For more information, visit dixonlittleleague.org or email support@dixonlittleleague.org. ★

Dixon Unified Names Steven Krebs 2025 Educator of the Year

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followed by a teaching credential.

At Dixon High School, Krebs has taught primarily English courses and later expanded into AVID, a college readiness program focused on preparing students for higher education.

"I like to try new things," said Krebs. "It has been a great experience working with the AVID population."

In the classroom, Krebs emphasizes relationship-building and collaboration as key components of student engagement.

"I try to develop relationships individually and with the class as a whole," said Krebs. "If students feel positive about walking into D-106 every day, they will be more willing to work, even if English isn't their favorite subject."

Students are placed in groups from the first day, an approach Krebs said encourages communication and shared responsibility.

As an AVID teacher, Krebs focuses on the program's core principles of Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization and Reading, often referred to as WICOR. He also highlighted the importance of student-led tutorials in an AVID classroom.

"The biggest part of AVID is the tutorial process," said Krebs. "Students then work collaboratively, using questioning and resources in a Socratic style format."

One moment that stands out in Krebs' career came years after a classroom lesson on migrant labor and immigration. A former student contacted him a decade later to say the lesson had helped them better understand their family's experiences.

"We do have impact beyond the vocabulary, and the essay structure, and developing the argument," said Krebs. "And we don't always know it."

According to Krebs, he has spent his entire teaching career at Dixon High School, where he first arrived as a student teacher more than 25 years ago. He said the school's culture has played a significant role in



Krebs did not initially plan to become a teacher. He earned a bachelor's degree in finance from California State University, Chico, and worked in financial planning before changing direction. Photo courtesy of Steven Krebs

shaping his approach.

"We have a great group of educators who are always willing to share success stories and strategies," he said, adding that the environment emphasizes empathy and support for students.

For new teachers entering the profession, Krebs emphasized the importance of building relationships in addition to delivering curriculum.

"Kids want structure, they want to feel welcome and they want to feel engaged in the material," he said. "Relationships are key and must be developed starting on Day 1."

Looking ahead, Krebs said his goals remain consistent: to help students become stronger readers, writers and critical thinkers while developing leadership skills. Professionally, he plans to continue refining his curriculum each year.

Krebs also credited his wife, Lisa Krebs, for her support throughout his career.

"She's been a rock in my life both professionally and personally," said Krebs. ★

Persons listed in this log from the Dixon Police Department are considered innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Only activities deemed significant by the Police Dept. are included.



DIXON POLICE LOG

Sunday, April 12, 2026

1041 Traffic stop in the 200 block of Stratford Avenue resulted in the arrest of Joshua Neal (38) of Dixon for a warrant. He was cited and released with a new court date.

1600 Theft report taken in the 2000 block of North First Street resulted in the arrest of Jose Martinez (31) of Dixon for misdemeanor theft. He was taken to county jail.

Saturday, April 11

1225 Information report in the 1500 block of Valley Glen Drive.

1340 Battery report in the 200 block of West H Street.

1350 Two-vehicle non-injury accident in the 2300 block of North First Street.

1554 Reckless driving investigation in the 200 block of West A Street.

2234 22651 (o) CVC tow, at the intersection of Gateway Drive and Plaza Court.

2303 23152 CVC, DUI arrest, in the 600 block of North First Street. Suspect Marco Mendoza (19-year-old, male, out of Fairfield) was contacted on a traffic stop and arrested without incident. S-Mendoza was cited and released to family from Dixon Police Department.

0046 243 (d) PC, felony battery, 148 (a)(1) PC, obstruction arrest and 243 (c) PC, battery on an officer report, in the 300 block of North Adams Street, Unit D. Suspect Jorge Nieves (30-year-old, male, out of Dixon) was arrested. He was transported to Solano County Jail and booked.

Friday, April 10

1500 Found property report.

1823 Information report taken in the 1300 block of North Lincoln Street.

1840 1203.2 PC, Probation violation, arrest in the 2200 block of North First Street. Suspect Brian Lewis was contacted and found to be in violation of his probation terms. S-Lewis (72-year-old, male, out of Dixon) was arrested without incident, transported to Solano County Jail and booked.

Thursday, April 9

0958 School resource officer call at Anderson Elementary.

1155 Information report taken in the 1500 block of Ferrero Drive.

1233 Information report taken for suspicious circumstances in the area of Rehmann Drive and Carpenter Court.

1245 Petty theft report in the 1100 block of North Lincoln Street.

1320 Fraud report in the 1300 block of North Lincoln Street.

1403 Information report taken at the police department.

1434 Battery report taken in the area of Pitt School Road and West H Street.

1331 Confidential report taken in the 500 block of College Way.

1658 Fraud report taken in the 1500 block of Hannah Court.

1921 648 PC, Circulate fake currency report, taken in the 200 block of East Dorset Drive.

1942 23154 CVC, over .01 BAC while on DUI probation, 1203.2 PC, Probation Violation, 12500 CVC, driving without a license and 23573 CVC, Interlock device required, arrest in the 400 block of South Adams Street. Suspect John Harris (57-year-old, male, out of Dixon) was arrested.

2012 Death investigation in the 300 block of Barn Owl Lane. There were no signs of foul play and decedent was released to the family by the Solano County Coroner's Office.

2210 311.11 (a) PC, possess child pornography, report taken in the 500 block of East D Street.

Wednesday, April 8

1015 Harassment report 400 block West Chestnut Street.

1300 Collision report 1100 block North First Street.

1600 Fraud report 800 block Collier Drive.

2010 Petty theft report taken in the 1700 block of West H Street.

0109 273.5 PC, Felony Domestic Violence, arrest in the 400 block of Ellesmere Drive. Suspect Maria Carbajal (44-year-old, female, out of Fairfield) was arrested. S-Carbajal was transported to Solano County Jail and booked without incident.

Tuesday, April 7

0623 Report of a suspicious naked man standing in the 500 block of North Adams Street resulted in the arrest of Oscar Orozco (35), again, for being under the influence of a narcotic and violation of probation. He was taken to jail again.

1622 Fraud report taken in the police department lobby.



Riley Reviews

“CIA” DELVES INTO THE SHADOWY WORLD OF AN ESPIONAGE THRILLER

**A Film and TV Review
by Tim Riley**

“CIA” on CBS Network

One of the most successful creators and producers in the television industry is Dick Wolf, best known for his “Law & Order” franchise about aspects of the criminal justice system that has been around in various iterations since 1990.

Working in the realm of law enforcement series, Wolf has co-created and executive produced the police procedural “FBI,” which also became a franchise with spinoffs for two additional series, “FBI: Most Wanted” and “FBI: International.”

Wait, there’s more. Wolf also co-created and executive produced the “Chicago” franchise with three series dedicated to stories about firefighters, police officers, and emergency medical personnel based in the Windy City.

Even though at an age where most people have long retired, Dick Wolf is not slowing down. For the current television season, his latest American police procedural is “CIA” on the CBS network.

The basic premise of “CIA” is the teaming of a Central Intelligence Agency case officer with an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, based in New York City, working together to investigate domestic threats to the United States.

According to the law, the CIA’s jurisdiction is focused on threats outside our nation’s borders, and it has no domestic law enforcement function, nor can it collect information about U.S. persons, including citizens, resident aliens, and corporations.

Given the constraints on CIA involvement on American soil, it’s interesting that CIA operative Colin Glass (Tom Ellis “Lucifer” series) comes into the picture after a crime in a New York office building wipes out workers dealing with computer systems.

The FBI is on the scene with Special Agent Bill Goodman (Nick Gehlfuss) and others, and then Glass shows up because he’s got some mysterious connection to dealing with an apparent terrorist plot.

Unable to operate solo for an investigation, Glass needs to work with the FBI, and that’s when New York CIA deputy chief Nikki Reynard (Necar Zadegan) and FBI Assistant Special Agent in Charge Jubal Valentine (Jeremy Sisto) pick Goodman for the assignment.

To say that Goodman is not thrilled to be teamed with Glass is an understatement, mainly since Goodman recognized the CIA agent from the crime scene and had some doubts about him being trustworthy.

The feeling seems to be mutual because Glass works alone, operating without any boundaries, whereas Goodman not only looks like a “Boy Scout with a briefcase”

according to Glass, but his modus operandi is to adhere strictly to the rules. They likely won’t be sharing beers after work.

The first meeting between Glass and Goodman does not get off to a good start because the CIA agent identifies himself as working for DOD and tells the FBI agent that he has “a clearance so high you need a ladder to reach it.”

FBI’s Jubal Valentine informs Goodman that he’s been selected to join an elite CIA-FBI Fusion Cell, which takes on tricky situations where the U.S. government needs to use a lighter touch with counterterrorism and diplomatic flareups.

Fair to say that Goodman doesn’t seem thrilled when he asks how long his posting will be, and Valentine can’t say but assures that his agent is honored to take on this assignment.

Arriving at the CIA’s secret location, Goodman wants to set aside their differences to work the “case,” only for Glass to tell him that it is an “op” and not a case. To the CIA, FBI’s job is just to close cases.

What happened at the New York office turned out to be a “directed energy attack” against a defense contractor involved with secret government work, and now the CIA fears that one of its assets may be involved with the theft of documents.

From this point on, the story turns on standard spy fare with the unconventional CIA agent having to get along with the by-the-book FBI agent, clashing at times on methods, even though Goodman loosens up a bit to go with his gut.

During a CBS press conference for TV critics, executive producer Mike Weiss said he did not know what CIA people would expect from the show, but one of the benefits of a CIA show is that “a lot of the activities are secret, they’re shadowy.” That’s what viewers are looking for.

There’s no doubt that “CIA” is a formulaic spy thriller, and that’s perfectly fine with the dynamic established between the uptight FBI agent being a stickler for following the rules and the roguish CIA operative as the opposite with his disdain for bureaucratic norms.

Espionage stories hold a special appeal for many. That would explain the popularity of the James Bond franchise. Showtime’s long-running drama “Homeland” focused on CIA counterterrorism. The British spy thriller “The Night Manager” is drawing interest on AMC.

That the FBI agent is tasked with finding out if there is a mole within the CIA is almost reason enough to give “CIA” the leeway to continue down the path of intrigue. This seems to be working because a second season has already been given the green light. ★



Governor Hopefuls Vow to Cut Regulations

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Six candidates running to be California’s next governor said last week during a televised forum in Fresno that if elected, they would roll back regulations that have made it challenging to farm in the state. Antonio Villaraigosa, a Democrat and former mayor of Los Angeles, referred to a study from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, that found the cost to California lettuce growers of complying with the state’s environmental, labor and food safety regulations increased by more than 1,300% from 2006 to 2024. “That’s not sustainable,” Villaraigosa said. “There actually is agreement that things are broken in Sacramento.” The forum, which was hosted by the California Farm Bureau and more than two dozen other agricultural groups, kicked off the final stretch of campaigning ahead of a June 2 primary election that will determine which two candidates advance to the general election in November. “We found it to be a critical time to highlight to candidates that agriculture and our rural counties are important,” California Farm Bureau President Shannon Douglass said.

Farmers Gather to Talk Sustainability Projects at Dairies

California dairy farmers have faced new challenges in recent years as they work to beef up their sustainability practices. About a decade ago, the state passed the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and legislation setting a target to reduce livestock methane emissions by 40% of 2013 levels by 2030. “The reality of implementation is right here, right now,” California Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross

said last month at the annual California Dairy Sustainability Summit in Visalia. The event focused on connecting dairy farmers with tools to save water and reduce methane emissions and other ways to make their operations more sustainable amid changing state requirements. Speakers said reaching California’s sustainability targets will be challenging, but there’s hope in the progress already made. “I really have a lot of optimism that this can be done, but it’s going to take the collective will of all of us,” said Bill Swanson, Stantec vice president of global practice leader for water resources planning and management.

Democrats Vying for Governor Criticize Overtime Law

Pam Marrone, founder and former CEO of Marrone Bio Innovations, now ProFarm Group, shared her insights on biological pesticides, or biologicals, in a recent interview with Ag Alert®. Marrone said she believes that by 2040 biologicals will be more widely used than traditional pesticides on farms. “It all comes down to education,” said Marrone, who is an entomologist by training. “The products are there. There’s good science behind them. There’s plenty of registered products and more coming every day.” She noted there are just nine new chemical active ingredients awaiting approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, whereas there are about 70 biologicals awaiting EPA approval. “The innovation in biologicals is huge,” Marrone said. “We’re going to have lots of registered products, so it’s about bridging the gap between products registered and how to use them on the farm.” ★

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Council Approves New Service Pistols for Police Department

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considered a purchase agreement with LC Action Police Supply for 40 Generation 6 Glock pistols equipped with the Aimpoint COA red dot optic and duty holsters.

Chief Thompson explained that the department currently uses Generation 5 service pistols, but Generation 6 has enhanced

optics allowing for improved officer accuracy, “especially under combat conditions.” He said every round that’s fired “is not only a tremendous liability for human life, it’s also a liability for the city for every round that doesn’t go where it’s intended.”

When testing the new technology in combat simulations, Thompson said officers

demonstrated improved accuracy in marksmanship without any transition training. The department would trade in city-owned surplus firearms to offset the cost of the purchase, with the remaining \$29,818 coming from COPS Grant state funding. There would be no impact on the general fund.

The council voted unanimously to approve the purchase.

The council also considered an amendment to Chief Thompson’s employment agreement to provide a 5 percent technology incentive for oversight and coordination of the city’s information technology systems. Thompson has already taken on a lead role in this area, going beyond the traditional scope of police chief

job responsibilities. The incentive pay will compensate him for this additional time and responsibility.

The council voted unanimously to approve the amendment to the employment agreement.

The next meeting of the Dixon City Council is scheduled for April 21. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026000519
The following persons are doing business as: Tahoe Haus, 2108 N Street #9445, Sacramento, CA 95816. Poopaw Solutions, 2108 N Street #9445, Sacramento, CA 95816. Date filed in Solano County: March 20, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 23, 2026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026000459
The following persons are doing business as: Kett’s Catering, 1670 Lassen Court, Dixon, CA 95620. John James Kett and James Mayoral, PO Box 43, Dixon, CA 95620. Date filed in Solano County: April 6, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 1, 2026

This Business is conducted by: A General Partnership. NOTICE: In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920 A Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the county clerk, except as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of registered owner. A new fictitious Business name statement must be filed before the expiration April 5, 2031. The filing of this statement does not 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 14411 ET SEQ., business, and professions code.) Publish: April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 2026
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026000499
The following persons are doing business as: Village Heat, 1344 W L Street, Benicia, CA 94510. Kameron Rojas, 1344 W L Street, Benicia, CA 94510. Date filed in Solano County: March 18, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026000606
The following persons are doing business as: Mr. Scientific, Mister

Scientific, 1128 Western Street Suite 5, Fairfield, CA 94533. Max R Bickford, 1128 Western Street Suite 5, Fairfield, CA 94533.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026000632
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #CU26-02048

Dominique Simone Lopez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Dominique Simone Lopez to Nayeli Simone Lopez. 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 to show why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. May 20, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department 3, Room 301, Hall of Justice, 600 Union Avenue, Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge of the Superior Court: Christine A. Carringer
Dated: March 10, 2026
Publish: March 27, April 3, 10, 17, 2026
LOPEZ 4-17-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #CU26-02376

Tenika Marquita Parks. filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Tenika Marquita Johnson to Tenika Marquita Parks 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 to show why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. May 20, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department 3, Room 301, Hall of Justice, 600 Union Avenue, Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge of the Superior Court: Christine A. Carringer
Dated: March 19, 2026
Publish: April 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026
PARKS 4-24-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF SOLANO ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME CASE #CU26-01875

Ernesto Cesar Paez. filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Ernesto Cesar Paez to Ernesto Ceasar Gamboa. 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 to show why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. May 21, 2026, 8:30 a.m. Department 12, Room 8, Superior Court of California, County of Solano, Old Solano Court House, 5800 Texas Street Fairfield, CA 94533 Judge of the Superior Court: Wendy Getty
Dated: March 19, 2026
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Stevenson Bridge Rehabilitation Project to Begin in May

Yolo County News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Solano County, in partnership with Yolo County, is moving forward with the rehabilitation of the historic Stevenson Bridge, a 298-foot, multi-span arch bridge spanning Putah Creek between the two counties. While both counties are served by the bridge, Solano County was originally established as the agency responsible for its maintenance. Yolo County contributes to half of the ongoing maintenance costs for the structure.
At more than 100 years old, Stevenson Bridge is designated as a historical landmark and serves as a critical transportation link connecting Solano and Yolo counties. According to California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the bridge "is a rare example of a reinforced concrete through tied arch in California and is the oldest bridge of this type in California and possibly the

United States." Often referred to locally as "Graffiti Bridge," it is the only remaining concrete double arch span bridge of its kind from its era.
The comprehensive rehabilitation project will preserve and strengthen the historic structure while improving safety and extending its lifespan. Planned improvements include scour protection, seismic retrofitting, roadway realignment, new foundations and concrete repairs throughout the bridge.
"The crossing of Stevenson Bridge is an important route for many modes, including bicyclists, and this temporary closure will present an inconvenience for those who frequently use this path for recreation and commuting," said District 2 Yolo County Board of Supervisors Lucas Frerichs. "Yolo County will continue to perform monthly street sweeping and vegetation maintenance along County Road 31 to improve bicycle safety for those using

this alternate route more frequently due to the temporary construction closure of Stevenson Bridge."
Solano County has contracted with A&B Construction to complete the project for a bid price of \$8,341,926. Each county's share of the project cost will total approximately \$1.65 million, with the majority of the funding provided through the federal Highway Bridge Program. Preliminary mobilization activities, environmental mitigation, and construction signage installation are already underway.
Construction is currently anticipated to begin in May. The active construction phase will require a temporary closure of Stevenson Bridge Road in Solano County (between Putah Creek Road and the bridge) and County Road 95A in Yolo County (between the bridge and Russell Boulevard).
Bridge closure is scheduled to begin Friday, May 1, and is expected to continue

through October, with the goal of completing the work within a single summer construction season. Detours will be in place during this period. Local access to properties and businesses within the closure areas will be maintained throughout construction.
Stevenson Bridge is a vital link for residents, agricultural operations, and emergency services. Solano County is committed to restoring access for emergency response vehicles as early as possible during construction; however, the bridge will remain closed to regular vehicle traffic for the duration of the project.
County staff will continue coordinating closely with local agencies, emergency responders and community stakeholders to ensure public safety and minimize disruptions.
Rehabilitating Stevenson Bridge is essential to preserving one of California's most unique historic transportation

structures. Addressing the bridge's structural needs will ensure its continued accessibility, safety and historical significance for generations to come.
Solano County and Yolo County both appreciate the public's patience and understanding as this important infrastructure and preservation effort moves forward.
For more information about the Stevenson Bridge Rehabilitation Project, please contact the Solano County Department of Resource Management at 707-784-6765 or speak with County inspectors on-site during construction.
For a map of Yolo County road closures and major maintenance projects, visit www.YoloCounty.gov/road-closures. The public is reminded to slow down and obey all posted construction signs and directions from flaggers when traveling through work zones. ★

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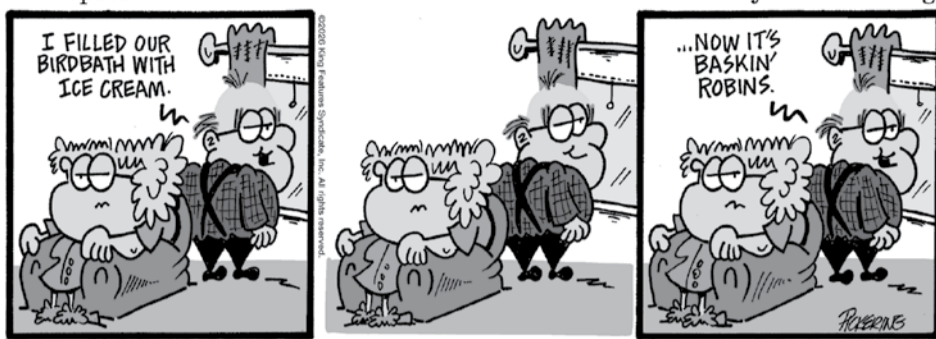
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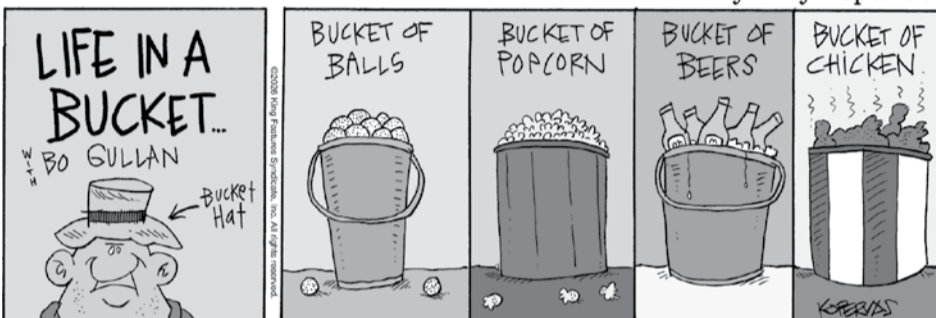
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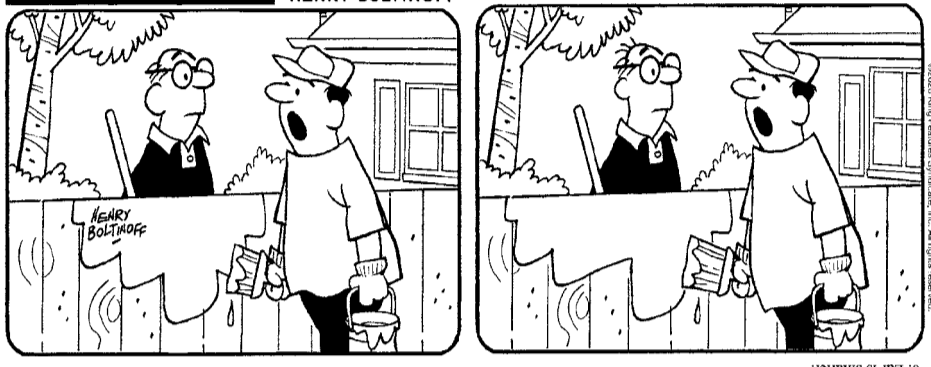
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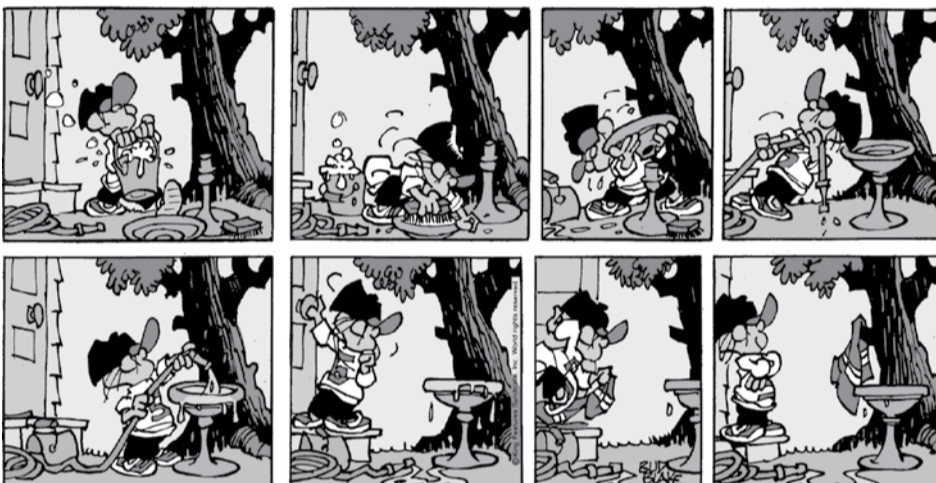
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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



The Season Is in the Books

The NBA season has finally come to a close, and the Sacramento Kings face an uncertain future in many ways. Their coaching position is not among them however, with the announcement that Doug Christie will be retained for next season to mentor this group of veterans and youngsters one more time.

That decision comes with more than a few lifted eyebrows, as Christie came into question frequently this season with his decision making as it relates to rotations and much more.

Case in point was Doug McDermott who literally sat out the first half of the season, while finally getting playing time when half of the team went on the injured list. McDermott finished the season with 48 3-pointers on 39 percent shooting from beyond the arc.

Yes, the Sacramento Kings and their fan base have endured a gut-wrenching season as they managed a paltry 22 wins, making the 2025-26 season one of the worst since they landed in Sacramento over 40 years ago.

But the anemic 22 wins in all fairness doesn't tell the full story.

Injuries to key players like Domantas Sabonis and Keegan Murray robbed Sacramento of having any legitimate run at the playoffs, and as a result coach Christie and his staff had an unfettered opportunity to get a close look at the young talent on this team.

Players like Precious Achiuwa, Dylan Cardwell, Nique Clifford, Maxime Raynaud, Daequon Plowden, and even latecomer Killiam Hayes, made people sit up and take notice as they experienced NBA action under fire.

All acquitted themselves admirably although truth be told they are likely to become efficient bench players, as opposed to bonafide NBA starters.

That is not all bad, as Domantas Sabonis, Keegan Murray, De'Andre Hunter, Russell Westbrook, DeMar DeRozan and Zach Lavine represent a core of starters that have a proven track record.

The question is, what will the upcoming draft bring the Kings, and will the draft lottery be kind to them?

Sacramento finished with the fourth-worst record in the NBA tied with the Utah Jazz, so the likelihood of a high round draft choice although not a sure bet,

is a definite possibility.

Someone of the caliber of a Cameron Boozer, or A.J. Dybantsa would help cement the front court that the Kings have been in need of for many years.

Sacramento is banking that they made a good decision in trading for De'Andre Hunter, and by adding another big body to the front court in the upcoming draft, the Kings could take on an entirely different look.

Domantas Sabonis remains the player that brings legitimacy to the starting unit, but question marks remain as to whether Russell Westbrook and Zach Lavine will return for a second season.

Westbrook continues to defy mother nature, averaging 15 points, five boards and 6.7 assists while logging an average of 29 minutes per game. His leadership and effervescent attitude were unmistakable, and many are looking at him as a future coach in some capacity.

Are we disappointed in the 22-win season? Of course we are. But the handwriting is on the wall, and all eyes turn to G.M. Scott Perry as the Sacramento fan base pause in unison to see what skills he can bring to this team in the upcoming draft.

Last season brought the Kings Nique Clifford and Maxime Raynaud, and although solid role players, the Sacramento Kings are in dire need of an impact player.

Will Scott Perry become the GM that everyone wants to believe is the game changer for the Kings or will it be business as usual.

Another question mark for next season is much heralded Keegan Murray. While many considered this season to be likely his coming out year, injuries put that opportunity on the back burner, and that question will need to be answered next year.

I sat courtside and watched this former NCAA scoring champ drain 11 3-pointers in a row in his rookie season, finally ending the game with 12, setting an all-time Sacramento record for 3-pointers in a game. It was a magical night but left every fan wondering what the possible was.

Cross your fingers and say your prayers Sacramento fans, because answers to many questions are less than a month away!

All the best!

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California Voters Will Face Dueling Ballot Propositions This Fall. Confusion is Likely



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

When California voters approved Proposition 13 in 1978, they forced a massive change in how government services are financed that continues to reverberate nearly a half-century later.

Prop. 13's limits on property taxes that had financed public schools and other units of local government for many decades forced fundamental changes in fiscal responsibilities — the state assuming education costs being just one example.

California media extensively covered Prop. 13's financial impacts at the time, and countless academic and journalistic analyses have done so since. But one aspect of its passage has been largely ignored.

California's political leadership in 1978 — Gov. Jerry Brown and a Legislature controlled by his fellow Democrats — did their best to torpedo Prop. 13 by placing a rival measure on the same primary election ballot. The alternative, Proposition 8, promised property tax relief for owner-occupied homes but denied it to commercial property.

Prop. 13 passed overwhelmingly but Prop. 8 lost narrowly. The failed counterplay was quickly forgotten as politicians — Brown most obviously — rushed to embrace the tax revolt. Brown even called himself a

“born-again tax cutter.”

Prop. 13 sparked an explosion of ballot initiatives that continues today. Although the practice of allowing initiatives to make law while bypassing the Legislature had been in place since 1912, it was scantily used until Prop. 13 demonstrated its power. Hundreds of initiatives have been proposed since — nearly a thousand just in the last 20 years.

And while the rates of qualification and passage are relatively tiny, voters can anticipate facing about a dozen ballot propositions every two years. Most faintly resemble, if at all, truly grassroots movements. The vast majority are sponsored by narrow economic or ideological interests seeking to gain financial or political advantages.

Backers will spend millions of dollars to draft and qualify their measures using paid signature-gathers to fill their petitions and many more millions to sell them to voters. Swing Strategies, a Sacramento political consulting firm that specializes in ballot measures, says placing a measure on the ballot can cost more than \$10 million, and campaigns can hit the \$100 million mark.

During a webinar on the 2026 initiative picture this week, Swing Strategies said 48 measures were originally proposed, 36 of them tried to make the ballot by collecting the required number of valid voter signatures and 17 are true contenders as the April 17 deadline for submitting petitions draws near.

The 17 contenders fit the mold of reflecting narrow interests. Many harken back to 1978, when politicians placed a rival measure on the ballot in hopes of killing Prop. 13.

For example, Service Employees International Union-United Healthcare Workers West (or SEIU-UHW), a huge health care worker union, has a measure to limit health care executives' compensation, and the California Hospital Association countered with a proposition to compel health care unions to tell members how much money they spend on politics.

Another example: Personal injury lawyers have a measure to hold ride-share companies liable for sexual assaults by drivers, while Uber has one to limit lawyers' fees in auto crash lawsuits.

There's also a quadruple play on taxes.

SEIU-UHW is sponsoring a 5% tax on the wealth of California billionaires to provide more health care money, and the California Teachers Association wants to make a temporary surtax on high-income Californians permanent.

Meanwhile, business and anti-tax groups propose making local government tax increases more difficult by increasing their vote thresholds — paying homage to Prop. 13. But a measure placed on the ballot by the Legislature would torpedo it by requiring a higher vote threshold for measures that raise tax increase vote thresholds.

That's a clone of the Prop. 13 duel 48 years ago. Some things never change.

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

If Either of us Die, Will the other Get a Social Security Survivor Benefit?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am 79. My husband is also 79 and we both receive Social Security benefits. We were both married before, and we married each other at the age of 58. Am I to understand correctly that when either of us dies, the surviving spouse is not eligible to collect the deceased spouse's Social Security benefits? Please correct me if I am wrong.

Signed: Curious Spouse

Dear Curious Spouse: A surviving spouse only gets one benefit - either their own SS retirement amount, or their deceased spouse's amount, whichever is more. So, the Social Security benefit that the deceased was receiving at death will be paid to the surviving spouse, replacing any smaller SS payment the survivor was already collecting. To be sure you

are aware, the surviving spouse will also be eligible for a one-time lump sum death benefit of \$255 (I know it isn't much, but it should be claimed anyway).

Also, unless the surviving spouse was already receiving a spousal benefit while both partners were living, the surviving spouse will need to contact Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 (or at the local SS field office) to make an appointment to apply for their survivor benefit.

One other thing to be aware of since you were both married before: if either of you die, and your first marriage lasted at least 10 years and your ex-spouse has also died, the surviving spouse will have a choice to collect a survivor benefit from either the ex-spouse, or the most recently deceased spouse, whichever amount is more. But, again, you can only collect one benefit payment as a surviving spouse - either from your ex-spouse or from your recently deceased spouse, whichever benefit is higher.

FYI, survivor benefits are a confusing area of Social Security, so you

might also find informative this article I recently published, as it goes more deeply into surviving spouse benefits (including benefits for surviving minor children and surviving adult disabled children). Read the article titled “Demystifying Social Security Survivor Benefits” at www.amacfoundation.org/demystifying-social-security-survivor-benefits/. Of course, if you have any further questions, please contact us at 1.888.750.2622, or email us at SSadvisor@amacfoundation.org. There is never a fee for our services.

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Yes, Boldly Go

boring, and there was nothing particularly ambitious about the International Space Station. Rovers and telescopes were worthy endeavors, but not thrilling.

There is no substitute for manned space flight. The Artemis project is not exactly boldly going where no man has gone before, since it seeks to return to the moon after we were there half a century ago. But sending astronauts 250,000 miles from Earth as part of a project to eventually set up a base on the moon is the most enterprising NASA project since Apollo.

This is all to the good, but Artemis has been plagued by delays and cost overruns. NASA hasn't been able to replicate the urgent, mission-driven approach that characterized the Apollo program. It took eight years to get to the moon the first time, while Artemis has been going for nine years and we still aren't back.

NASA projects tend to get caught in a cycle: One president proposes a big new initiative, only for it to get canceled by his successor, who proposes his own initiative that is canceled in turn. The worst case scenario is that a Democratic president elected in 2028 nixes Artemis because President Trump favored it.

That said, the space expert Robert Zubrin notes that space is particularly appealing to Americans as a people defined, in part, by the frontier. JFK talked of “the New Frontier,” and the famous

open of the TV show “Star Trek” called space “the final frontier.”

Certainly, the American space program is a marked contrast with that of the Europeans, the European Space Agency. NASA's budget is several times larger. We've sent men to the moon, whereas they haven't. And we've sent multiple successful landers and rovers to Mars (the first lander in 1976, the first rover in 1997), whereas the ESA has only managed two unsuccessful landers.

Getting back to the moon is nice, but it is a manned mission to Mars that should be our ultimate objective. It would truly be another giant leap for mankind, opening up a vista of homo sapiens as a multi-planetary species. The technological challenge would be significant, requiring Apollo-like exertions, while there's much of scientific importance to be learned on the Red Planet.

Right now, the most popular movie in America is “Project Hail Mary,” a sci-fi thriller about a desperate mission into space. The film plays to our inherent interest in journeys into the unknown, and to our admiration for those who have the courage to explore new worlds, from Francis Drake to Neil Armstrong.

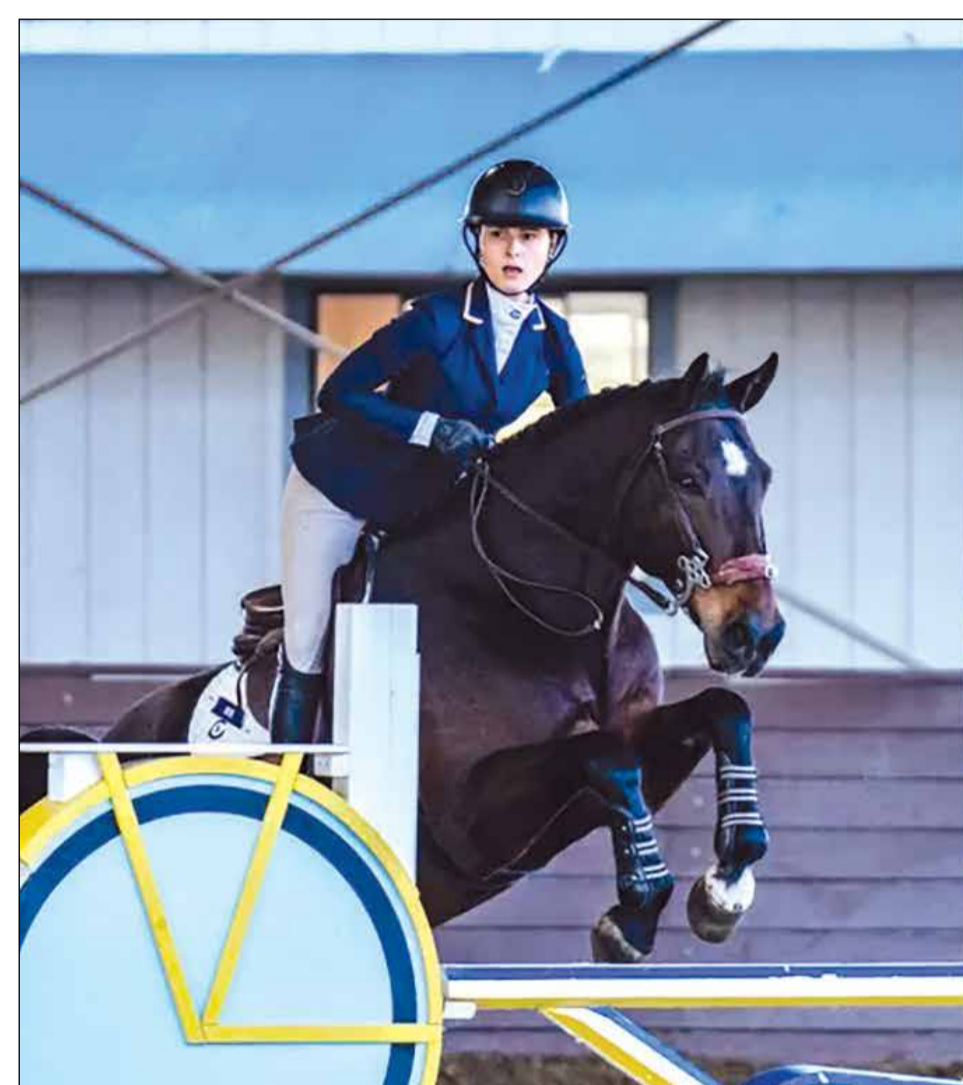
Artemis II tapped into the same thing, which is why that BBC reporter -- and so many of the rest of us -- were so moved.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Kolbe and Clader Earn NCEA Ariat All-America Honors



Lauren Kolbe (left) and Mya Clader (right) have been selected to the All-America First Team in Fences. Photo courtesy of UC Davis

UC Davis News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - The National College Equestrian Association (NCEA) has announced its 2025-26 All-America honors, recognizing Lauren Kolbe and Mya Clader for their stand-out performances throughout the regular season. Junior Lauren Kolbe headlines

the honors with a selection to the All-America First Team in Fences. Recognized as one of the top six riders in the nation for the discipline, Kolbe also secured Second Team All-America honors on the Flat. These distinctions bring Kolbe's career total to three All-America honors, having previously earned a First Team Flat nod during the 2024-25 season.

Her dual-discipline success this year cements her status as one of the most versatile and consistent Jumping Seat riders in the country.

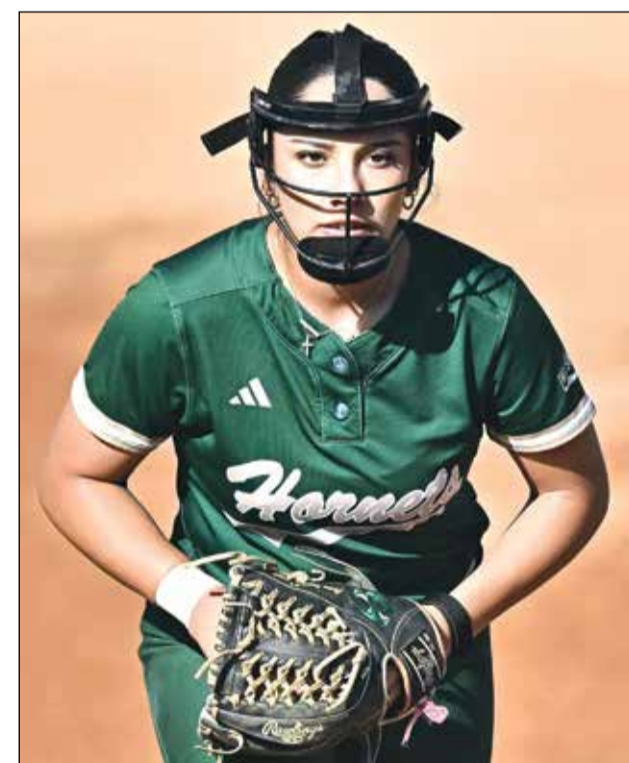
Joining the All-America ranks is senior Mya Clader, who earns her first career NCEA distinction with a Second Team selection in Reining. Clader's performance in the Western arena was a hallmark of the Aggies' successful season,

as she met the elite statistical requirements to be named among the top five Reining riders in the nation for the Second Team list.

The top riders per event nationally are named First Team All-America, while the next group earns Second Team honors. With these selections, UC Davis continues to demonstrate its presence on the national

stage, placing multiple riders on the All-America list for the third consecutive year and maintaining a tradition of excellence across both the Jumping Seat and Western disciplines. With these three selections, the Aggies have now placed at least one rider on the NCEA First or Second All-America Team every year since 2022. ★

Ortiz Named Big Sky Pitcher of the Week



Junior Alexa Ortiz has been named the Big Sky Conference Pitcher of the Week after helping the Hornets to a series win at Weber State. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

Sacramento State Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Junior Alexa Ortiz has been named the Big Sky Conference Pitcher of the Week after helping the Hornets to a series win at Weber State.

Sacramento State (24-14, 3-3) took two of three in Ogden against the

Wildcats, and Ortiz was the winning pitcher in both those victories. The right-hander has been named conference pitcher of the week four times this season (Feb. 9, Feb.



23, March 2) - the most by a Hornet since Marissa Bertuccio won the award five times in 2023.

Ortiz finished the series 2-0 with a 1.27 ERA, which included an eight-inning complete game in the team's 5-2 victory in the rubber game of the series.

In 11.0 innings, the Chandler, Ariz., native allowed 11 hits and just two runs with six strikeouts. Opponents hit .268, and she yielded one extra base hit.

In the eight-inning complete-game victory, Ortiz allowed eight hits and a pair of runs while throwing 119 pitches. She went three innings to earn the win in the Hornets' five-inning mercy rule victory on Friday, allowing just three hits and no runs with three strikeouts.

Ortiz (9-6, 2.58 ERA) leads the Big Sky in opponent batting average (.218) and strikeouts (82), while ranking second in ERA and wins. ★

Desmond, Wanner and Edwards Earn U.S Open Cup Team of the Round



For their performances in the Indomitable Club's match-up against Valley 5599 FC, Captain Lee Desmond, Dominik Wanner and Kyle Edwards earned honors for the second round of the tournament. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - U.S. Soccer recently named the latest Team of the Round for 2026 edition of the U.S. Open Cup. For their performances in the Indomitable Club's match-up against Valley 5599 FC, Captain Lee Desmond, Dominik Wanner and Kyle Edwards earned honors for the second round of the tournament.

Republic FC pushed through the rainy elements and held the advantage all night to come away with a 4-0 victory against Valley 559 FC. Lee Desmond, a key member of the 2022 Republic FC squad that made a historic run to the Open Cup Final, got the club on the board early with a header in the 11th minute. Later in the half, he would preserve the clean sheet with a stellar goal line clearance that had him sliding into the goal post to make

the save. The assist came from Dominik Wanner, who went on to finish the match with two assists and a goal of his own. The German winger now leads the tournament with three assists in 2026.

Offseason addition Kyle Edwards also made his statement on the match, recording a brace – the second Open Cup brace for Republic FC this year – and an assist.

With the Second Round win, The Quails have advanced to the Round of 32 for the fifth consecutive season and hosted MLS club Minnesota United FC on April 14. MLS opponents have become a regular occurrence for the Indomitable Club in Cup play, with eight matchups over the last four seasons. Since its inaugural season, the club has six "Cupsets" over higher-seeded teams, more than any other USL club, and amassed an impressive 21 home tournament wins.

Republic FC tickets are available at SacRepublicFC.com. ★

Seven Aggies Named National Football Foundation Hampshire Scholars

UC Davis Athletics News Release

IRVINE, TX (MPG) - Cole Batson, Rex Connors, Mitchell Dixon, Jacob Psyk, Nate Rutchena, Eli Simonson and Derrell Smith-Porter have all been recognized by the National

Football Foundation for the contributions on the field and in the classroom with all seven UC Davis football student-athletes being named members of the 2026 NFF Hampshire Honor Society as announced by the NFF. Celebrating its 20th

anniversary, the NFF Hampshire Honor Society has recognized 23,568 student-athletes from 691 schools since 2007. The 2026 class, which includes a record 2,596 players from 365 schools, represents the largest group in the program's history and underscores

the sustained academic achievement taking place across all levels of college football.

Created in 2007, the NFF Hampshire Honor Society is one of the most comprehensive scholar-athlete initiatives in college athletics, recognizing football players from all

divisions who have maintained a cumulative 3.2 GPA or higher throughout their college careers.

For the full criteria and history visit: <https://footballfoundation.org/sports/2018/7/30/hampshire-honor-society.aspx> ★

UC Davis Picnic Day: Where Bugs Are Invited

UC Davis News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - At the 112th annual campuswide UC Davis Picnic Day April 18, bugs are not only invited, but escorted.

The “stars of the show” are the UC Davis Department of Entomology and Nematology’s line-up of cockroaches, flies, mosquitoes, ants, bees, tarantulas, stick insects, hornworms, lady beetles, nematodes and more at Briggs Hall. Favorite activities include the traditional cockroach races and maggot art.

Heading the student-faculty entomology committee this year are UC Davis Entomology Graduate Student Association (EGSA) member Grace Horne, a doctoral candidate in the lab of urban landscape entomologist Emily Meineke, associate professor, and Marshall McMunn, assistant professor of teaching.

New this year will be origami insect art, coordinated by McMunn; and a wetlands restoration exhibit headed by medical entomologist and geneticist Geoffrey Attardo, associate professor, Department of Entomology and Nematology.

The entomological activities, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., will all take place in or around Briggs Hall: in Rooms 122 and 158; in the courtyard; and on the lawn.

EGSA will be selling student-designed T-shirts and stickers near the entrance of Briggs. The official EGSA Picnic Day 2026 shirt, titled “Product of Migration,” features migratory insects and was primarily illustrated by Veronica Casey, a doctoral candidate in Shahid Siddique’s nematology lab, according to EGSA treasurer Briley Mullen, a Ph.D. student in Ian Grettenberger’s lab.

Mullen added that the design was a collaborative effort with Veronica

El Robeck, a second-year entomology Ph.D. student in Professor Chris Barker’s lab, and Carla-Cristina “CC” Edwards, a doctoral candidate in the Attardo lab. The shirt comes in light blue and will be available as both a T-shirt and a long-sleeve. The design will also be featured on stickers sold at the EGSA booth.

The second-place winning T-shirt in the EGSA contest was “Picnic Day with Pals,” designed by Olivia Lopez, a first-year entomology PhD student in the lab of Professor Fumika Hamada of the Department of Neurobiology, Physiology and Behavior. The emblem is also a sticker.

EGSA sells T-shirts and stickers year-round on its website at <https://ucdavisentgrad.square.site/>.

The list of activities and events is available at entnem.ucdavis.edu/news/uc-davis-picnic-day-lets-go-bugs.



UC Davis doctoral candidate Grace Horne, co-chair of the UC Davis Department of Entomology and Nematology’s Picnic Day Committee, holding a hickory horned devil caterpillar (*Citheronia regalis*). Photo courtesy of UC Davis

Public Health Laboratory Receives National Award for Health and Environmental Practices

Solano County News Release

SOLANO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Napa-Solano-Yolo-Marin County Regional Public Health Laboratory, operated by Solano County, has been recognized with the Healthiest Laboratory Award from the Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) for its commitment to staff wellness, laboratory safety and environmentally responsible practices. This year’s awardees will be announced during the May 2026 APHL Annual Conference Awards Breakfast in Baltimore.

The Healthiest Laboratory Award honors laboratories in local health jurisdictions that show an outstanding commitment

to employee health and wellness while actively reducing their environmental impact through holistic practices and policies. This commitment is made possible through a strong collaboration between Solano County Health and Social Services and the Napa Solano Yolo Marin County Regional Public Health Laboratory to integrate countywide wellness initiatives and laboratory specific safety practices that protect staff, the community and the environment from biological and chemical hazards.

“We thank our laboratory staff for their continued dedication to maintaining a safe and supportive work environment,” said Beatrix Kapusinszky, Laboratory

Director. “This recognition speaks to how our team supports and achieves their wellness goals and maintains conscientious safety practices while carrying out essential work in disease detection, monitoring and prevention.”

The laboratory supports staff health, safety and wellness through a range of policies and practices, including the following. Workplace wellness programs, ergonomic workstations, supportive break policies and staff-led team walk activities

Regular training, ongoing education, and standard operating procedures for safe laboratory practices, including the proper handling, segregation, and disposal of chemical and biological materials

Required use of personal protective equipment to reduce risk and exposure

Dedicated personnel responsible for bio-safety, hazardous materials and quality assurance

Routine health screening and vaccinations for laboratory personnel

Opportunities for professional development, like the public health microbiologist training program

For Solano County Health and Social Services employee wellness policies, training, and development opportunities, visit the County’s Human Resources page. For public health laboratory services, visit Napa-Solano-Yolo-Marin Public Health Laboratory.

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