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Filling Boots to Heal Injuries

Annual Firefighter Drive Supports Burn Survivors



Cosumnes Fire Department Captain of Engine 71, left, and firefighter pictured with their boots in hand during the May 2 "Fill the Boot for Burns" charity event at the Laguna Boulevard and Bruceville Road intersection.

**Story and photos
by Idaly Valencia**

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Firefighters, interns and volunteers with the Cosumnes Fire Department returned May 2 to the intersection of Laguna Boulevard and Bruceville Road for their annual "Fill the Boot for Burns" charity event, collecting donations from drivers stopped at the light in

support of burn victims. About 50 to 75 participants staffed all four corners of the intersection, wearing firefighter jackets or yellow-striped volunteer gear with helmets. The event ran from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and, for the second year, also drew community members who displayed their classic cars on one side of the intersection as donations were collected.

According to the Cosumnes Community Services District, the department has helped to raise nearly \$700,000 over its 21 years of participation in the boot drive. Funds support burn survivors and their families through the Firefighters Burn Institute. The regional drive is held by dozens of fire agencies across Northern

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Major Road Work Along Laguna Begins



This rendering shows the planned design for the completed center median improvements, with work expected to continue through the summer. Photo courtesy of City of Elk Grove

By MPG Staff

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - The city announced that road work has begun, as of May 4, along Laguna Boulevard between Bruceville Road and Laguna Springs Drive to address worn pavement conditions and improve landscaping on center medians.

According to a city update, tree removals will take place during daytime hours and will result in center lane closures.

"During evaluation of the roadway, it was determined that pavement rehabilitation was needed due to existing trees in the center medians that were causing the pavement surface to lift and crack," a city post on April 30 read. "The trees were reviewed by a certified master arborist, and after considering multiple options, removal was identified as the most effective way to prevent ongoing roadway damage and reduce long-term maintenance needs."

City officials said pavement repairs will begin first, followed by work on the medians in the summer. Tree removal will allow for roadway repairs, irrigation upgrades and grading. New trees will be planted with spacing designed to reduce future impacts on the roadway.

The project will also include roadway improvements using cold-in-place recycling, which reuses existing asphalt to rebuild the road base before a new surface is added. The post noted that the process extends the life of the roadway while reducing the need for new materials and hauling.

During construction, pavement work (funded by Measure E) will take place nightly from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., with lanes reopening each morning. Drivers should expect reduced speeds and uneven pavement conditions through the work zone during day-time hours.

The post also explained that crews will begin median landscape renovations later this summer, including removal of existing trees and installation of new trees, and adding drought-tolerant plants. ★

Victims' Families Fight for Accountability, Change in Law



Photos of Connor Lopez along with his skateboard, motorcycle helmet and other personal items on a Star Wars sheet honors him as one of several victims represented at an April 23 rally at the State Capitol calling for an end to vehicular violence.

**Story and photos
by Idaly Valencia**

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Family and friends of 23-year-old Connor Lopez filled a courtroom April 17 for a second hearing in the misdemeanor vehicular manslaughter case tied to his death, an emotional proceeding

that came nearly one year after the fatal crash. Lopez was killed April 23, 2025, in a traffic collision his family said should have never happened. According to police, he was riding his motorcycle along Sheldon Road when an SUV turned left from the oncoming lane into the WinCo

shopping center and struck him. In the months since, his family has sought accountability while raising concerns that the driver, Harjit Kaur, could avoid any penalties, such as potentially having their driving record cleared. A vehicular manslaughter charge

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Victims' Families Fight for Accountability, Change in Law



Allison Lyman, center, poses with families present at the April 23 rally along with state lawmakers State Sen. Roger Niello and Assemblymember Tom Lackey.



State Sen. Roger Niello speaks at an April 23 State Capitol rally against vehicular violence organized by Connor Lopez's family, voicing support for Senate Bill 1198, which would strengthen penalties for reckless driving offenses in California.

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was filed four months after the crash. However, the family said they later learned the driver could be eligible for diversion under Assembly Bill 3234.

The law allows pretrial diversion programs for misdemeanor offenses, including certain traffic violations. Charges such as driving under the influence and vehicular manslaughter may be dismissed if a defendant completes program requirements.

During the April 17 hearing, members of the Lopez-Lyman family urged the judge to consider jail time for the driver, arguing that they drove recklessly and broke the law, leading to Lopez's death.

A witness also took the stand, recounting what she saw as the first person to reach Lopez at the crash scene. The proceeding also gave loved ones an opportunity to remember him, including a slideshow of photos set to audio of Lopez playing Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" on the piano.

After hearing testimonials, the judge scheduled the next court date for May 15 and took no further action.

As the case continues, Lopez's mother, Allison Lyman, has remained active in advocating against vehicular violence as the family continues to seek justice.

Much of that effort has focused on educating the public about diversion laws and pushing for legislative changes that would exclude vehicular manslaughter cases from eligibility.

Lyman joined other families who have lost loved ones to negligent driving at an April 23 rally at the west steps of the State Capitol, where participants came from across California and out of state.

The gathering featured traffic cones displaying photos of loved ones killed in crashes involving speeding, distracted driving, reckless driving and driving under the influence.

Families shared testimonies about their grief and frustration with what they described as limited accountability from offenders in similar cases.

State Sen. Roger Niello (R-Fair Oaks) and Assemblymember Tom Lackey (R-Palmdale) attended the rally and voiced support for the effort, including backing Senate Bill 1198, which would strengthen

penalties for reckless driving offenses in California.

Niello said during the rally that Lyman had connected with his office with concerns about the diversion program and stressed that anyone who takes a life behind the wheel should have that history permanently reflected on their driving record.

"Driving is not a right; it is a privilege, and it comes with responsibility," Niello said. "Now, there's nothing we can say or do to change what did happen, but we can work to change the future."

Niello said SB 1198, if approved, would ensure that drivers convicted of vehicular manslaughter would have that record reflected by the Department of Motor Vehicles, which he said is not currently the case.

"We can build a system that treats these tragedies with the gravity that they deserve," Niello said. "A system that ensures accountability, a system that puts victims and families of victims first."

Also speaking at the rally was Amelia Snyder, mother of 17-year-old Julian Snyder, who died Nov. 16, 2024, after

being struck by a speeding driver in Roseville.

"Death due to vehicular manslaughter should be far more greater than a misdemeanor, class, work project, probation or possible diversion," Snyder said. "We shouldn't have to hope for accountability or hope for justice. The laws should be in place protecting victims."

Lyman also reflected on her son during the rally, noting that it marked exactly one year since his death.

She described Lopez as "extraordinary" and said he brought light to their family, adding that he was born on the day of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, which she said made his birth especially meaningful on a day marked by tragedy.

Lyman acknowledged that passing the law would not bring back their loved ones but said it could help prevent future deaths by ensuring accountability for those who cause them through negligence.

"When you take a life due to negligence, that should never be a misdemeanor," she said. "When you are charged with vehicular manslaughter, you should be in court." ★

Filling Boots to Heal Injuries



Firefighters Burn Institute volunteer Ernie Rice holds a child-sized firefighter helmet at the booth during the May 2 "Fill the Boot for Burns" drive put on by the Cosumnes Fire Department at Laguna Boulevard and Bruceville Road.



A Cosumnes firefighter extends his boot for a donation from a passing driver on Bruceville Road on May 2.

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and Central California, funding treatment and long-term recovery programs, including Firefighters Kids Camp and Little Heroes Family Burn Camp for young burn survivors.

Volunteer Ernie Rice attended the event to share information about the nonprofit's mission and resources.

He said the organization was founded more than 50 years ago after a 1972 tragedy in which a jet attempting to take off from Sacramento Executive Airport crashed into a crowded ice cream parlor, killing 22 people and leaving others with severe burns. The incident underscored the need for a local specialized burn unit.

Sacramento City Fire Capt. Cliff Haskell later established the institute, which partnered with UC Davis Medical Center to open a regional burn center in 1974. Since then, the organization has expanded to include burn research, fire and burn prevention and recovery support for survivors and their families.

Rice said the fundraiser allows residents to show support while giving firefighters a chance to connect with the community outside of emergency situations.

"In my opinion, they (firefighters) get to see and get involved in the worst of the world. They're there while the destruction is being done and people are being injured..." he said. "And helping this organization helps with the front end, rehabilitation, and aftercare at that end of it, and it's their way of giving back."

He added that 94 cents of every dollar

raised goes directly to programs, supported by the volunteers who have helped hundreds of families over the years. Rice, a family member of a burn survivor, said the drive has made a meaningful difference in sustaining its programs.

Cosumnes Firefighter Manuel Carter, who helps organize the local effort with firefighter-paramedic Eric Jackson, said that community support extended beyond the donations at the intersection.

Several local businesses, including Dos Coyotes Border Cafe, Chevys, Jacks Urban Eats, Crumbl Cookie, Beach Hut Deli, Peace Coffee, Costco, Nugget and Safeway, contributed food or gift cards for volunteers. Others, including Sacramento-area attorney Ann Phoong and California Truck Specialties of Rocklin, pledged to match donations.

"At the time, no one here is on the clock. We're all off the clock on our free day, on our free time," Carter said.

The largest total raised in a single year has been \$46,000, Carter said, adding that this year's goal was to top that with \$50,000. He said expanding the event to include car clubs has helped to create a stronger community atmosphere, with plans to add food trucks and other activities in the future.

Carter, a member of Dropz Car Club himself, said this marked the second-year car clubs were invited to participate. Vehicles lined Laguna Boulevard in front of Walgreens, with groups including Elk Grove Cars and Coffee and Dropz Car Club taking part. ★



A firefighter is pictured running from car to car collecting donations from passing vehicles waiting at the Laguna Boulevard and Bruceville Road intersection.

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City Addresses Community Concerns on Immigration Enforcement

By Idaly Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Concerns raised during recent Elk Grove City Council public comment led city officials to host a community meeting April 14 that addressed immigration enforcement and responded to residents' questions.

The following is a summary of the discussion, including key information and resources provided by the city.

Addressing Resident Concerns

The Immigration Enforcement Listening Session, held at District 56, came after repeated inquiries from residents about how the city would respond if federal agents conducted immigration operations locally.

City officials organized the meeting to provide information, clarify the city's/police department's role in regard to immigration enforcement and connect residents with available resources.

The session included Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen, Assistant City Manager Jaqui Guzmán, Councilmember Sergio Robles and Police Chief Bobby Davis. Representatives from the Sacramento FUEL Network and the office of U.S. Rep. Doris Matsui also attended, along with an Elk Grove Unified School District representative who outlined set school protocols during enforcement activity near campuses.

The meeting came one week after a Know Your Rights workshop held in partnership with the Sacramento FUEL Network. The training focused on legal



protections regardless of immigration status, workplace rights and how to safely interact with federal immigration officials.

Guzmán, who helped facilitate the discussion, said the effort stemmed from the ongoing feedback received during City Council meetings. She said a resident who initially raised concerns during public comment was offered a private meeting on the matter, but interest grew after word spread, drawing about 45 attendees.

That turnout, Guzmán said, highlighted the need for a larger public forum.

Local Authorities' Roles Explained

City officials emphasized that the Elk Grove Police Department operates in compliance with state law under the California Values Act, Senate Bill 54, which limits local law enforcement agencies from assisting federal immigration authorities or interfering with their operations.

Guzmán said the city's goal through the meeting and subsequent Know Your Rights trainings is to better prepare residents with information and tools so they

know how to respond if immigration enforcement activity occurs in town.

"We do have to be very careful how we manage these issues; I think that the city has been focused on, how can we support residents and make residents feel safe?" Guzmán said.

Police Chief Davis said the department does not cooperate with Immigration and Customs Enforcement on enforcement actions and does not grant federal agents access to the city's secure facilities.

"Our organization has been very clear that we don't do that," he said.

Davis added that officers may respond if public safety is at risk and document incidents when necessary.

He also emphasized the importance of understanding legal rights, including the distinction between judicial and administrative warrants. Residents can refuse entry if federal agents present an administrative warrant, he said, noting the department only serves warrants signed by a California judge.

Resources and Community Support

City officials said Elk Grove is working with the Elk Grove Unified School District and legal aid organizations to share accurate information, offer trainings and connect residents with free legal services, as well as develop emergency plans for students and families.

A school district representative highlighted California Assembly Bill 49 and Senate Bill 98, which limit Immigration and Customs Enforcement activity on

school campuses. The laws require a judicial warrant to access nonpublic areas and mandate community notification of enforcement activity. More information is available at egusd.net/StudentsFamilies/ResourcesSupports/Immigration-Protection/index.html.

Additional resources and training information are available on the city's website at elkgrove.gov/community-safety-programs-and-services/resources-and-information-immigrants.

Guzmán and Nicole Zanardi of the Sacramento FUEL Network encouraged residents who suspect immigration enforcement activity to call a rapid response hotline at 916-382-0256, which can dispatch individuals to verify whether the activity is confirmed.

"We want to be prepared and responsive, not be reactive..." Zanardi said.

A field representative from Rep. Matsui's office said constituents seeking assistance related to immigration enforcement should document interactions and contact the office if needed. The office can be reached at matsui.house.gov/contact or 916-498-0560.

Councilmember Robles said in a statement after the session that the meeting highlighted the city's commitment to serving the community with transparency and with residents' safety prioritized.

"Our city's strength is our diversity, and our responsibility is clear: Every resident should feel safe, heard and respected, no exceptions," Robles said. "That's the standard we have to uphold." ★

RELIGION NEWS

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church's Mass Schedule

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church invites everyone to celebrations of Holy Mass at 8700 Bradshaw Road.

Masses are at 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and noon on Sundays. Also Masses at 9 a.m.

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. For more information, call (916) 647-4538 or visit SMGCC.net.

Field of Hope United Church of Christ

Community members are invited to Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove. Sunday School

and nursery services are available. For more information, visit www.FieldOfHopeUCC.org.

Events at Elk Grove Presbyterian Church

Rev. McNamara welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 a.m. Our church is at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big

Horn.

The church has open Communion the first Sunday of the month. For more information, Rev. McNamara can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or elkgrovepres@gmail.com.

Chabad Offers Torah Classes

Local community

members are invited to attend free weekly Torah Classes offered by Chabad of Elk Grove from 6:45-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at a private location.

For location, call (917) 724-4443.

Grace Church Hosts Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery is

a Christ-centered ministry offering help in finding freedom from the issues (hurts, hang-ups and habits) controlling your life.

Meetings are 7 p.m. Fridays at 9766 Waterman Road, next to Mel Dogs. Sunday Worship at 10 a.m. For more information, call (916) 714 3444) or visit GraceChurchEG.org. ★

ARTS CALENDAR

Studio Collection Featured

The Elk Grove Fine Arts Center presents two featured artist collections in May with Kim Brownell and Andrea Morris. The exhibitions open with a First Saturday Public Reception from 4 to 7 p.m. May 2. Details at elkgrovetfineartscenter.org.

Art Workshops for Adults

Enhance your visual arts skills or learn a new technique in an art class or workshop at the Elk Grove Fine Arts Center.

The center periodically offers workshops for younger people, dependent upon the instructor and type of class.

If you're looking for basic to advanced instruction in Batiking, Ceramics, Clay,

Encaustics, Fabric Art, Mixed-Media, Mosaics, Plein Air, or Watercolor (and more!), you will find it here.

To learn more, visit elkgrovetfineartscenter.org/workshop.

The arts center, at 9020 Elk Grove Blvd., Suite 101, is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesdays through Saturdays, and Sundays 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

View Artwork from Elk Grove

The Elk Grove Arts and Creative Economy Commission has created a virtual Citywide Art Guide to art pieces and art events in Elk Grove.

Visit webmaps.elkgrovecity.org/publicartelkgrove. ★

M E M O R I A L

WAYNE HOWARD "TOOKIE" MCKEAN • 08/01/1935 — 04/19/2026

Wayne Howard McKean, lovingly known as "Tookie," passed away peacefully at his home on April 19, 2026, surrounded by his immediate family. He was 90 years old.

Wayne was a member of the federally recognized Wilton Rancheria Tribe of Sacramento County and was one of eight siblings.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 50 years, Delinda McKean; his children, Pam and Eric McKean; his grandchildren, Melissa and Steven; and six great-grandchildren, and his former

who spent time working in the fields in Wilton, California as a young man. He retired as a mechanic in 1997. He also had a deep love for baseball and was known for his creativity and artistry, crafting unique jewelry from rocks, wood, bullets, and other natural materials.

Wayne will be remembered for his artistic spirit, quiet strength, and the love he shared with his family.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at Mount Vernon Memorial Park.

wife, Marjorie "Squeak" Franklin.

He was preceded in death by his son, Wayne McKean Jr., who passed away in 2011.

Wayne proudly served in the United States Air Force as a mechanic. He was a hardworking man

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Pastor Joe Dapelo
916-689-7300

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Sunday June 28, 2 p.m.
Sunday July 26, 2 p.m.
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A Veteran Thank TODAY

Office Tours and Election Observation Available

Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center Locations Posted



Observation is an important part of elections. The VRE invites Sacramento County residents to observe these processes anytime they are running. Photo Designed by Magnific

Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Department of Voter Registration and Elections is preparing for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election. For more information, visit: elections.saccounty.gov/#gsc.tab=0.

For those interested in learning more about how the complex processes of elections work, tours and opportunities to observe are offered by the Voter Registration and Elections office.

Tours are available Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Q&A Session are offered those same days at 4 p.m. No appointment is required for the Q&A.

Schedule your tour at: <https://app.acuity-scheduling.com/schedule/3ed1683e/>

Observation is an important part of

elections. The VRE invites Sacramento County residents to observe these processes anytime they are running. You do not need to schedule an appointment for observation.

Those interested are encouraged to review the Election Observer Guidelines Handbook to learn what processes might be of interest to you and to learn of your rights and responsibilities as an election observer.

The handbook is available at: elections.saccounty.gov/content/dam/vre/documents/ELECTION%20OBSERVER%20GUIDELINES%20HANDBOOK.pdf

For more information, contact the Voter Registration and Elections (VRE) office at 916-875-6451, email voterinfo@saccounty.gov or use the toll-free voter assistance hotline at 800-762-8019. The hotline has the ability to connect voters with disabilities with TTY (Text Telephone). ★

Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Voter Registration and Elections (VRE) has posted the list of Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations for the June 2, 2026, Primary Election on the VRE website at elections.saccounty.gov.

Vote by Mail ballots will be mailed to voters beginning May 4. Ballot Drop Boxes will begin opening Monday, May 4, and Vote Centers will begin opening Saturday, May 23. A complete list of Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations and days and hours of operation can be found at: <https://elections.saccounty.gov/votecenters/pages/locations.aspx>

Voter registration for the June 2, 2026

Primary Election will close on Monday, May 18. Voter registration forms must be postmarked by this date or delivered to the VRE Office at 7000 65th St., Suite A, Sacramento 95823 by 5:00 p.m.

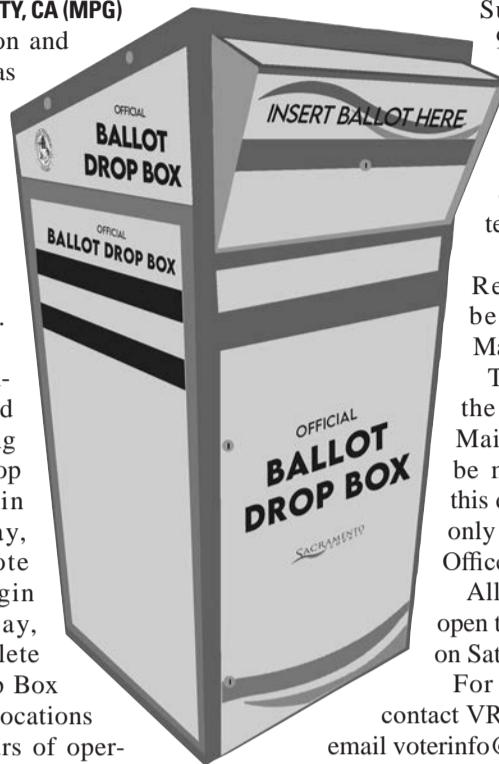
Online voter registration must be completed before midnight on this date at <https://registertovote.ca.gov/>.

Conditional Voter Registration (CVR) begins on Tuesday, May 19.

Tuesday, May 26 is the last day a Vote by Mail (VBM) ballot can be mailed to you. After this date, VBM ballots are only available at the VRE Office or a Vote Center.

All Vote Centers will be open throughout the County on Saturday, May 30.

For more information, contact VRE at (916) 875-6451, email voterinfo@saccounty.gov, or by using the toll-free voter assistance hotline at (800) 762-8019. The hotline has the ability to connect voters with disabilities with TTY (Text Telephone). ★



Accessing My Voter Portal (MVP)



Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - My Voter Portal (MVP) is a dynamic online tool that allows voters to access their voter registration history, view ballot status and voting participation history. MVP also allows voters to view their County Voter Information Guide, access accessible election materials, find Vote Center and Official Ballot Drop Box locations nearby, and much more during an election! Voters can access the MVP site on any device that is able to connect to the internet.

Check it out at: <https://myvoterportal.saccounty.gov/LookupVoter>.

If you have questions or need help, contact VRE at (916) 875-6451, email voterinfo@saccounty.gov, or use the toll-free voter assistance hotline at (800) 762-8019. The hotline has the ability to connect voters with disabilities with TTY (Text Telephone). ★



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June 2, 2026, Statewide Direct Primary Election

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- Ballots will begin to arrive the week of May 4

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- By Mail
- At an Official Ballot Drop Box
- At a Vote Center (starting May 23)

You can find a full list of Official Ballot Drop Box and Vote Center locations in your County Voter Information Guide or online at www.elections.saccounty.gov



Vote Early! Vote by Mail.

My Voter Portal (MVP)

- Check your registration status
- View your political party preference
- Update your language preference if other than English
- Track your Vote by Mail status
- Access your Remote Accessible Vote by Mail Ballot
- Locate Official Ballot Drop Boxes or Vote Centers near you
- View your voting history



Scan the QR code or visit myvoterportal.saccounty.gov

Visit www.elections.saccounty.gov or call toll-free (800) 762-8019

Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Kings Look to Draft Lottery

If you're watching the NBA playoffs count yourself a true basketball fan, because the Sacramento Kings fans don't have a dog in the fight. That's true today, but it doesn't have to be that way.

Just 4 short years ago this city got a taste of what playoff basketball is all about, and I was amazed at the energy it brought to the capital city. I was at both games hosted by the Kings, and I've never experienced the energy that was present in Golden One Arena when the Golden State Warriors came to town.

The Kings came up a little short ultimately, but it marked a moment in time that said, we've arrived!

Sadly, leadership let us down, and what was the most potent offense in the NBA that season, morphed into something else with coaches preaching that the Kings needed to play better defense.

Today's team has a bevy of talent already present, but opportunity was stolen from them when injuries not only occurred but became an epidemic this past season.

So do we give ownership and coaching staff a pass since our best players sat out most of the season? Maybe not a pass, but as knowledgeable fans at least an understanding of what happened.

Time to turn our attention to present day, and what the upcoming season may have in store.

First order of business. Take stock in what you have and don't give it away.

First and foremost, wait on any trades to find out where in the June 23 draft the Sacramento Kings will be drafting.

Don't get the cart before the horse, and by all means don't listen to any offers that would raid this team of valuable talent. That already happened once with the departure of DeAaron Fox, and all Kings fans hope it will never happen again.

So, all eyes turn to May 10 when the ping pong balls will determine the order of the draft, and on that fateful night anything can happen.

Last season it was the Dallas Mavericks that defied the odds and secured the #1 draft choice. All they did was pick Cooper Flagg, who went on to start his NBA career by

being last season's rookie of the year.

Such are the possibilities that the draft can bring, and will it bring fortune for the Sacramento Kings on May 10th?

Well, we are about to see.

I recently watched a documentary called The Logo, which told the life story of the unconquerable Jerry West. Everyone already knew of his prowess as a basketball player, but perhaps not everyone knew that he was equally as talented evaluating talent.

The documentary told how West built the Los Angeles Lakers into a dynasty and then took his talents to Memphis where he helped build the Grizzlies into a perennial playoff team. Just when one would have thought Jerry West's career was winding down, he brought his audacious talent to San Francisco where he helped the franchise build a dynasty around the likes of Steph Curry, Klay Thompson, and Draymond Green.

The ability to judge talent. Often working behind the scenes but men like Jerry West are the real stars of the show, and the Sacramento Kings are in need of such a man right now.

Is that the man sitting in the general managers seat by the name of Scott Perry? We are about to see, and what an opportunity to put your mark on a franchise thirsty for a new direction.

The Memphis Grizzlies haven't yet won a franchise, but they're a perennial playoff team, and what would the Sacramento fan base give to say that.

Yes, I'm preaching hope, but it has more than a realistic possibility of occurring, and it's time to rally around this franchise with renewed vigor.

I was present at a lot of basketball games last season that I didn't enjoy, but I'm happy to say it wasn't because of lack of effort. Our Sactown boys played hard, to the point they were actually receiving criticism for playing too hard down the stretch.

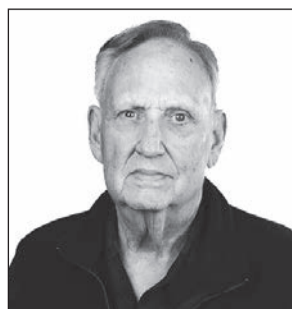
Never let it be said we play too hard.

Put on your lucky sock's Kings fans or buy a rabbit's foot, because May 10 is right around the corner!

All the best!

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How the Supreme Court's Voting Rights Act Ruling Could Affect California's Gerrymandered Districts



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

When California's independent redistricting commissions drew new maps of the state's congressional and legislative districts after the 2010 and 2020 censuses, their members were emphatically told by legal advisors that the federal Voting Rights Act required them to maximize opportunities for ethnic communities to elect officeholders.

The commissions went to great lengths to fold that mandate into the geographic boundaries of the districts, even if it required them to ignore city and county lines.

The effect was to enhance the ranks of Black, Latino and Asian representatives in Congress and the state Capitol. It also helped Democrats achieve overwhelming majorities in the Legislature and the state's congressional delegation, thus leaving Republicans with only token representation.

The commission's redistricting plans were, in effect, gerrymanders, if one defines that term as meaning to seek predetermined outcomes — even though the commission was created, via two ballot measures in 2008 and 2010, in response to gerrymanders the Legislature had decreed in prior decades.

Last year, Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature asked voters to set aside the commission's

overwhelmingly pro-Democrat congressional districts and adopt even more lopsided maps, to give Democrats five more seats. It was a response to efforts, backed by President Donald Trump, to gerrymander more Republican districts in Texas and other red states.

Voters agreed by passing Proposition 50. This year's election will test whether the gerrymander has been successful and whether it has enough impact to restore Democratic control of the House of Representatives.

While setting aside the redistricting commission's maps, Prop. 50 promised that the maps would be effective not only this year, but for the 2028 and 2030 election cycles, after which the commission process would be restored using data from the 2030 census.

It's difficult to believe that when the time comes Democrats would truly allow the commission to once again draw the maps. The party's leaders never liked the commission process in the first place, and returning to it could force them to give up some of the seats they are capturing this year.

Additionally, California's congressional delegation, now 52 members, is likely to shrink by four or five seats due to the state's lack of population growth, meaning even fewer positions to distribute.

On Wednesday, the U.S. Supreme Court gave California's Democratic Party leadership another reason to eliminate the redistricting commission by weakening the Voting Rights Act's effect on drawing districts to maximize representation by non-white ethnic groups.

By a 6-3 vote, the court overturned congressional

maps in Louisiana that had, by lower court order, been redrawn to create one more district for the state's Black residents. The split decision declared that a "racial gerrymander" violates the U.S. Constitution's equal rights language.

The revised congressional districts that California created via ballot measure last year will not be immediately affected by Wednesday's ruling, but it could impact states that had been weighing making changes but had not yet done so.

Furthermore, it could affect California's new maps going forward. When they were placed on the ballot, Democratic leaders boasted that they were fully in compliance with the Voting Rights Act's provisions that now have been reinterpreted. Republicans could contend via lawsuit that the maps are unconstitutional under the court's new standard.

The Supreme Court's ruling would also affect how California's redistricting commission approaches its task after the 2030 census by eliminating, or at least weakening, the mandate that guided its actions in the past.

Democratic leaders could minimize the court's decree by persuading voters to eliminate the commission, thus returning redistricting to a Legislature they overwhelmingly control — something they probably would prefer anyway.

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

I Want to do Everything Right When I Claim Social Security



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be 62 in two years. I plan on signing up for SS at age 62, but I have heard there are details that are important when signing up. When it comes time, I want to make sure I do everything right. Can you help me understand? **Signed: Claiming Soon**

Dear Claiming Soon: Deciding when to claim your Social Security benefit is a decision you should make only after careful consideration of your personal circumstances. And details are, indeed, important. For example, if you claim at age 62 (when you first become eligible), your monthly SS benefit will be only 70% of the amount you would get by waiting until age 67 to claim. And there are other considerations as well, including:

- If you are still working and claim at 62, you will be subject to Social Security's Annual Earnings Test (AET) which limits how much you can earn from working while collecting early SS benefits. The earnings limit changes each year, and for 2026 it is \$24,480. If the annual limit

after you claim early is exceeded, SS will take back \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. And, if your work earnings substantially exceed the annual limit, you may even be temporarily ineligible for early SS benefits (until you either stop working full time or reach your SS full retirement age). FYI, the AET lasts until you reach your FRA (age 67).

- The benefit reduction for claiming SS early is permanent. After you claim, you will only get increases for Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA) which occur annually according to inflation. FYI, the average annual COLA adjustment is about 2.5%.

- If you are married, the reduced benefit you get by claiming early will potentially be the basis of your spouse's survivor benefit if you pass first. Surviving spouse benefits are based on the amount you are receiving at your death, thus waiting longer for a higher personal benefit may also provide your spouse with a larger survivor benefit as your widow.

- If you wait longer than age 62, your monthly benefit will continue to increase (by approximately 6% per year) until you reach your FRA, when you get 100% of the amount you are entitled to from a lifetime of working. FYI, you can even wait longer - up to age 70 - to claim an even higher monthly amount (8% more for each year of delay after

FRA). At age 70, your SS benefit would be about 75% more than your age 62 benefit amount.

If you haven't already done so, I suggest setting up your personal online "my Social Security" account at www.ssa.gov/myaccount to see what your SS benefits are estimated to be at various ages. Then, when you are closer to age 62, contact us again to talk about your specific personal circumstances at the time, and we can provide you with everything you need to know about applying for Social Security.

In the end, when claiming your Social Security benefits, you should consider your financial need, your health and life expectancy, your plans for working, and your marital status. We commend you for exploring this well in advance of becoming eligible and we will be here to assist when it is time for you to apply.

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Andrew Jackson is the only president of the United States who got the better of his attempted assassin.

The aged Jackson was at the Capitol for a congressional funeral when a crazed man named Richard Lawrence aimed a pistol directly at his chest and pulled the trigger. It misfired. Jackson bull-charged his assailant with his cane and, incredibly, Lawrence pulled out another pistol. It, too, misfired.

As bystanders intervened, an enraged Jackson supposedly yelled, "Let me alone! Let me alone! I know where this came from." Lest we think we live in a uniquely inflated, conspiratorial moment, Jackson's Whig opponents dubbed him King Andrew, and John C. Calhoun reportedly called him "a Caesar who ought to have a Brutus." Jackson thought the Whigs had orchestrated the attack, and the Whigs thought he had staged it.

Trump isn't a former general or wizened old Indian fighter like Jackson, but he partakes of the same spirit of aggressive defiance. By all appearances, the least fearful people in the ballroom of the White House Correspondents' Dinner were a random older gentleman from New York who kept eating his dinner during the mayhem ... and the presidential target of the attack himself.

Donald Trump is one

The Indomitable Trump

of the most indomitable figures in the history of our politics. No matter how much he's mocked or hated, no matter how intense the controversy or how impossible the fix, no matter how dramatic the situation, he never breaks or loses his sense of command.

The ever-ebullient Teddy Roosevelt, who once gave a speech from shot-through notes immediately after an assassination attempt, might tip his cap. (TR takes the cake for badassery in the face of a threat to his life, given that he delivered that 1912 campaign speech while bleeding and with the bullet still lodged in his chest.)

A fundamental part of the Trump ethos is, as he said right after the dinner attack, when everything was still confused, "Let the show go on." For him, the show must never stop, and he's always at the center of it.

This is one reason that he had the instinct to pump his fist in the air in Butler, Pennsylvania, after he'd been bloodied and nearly killed by an assassin's bullet, demonstrating fight and lack of fear in an instantly iconic moment.

Anyone inclined to dismiss this trait as that of a mere entertainer should consider how showmanship has always had an outsized role in high-level politics; FDR referred to himself, in a positive way, as one of the top actors in the country.

Trump's belief that he's always going to prevail and that if he doesn't, he'll find a workaround

gives him an invincible self-confidence. It doesn't mean that he won't retreat if necessary, but whether he's being firm or flexible, he's equally upbeat and assured about his position.

He couples this with a hyperactive energy. Just look at Washington, D.C. He's deployed the National Guard to fight crime, cleaned up homeless encampments and public parks, vowed to make the grass look greener and the water in the Reflecting Pool look bluer, hosted a military parade, brought the coming attractions of an IndyCar race and an enormous fair on the National Mall, started construction of a massive new White House ballroom, and stated his intention to build a 250-foot triumphal arch.

His omnipresence, ambition and willingness to exercise power across two presidencies -- spanning 12 years with the Biden interregnum -- are going to make him one of the most dominant figures in American political history, up there with the likes of Reagan, FDR and TR in the modern era.

TITLE: None of this means that he's right or wrong on any given question, and, of course, these characteristics all come with downsides, sometimes considerable ones. But no one can question Trump's resilience, or his preternatural ability to proceed unbowed no matter what the circumstance.

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BARK 5-8-26

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GEONO 5-8-26

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SHIFTING 5-15-26

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MARSHMALLOW 5-15-26

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Maria Reyes Bonds, PO Box 583052, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Sacramento Mental Health Solutions" 8788 Elk Grove Boulevard, Bldg. 1 Suite J, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 9, 2026
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SACRAMENTO 5-15-26

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PINNACLE 5-22-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02448
Sherv Singh, 9988 Verbania Court, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Steve's Pizza Waterman" 9385 Elk Grove Boulevard Suite 100, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 26, 2026
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STEVES 5-22-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-03201
Ramez Sayed Sadat, 6412 Brockenhurst Drive, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "BlueBridge Property Deals" 6412 Brockenhurst Drive,

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BLUEBRIDGE 5-22-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-03272
Maria G. Reyes Bonds, PO Box 583052, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Prudentia Psychotherapy" 8788 Elk Grove Boulevard Bldg 1 Suite J, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 23, 2026
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PRUDENTIA 5-29-26

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Leslie Horciza, 9245 Laguna Springs Drive Suite 200, Elk Grove, CA 95758 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Mobile Rapid DNA" 9245 Laguna Springs Drive Suite 200, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 25, 2026
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MOBILE 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-03317
SteelType TCG LLC, 9800 Castelli Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "SteelType TCG" 9800 Castelli Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 24, 2026
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STEELTYPE 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02220
Albik Dental Inc, 5513 Mariolyon Way, Elk Grove, CA 95957 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Laguna Springs Dental" 9299 Laguna Springs Drive, Suite #100, Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County March 19, 2026
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LAGUNA 5-29-26

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David Anthony Kincannon Jr, 2513 Black Tern Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "High Pressure Prints" 2513 Black Tern Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 7, 2026
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HIGH 5-29-26

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Audrey Hawkes and James Geary, 8525 Deodar Crest Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Simons Magic Shoppe" 8525 Deodar Crest Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 21, 2026
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SIMONS 5-29-26

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Michelle Plaza, 8655 Pyreness Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "House of Elements" 8655 Pyreness Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 24, 2026
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-03452
Andre Taylor and Britny Taylor, 4809 Ammolite Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Swoop Home & Road Services" 4809 Ammolite Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 28, 2026
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SWOOP 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-02946
Trevor Stephen Gannon, 9961 Nelas Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Whistle Window Works" 9961 Nelas Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 13, 2026
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WHISTLE 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-03533
TBI Cooks Inc, 5012 Fox Trotter Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Serenity Beauty" 5012 Fox Trotter Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County April 30, 2026
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SERENITY 5-29-26

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV0007848

Ibraheem Imran Iqbal has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ibraheem Imran Iqbal to Ibraheem Imadullah Jahani.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 27, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 54, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 30, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of the Superior Court
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IQBAL 5-8-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV008155

Jaspreet Kaur Waraich has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Jaspreet Kaur Waraich to Jaspreet Kaur Rai-Waraich.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 1, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 53, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: April 3, 2026
Richard K. Sueyoshi, Judge of the Superior Court
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WARAICH 5-8-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV023122

Alma Meng-Ju Medina has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Alma Meng-Ju Medina to Mae Chen.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 22, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: January 29, 2026
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
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MEDINA 5-22-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV000933

Mazen Ghassan Khenaisser has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Mazen Ghassan Khenaisser to Mazin Kenicer.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on July 13, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 28, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: January 14, 2026
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the Superior Court
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KHENAISSE 5-29-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV010259

Ashley Marie Nutter has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Ashley Marie Nutter to Ashley Marie Yuhre.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 22, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 8D, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: April 28, 2026
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
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NUTTER 5-29-26

cree changing the name(s) of Ashley Marie Nutter to Ashley Marie Yuhre.

IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on June 22, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in Department 8D, located at 813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
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Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
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TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No. 25-76631 APN: 116-0760-045-0000
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/5/2019. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **AZIKIWE C AYO AND HELENA AYO, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS**Duly Appointed Trustee: ZBS LAW, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 9/11/2019, as Instrument No. 201909110106, THE SUBJECT DEED OF TRUST WAS MODIFIED BY LOAN MODIFICATION AGREEMENT RECORDED AS INSTRUMENT 202412060351 AND RECORDED ON 12/06/2024., of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, Date of Sale: **5/19/2026** at 9:30 AM Place of Sale: In the Courtyard on the south side of Sacramento City Hall, located at 915 I St, Sacramento, CA 95814. Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$459,796.09**Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed. Street Address or other common designation of real property: **7228 BEAVER FALLS WAY ELK GROVE, CALIFORNIA 95758**Described as follows: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST.A.P.N #: **116-0760-045-0000**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.**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. **IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network. See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320).** If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative. If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n) (10-(11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury. If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. 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 1-866-539-4173 or visit this internet website www.servicelinkauction.com, using the 25-76631. 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 Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.**NOTICE TO TENANT:** 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 an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," 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 1-866-539-4173, or visit this internet website www.servicelinkauction.com, using the 25-76631 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 an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Dated: **4/15/2026**
ZBS LAW, LLP, as Trustee 30 Corporate Park, Suite 450Irvine, CA 92606For Non-Automated Sale Information, call: (714) 848-7920For Sale Information: 1-866-539-4173 www.servicelinkauction.com Michael Busby, Trustee Sale OfficerThis office is enforcing a security interest of your creditor. To the extent that your obligation has been discharged by a bankruptcy court or is subject to an automatic stay of bankruptcy, this notice is for informational purposes only and

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Pub Dates 04/24, 05/01, 05/08/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 5-8-26

APN: 116-0134-009-0000 TS No: CA09000276-25-1 TO No: 250652468-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED September 23, 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On May 26, 2026 at 09:00 AM, East Main Entrance, Gordon D. Schaber Sacramento County Courthouse, 720 9th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on September 27, 2022 as Instrument No. 202209270220, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California, executed by JOSUE DANIEL ESCAMILLA OLVERA AND GABRIELA SANCHEZ LUJAN, HUSBAND AND WIFE, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor(s), in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as Beneficiary, as nominee for GREEN HAVEN CAPITAL INC. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 8876 ELK WAY, ELK GROVE, CA 95624 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$483,811.95 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. 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. 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

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

CORE Construction along with Elk Grove Unified School District requests proposals from licensed subcontractors for the following Lease-Leaseback project:

Elk Grove Unified School District
The Trigg Center North Annex Campus Improvement Project (Increment 2)
9510 Elk Grove Florin Road
Elk Grove, CA. 95624

Scheduled bidding period 4/29/26 – 5/14/26

This project includes modifications to existing Building D to interconnect utilities and low-voltage systems, as well as the installation of thirteen (13) district-owned, stockpiled modular buildings on permanent foundations. The modular buildings will be refurbished and modernized for use as administrative space. The scope also includes the installation of two (2) shade structures with associated photovoltaic (solar) systems, completion of final utility connections to the modular buildings, and all related site work, including hardscape and landscape improvements necessary for project completion.

This project requires compliance with skilled and trained workforce standards as well as prevailing wage requirements.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 20111.6, each prospective MEP Contractor holding C-4, C-7, C-10, C-16, C-20, C-34, C-36, C-38, C-42, C-43, and/or C-46 licenses must be actively prequalified with Elk Grove Unified School District via: <https://www.egusd.net/Departments/Facilities-and-Planning/index.html>

To become prequalified with CORE Construction, or to update your current qualifications, please fill out the online application request by visiting: <https://www.coreconstruction.com/subcontractors/> then select "California."

For project questions, please email brianbledsoe@coreconstruction.com
For prequalification questions, please email katiekainsner@coreconstruction.com

Prevailing Wage rate laws apply | 3% DVBE goal
Skilled and Trained Requirements Apply
EGUSD & CORE Construction are equal opportunity employers.

NOTICE TO PROPOSERS

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Board of Education of the Elk Grove Unified School District, County of Sacramento, State of California, will receive sealed Requests for Qualification/Proposals (RFPs) up to but no later than **May 22, 2026, at 4:00 P.M. PST.**

RFP# 831-25/26 – WATER-BASED FIRE PROTECTION & FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

The RFP must be obtained, submitted, and received online through the EGUSD Online Bonfire Procurement Portal: <https://egusd.bonfirehub.com>.

RFPs will not be opened or read publicly and will be opened in accordance with the procedures set forth in Public Contract Code Sections 20112 and 1601.

The District reserves the right to reject any and all RFPs received in whole or in part, to waive any irregularities in the RFPs or bidding, and to be the sole judge of the suitability of products and services being offered.

For assistance, please contact Kirsten Garcia at kgarcia@egusd.net or by phone at (916) 686-7773.

Kirsten Garcia
Purchasing Supervisor
Elk Grove Unified School District

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TRUSTEE SALE

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.

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.

regarding the Trustee's Sale for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA09000276-25-1. 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.

if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction.

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 an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON THE RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY COSUMNES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 (ELK GROVE FIRE PROTECTION)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to California Government Code Section 53322, the Board will hold a public hearing at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026, at the meeting place of the Board, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove, California, to consider:

A. A summary of the text of Resolution 2026-04 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COSUMNES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DECLARING INTENTION TO ANNEX TERRITORY TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 1 AND TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF

THE SPECIAL TAX THEREIN is as follows:

The Board has conducted proceedings to establish Community Facilities District No. 1 (Elk Grove Fire Protection) (the "CFD") pursuant to the Mello-Roos Community Facilities Act of 1982, as amended (the "Act"), Chapter 2.5 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5, commencing at Section 53311, of the California Government Code and The Board hereby finds and determines that public convenience and necessity require that territory be added to the CFD.

On Wednesday, May 20th, 2026, at the meeting place of the Board, 8820 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, California, this Board, as the legislative body for the CFD, will conduct a public hearing on the annexation of the territory to the CFD and consider and finally determine whether the public interest, convenience, and necessity require the annexation of the Property to the CFD and the levy of the Special Tax thereon.

At the public hearing, the testimony of all interested persons or taxpayers for or against the proposed annexation will be heard. If owners of one-half or more of the area of land in the existing CFD and not exempt from the Special Tax, or if the owners of one-half or more of the area of land in the territory proposed to be annexed and not exempt from the Special Tax, file written protests against the proposed annexation, and protests are not withdrawn so as to reduce the protests to less than a majority, no further proceedings to annex the same territory shall be undertaken for a period of one year from the date of the decision of the District Board on the issues discussed at the hearing.

Elk Grove Citizens 5-8-2026

City of Elk Grove – Planning Commission NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday, May 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, California to consider the matter:

ELK GROVE MURAL FESTIVAL (PAINT THE GROVE) (PLNG26-014) – OLD TOWN DESIGN REVIEW AND MAJOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

The Project consists of a Major Certificate of Appropriateness and Old Town Design Review for the Elk Grove Mural Festival in the Historic District on Elk Grove Boulevard to add new temporary murals to various existing commercial buildings in the Old Town Special Planning Area (Historic Main Street). The overall festival includes 10 properties, eight along Elk Grove Boulevard, one at 9576 1st Avenue, and one at 9080 Locust Street. Three of the 10 properties are historic resources included in the Elk Grove Register of Historic Resources.

Table with 2 columns: LOCATION/APN and ZONING. Lists various addresses and their zoning status.

Dated: May 8, 2026

NOTICE REGARDING APPEALS Pursuant to §23.14.060 of the Zoning Code, appeals of a final action by the Zoning Administrator must be filed with the City Clerk no later than ten (10) calendar days after the day on which the final action was taken, along with the appropriate fee.

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing.

Elk Grove Citizen 5-8-2026

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ELK GROVE WATER DISTRICT DRAFT 2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE AND PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the Elk Grove Water District's Draft 2025 Urban Water Management Plan Update (Draft Update) will be conducted on May 19, 2026 at 6:30 p.m., at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors, to be held at 9829 Waterman Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624.

Copies of the Draft Update are available for public review at the EGWD's Administrative office and website on or after May 1, 2026. Members of the public are invited to present their views on the Draft Update. Comments may be presented during the public hearing or may be submitted in writing prior to the hearing addressed to Travis Franklin, Program Manager, mailed to Elk Grove Water District, 9829 Waterman Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624, or emailed to tfranklin@egwd.org.

Elk Grove Citizen 5-8, 5-15-2026

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the Elk Grove Unified School District, hereinafter referred to as the District, will receive sealed proposals for the Domestic Water Generator Additions at Various Sites project at the Facilities and Planning Department, 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road, Room 206, Elk Grove, California 95624 until 2:00 pm local time, on Thursday, June 4, 2026, at which time bids will be opened.

Each bid must conform to the requirements of the Drawings and Project Manual and other documents comprising the Contract Documents, which are available from Signature Reprographics, 620 Sunbeam Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95811, (916) 454-0800. Prime Contractors will obtain downloadable copies for a non-refundable cost of \$50 per set. Signature Reprographics maintains the project plan holders' list, so it is a requirement that prospective bidders purchase their plans from Signature Reprographics to ensure that all potential bidders possess a complete set of documents including any addenda for the project. Plans may be previewed online at www.egusdplans.com

A MANDATORY pre-bid conference will be held on Monday, May 18, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at 9510 Elk Grove-Florin Rd., Elk Grove, CA 95624, Room 209. The District's Representatives will be present to discuss the project. Bids received from parties not attending this mandatory pre-bid conference will be rejected as non-responsive. All bidders are required to attend the pre-bid conference in its entirety.

The Elk Grove Unified School District is soliciting bids for four (4) Domestic Water Generator Addition projects to be constructed under a single contract at multiple elementary school sites. The work generally consists of installation of backup power generator systems serving existing domestic water wells, including structural, electrical, and site improvements necessary for complete and operational systems. This project requires a Class A, B, or C-10 license.

- Cosumnes River Elementary School, Sloughhouse, CA
• Propane-fueled backup power generator (connected to existing tanks)
• Installation of concrete foundations, generator equipment, transfer switches, and electrical connections
• Plumbing lines will be bored to minimize campus impact
• Work occurs on an occupied campus requiring close coordination with District staff to minimize disruption

- Old Franklin Elementary School, Elk Grove, CA
• Natural gas-fueled backup power generator (connected to existing gas infrastructure)
• Installation of concrete foundations, generator equipment, transfer switches, electrical connections, and associated site improvements
• This project will be performed on a non-occupied campus

- Pleasant Grove Elementary School, Elk Grove, CA
• Propane-fueled backup power generator (connected to existing tanks)
• Installation of concrete foundations, generator equipment, transfer switches, electrical connections, and associated site improvements
• Work occurs on an occupied campus requiring coordination with District staff to minimize disruption to school operations

- Sierra Enterprise Elementary School, Sacramento, CA
• Natural gas-fueled backup power generator (connected to existing gas infrastructure)
• Installation of concrete foundations, generator equipment, transfer switches, and electrical connections
• Plumbing lines will be bored to minimize campus impact
• Work occurs on an occupied campus requiring coordination with District staff to minimize disruption

In accordance with California Labor Code Section 1770 et seq. payment of the appropriate general prevailing rate of wages for all crafts employed on the public works site is required of the Contractor and all subcontractors. This project has a goal of 3% Disabled Veterans Business Enterprises (DVBE) participation per the State Allocation Board requirements. Compliance with California Education Code Section 45125.1 mandating fingerprinting requirements apply to this project.

NOTE: The complete Notice to Contractors is included in the bid documents.

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Sacramento County, California BY: Michael Bean Senior Construction Manager Elk Grove Unified School District Elk Grove Citizen 5-8, 5-15-2026

City of Elk Grove – City Council NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday, May 27, 2026, at the hour of 6:00 pm, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Elk Grove City Council will conduct a public hearing at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 8400 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, California, to consider the following matter:

The City Council will consider the Written Report for Fiscal Year 2026-27 regarding service charges to be collected in the Laguna West Service Area (formerly County Service Area No. 5) and the annual service charges to be levied. Service charges are for street sweeping, road maintenance, drainage services, and administration costs. Staff is recommending that Service charges adjust as shown in the table below:

Table with 6 columns: Service Charge, FY 2025-26 Service Charge, FY 2026-27 Service Charge, Increase/(Decrease) in Service Charge, Maximum Service Charge, Multiplier. Rows include Single Family Residential, Other Properties That Benefit From All Services, Non Street Sweeping/Road Maintenance Parcels.

Information regarding this item (including a copy of the Written Report) may be obtained by contacting Cindy Tiffany at (916) 627-3452. All interested persons are invited to present their views and comments on this matter. Written statements may be filed with the City Clerk at any time prior to the close of the hearing scheduled herein, and oral statements may be made at said hearing.

If you challenge the subject matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk, 8401 Laguna Palms Way, Elk Grove, CA, 95758, at or prior to the close of the public hearing.

Published/Dated: May 8, 2026, and May 15, 2026

Jason Lindgren CITY CLERK, CITY OF ELK GROVE

ADA COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (916) 478-3635. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

Elk Grove Citizen 5-8, 5-15-2025

PUBLIC NOTICE

Shining Stars Preschool admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin or gender in administration of its education policies and other school-administered programs.

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Leavitt United Insurance Services Supports Food Bank During Day of Service

Leavitt United Insurance News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Leavitt United Insurance Services, a Leavitt Group affiliate agency, spent time giving back to its communities throughout April, participating in a Day of Service across three locations: Elk Grove, Sonora and Visalia.

The initiative focused on giving back to local organizations through hands-on service, with employees volunteering their time to assist with food distribution, senior care and animal welfare.

“Giving back is at the heart of who we are as an agency. Our Day of Service was a meaningful opportunity for our team to come together, support our neighbors and make a positive impact in the

community we’re proud to serve every day,” said the Leavitt United team.

In Elk Grove, team members partnered with the Elk Grove Food Bank, helping to sort and distribute food to support local families.

In Sonora, the team spent time at the Sonora Senior Center, preparing and serving meals while connecting with seniors in the community. In Visalia, employees volunteered at Valley Oak SPCA, assisting with daily operations and caring for animals awaiting adoption.

Leavitt United Insurance Services provides competitive insurance solutions for individuals and businesses across California and Nevada, with offices in Elk Grove, Lodi, Napa, Roseville, Sonora, Walnut Creek and Minden.

As an independent



Leavitt United Insurance Services team members pictured assisting with clothing donations at the Elk Grove Food Bank.

agency and an affiliate of Leavitt Group, the agency brings together local insight and national resources to help clients make confident coverage

decisions. Leavitt United is committed to clear guidance, customized insurance programs and service that supports clients long after a policy is placed.



Leavitt United Insurance Services team members partnered with the Elk Grove Food Bank for its Day of Service in April by helping sort and distribute food to support local families. Photos courtesy of Leavitt United Insurance Services

Leavitt Group is one of the largest privately held insurance brokerages in the nation with a mission to build, serve and perpetuate independent insurance agencies as partners with local co-owners. With an extensive network of more than 80 agencies and more than 290 locations across 30 states, Leavitt Group offers a distinctive advantage with

local ownership, delivering a personalized and collaborative approach to commercial insurance, employee benefits and personal insurance. With over 70 years in the insurance industry, Leavitt Group brings national strength and local trust to the communities and clients they serve. For more information about Leavitt Group, visit leavitt.com. ★

POLICE LOGS

April 28

11:47 a.m., 5020 block of McLean Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Kenneth Ellis, 40, on warrant charges.

4:44 p.m., East Stockton Boulevard/Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested William Spencer, 21, on possession of counterfeit items and warrant charges.

4:38 p.m., Promenade Parkway/Kammerer Road, Elk Grove Police arrested George Fletes Lopez, 37; and Joseph Dominic, 29, on possession of methamphetamine for sale, transportation of methamphetamine for sale, possession for sale of controlled substance, transportation of controlled substance for sale, possession of cocaine or heroin, possession of drug paraphernalia, false impersonation and possession with priors charges.

April 29

2:19 a.m., 9600 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Sean Barrett, 44, on shoplifting and resisting arrest charges.

4:22 a.m., Grant Line Road/Survey Road, Elk Grove Police arrested David Vanunen, 41; and Eric Gibson, 39, on possession of controlled substance and

possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

11:46 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Jaiiah Gary, 19, on domestic violence charges.

1:37 p.m., 9100 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Andrea Franklin, 43; Donnika Davis, 32; and James Crudup, 51, on possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession with priors, identity theft, shoplifting, shoplifting with priors and probation violation charges.

2:52 p.m., Power Inn Road/Llanovista Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Kevin Harmon, 39, on warrant charges.

10:35 p.m., 8600 block of Waterman Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Stephen Hurdon, 51, on warrant charges.

April 30

12:34 a.m., Kammerer Road/Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Brent Contreras, 37, on possession of burglary tools and identity theft charges.

10:02 a.m., Bruceville Road/DiLusso Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Deana Young, 47; and Hillary Pollard, 26, on warrant charges.

6:37 p.m., 9700 block of Toscano Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Laquell

Stevens, 35, on warrant charges.

8:18 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Manuel Perez Lopez, 22, on domestic violence charges.

11:34 p.m., Sheldon Road/East Stockton Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Rogelio Lopez Lopez, 24, on reckless driving charges.

May 1

12 a.m., Auberry Drive/Honeycomb Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Shannon Kellog, 37, on warrant charges.

12:40 a.m., Auberry Drive/Spengler Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Johnson Ly, 39, on possession with priors and committing a felony while on bail or release charges.

3:53 a.m., 8300 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Matthew Johns, 44, on possession of cocaine or heroin and possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

3:46 p.m., 7500 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Tyler Trenchuck, 33, on shoplifting charges.

4:05 p.m., Sheldon North Drive/Scarlet Sage Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Alexander Gonzalez, 27, on resisting an executive officer charges.

7:39 p.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Alexander Stafford, 42; and Ebonysha Deary, 31, on shoplifting and battery charges.

9:42 p.m., Big Horn Boulevard/Descendant Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Otis Harris, 34, on resisting arrest charges.

11:23 p.m., 6000 block of Snow Leopard Circle, Elk Grove Police arrested Marcus White, 48, on warrant charges.

May 2

5:49 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Jason Hill, 30, on domestic violence, possession of controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

8:38 a.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Chad Fisher, 54, on shoplifting charges.

2:29 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Maria Ebuon, 62, on

domestic violence charges.

5:53 p.m., Bond Road/Highway 99, Elk Grove Police arrested Christopher Farris, 34, on resisting arrest charges.

May 3

1:06 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Robert Rutherford, 64, on domestic violence charges.

9:19a.m., 9800 block of Waterfowl Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested a male juvenile, 17; and a male juvenile, 17, on robbery and criminal conspiracy charges.

10:13 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Kao Saefong, 40, on warrant charges.

11:21 p.m., 9000 block of Grant Line Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Nawid Abdulzai, 39, on DUI and DUI with BAC above 0.08% charges.

May 4

12:52 a.m., 10000 block of Brian Kelly Way, Grove Police arrested Delanah Keovongsack, 18, on DUI, DUI with BAC above 0.08% and hit-and-run/non-injury charges.

4:03 a.m., Bond Road/Whittemore Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Mattathil Naveen, 28, on DUI and DUI with BAC above 0.08% charges.

7:16 a.m., 7200 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Ain Colbert, 45; and Joshua Warman, 40, on possession of controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

7:45 a.m., Kammerer Road/Promenade Parkway, Grove Police arrested Alicia Hinojosa, 22; Jose Maldonado Regollar, 29; and Mariah Almdarez, 32, on possession of cocaine or heroin, possession of drug paraphernalia and warrant charges.

11:23 a.m., 10000 block of Jennick Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Benjamin Haywood, 39, on violation of court order charges.

5:58 p.m., 7500 block of Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested David Montgomery, 38, on shoplifting, shoplifting with priors and warrant charges. ★

MEETING MINDERS

Community members can watch these meetings online and submit public comments for the officials to review.

The Elk Grove City Council has its regular meetings at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. To view the meeting, visit ElkGroveCity.org.

The Elk Grove Planning Commission has its meetings at 6 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of the month.

A live video stream of this meeting can be viewed at the city of Elk Grove’s website, www.ElkGroveCity.org.

The Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors has in-person meetings at 5 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

It governs the Cosumnes Fire

Department as well as Elk Grove’s parks and recreation system.


The CSD board meetings can be watched live at www.CosumnesCSD.gov and they are held at 8820 Elk Grove Blvd.

The Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m.

This meeting is in-person at the Robert L. Trigg Education Center Board Room, 9510 Elk Grove Florin Road.

Members of the public can also view it by using the Zoom application and visiting the school district’s website, www.EGUSD.net.

Past board meetings can be watched on the district’s YouTube channel, “ElkGroveUnified.” ★



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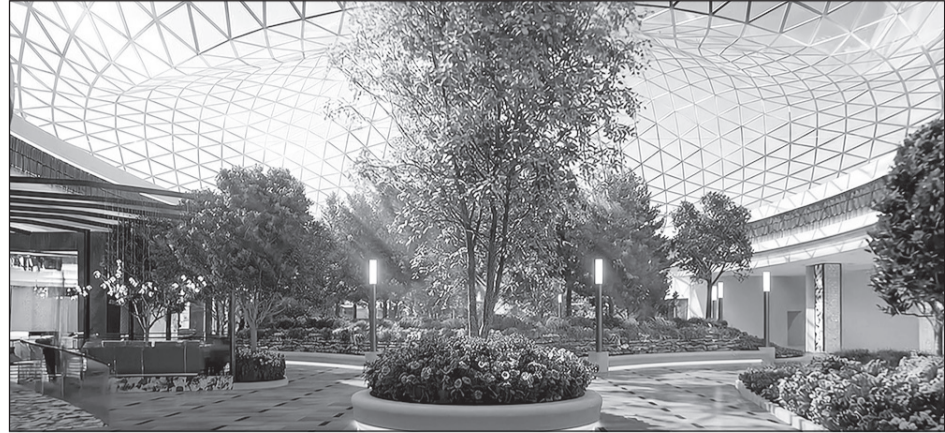
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Sky River Casino Breaks Ground on Hotel Resort



Sky River Casino and Wilton Rancheria Tribe leaders pose with ceremonial golden shovels to mark the expansion of the casino, which will add a 300-room hotel resort with a spa, outdoor pool, expanded gaming and multiuse event and entertainment space to the property. Photos courtesy of Sky River Casino



Sky River Casino officials say the hotel resort expansion is expected to create new jobs in hospitality and guest services. Pictured is a rendering of the hotel interior, featuring a glass atrium with a botanical setting.

Sky River Casino News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - On April 27, Sky River Casino marked a major milestone in its ongoing expansion with a golden shovel groundbreaking ceremony for its highly anticipated hotel resort.

Guests were welcomed through a visually immersive experience designed to preview components of the future resort.

A red carpeted walkway framed by black velvet ropes guided attendees toward the event stage, where architectural renderings of the upscale hotel resort and historical milestones from Wilton Rancheria and Sky River Casino's history offered a sensory glimpse into the property's evolution.

The ceremony brought together Wilton Rancheria leadership and citizens, Sky River Casino executives and regional dignitaries, officially

signaling the start of construction on the hotel resort.

The soil used during the ceremony was uncovered from Wilton Rancheria's land on which the casino operates, symbolizing the Tribe's sovereignty and federal recognition while honoring its ancestral roots.

"Every element of this hotel is being shaped with intention," said Michael J. Facenda, president and general manager of Sky River Casino. "This next chapter is centered on hospitality that delivers an upscale, energetic and international experience that awakens the senses. Once complete, the hotel will create new jobs and pathways for employment that help move the community forward."

Owned and operated by Wilton Rancheria, the hotel resort represents a meaningful investment in the Tribe's long term vision, supporting community,

creating opportunity and honoring the Tribe's enduring cultural values.

"Before we broke ground on Sky River, we made a promise to our Tribal citizens, to the community and to the future," said Wilton Rancheria Chairman Jesus Tarango. "Today, we renew that promise, and we go further. Because we are not developers chasing an opportunity; we are a people reclaiming what is ours, and building something that will provide, sustain and uplift the entire region for generations."

When the resort opens, Sky River will transform into a premier destination that appeals to local guests and travelers seeking a sophisticated, international style escape. The expansion will also create new employment opportunities across a wide range of hospitality and guest service areas.

Together, these roles and amenities will support the property's evolution into a



This rendering shows the exterior of the future hotel resort at Sky River Casino.

full service resort destination, providing new career pathways and contributing to the region's growing hospitality industry.

Planned resort amenities include 300 finely appointed hotel rooms, positioned next to a glass atrium featuring a bright, botanical environment; a luxury day spa designed for a restorative wellness experience; a Vegas style outdoor pool offering a resort level leisure atmosphere; a 30,000 square foot multi use event and entertainment space for

conferences, versatile performances and large scale events; a premier High Limit and VIP slot gaming area; expanded food and beverage experiences, including a lobby lounge, restaurant and coffee bar.

Together, the groundbreaking ceremony and its accompanying symbols signaled a bold step forward: celebrating Sky River Casino's growth while looking ahead to a resort destination that will redefine hospitality in the region.

Sky River Casino was

built by Wilton Rancheria in partnership with Boyd Gaming Corporation, which is managing the property for the Tribe. The casino opened in August 2022 and includes 120,000 square feet of gaming, 2,500 slot machines, 81 table games, and 18 elevated restaurants, bars and lounge destinations along with a 1,600-space multi-story parking structure. To learn more about the casino and/or future expansion plans currently underway, visit SkyRiver.com. ★

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New Affordable Apartments Coming to Town

City of Elk Grove News Release

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Good news! There's a new affordable apartment community opening later this year and applications are now available through a public lottery system.

Pardes II, located on Tarak Drive (off Big Horn Boulevard), will feature 140 apartment homes with one-, two- and three-bedroom options.

The community is close to schools, parks, grocery stores and healthcare services, making it a convenient place to call home.

Residents will also have access to a community room, play area and on-site



The city recently announced that applications for a new affordable apartment community, Pardes II, opening later this year are now available through a public lottery system at elkgrove.gov/rent/pardes. Photo courtesy of City of Elk Grove

laundry.

To be eligible, households must earn no more

than 70 percent of the Area Median Income for Sacramento County.

The lottery closes Wednesday, May 20 at 11:59 p.m. Apply online at

elkgrove.gov/rent/pardes. Have questions? Reach out to the property

manager, John Stewart Company, at 916-979-5613 or pardesapts@jSCO.net. ★

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Continuing through Saturday, May 9

“Frozen Jr.” – at Musical Mayhem Productions. You’ll love this fanciful and heartwarming stage adaptation of the celebrated animated film. A story of true love and acceptance between sisters and princesses, Anna and Elsa. Schedule and tickets available at mmp.ludus.com. 9755 Kent St., Suite 120.

Friday, May 8 through Sunday, May 10

Spring Chicken Family Festival – 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day at Fog Willow Farms. Come soak up some fresh air with your family and friends on the farm. Check out our barnyard Olympics, pig races, duck derby, unlimited hayrides and more. Entry is \$12 per person (ages 3 and older); moms get free admission on Mother’s Day Sunday. 11011 Cecatra Drive, Wilton.

Friday, May 8

Music on Main: R&B Night – 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Old Town Plaza. This free outdoor concert continues our series with the LoveSomeBody Band (LSB) and a relaxed, community-focused atmosphere to enjoy live music outdoors. A variety of food, beverage and merchandise vendors will also be on site. 9615 Railroad St.

Saturday, May 9

Drive-thru Pet Vaccine Clinic – 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Elk Grove Animal Services offers quarterly clinics for Elk Grove residents, all provided at no cost. Sign up for an appointment at elkgrove.gov/event. 9150 Union Park Way.

Elk Grove Lions’ 2nd Saturday Pancake Breakfast – 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Gil Albani Recreation Center. The Lions will be serving all-you-can-eat pancakes along with a side of scrambled eggs, bacon or sausage and fruit. \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids 12 and under. 8830 Sharkey Ave.

Punjabi Cultural Event – noon to 7 p.m. at Elk Grove Regional Park. Join us for the 2nd annual JJD Mela, a free community celebration showcasing culture, youth talent and local businesses. Enjoy live Bhangra and Giddha performances, food vendors, a junior dance competition and more. 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road.

“Parlor Games” Spring Tea – 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum. Presented by the Elk Grove Historical Society; tickets are \$45 for members and \$50 for non-members. Guests are invited to step back in time to experience the charm and refinement of 19th-century parlor games in a beautifully restored historical setting. Adult guests are encouraged to participate in a “best ensemble” competition, with a prize for the finest outfit. There will be a tea luncheon, music and games, raffle and a silent auction. Tickets and more information at elkgrovehistoricalsociety.com. 9941 E. Stockton Blvd.

Thursday, May 14

Elk Grove Garden Club Meeting – 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Gil Albani Recreation Center. Enjoy a free breakfast and a presentation by Julia Oldfield, owner and grower at Big Oak Nursery. Oldfield will explore seasonal blooms, reveal fun plant facts and inspire us to beautify our gardens. Visitors are welcome. Please RSVP to Loren at 916-969-3784. 8830 Sharkey Ave.

Friday, May 15

Music on Main: Country Night – 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Old Town Plaza. This free outdoor concert continues our series, this week featuring Kirk Basquez and a relaxed, community-focused atmosphere to enjoy live music outdoors. A variety of food, beverage and merchandise vendors

will also be on site. 9615 Railroad St.

Saturday, May 16

Walk on the Wild Side – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at SacSewer’s Bufferlands. This free event celebrates “International Migratory Bird Day” and highlights local efforts in wildlife conservation and protecting and restoring native Central Valley habitat. Throughout the day, visitors can get up close and personal with wild animals, enjoy great folk music and explore conservation exhibits. There will be a children’s activity center, self-guided tours of wetlands and riparian forests and food vendors available on site. *Directions to location at sacsewer.com/event.*

American Legion Post 55 Fundraiser – 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. at District56. Join us to celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the United States and Armed Forces Day. Your \$50 ticket helps us to support veterans in our community. Choose from a sliced tri-tip or grilled chicken dinner, served with potatoes, beans, salad, rolls and dessert. Order tickets online at post55.AmericanLegionElkGrove.com. 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Laguna Creek High School Band & Guard Annual Fundraising Dinner – 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Christopher Cellars Winery. Enjoy a great night out with dinner, wine, live entertainment and a silent auction while supporting the amazing students of the LCHS Band & Guard program. Dinner includes tri-tip, salmon, mashed potatoes, salad, roll and desserts. Grab your tickets today and help support our talented students. Link to purchase tickets at elkgrove.gov/event. 9654 Bradshaw Road.

Sunday, May 17

2026 Asian Pacific CultureFest – 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at District56. Sacramento Asian Pacific Cultural Village is hosting a free, inclusive, family-friendly event to celebrate and uplift the diversity of Asian American and Pacific Islander arts, culture, heritage and contributions. Enjoy local Asian American and Pacific Islander small businesses, food vendors and food trucks, performing artists and more. 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Monday, May 18

“Indigenous Peoples of California’s Bay-Delta Region” – 6:30 p.m. at the Elk Grove House & Stage Stop Museum. Join the Elk Grove Historical Society’s speaker series, featuring Dave Stuart, an archaeologist and anthropologist currently researching for his next book on the history of the Bay-Delta Region. Free and open to the public. 9941 E. Stockton Blvd.

Monday, May 18

Elk Grove Community Concert Band Summer Concert – 7 p.m. in the Joseph Kerr Middle School Multi-Purpose Room. Christopher J. Tootle leads the band, which includes professional, semi-professional and amateur adult musicians, and talented Elk Grove Unified School District school musicians. The concert is free; donations are encouraged. Learn more at elkgrovecommunityband.org. 8865 Elk Grove Blvd.

Wednesday, May 20

Big Truck Day – 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the District56 Aquatics Center parking lot. Celebrate “National Public Works Week” with the City of Elk Grove at this free event. Geared toward kids ages 2 through 6, this event showcases the variety of big trucks that help run our city. Kids can get behind the wheel of a city bus, check out cranes, street sweepers, tractors and more. There will be on-site activities, photo ops, and food and drink available for purchase. 9701 Big Horn Blvd.

Annual Tourism Luncheon – 11:30

a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Interlude Kitchen & Bar. This annual gathering brings together regional partners, hospitality leaders and community stakeholders to connect, share insights and celebrate the continued growth of tourism in Elk Grove. Guests will enjoy lunch, hear updates from the “Explore Elk Grove” team and share conversations with local leaders. Link to buy tickets at exploreeelkgrove.com/events. 8295 Laguna Blvd.

Monday, May 25

Wilton Memorial Day Ceremony – 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Wilton Post Office parking lot. The Wilton Veterans’ Group and the Wilton History Group are organizing this ceremony to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice, and we invite our neighbors in Wilton and surrounding communities to join us. The ceremony will feature a special military vehicle display, a “Fallen Hero Table” and a ringing of the bell for local veterans. Following the event, the Wilton Fire Protection District will host a hot dog fundraiser. All are welcome. 11090 Jeff Brian Lane, Wilton.

Ongoing Events

Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group – 10 a.m. every Tuesday at the Park at Laguna Springs. This is open to all Alzheimer’s caregivers to learn more about the disease, helpful tips and shared experiences. For more information, contact Tracey at 916-826-9325. 9670 Laguna Springs Drive in the President’s Room upstairs.

Caregiver Coffee – 10:30 a.m. the third Saturday each month at Elk Grove United Methodist Church. This is open to all as a way to share experiences in caregiving as well as resources. For more information, contact Ruth at 916-509-1414. Next meeting will be Saturday, May 16. 8986 Elk Grove Blvd.

Elk Grove Certified Farmers Market – every Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon at 8245 Laguna Blvd.

Rotary Club of Elk Grove – every Wednesday for lunch at noon, The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. More information at elkgroverotary.org.

Widowed Persons Social Club – May 8, 10 a.m.: Hand and Foot card game at Elk Grove United Methodist Church, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact Gerri at 916-698-1940.

May 13, Noon: No-host lunch followed by beginners’ Pinochle at Original Mike’s, 9139 E. Stockton Blvd. Contact Jim at 916-768-1923.

May 14, 12:10 p.m.: Hidden Tea Room (Lodi). Meet at parking lot of Arby’s & MacQue’s. Prepay: Contact Merrylyn at 916-549-4264.

May 15, 10 a.m.: Pinochle at Elk Grove United Methodist Church, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact Jim at 916-768-1923.

A widowed person may attend up to three events while deciding if they wish to join WPSC. Contact Bonnie at 916-422-1522 if you are interested in membership.

Wilton Bingo – First Saturday each month. The next bingo will be on Saturday, June 6 in the Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and bingo starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds go to two nonprofits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group. 9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road, Wilton.

Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the following upcoming events: (EG) Elk Grove Library, 8900 Elk Grove Blvd.; (F) Franklin, 10055 Franklin High Road; (NW) Nonie Wetzel Library, 170 Primasing Ave., Courtland; (VH) Valley

Hi/North Laguna, 7400 Imagination Parkway, Sacramento:

Friday, May 8: Outdoor family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Join us at Morse Community Park, 5540 Bellaterra Drive, for songs, movement activities and stories all designed to support the early learning skills of young children. (F) Adult space, 10:30 a.m. to noon. (EG)

Saturday, May 9: Explore and learn playgroup, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F) One book, one coast: craft afternoon for all ages, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (F)

Tuesday, May 12: Homework zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F) Healthy food fun with Health Education Council, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Join us for a fun and interactive nutrition and food demonstration for kids and families. (VH)

Wednesday, May 13: Explore and learn playgroup, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (VH) Teen space, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (EG) STEAM for kids, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (NW) Harm Reduction Services, 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. Visit the HRS mobile unit in the parking lot for free resources and services. (VH) Homework zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F) Comic cafe, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F)

Thursday, May 14: Outdoor family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at Elk Grove Regional Park, 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road (EG) Adult space: documentary screening, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Join us for a viewing and discussion about the 2014 documentary, “To Be Takei: A Star’s Trek for Life, Liberty, and Love,” starring George Takei. (VH) Homework zone, 3:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. (F)

Friday, May 15: Outdoor family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Join us at Morse Community Park, 5540 Bellaterra Drive, for songs, movement activities and stories all designed to support the early learning skills of young children. (F) Adult space, 10:30 a.m. to noon. (EG) Tween book group, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. This month we’ll be discussing “Doña Quixote – Rise of the Knight” by Rey Terciero. Copies will be available at the front desk. (EG) Culture through Cloth: Threads of Belonging workshop series, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. In this workshop, we transform rainbow-colored thread into “flower cloth,” exploring the vibrant color, pattern, and texture of traditional Hmong needlework. Link to register on the library website. (VH)

Saturday, May 16: Explore and learn playgroup, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (F)

Veterans Meetings

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave.

American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233 – general meetings the fourth Thursday each month at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road. Dinner at 6 p.m.

Post 233 Family Breakfast – first Saturday each month at 9 a.m., Mimi’s Café, corner of Laguna Boulevard and West Stockton Boulevard (just off Highway 99). For more information, call Henry at 916-205-9296 C or Sue at 916-683-6128 H.

Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 233 – first Monday each month at 5:45 p.m. at the Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursday each month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive.

VFW Post 2073 – second Thursdays of the month. Dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive. For more information, call 916-684-3849. ★

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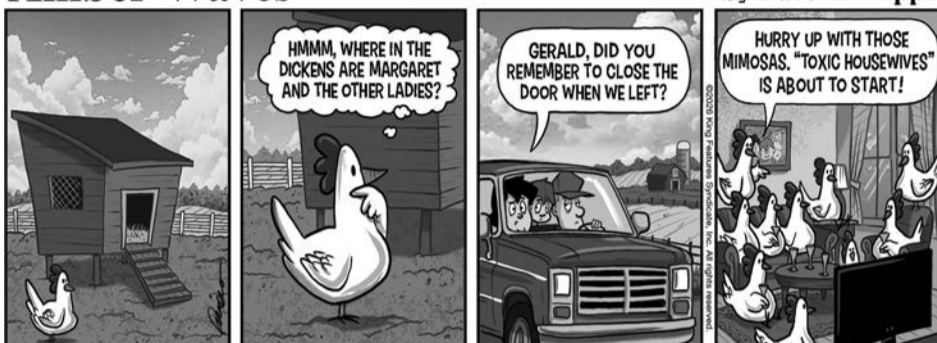
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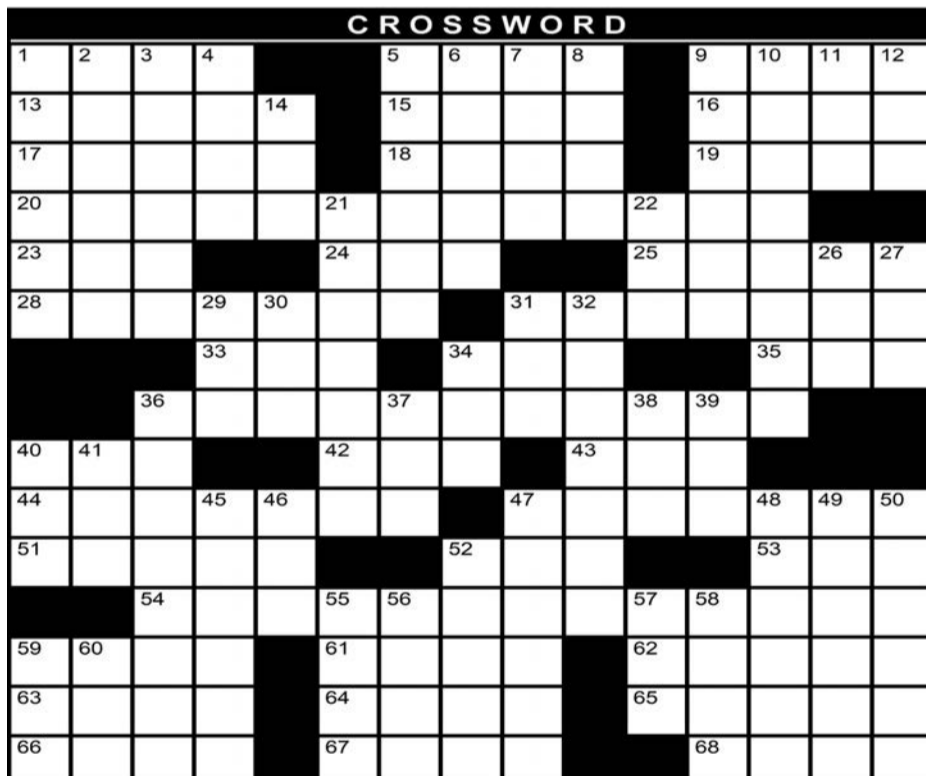
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