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'For Those Who Gave Their All'

Memorial Day Ceremony at Gridley Cemetery Pays Tribute to Service



Civil Air Patrol cadets fold an American flag as part of the Memorial Day ceremony on May 25 honoring those who served their country as members of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Story and photos by Susan Meeker

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - When Gridley Mayor Mike Farr enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1965, he had never heard of Vietnam, could not locate it on a map and did not know how to spell it.

Yet, more than 60 years later, he still remembers stepping off a transport plane in Saigon and seeing the airport welcome sign riddled with bullet holes, a moment that made the war suddenly real. He went on to serve two tours in Vietnam as a helicopter gunship crew chief. He made it home. Many who served did not.

Speaking at Monday's Memorial Day ceremony, Farr said preparing his remarks led him to think about visiting Arlington National Cemetery, where he walked among the rows of white crosses and reflected on the men he served with whose names appear on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

"It hits you in the heart," Farr said. "That is one reason why we have this



Gridley Mayor Mike Farr speaks on service and sacrifice during the Memorial Day ceremony at the Military Veterans Court of Honor on May 25.

day called Memorial Day, to honor those that have made that sacrifice,

that ultimate sacrifice to this country that we love."

More than 1,718 veterans rest in the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery, each grave marked on Monday with a white cross. They are part of a larger community of more than 13,000 people buried there, more than the combined populations of the two towns.

Farr said Memorial Day not only honors the fallen but the devotion, duty and commitment that shaped their service.

Major Cliff Wagner, USAR (Ret.), served as master of ceremonies at the Military Veterans Court of Honor. He thanked the volunteers and families who return each year and spoke about the purpose of the day.

"We come together to honor those who served and to remind ourselves why this day matters," Wagner said.

A brief tribute from Dara Lattimer, chapter president of the Blue Star Mothers of California, carried that meaning forward.

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Supervisors Back \$14 Million Probation Building



By Susan Meeker

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - Butte County supervisors have approved construction of a new probation building in Oroville, replacing an aging facility county officials said no longer meets the department's needs.

The Butte County Board of Supervisors on May 12 approved a \$14.39 million contract with Chico-based Modern Building Inc. to construct the new Probation Department building at 42 County Center Drive. The project carries an 18-month construction timeline from issuance of the notice to proceed.

Interim General Services Director Dennis Schmidt said the board first approved funding for the project in September 2022 to support demolition of the existing probation building and development of a replacement facility.

Schmidt said the department has since relocated into the remodeled County Center 18 building while planning for the new facility continued.

The project includes demolition of the existing 24,000-square-foot probation building along with utility and site work and construction of a new 26,620-square-foot, two-story office building.

County officials also separated a planned training facility from the primary construction bid because of project cost concerns. Schmidt said the training component includes a 1,660-square-foot open-beam training room with locker room and restroom facilities.

Five bids were submitted for the project, ranging from approximately \$14.4 million to nearly \$19.8 million. Schmidt said Modern Building Inc. submitted the lowest responsive bid and the project remains within the county's approved budget.

Supervisor Tami Ritter said probation staff have worked under difficult building conditions for years and described visiting temporary facilities during a heavy

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Live Oak Seniors Complete Final Milestone

Story and photos by Seti Long

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - Live Oak High School seniors invited community members to see the results of months of work during the school's Senior Project Fair on May 21, held one week before graduation ceremonies.

Students filled the fair with projects that reflected career goals, personal experiences, cultural identity and community service. Displays ranged from sewing and veterinary work to law enforcement ride-alongs, cooking projects and small business development.

Senior project advisor Kayla Lemieux said students may choose from several project

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Noah Curiel presents "The Flavor of Gratitude," a project focused on preparing meals for single-mother families while researching the value of family dinners.

The New Pi-Line



By Josh F.W. Cook

It's time to come clean on your illegal constructions. Butte County property owners with unpermitted buildings, additions, or remodels may now apply for permits without incurring penalty fees through a temporary amnesty program approved by Tod Kimmelshue and the other Butte County Supervisors.

The forgiveness program, which ends June 30, aims to encourage residents and business owners to bring their structures into compliance with county building codes and regulations. The amnesty is available to eligible property owners who voluntarily disclose and seek to legalize previously unpermitted construction, including buildings, additions, shady marijuana structures, and remodels. Participants will be assigned a dedicated county representative, such as the parish priest who hears confessions, to assist them throughout the proper permitting process. The Board of Supervisors approved the initiative as part of a resolution designating May as Building

Safety Month, hoping that unsafe and illegal buildings may get up to code and join the celebration. ***

Assembly Leader James Gallagher went to a debate with two other people running for Congress. He won. Smartest guy in the room. I hope that line ends up on a campaign mailer. Really, Gallagher is the best person to represent the North State in Congress he grew up in Sutter County and is a lot like Wally Herger. The only time Gallagher has gotten it wrong was not voting for Amanda Hopper for Sutter County District Attorney. Other than that, Gallagher is the right guy for the right time. ***

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

Biggs Targets Traffic, Road Safety

By Susan Meeker

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Concerns over speeding traffic, scooters and pedestrian safety dominated discussion at the Biggs City Council meeting May 12 as city officials outlined several road and infrastructure projects aimed at improving safety throughout the community.

Residents have urged the council to take stronger action following a recent fatal collision involving a bicyclist near Highway 99. Concerns focused on children riding motorized scooters and bicycles through town without helmets and often on sidewalks.

A speaker at the meeting asked the council to expand safety education and increase police presence during after-school and evening hours, describing the situation as an ongoing community concern.

City Administrator Nicolas Gauthier said the city has already begun working on a two-part approach to address traffic and pedestrian concerns.

"The city council has tasked me to work on this," Gauthier said, adding that he has also met with leaders from neighboring cities dealing with similar issues.

As part of those efforts, the council received an update on potential traffic calming measures in several areas identified as safety concerns, including West Biggs-Gridley Road, Trent Street near the neighborhood park and B Street approaching the elementary school.

City Engineer Dave Harden said staff is reviewing options including speed humps, speed tables, rumble strips and other traffic slowing devices that could be installed

in residential and pedestrian-heavy areas. Harden said the city is still evaluating possible layouts, costs and impacts to emergency response routes before bringing recommendations back to the council.

The council also approved moving forward with an application for federal Safe Streets and Roads for All funding, a program focused on reducing serious traffic injuries and fatalities.

Harden said the grant program supports projects intended to improve safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and motorists while helping cities take a more proactive approach to roadway safety.

The city is also advancing several transportation improvement projects already in development.

The council approved a \$32,557 task order with Bennett Engineering Services for design work on the 5th Street Sidewalk Gap Closure Project. The project will add approximately 450 feet of sidewalk between Bannock Street and Trent Street, along with an ADA-compliant curb ramp at Aleut Street.

Harden said the project is intended to improve pedestrian connectivity between residential neighborhoods and downtown while addressing existing sidewalk gaps.

Funding for the project comes from remaining REAP 2.0 transportation grant funds administered through the Butte County Association of Governments.

Council members also approved the city's annual SB1 project list for the 2026-27 fiscal year, allowing Biggs to continue using state transportation funding for road maintenance, pavement repairs and other street safety improvements throughout the city. ★

Supervisors Back \$14 Million Probation Building

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rainstorm where water was pouring from the building.

"I think probation has waited a long time," Ritter said.

Mike Seegert, project manager and a partner at Modern Building, said the company looks forward to building the new

facility and working with the county on the effort.

"We're thrilled to construct this new project," Seegert said. "I think it's going to be amazing."

Seegert said the company plans to hold a public groundbreaking ceremony when construction gets underway. ★

Memorial Day Ceremony Pays Tribute to Service

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“Memorial Day is not meant to be treated casually,” she said. “It is a day to remember and have gratitude for those who gave their all.”

A central part of the ceremony honored Norris “Gene” Anderson, who died Oct. 27, 2025. Anderson served more than 11 years in the U.S. Air Force beginning in 1966, including deployments to Da Nang and Phu Cat in Vietnam and to Kunsan Air Base in South Korea. He later served in the California Army National Guard as a marksmanship instructor, completing more than 20 years of combined military service.

Before his death, Anderson regularly helped with military honors during the annual ceremony as a member of American Legion Post 210, a role Post Commander Owen Stiles recalled on Monday before cadets from Civil Air Patrol Squadron 95 performed the annual folding of the American flag, a practiced and solemn presentation. The folded flag was then presented to Anderson’s family, including son Erik, daughter Jennifer, three grandchildren and other family members seated in the front row. The program also recognized



A Civil Air Patrol cadet presents the folded American flag to the family of Gene Anderson during the 2026 Memorial Day ceremony at the Military Veterans Court of Honor on May 25.

Gridley High School band director Ethan Jacobsen and vocalist Kari Wheeler for their contributions to the ceremony. Butte County Ambassador Sawyer

Smith, Miss Teen Butte County Brianna Straws and Miss Butte County Ranjeet Kooner each spoke on the meaning of sacrifice.

American Legion Post 210 delivered military honors and Peyton Quist of Gridley High School played Taps. Wagner closed the ceremony

by reminding the community why they gather each Memorial Day. He said the tradition continues because people choose to honor those who served. ★



American Legion Post 210 fires the traditional three-shot volley during the 2026 Memorial Day ceremony at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery on May 25.



Owen Stiles, USN (Ret.), of American Legion Post 210, and Jen Cavanaugh of the Ladies Auxiliary lay a wreath at the Military Veterans Court Memorial at the Gridley-Biggs Cemetery on May 25.

Gridley Athletes Celebrate College Commitments

By Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - The Guardian Building filled with athletes, coaches and family members on May 20 as Gridley High School celebrated 12 graduating seniors who signed with college athletic programs during the school’s fourth annual Signing Night.

Gridley High School Athletic Director Jessica Paiva welcomed guests and recognized the athletes for their accomplishments on and off the field.

“We honor and celebrate your hard work, dedication and the incredible achievements of this remarkable group of seniors taking your talents to the next level,” Paiva said. “Tonight, athletes, it’s about you. Tonight is more than just a signing night, but the start of your next chapter in your story.”

Athletes from softball, baseball, soccer, track and field, cross country, swimming and football participated in the event.

Paiva said 10 of the athletes committed to junior colleges while two signed with universities. Butte College will receive seven

Gridley athletes: Avery Mendenhall, Omar Palafox, Cesar Alvarez, Lex Alcantar, Nery Martinez, Alina Jackson and Valentin Sanchez.

Carlos Sanchez-Vega signed with Yuba College for soccer while Christian Young committed to Yuba College for baseball.

Three athletes signed with four-year universities outside the area. Jason Davis Jr. committed to UC Davis for football; Tanner Abbott signed with UC Santa Barbara for baseball and Billy Routon committed to UC Santa Cruz for swimming.

Coaches joined Paiva in speaking about each athlete’s accomplishments during the panel-style ceremony.

Jackson, Mendenhall and Alcantar helped lead Gridley’s softball team to its first state championship in more than 30 years. Palafox won back-to-back section championships in soccer, while Sanchez-Vega competed at both section and state championships.

Davis earned All-American recognition and national ranking honors in football. Routon



Gridley High School athletes gather during the school’s fourth annual Signing Night on May 20. Front row, from left: Valentin Sanchez, Omar Palafox, Alina Jackson, Cesar Alvarez, Nery Martinez, Lex Alcantar, Avery Mendenhall and Billy Routon. Back row, from left: Carlos Sanchez-Vega, Christian Young, Jason Davis Jr. and Tanner Abbott. Photo by Mickey Mrakuzic

completed an undefeated league swimming career. Abbott earned praise for a 134-strikeout baseball season, while Young helped secure a section championship. Martinez also was recognized for his leadership as a team captain.

The ceremony celebrated the athletes’ achievements and marked the beginning of their college athletic careers. ★

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MEMORIAL

JAMES MARION UNDERHILL — 03/30/1934 - 04/26/2026



James Marion Underhill, a lifelong educator and long-time Yuba City resident, passed away peacefully at his home on April 6, 2026, at the age of 92.

Born March 30, 1934, in San Francisco, James moved to Yuba City as an infant, where he was raised and educated. He attended Yuba College and California State University, Chico, with additional graduate studies at Sacramento State and the University of California.

James began his career teaching at Gray Avenue School in Yuba City, later serving as Vice Principal and then Principal of Barry Elementary School. He went on to serve the Gridley community for decades, including 17 years as Superintendent of the Gridley Union Elementary School District and 12 years concurrently leading the Gridley Union High School District. He retired in 1993.

Guided by his Christian faith, James was known for his integrity, compassion, quiet humor, and love of storytelling. He treasured family time, especially trips to Lake Almanor, and enjoyed extensive travel with his wife.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Shirley Underhill, and his son, David Underhill. He is survived by his sons Steve (Nella), Craig (Karol), and Gary (Jill); six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

A private family service will be held at Sutter Cemetery. Friends are invited to share memories on his Facebook memorial page: [Facebook.com/jim.underhill.3](https://www.facebook.com/jim.underhill.3).

MEMORIAL

ANNETTE NELSON HAMBLIN • 2/2/1965 - 5/15/2026



Annette Nelson Hamblin, a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, was entered into rest on May 15, 2026, after a courageous, hard-fought battle with cancer. She passed away peacefully, surrounded by the warmth and love of her family and dearest friends.

A Life of Devotion and Love

Annette's greatest joy in life was her family. She deeply loved her boys, finding immense happiness in watching them grow, cheering them on at their sports competitions, and dedicating her time to them as a Cub Scout leader.

After marrying the love of her life, Dale, on August 21, 1987, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple, the couple settled in Biggs, California, where they spent their beautiful adult married years. Annette was a woman of deep faith and a devoted member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. She shared her love for music and her community by serving for many years as the chorister for the Relief Society.

Education and Passions

Annette was incredibly proud of her college years. She attended Stevens-Henager College of Business in Provo, Utah, where she mastered secretarial and office skills. Following their marriage, she selflessly and lovingly supported Dale through his time at BYU Provo as he obtained his Bachelor's Degree.

An artist at heart, Annette was an avid crafter who loved crocheting and needlepoint, creating pieces that her family will forever treasure. She was also a passionate reader and was rarely seen without a book in her hand.

Family Legacy

Annette is survived by:

- Her adoring husband: Dale Hamblin
- Her three sons: Todd Hamblin (Jacey), Kyle Hamblin, and Douglas Hamblin (Anthony)
- Her cherished granddaughter: Kennedy Hamblin
- Her brothers: Steve Nelson and Eric Nelson
- Extended Family: Several nieces, nephews, and dear friends who loved her deeply.

She was preceded in death by her beloved parents, Grant and Audrey Nelson.

Service Information

Family and friends are invited to celebrate Annette's life and faith.

- Date: Friday, May 29, 2026
- Time: 10:00 AM
- Location: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints 400 Spruce St., Gridley, California

Gridley Thumbs and Roots



By Barbara Ott

For some time, I've known that a bird was taking blueberries. I had never seen this happen. I was suspicious of Ursula the Scrub Jay who is a regular terror in both the front and back yards. I saw her regularly at the feeder eating bird food. I've seen her plant pecans in the garden. I know she plants acorns all over. She

has been nesting so things are a bit quieter overall. I was repotting some plants on the patio one morning and listening to the mockingbirds go through their repertoire. Something grey and fast swooped into the blueberry bush. Culprit found, it has been a Mockingbird stealing the blueberries. This makes sense. They do not use the bird feeder I looked up their food preferences and it turns out they eat 50% insects (such as beetles, ants, grasshoppers, and caterpillars) and 50% fruit. I've seen this bird come back several times. It is not greedy and I'm still getting berries so we can coexist. I'm planning to put dry insects that I have for the turtle into the birdfeeder and see if

the Mocking bird goes to the feeder. I guess I have to watch my automatic reaction of blaming Ursula to whatever chaos happens in the yard.

I've been asking around about toad activity because there are no signs of toads yet. Several people who have big toads every year have said they seem to be either not around or very inactive. One person whose son provided me with toads says that the baby toads are at his horse trough in tiny form. I'm feeling a little down about no signs of toads. I went behind the garage and made sure the holes were not covered by leaves. I haven't given up yet. Once they show again, I'll have to have another party. ★

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Experts Seek Methane-Cutting Solutions

Private companies and researchers at the University of California, Davis, are working with farmers to develop new ways to reduce methane emissions from cattle. To address methane from cow burps, or enteric methane, UC Davis professor of animal science Ermias Kebreab is studying a compound in red seaweed as a feed additive that has been shown to lower methane production in the animals' rumens. Kebreab is also exploring gene-editing technology that could permanently decrease methane production. At the same time, dairy farms have adopted methane digesters and waste-treatment systems that turn emissions from manure into renewable energy and other usable products. Farmers say it's crucial that these solutions make financial sense for their operations so that the technologies could be broadly implemented. "Sustainability always has to start with financial sustainability," Merced County dairy farmer Simon Vander Woude said.

California Cherry Crops Decimated by Spring Storms

Fortunes went from bad to worse this year for California cherry growers. An early heat wave impacted fruit set in many orchards. Then, rainstorms in April and May battered the crop. "It was like getting knocked down and then getting kicked," said Bill Stokes, who grows cherries in San Joaquin County. Growers in the county, which leads California in cherry production, lost 63% of their crop and suffered financial losses of \$174 million, according to the county's request for a disaster declaration, which would make growers eligible for low-interest federal

loans and other assistance. California's other cherry growing regions were also affected. Tony Guerrero, grower relations and farm manager at Lodi-based packer M&R Co., which sources cherries from across California, said this year's crop was the worst he had seen in three decades working with cherries in the state. "It's pretty devastating," Guerrero said. "There was just nowhere that was unscathed."

Why Rocket Scientists Began Counting Nuts in California

For decades, experts have done their best to estimate the size of California's almond crop prior to harvest. With the state producing most of the world's supply, the global market rises and falls with the fate of the Central Valley crop. Expectation of a shortage can stoke competition among buyers and raise prices, while a large crop forecast can achieve the opposite. "It affects many lives," said Jasbir Sidhu, who grows almonds in Fresno and Madera counties. But the expansion of California's almond industry, which brought greater variation from one orchard to the next, made it harder to forecast statewide yields by sampling a subset of orchards. In December, the Almond Board of California's directors voted to stop funding a key forecast provided for decades by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Instead, the industry is looking to private entities to find new ways to estimate the crop. While counting nuts may not be rocket science, some firms have leveraged experience in aerospace engineering—using technologies such as remote sensing and machine learning—to forecast crop yields. ★

Education is Vital and Costs California Billions, So Why Aren't Candidates Talking About It?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

The single largest item in Gov. Gavin Newsom's recently proposed budget — and arguably its most important — is the \$91 billion (plus \$60 billion in local and federal funds) it would spend to educate the state's nearly 6 million students, from transitional kindergarten through high school.

How well they are educated, prepared for higher education or the job market, will be a big factor determining whether California's economy, and thus its socio-economic whole, succeeds or fails.

Not surprisingly, given the amounts spent on education and its importance, it ranks very high in the Capitol's annual give-and-take over the budget. That's certainly true this year, as Newsom's last budget shorts the state constitution's mandatory allocation for schools by a few billion dollars, with a promise to make it up later, which drew opposition from school officials throughout the state.

Education perennially ranks very high in surveys of voters' priorities. The school lobbies, including the very powerful California Teachers Association, will use that as they press the Legislature to raise their share of the revenue stream.

With the high stakes of

education financing and its place in Californians' hopes for a prosperous future, one might think that those who aspire to succeed Newsom would happily volunteer their intentions.

That would be especially helpful given that Newsom, as a parting gesture, wants to all but eliminate the elective office of state superintendent of public instruction and vest nearly all education oversight in the governor's office.

If that rearrangement of duties is enacted, the next governor would be a virtual czar of the nation's largest public education system.

However, the silence about this among the leading candidates for governor is deafening. They are more than happy to exchange personal insults during debates and in campaign ads, and to hold forth on such issues as gas prices, housing and homelessness. But they leave a vacuum when it comes to how, or if, they would change the school system.

Only one candidate, San Jose Mayor Matt Mahan, repeatedly brings up this issue during debates, noting that he is a former teacher. The other candidates' blackout is compounded by the eagerness of debate mediators to interrogate the candidates on other issues while failing to bring up education.

A new study by Stanford University's Educational Opportunity Project verifies other data indicating that California's public schools are falling well short of the academic achievement needed for the state's future.

The study catalogued 2025 reading and math test scores throughout the nation

and found that, almost everywhere, achievement is lower than it was 10 years earlier — reading is down in 83% of local school systems and math is lower in 70%.

Most disturbingly, not only is California not immune from the trend but it is one of the states with the greatest declines. Only eight states and the District of Columbia experienced deeper declines in reading than California.

The New York Times, in reporting on the study, created a website that allows readers to find out specific results in individual school systems.

It reveals, for instance, that while Los Angeles Unified, the nation's second largest system, showed fractional gains in reading and math, Oakland Unified experienced declines in both and San Diego fell in reading and gained in math.

After years, even decades, of ignoring its deficiencies in those foundational skills, California has lately done something that it should have done long ago — embracing phonics in teaching reading. Also, legislation to diagnose and treat deficiencies in math is moving in the Capitol.

The next governor needs to build on those and other efforts to restore California's public schools to their former glory. The people vying for that job should tell us if and how they intend to do what's necessary.

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. ★

Then and Now

Gridley Museum's Photo Contest



Shown is a historic Gridley building in its prime back "Then". Based off this photograph, where was this building and what is located there "Now"? Please submit your guess of what/where the building is to the Gridley Museum in writing. **MUST INCLUDE:** The number of the photo you are submitting your guess on, your full name, best contact phone number and email address (if possible) and your guess. Limit one guess per photo/per person, contest open to residents of Gridley, Live Oak and Biggs ages 12 and up. An answer key will be posted after the contest ends July 4, 2026. The Gridley Museum is located at 601 Kentucky St., Gridley and can be reached at 530-846-4482. Photo #13 courtesy of the Gridley Museum

Live Oak Approves Phased Planning Fee Increases

By Shaunna Boyd

LIVE OAK, CA (MPG) - The Live Oak City Council approved phased increases to planning department fees during a public hearing on May 20, citing the need to better recover the city's costs for development-related services.

The planning department oversees requests such as rezoning, environmental impact reports, use permits and design reviews. According to city officials, the city's Master Fee Schedule has not been updated since 2003, leaving current fees below the actual cost of providing services.

Finance Director Ethan Gutierrez said the proposed changes are intended to help offset those costs.

"The purpose of this item is to adjust service fees and charges within planning to help recover city costs of providing community-based services," Gutierrez said.

The council first reviewed proposed fee increases in April alongside updates to parks and recreation fees. While the council approved the parks and recreation adjustments



at that time, members asked staff to revise the planning fee proposal to include a phased implementation process.

"While council acknowledged our fees are pretty low in comparison to other jurisdictions, there was an emphasis on continued support for development and economic growth," Gutierrez said.

Under the approved plan, the new fees will take effect June 1 with a 40% discount applied during the first year. Beginning in July 2027, the discount will decrease to 20%. The full fee schedule will take effect in summer 2028.

Examples of the updated fees include use permits increasing from \$1,899 to \$6,000 and environmental

reviews increasing from \$645 to \$4,500.

Mayor Jeremy Chapdelaine said the updated rates remain competitive with nearby cities while helping reduce pressure on the city's general fund.

"So, we're still trying to stay competitive without putting so much of a burden on the general fund," Chapdelaine said. "Because if we don't recapture fees through this process it has to be subsidized through the general fund."

The council approved the fee increases in a 4-0 vote. Councilmember Nancy Santana was absent.

The next Live Oak City Council meeting is scheduled for June 3. ★



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May 26: Biggs High School Spring Sports Awards 6 p.m. – 7 p.m.; May 29: Biggs High School Graduation 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

GRIDLEY

May 28: Gridley High School Senior Awards Night 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.; May 31: Gridley High School Senior Baccalaureate 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.; Jun 4: Sycamore Middle School Promotion 7:30 p.m. Butte County Fairgrounds; Jun 5: Gridley High School Graduation 7:30 p.m. – 9 p.m. Butte County Fairgrounds

LIVE OAK

May 27: Live Oak High School Scholarship Night 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.; May 28: Live Oak Senior Awards Assembly 2 p.m. – 3:25 p.m.; May 29: Live Oak High School Graduation 7 p.m.

MANZANITA

Jun 10: Manzanita Elementary School Promotion 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 3

Butte Humane Society's Dog Days of Summer

Take a break from the heat in our Education Center – we have activities for the whole family. Stop by Butte Humane Society, 13391 Garner Lane, Chico between 10 a.m. and noon. We'll have arts and crafts, adoptable dogs, and refreshing drinks from Sippy Hippie Co. available for purchase.

Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7

The Lord's Gym Kids Mud Run

Get ready to enjoy a weekend of muddy, high-energy fun. This incredible free outdoor obstacle course is designed specifically for kids and teens ages 4 through 17, featuring four age-appropriate tracks with up to 25 exciting challenges. Parents can join in our special parent-and-child heats or cheer from the sidelines along the dedicated spectator trail. Beyond the race, the event is a full community festival featuring inflatable bounce houses, a giant sledding hill, and food concessions. While the run itself is free, all proceeds from attractions and concessions directly support the Lord's Gym Charity Mission, funding local food banks, youth programs, and recovery initiatives in Oroville. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday The event takes place at Father's House Acres, 3556 Bangor Hwy., Oroville. Registration and more information at www.lordsgymudrun.com.

Saturday, June 6

Preserving Food with Friends

Join us for these hands-on classes, limited to 12 students. 10 a.m. at The Garden at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 410 Jackson St. This month's class will be about pickles. Register in advance at preservingfoodwithfriends@gmail.com or call 530-777-8469 for more information.

Kick Off Summer BBQ

Join us at Chapman Park, 775 E. 16th St., Chico from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Enjoy free hot dogs, live music, and family-friendly activities, with the splash pad keeping things cool. Presented by Chico Area Recreation and Park District (CARD).

Friday, June 12

Caddies & Canines Golf Invitational

Join us for a day of fairways, fun, and furry friends – we're heading to the

iconic Bidwell Park Golf Course, 3199 Golf Course Rd., Chico. This tournament is a vital lifeline for the Butte Humane Society. We receive no city, county, or government funding – we rely entirely on the generosity of our community to provide medical care, shelter, and love to animals in need. Every swing you take helps save a life. 7 a.m. check-in, 8 a.m. shotgun start. Registration and more information at www.golfbidwellpark.com.

Thursday, June 18

Butte County Farm Bureau Barbecue Grill & Chill

2026 Summer BBQ at the Butte County Fairgrounds, 199 East Hazel St. Join us for an outdoor event that will be fun for the whole family. No-host social hour at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Enjoy bounce houses for the kids, door prizes, silent auction, live auction, gun raffles plus a delicious barbecue trip tip dinner. Shubert's Ice Cream and Candy will provide their famous ice cream for dessert. Tickets now on sale at www.buttefarmbureau.com.

Library Happenings

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

Butte County Libraries

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

Monday, June 1: Book club, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (G) Friends of the Library meeting, 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (G)

Tuesday, June 2: Leaf Scavenger Hunt, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Explore within the library to find leaves that solve a mystery. (B) Creative writing group for adults, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (G)

Wednesday, June 3: Sidewalk Chalk party, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Thursday, June 4: Teen seed bomb craft, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. (B)

Friday, May 29: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (G) Newspaper fashion show, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Teens and tweens are invited to come show off on the runway with clothes you made from recycled newspaper. (G)

Sutter County Library

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

Continuing through Sunday, May 31: no children's programs.

Saturday, May 30: Chess club, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 6: Used book sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Discover amazing reads at unbeatable prices, perfect for stocking up your shelves, finding hidden gems, or picking up your next favorite story. Chess club, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Meeting Minders

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

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

Biggs City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month, at 6 p.m. in the council chambers, 3016 Sixth St., Biggs. The next meeting is scheduled for June 9 and more information is available at 530-368-5493.

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

Downtown Chico Thursday Night Market continues every Thursday night, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. through September 24. You'll find the market on Broadway between 2nd and 4th Streets, including side streets and City Plaza, Chico. Enjoy more than 100 vendors along the streets, a certified farmers' market, weekly live performances by entertainers of all kinds, and lots of family fun. For more information call 530-345-6500.

Durham Grange Farmers' Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 25 at 9386 Midway in Durham, behind Dollar General. This vibrant market promises an array of fresh produce, delicious foods, handmade goods and more, making it the perfect spot to shop local and support small businesses.

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

Friday Night Concerts, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Chico City Plaza, 132 W. 4th St., every Friday May 29 through August 28 (excluding July 3). Grab takeout from your favorite downtown restaurant and enjoy your meal picnic-style in the Plaza while the band plays. Support local restaurants and soak up the music-filled summer atmosphere.

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

Gridley Senior Group Breakfast every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. includes Bingo at 9:30 a.m. Gridley Recreation Center 194 Washington St. For more information, call 530-846-3264.

Gridley Unified School District (GUSD) Board meetings are generally on the first and third Wednesday each month, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Call 530-846-4721 for more information. Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 10.

Live Oak City Council usually meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the council chambers at

City Hall, 9955 Live Oak Blvd. Call 530-695-2112 for more information.

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

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

Survivors of Suicide Support Group meets the first and third Wednesday each month at 7 p.m. at the Gridley Recreation Department, 194 Washington Street. For more information, call 530-353-5349. Next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 3.

Community Resources – Find Food

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

First Baptist Church of Live Oak Food Pantry, 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the fourth Sunday of each month, at 2480 Pennington Road, Live Oak. This is a drive-through Food Pantry, with entrance on Gum Street and exit on Pennington Road. Next distribution will be May 24. Call 530-695-2894 for more information.

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

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

North State Food Bank, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. monthly at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 410 Jackson St., Gridley. Next distribution on Tuesday, June 9. Call 530-712-2600 for more information.

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

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

Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Consider the Talent

Well Kings fans, the playoff world of basketball goes on whether the Sacramento Kings are a part of the conversation or not. The vast majority of the supposed basketball experts have been predicting an OKC repeat and with Shai Gilgeous-Alexander recently garnishing the MVP award for last season, I imagine most people believe the same thing.

As it turns out, the San Antonio Spurs may have something to say about that outcome, as their series is knotted at two-games apiece, and in the last contest they held the potent offensive of OKC to an amazing 82 points for the game.

A stifling defense swarmed the Thunder for 48 minutes and never allowed the defending champions a chance to ever make this game a contest.

But given the overwhelming prediction that OKC would virtually boat race any and all competition to the finish, how did this happen.

Obviously, 7-foot-4 Victor Wembanyama hasn't been listening to ESPN or reading the papers, because he is completely unaware that the Spurs were supposed to be nothing but be a good tune up for the championship series.

Wembanyama has given the Thunder plenty to be concerned about, and at this juncture this seven-game series could go either way.

The New York Knicks have the east coast on fire with enthusiasm as going back to the regular season they have won 16 of their last 20 games, and a surprising eight games in a row in the playoffs.

A shut down defense simply took Cleveland out of their recent series and put an exclamation mark on a 130-93 thrashing of the Cavaliers to complete a 4-0 series sweep.

Experts have been emphatically saying that teams with small guards are a thing of the past and should not be considered a serious threat to the longer teams like the Thunder others that count on expansive wing spans to shut down opposing threats.

Apparently that news never got to Jalen Brunson who generously listed at six-foot-two has been a one-man wrecking crew and virtually unstoppable since the playoffs began.

Two things should be of great interest

to Sacramento Kings fans that are waiting patiently for the 2026 draft to begin.

Number one, the dominance of the population heavy cities such as Los Angeles, San Francisco and others has finally come into question, as San Antonio, Oklahoma City, Memphis, Indiannapolis and others have given rise to the notion that smaller cities can compete and bring championships to their cities as well.

Number two, as stated teams with a smaller back court are not precluded from championship contention, and both of these truisms should make Sacramento Kings fans sit up and take notice.

The outcome of this year's championship series may play a part in which direction the Sacramento Kings go, and who they decide to draft.

I have long been a proponent of building this team around Domantas Sabonis, and I haven't changed my mind. Take stock in what you already have on a team laden with talent and make the necessary tweaks without putting a team together that no one recognizes.

The city of Sacramento is about to find out the true identity of GM Scott Perry, and whether he has the ability to recognize talent when he sees it.

Too many years have passed that left quality players undrafted or simply went to other teams because the Kings passed them by. This needs to stop and I can think of no better time than right now.

Whether the New York Knicks face San Antonio or the Oklahoma City Thunder, the Sacramento fan base will have an opportunity to see how a team with a smaller back court can stand the test of a bigger and longer one.

There is considerable interest in this off season for the Kings, and I've heard virtually every opinion imaginable from fans that have followed the Kings for years.

This fan base has passion, and now they need the front office to demonstrate the ability to draft and make trades that will fill Golden Ore Arena every night.

Every reason for optimism, so renew those season tickets Kings fans and let's keep the support high!

All the best! ★

CalFresh Work Rule Changes Begin June 1

By MPG Staff

SUTTER COUNTY (MPG) - New CalFresh eligibility rules will take effect June 1 and will impact some adults between the ages of 18 and 64, according to information released by program officials.

The updated rules apply to adults who do not have a disability and do not have children living in their household.

Officials said California previously operated under a waiver that allowed benefits regardless of work or disability status. That waiver is ending, bringing new federal work requirements back into effect for some recipients.

Under the changes, people applying for or renewing CalFresh benefits will have up to three months to meet the new requirements or qualify for an exemption. Rules in which a person does not meet the rules and does not receive an exemption will count toward a three-month benefit limit.

To continue receiving benefits, affected individuals must participate in approved

activities for at least 20 hours each week. Eligible activities may include employment, volunteer work, school attendance or job training programs.

Several exemptions are available. People who are pregnant, caring for a child younger than 14 or living with a health condition may qualify for exemptions from the work requirements.

Additional exemptions may apply to people younger than 16 or age 60 and older, individuals caring for a person with a disability, those meeting income or work-hour thresholds, people receiving unemployment or disability benefits, students enrolled at least half-time, participants in programs such as CalWORKS or individuals in drug or alcohol treatment programs.

Officials encouraged anyone who may qualify for an exemption to act quickly to avoid interruptions in benefits.

More information is available through BenefitsCal, by calling 1-877-652-0739 or by contacting a local CalFresh office. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000443
The following person(s) are doing business as: Wilsons Rentals, 878 Palermo Road, Oroville, CA 95965

Phillip L Wilson, 878 Palermo Road, Oroville, CA 95965
Date filed in Butte County: April 22, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: January 1, 1995

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2026
WILSONS 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000421
The following person(s) are doing business as: America Painting Cali, 2990 Morseman Avenue, Chico, CA 95973
Miguel A Huerta, 2990 Morseman Avenue, Chico, CA 95973

Date filed in Butte County: April 16, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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AMERICA 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000462
The following person(s) are doing business as: Worth Home Rehab, 2663 Nevada Avenue, Oroville, CA 95966
Kathleen T Curtis, PO Box 3361, Paradise, CA 95967

Date filed in Butte County: April 28, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: February 6, 2026

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2026
WORTH 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000473
The following person(s) are doing business as: Table Mountain Engraving, 1216 18th Street, Oroville, CA 95965
Timothy P Cassone and Elizabeth R Gorbet, 1216 18th Street, Oroville, CA 95965

Date filed in Butte County: April 29, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: April 29, 2026

This Business is conducted by: A Married Couple. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2026
TABLE 5-29-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000491
The following person(s) are doing business as: PDP Engineering, 1339 Esplanade, Chico, CA 95928
Derek B Soriano, 2485 Notre Dame Boulevard 370-263, Chico, CA 95928

Date filed in Butte County: May 4, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 4, 2026

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 15, 22, 29, June 5, 2026
PDP 6-5-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000482
The following person(s) are doing business as: Gather to Craft, 14154 Skyway Suite 1, Magalia,

CA 95954

Emiko H Wilson and David J Wilson, PO Box 1669, Magalia, CA 95954

Date filed in Butte County: May 1, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 1, 2026

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GATHER 6-5-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000498
The following person(s) are doing business as: Musikal Roots, 44 Moraga Drive, Chico, CA 95926

Burnside, Laurajeane Gerber, 44 Moraga Drive, Chico, CA 95926
Date filed in Butte County: May 6, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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MUSIKAL 6-12-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000506
The following person(s) are doing business as: Southern Handy Services, 2211 Floral Avenue, Chico, CA 95926

Gerald L Spain, 2211 Floral Avenue, Chico, CA 95926
Date filed in Butte County: May 7, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 1, 2025

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SOUTHERN 6-12-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000489
The following person(s) are doing business as: Upgraded Living, 2050 Parkway Village Drive, Chico, 95928

Avedd Khaki, 2050 Parkway Village Drive, Chico, CA 95928
Date filed in Butte County: May 4, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: September 1, 2007

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UPGRADED 6-12-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000521
The following person(s) are doing business as: Dapper Doggie Grooming Co, 119 Dakota Avenue, Biggs, CA 95917

Brittney L Bassett, 119 Dakota Avenue, Biggs, CA 95917
Date filed in Butte County: May 11, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

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DAPPER 6-12-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000535
The following person(s) are doing business as: West Eikon Textiles, 4765 Baggett Marysville Road, Oroville, CA 95966

Orbital Logistics Foundation LLC, 4765 Baggett Marysville Road, Oroville, CA 95966
Date filed in Butte County: May 14, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: N/A

This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company.

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WEST 6-19-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000518
The following person(s) are doing business as: Northbeast Co, 2019 Forest Avenue Suite 160, Chico, CA 95928

Joel Patrick, 2019 Forest Avenue Suite 160, Chico, CA 95928
Date filed in Butte County: May 11, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 11, 2026

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NORTHEAST 6-19-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000569
The following person(s) are doing business as: Paradise Farmers Market, 5505 Skyway, Paradise, CA 95969

John Heinke, 5505 Skyway, Paradise, CA 95969
Date filed in Butte County: May 21, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 21, 2026

This Business is conducted by: An Individual. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026
PARADISE 6-19-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 2026-0000524
The following person(s) are doing business as: Stump Works, 236 W East Avenue A 304, Chico, CA 95926

Lake Life Houseboat Repair LLC, 236 W East Avenue A 304, Chico, CA 95926
Date filed in Butte County: May 12, 2026. The Registrant commenced to transact business under the above business name on: May 1, 2026

This Business is conducted by: A Limited Liability Company. NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious business statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14400, ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code. Publish: May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 2026
STUMP 6-19-26

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF BUTTE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE CHANGE OF NAME

CASE #26CV01312
Petitioner Jennifer Alexis Acosta filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Jennifer Alexis Acosta to Jennifer Alexis Sanchez Acosta.

THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing June 10, 2026, 9:00 a.m. Department 6, Room TBD, Superior Court of California, County of Butte, North County Courthouse 1775 Concord Avenue Chico, CA 95928
Filed on April 23, 2026
Stephen E. Benson, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: May 8, 15, 22, 29, 2026
ACOSTA 5-29-26

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF LESLIE W. HUMPHREYS
CASE NO. 26PR00189

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, and contingent creditors of and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate of Leslie W. Humphreys.

A Petition for Probate has been filed by Butte County Public Administrator, in the Superior Court of California, County of Butte, requesting Butte County

Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative(s) to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the executor will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or have consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: June 23, 2026, 9:00 a.m. in Dept Probate Room: TBA. Superior Court of California, County of Butte, 1775 Concord Avenue, Chico, CA 95928.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. The name, address and telephone number of the Attorney for Petitioner is: Butte County Public Administrator, P.O. Box, 1649, Oroville, CA 95965; 530-552-6165

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (NOTICE PURSUANT TO UCC SEC. 6105

NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. **The name(s) and business address of the seller are:** GOLDEN ROSELEAF GARDENS OPCO LLC Sridhar Nagunuri 2770 Sierra Ladera, Chico CA 95928 2180 Humboldt Road, Chico CA 95928 **Doing business as:** Roseleaf Gardens, Roseleaf Senior Care **All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within the past three years as stated by the seller(s) are:** (If none, so state) GOLDEN ROSELEAF OROVILLE OPCO LLC dba Roseleaf Oroville 1900 20th Street, Oroville, CA 95965 **The location is California of the chief executive office of the seller is:** 2239 Cattle Drive, Folsom CA 95630 **The name(s) and business address of the buyer(s) are:** Roseleaf Gardens Chico LLC Roseleaf Gardens Oroville LLC Serenity Oaks Facility LLC Talwinder Singh Kahlon PO Box 4730 Modesto CA 95352 **The assets being sold are generally described as:** Care home facility **And are located at:** 2770 Sierra Ladera, Chico CA 95928 & 2180 Humboldt Road, Chico CA 95928 **The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of:** WFG National Title Insurance Company, 899 Northgate Drive, Suite 306, San Rafael CA 94903 **And the anticipated sale date is:** May 29, 2026 **The bulk sale is not subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2 GOLDEN ROSELEAF GARDENS OPCO LLC /s/ Sridhar Nagunuri Seller(s)** Published 5/29/2026
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TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No. 144602-CA APN: 022-350-057-000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 6/1/2006. 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 ON 6/24/2026 AT 3:30 PM, CLEAR RECON CORP, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 6/8/2006 as Instrument No. 2006-0029204 of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Butte County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: ANTONIO A ROMO A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, 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 FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE; AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE BUTTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 1 COURT STREET, OROVILLE, CA 95965 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 454 TRENT STREET, BIGGS, CA 95917 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 held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$102,273.95 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned or its predecessor caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not

present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (855) 313-3319 or visit this Internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 144602-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: Effective January 1, 2021, 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 (855) 313-3319, or visit this internet website www.clearreconcorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 144602-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as 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. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (855) 313-3319 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, California 92108
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-26-1035037-AB Order No.: 3878011 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/1/2002. 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, or cash equivalent if deemed acceptable to the trustee, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by 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 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **GEORGE EDWARD LYLES AND BERTHA LYLES, HUSBAND AND WIFE** Recorded: 5/8/2002 as **Instrument No. 2002-0023406** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **BUTTE** County, California; Date of Sale: 6/24/2026 at 03:30 PM Place of Sale: **At the Main Entrance of the Butte County Courthouse, 1 Court Street, Oroville, CA 95965** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$37,860.37** The purported property address is: **10703 OROVILLE QUINCY HWY, BERRY CREEK, CA 95916** Assessor's Parcel No. : **061-450-037-000** All bidders, at the date, time, and place of the scheduled sale, will be required to show satisfactory support to the auctioneer of their ability to pay the amount they intend to bid, unless arrangements have been made with the trustee prior to the scheduled 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

Biggs Approves Rebates for Utility Customers

By Susan Meeker

BIGGS, CA (MPG) - Biggs electric customers will receive a \$300 rebate on their June utility bills after the Biggs City Council approved the measure May 12 using greenhouse gas funds generated through the city's municipal electric utility.

The 4-0 vote will provide approximately \$231,300 in customer rebates across the city's estimated 771 electric accounts.

City Administrator Nicolas Gauthier said the rebate uses money accumulated through California's Cap-and-Invest program, which allows publicly owned utilities to receive greenhouse gas-related credits

tied to energy production.

Gauthier said the funds are restricted to projects that reduce emissions, improve energy efficiency or lower customer utility costs and cannot be used for unrelated city expenses.

During the meeting, Gauthier told the council some of the credits were approaching an 11-year expiration deadline.

"I figured that money spent within the city is better than money being given back to the state of California," Gauthier said.

The rebates will be issued as flat-rate credits because current California Air Resources Board guidelines require equal



treatment for utility customers rather than rebates based on electricity usage, Gauthier said.

If a customer's June bill is less than the rebate amount, the remaining balance will stay on the account as a non-cashable credit until fully used.

Vice Mayor Doug Arnold supported the largest rebate option during council discussion.

"I think our citizens need a break," Arnold said.

The rebate approval was part of a broader discussion on how Biggs plans to use greenhouse gas funds tied to the electric utility.

The council also approved the purchase of a hybrid Toyota Camry using greenhouse gas funding for utility district travel and official city business. The vehicle purchase was capped at \$36,900.

Gauthier said the hybrid vehicle would reduce fuel use and emissions while supporting

utility operations tied to meetings, infrastructure planning and regional travel connected to the city-owned electric system.

In an unrelated discussion, the Biggs City Council also authorized moving forward with a request for proposals for Advanced Metering Infrastructure, or AMI, systems for city water and electric meters.

Gauthier said many of the city's meters are aging and some customers still do not have water meters installed. He said the AMI project would improve efficiency, customer access to usage information and long-term utility operations. ★

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that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trust-

ee's sale or visit this internet website <http://www.quality-loan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-26-1035037-AB**. 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 internet information or on the internet website. 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 866-645-7711, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: **CA-26-1035037-AB** 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. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT:** Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the

last and highest bidder at the trustee's sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee's sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee's sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. **NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE POST-SALE OVER BIDDERS:** For post-sale information in accordance with Section 2924m(e) of the California Civil Code, use file number CA-26-1035037-AB and call (866) 645-7711 or login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com>. The above statutorily mandated notices to Tenant, Prospective Owner-Occupant, and Prospective Post-Sale Over Bidders are brief summaries of what may be required under Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. Compliance with all relevant provisions will be required. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any

incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. Date:

QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 866-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 800-280-2832 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Post-Sale Information (CCC 2924m(e)): (866) 645-7711 Reinstatement or Payoff Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION TS No.: CA-26-1035037-AB IDSPub #0314987 5/29/2026 6/5/2026 6/12/2026 THE GRIDLEY HERALD 6-12-26



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BUTTE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

2026-27 BUDGET AND LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN: INSPECTION AND HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the 2026-27 proposed budgets and Local Control and Accountability Plan for the following school districts in Butte County will be available for public inspection on the dates indicated below. Also shown are the dates, times, and locations for the public hearings on the 2026-27 proposed budgets and LCAP.

Biggs Unified School District

Public Inspection: June 5, 2026 to June 10, 2026
300 B Street, Biggs, CA 95917

Public Hearing: June 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
Biggs Unified School District
300 B Street, Biggs, CA 95917

Gridley Unified School District

Public Inspection: June 5, 2026 to June 10, 2026
429 Magnolia Street, Gridley, CA 95948

Public Hearing: June 10, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
Gridley Unified School District - Board Room
429 Magnolia Street, Gridley, CA 95948

Manzanita Elementary School District

Public Inspection: June 12, 2026 to June 16, 2026
627 E. Evans Reimer Road, Gridley, CA 95948

Public Hearing: June 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Manzanita Elementary School
627 E. Evans Reimer Road, Gridley, CA 95948

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City of Biggs City Council NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday June 23, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, the Biggs City Council will conduct a public hearing at City Hall in the Council Chambers, 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs, California, to consider the following matter:

Approval of the Report of Delinquent Fees (Report) related to utility charges for collection on the property tax roll prepared by the Butte County Tax Collector pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 5473 et seq. and Biggs Municipal Code Title 10.

A list of addresses potentially affected by this action is on file with the City Clerk.

The City Council shall make its determination upon each charge as described in the Report. Their final determination shall cause the Report to be filed with the County of Butte. The Tax Collector shall include said delinquent fees and charges for taxes levied against the respective lots and parcels of land.

Property owners and any other interested persons may contact Carrie Pahua, Billing and Collections, at 530-868-5493, or submit written comments to City Hall prior to 4 p.m. on June 23, 2026, or by emailing the City Clerk at cityclerk@biggs-ca.gov, or in person at the Public Hearing.

As a continued courtesy to the public, the meeting will be broadcast free via the internet - no comments will be allowed remotely. The zoom link to watch the meeting is <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5308680100>.

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 Billings and Collections, 3016 Sixth Street, Biggs at or prior to the close of the public hearing.

Dated / Published: May 29, 2026, and June 5, 2026

Roben Benish
City of Biggs City Clerk

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INVITATION TO BID

**PROJECT: Biggs High School Re-Roof
BIGGS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Board of Trustees of the Biggs Unified School District of Biggs, California, on **June 17, 2026** at 2:00 pm, at the District Office, **Biggs Unified School District 300 B Street Biggs, CA 95917**

All inquiries concerning this bid shall be directed to Zane Schreder 530-228-9733 zane@zaneschreder.com

Bidders may obtain a digital set of plans and specifications, and contract documents from the Leah Voorhees voorhees@nrmrdesign.com and specs for this project will be complimentary. Bidders may also review bid documents at local Builders.

The work of this bid package is described as follows:

Re-Roof Biggs High School

Pre-Bid Job Walk: There is a non-mandatory pre-bid conference for this project on **June 9, 2026 at 11:00 am** Biggs High School Office Parking lot 3046 2nd st. Biggs CA 95917

Bidders shall be licensed California contractors and shall comply with the State Labor Code. Prevailing wage rates are required. A 10% bid bond will be required.

The successful bidder must possess the specified Contractor's license that is valid and active for each Bid Package listed below at the time of submitting a bid. The Contractor's California State License number shall be clearly stated on the bidder's proposal. Subcontractors shall be licensed pursuant to California law for the trades necessary to perform the Work called for in the Contract Documents.

Each bid must strictly conform with and be responsive to the Contract Documents as defined in the General Conditions, exclusions will not be accepted.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding.

Each bidder shall submit with his bid, on the form furnished with the Contract Documents, a list of the designated subcontractors on this Project as required by the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act, California Public Contract Code Sections 4100 et. Seq.

All contractors bidding this project must be registered with D.I.R.

Bidders shall enter into a contract ten (10) days after receipt of "Notice of Award". The cost of all bonds shall be included in the bid and paid for by the Contractor. Contractors shall be a licensed California contractor and shall comply with the State Labor Code which requires setting forth in this document the following sections:

SECTION 1735 - DISCRIMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF RACE, COLOR, ETC.

No discrimination shall be made in the employment of persons upon public works because of the race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, marital status, or sex of such persons, except as provided in Section 12940 of the Government Code, and every contractor for public works violating this section is subject to all the penalties imposed for a violation of this chapter.

SECTION 1773.2 - SPECIFICATIONS OF GENERAL WAGES

In lieu of specifying the rate of wages in the call for bids, in the bid specifications and the contract, copies of the prevailing rate of per diem wages are on file at the office of the District and are available to any interested party on request. Copies shall be posted at the construction site.

The work required in the bidding documents are subject to liquidated damages as outlined in the General Conditions.

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INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE GRIDLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, of the County of BUTTE, State of California, will receive up to and no later than June 15, 2026 pm at 2:00 pm sealed bids for the award and contract for the furnishing of all labor, materials, transportation and services required for the Electrical and low voltage at Wilson Elementary Modular Classrooms project and such bids shall be received at the office of the Gridley Unified School District, 429 Magnolia Street, Gridley, CA 95948 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on June 9, 2026, at 10:00 am Meet at Wilson Elementary School 409 Magnolia Street, Gridley, CA 95948

Each Bid must conform and be responsive to this invitation and the Contract Documents. Electronic copies may be obtained upon request from the office of the Architect; Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto, 555 Main Street, Suite 300, Chico, CA 95928. Make requests to kratochvil@nrmrdesign.com with a subject heading of "Gridley High School Science Classroom Building"

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or bid bond made in favor of the Board of Trustees, Gridley Unified School District, executed by the bidder as principal and an admitted surety company as surety. All bonds for this project must be issued by an Admitted Surety, an insurance organization authorized by the Insurance Commissioner to transact business of Insurance in the State of California during this business year, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the maximum amount of the bid. The check or bid bond shall be given as guarantee that the bidder shall execute the contract if it is awarded to them in conformity with the Contract Documents and shall provide the surety bond as specified therein within five (5) days after notification of the award of the contract to bidder.

It shall be mandatory upon the Contractor to whom a contract is awarded, and upon all subcontractors under them, to pay not less than the general prevailing rates of per diem wages to all workers in the execution of the contract. Pursuant to the provisions of the California State Labor Code, and Local Laws thereto applicable, the said Board of Trustees has ascertained the prevailing rate of wages in the locality where this work is to be performed, for each craft and/or type of worker or mechanic needed to perform the work of this contract. General Prevailing Wage Rates shall be those rates pertaining to Butte County as published by the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) pursuant to California Labor Code, Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sections 1770, 1773, and 1773.1.

Copies of the Prevailing Wage Schedules may be obtained from the Division of Labor Statistics and Research, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA 94101, or www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/Prevailing-Wage.html.

Each contractor and subcontractor must be registered with DIR prior to submitting a bid.

The bidder awarded this contract may elect to receive 100% of payments due under the contract from time to time without retention of any portion of the payment by the public agency, by depositing securities of equivalent value with the public agency in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The Gridley Unified School District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any defect or irregularity in bidding.

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Live Oak Seniors Complete Final Milestone

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 pathways, but all participants must complete the same major requirements.

“Expectations are the same. There’s a community service component, there’s a senior project component, and they also do work-ready interviews, so they have to create a collection or a portfolio,” Lemieux said. “Then we had local businesses, 19 different people, come in and they gave them a mock interview experience.”

Lemieux said the interviews gave students practical experience speaking with professionals before entering the workforce or college. She added that one student was offered a position following an interview.

“Our kids rocked it,” Lemieux said.

Students also completed a minimum of 10 volunteer service hours connected to their projects. According to Lemieux, seniors collectively contributed more than 2,000 hours of community service this year.

The projects reflected a wide range of student interests and experiences.

Senior Aaliyah Gerardo presented “Sacred Stitches,” a hand-crafted silk shawl inspired by her Maidu heritage and traditional Native American medicine dresses. Gerardo explained that the dresses symbolize transformation and growth.

“The way this movement works, it kind of imitates a butterfly,” Gerardo said while displaying the flowing garment. “I thought it’d be a good way to show transformation, because it shows a butterfly emerging from its cocoon. I thought, high school to college.”

Gerardo said traditional shawls are commonly woven from native grasses, but she chose brightly colored silk fabric to



Aaliyah Gerardo displays a silk shawl inspired by her Maidu heritage during the Live Oak High School Senior Project Fair on May 21. Gerardo said the project symbolized transformation and the transition from high school to college.



Mariah Mason displays her self-published book, “In Defense of the Wind,” during the Live Oak High School Senior Project Fair. Mason said the book is available on Amazon and has sold 40 copies.

emphasize the butterfly imagery and symbolism tied to personal change and new beginnings. As graduation approaches, she said the project connected directly to her own transition into adulthood and college life.

Other students focused on developing practical skills while serving community members.

Noah Curiel’s project, “The Flavor of Gratitude,” centered on learning how to smoke and prepare meals including tri-tip, ribs, chicken and side dishes. After practicing the cooking techniques, Curiel organized dinners for single-mother families.

“Once I learned how to do all that, I did two practice cooks and then for the final one, I did

a dinner for single-mother families,” Curiel said. He later added that he ultimately prepared meals for two single-mother families and another dinner for a teacher.

Curiel said his research examined the role family dinners play in non-traditional households.

“For my research question, what is the value of family dinners for children growing up in non-traditional families?” Curiel said. “I did that because I grew up in a single mother household and I wanted to see if family dinners had the same effect for other children as it did on me.”

Curiel dedicated the project to his late father.

Several students used the senior project requirement to explore possible career paths through mentorships and job shadowing experiences.

Julissa Perez spent 12 hours shadowing Sutter County

Sheriff’s Officer Paige Tarke during both day and night patrol shifts to gain a better understanding of law enforcement work. Perez said Tarke encouraged her to experience both shifts to see the differences officers face depending on the time of day.

Officer Tarke said she serves as one of the department’s recruitment officers and has mentored people before, but Perez was the first high school student she worked with through the senior project program.

“It was very rewarding and I feel like I learned a lot from her as well,” Tarke said.

Perez said the experience strengthened her desire to pursue a career in law enforcement and eventually become a detective.

“I think it made me more excited to be an officer, yes,” Perez said.

Other projects included raising

ducks from eggs for hands-on veterinary experience, publishing an original book, launching a mobile detailing business and organizing a community farmers market with support from the Live Oak City Council.

Lemieux said the fair represented more than just a graduation requirement. She said it demonstrated the willingness of students to commit themselves to difficult, long-term projects while balancing school and personal responsibilities.

“Senior projects are hard,” Lemieux said. “This group, we had every student show up to their presentations. We had every student show up to events like this, so they are willing to do hard things. It gives you hope for the future.”

“We’re really proud of them trying and pushing through, even when it was hard.” ★



Julissa Perez and Sutter County Sheriff’s Officer Paige Tarke discuss Perez’s law enforcement shadowing project during the Senior Project Fair at Live Oak High School.



Paulina Martinez presents “Cultivating Connections: Hosting a Farmer’s Market” during the Live Oak High School Senior Project Fair.

City Facing Major Infrastructure Pressures

By Susan Meeker

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Officials in Gridley said infrastructure demands are outpacing staffing and maintenance capacity as aging utilities, deteriorating streets and future development place increasing pressure on city operations.

At a strategic planning session earlier this month, Public Works Director Jerry Cox and City Engineer Dave Harden outlined concerns involving reduced staffing, water system upgrades, wastewater infrastructure, road repairs and expanding maintenance responsibilities tied to growth throughout the city.

Cox told the council the public works department is currently operating with

nine full-time employees instead of the 11 positions historically used to maintain city services.

“We’re trying to maintain the city with the nine employees right now,” Cox said.

Cox said the city will likely need four additional employees in the future, including restoring two vacant positions and adding two more once the Highway 99 rehabilitation project is completed and the city assumes responsibility for maintaining landscaping, sidewalks, irrigation systems and other improvements along the corridor.

Council members expressed concern that staffing shortages are already forcing the

department to fall behind on some maintenance responsibilities.

Cox said the shortage has reduced preventative maintenance and some state-required work, including water valve exercising programs, hydrant flushing and sewer line camera inspections.

Aging water and sewer infrastructure emerged as one of the city’s largest long-term concerns during the workshop.

Harden said recent geological testing complicated earlier plans to replace the city’s aging sewer force main beneath the Feather River, forcing engineers to reevaluate alternatives for the project. Officials are now studying whether the line could potentially

be attached to the nearby bridge crossing instead of tunneling beneath the river.

The sewer line carries wastewater across the river to the city’s wastewater treatment plant.

Harden said the city recently received state approval to continue evaluating alternative designs and funding options for the project. He said future costs could depend on whether additional lift stations and supporting infrastructure also require upgrades.

“We need to know how much money to ask for and can we get it done,” Harden said.

Officials also discussed continued efforts to secure funding for water system improvements, including

arsenic treatment work connected to the Wilson well and quarterly testing required under state drinking water regulations.

Street repairs and deferred maintenance were another major focus of the session.

Cox said the city plans to prioritize paving work on portions of Locust Street, Oregon Street and nearby residential streets where pavement deterioration has resulted in repeated patching and pothole repairs.

The city also expects additional maintenance demands from future subdivisions, drainage systems, parks and the developing sports complex. Cox said maintenance districts connected to Pacific Flyway and Stepping

Stones Estates will add to the department’s workload in coming years.

Harden said the city is also working toward a geographic information system, or GIS-based asset management program, that would digitally track infrastructure conditions, repairs and maintenance schedules throughout the city. Officials said the system would improve long-term planning and help identify recurring infrastructure failures before they become larger problems.

The planning session was held separately from the city’s regular meeting to help council members set long-term priorities ahead of upcoming budget discussions. ★

Gridley Hosts Teddy Bear Clinic

Story and photos
by Seti Long

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Teddy, Mr. Honey Bear and a tiny pink rabbit were among the patients at Orchard Hospital's annual Teddy Bear Clinic on May 21 at the Orchard Medical Specialty Center in Gridley.

Students from McKinley and Manzanita elementary schools joined medical professionals, first responders and Gridley High School medical pathway students for the event, which aims to help children feel more comfortable around emergency responders and medical care.

Representatives from the Gridley Police Department, CAL FIRE Station 74 and the Butte County Sheriff's Office participated in the clinic.

Gridley High School medical pathway students arrived early to prepare stations and guided children through activities during the event.

The Teddy Bear Clinic was started nearly 25 years ago by Kirsten Storne-Piazza, whose experience working as an EMT in emergency rooms inspired the program.

"So many kids that would come into the ER, they didn't know what to expect," Storne-Piazza said. "They're terrified of white coats, and they're just scared."

The clinic allows children to bring stuffed animals to receive "treatment" while learning about emergency response in a relaxed setting.

Storne-Piazza said attendance was low during the clinic's first year when it was open to the public. She later approached local school districts about turning the clinic into a field trip opportunity for kindergarten through second-grade students.

"They were very excited and very supportive," Storne-Piazza said.

Children rotated through stations that introduced them to different parts of an emergency response. The tour began with police officers, representing the initial 911 response, followed by an ambulance demonstration and a



Gridley Medical pathway students from Gridley High School help children examine stuffed animals during Orchard Hospital's Teddy Bear Clinic on May 21 at the Orchard Medical Specialty Center in Gridley. The annual event introduces elementary students to medical care and first responders in a hands-on setting.

visit with firefighters and Ladder Truck 74. The final stop allowed medical pathway students to diagnose and treat the stuffed animals' "injuries."

Medical pathway student Asher Kimberling said the event helps children "trust the medical field."

Student Josie Stogsdill said children do not often get opportunities to interact with emergency responders in a calm environment.

Gridley Police Officer Ashley Gibson said positive interactions outside emergencies are important for children.

"I think the education portion is really important for the kids, because they don't get a lot of exposure to police officers and firefighters, and when they do, it's probably not the best day of their life," Gibson said.

"When they get to interact with us when it's not an emergency, it allows them to see that we're just people too, you know? And we're not scary," Gibson added.

Children listened closely to presenters, asked questions and watched as their

stuffed animals received care throughout the clinic.

Organizers said the annual Teddy Bear Clinic

continues to help ease children's fears surrounding

emergency situations and medical care. ★



Gridley Police Department Animal Control Officer Savannah Gorton and Officer Ashley Gibson joined medical pathway students during the Teddy Bear Clinic to teach children about safety and emergency response. Front row, from left, are Gorton and Gibson. Back row, from left, are Yazline Sanchez, Aubrey Quist, Audrina Trahin, Josie Stogsdill and Vivian King.

Virginia Street Property Draws Buyer Interest

By Susan Meeker

GRIDLEY, CA (MPG) - Two long-troubled industrial properties tied to fires, safety hazards and homeless encampments are moving closer to possible redevelopment as court-appointed receivers continue efforts to sell and rehabilitate the sites.

City Attorney Tony Galyean told the Gridley City Council on May 18 that 110 Virginia St., a fire-damaged industrial property that has been under receivership for about a year, is now in escrow. The site has been one of the city's most persistent enforcement challenges, drawing repeated complaints over deterioration, unsecured structures and public safety risks.

Galyean said the receiver has entered into a contract with Epic Global LLC, whose principal contact was identified as Alexander Leon. Because the property remains under

court-supervised receivership, the sale cannot move forward without approval from Butte County Superior Court. A hearing on the proposed sale is expected within about 30 days. A separate case management conference remains scheduled for Aug. 12. Galyean said those hearings allow the court to track progress, confirm compliance and ensure the receivership continues moving toward resolution.

The prospective buyer has been informed that the property must still meet the city's compliance requirements and address remaining health and safety violations. The 110 Virginia St. site became a focus of city enforcement efforts following major fire damage and years of neglect. Galyean said the company is exploring possible housing development at the site, though any future proposal would need to comply with zoning rules and undergo the city's standard review process.

Galyean also updated the council on 390 Virginia St., a warehouse property near Cedar Street that has drawn years of complaints over blight, trespassing and unauthorized encampments. The site was also connected to a suspicious death in 2025 that remained under investigation when the city sought receivership last fall. That case is earlier in the process, but Galyean said the receiver has listed the property and recently received interest from the Gridley Unified School District regarding a possible acquisition.

"There's no contract yet. There's not even a letter of intent," Galyean said. "But there has been some discussion."

Councilmember Catalina Sanchez suggested the city consider pursuing acquisition of the property, noting its proximity to the heart of downtown and the potential for a more coordinated redevelopment effort. ★

By Susan Meeker

OROVILLE, CA (MPG) - The Butte County Board of Supervisors has approved the next phase of a long-term overhaul of the Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility aimed at modernizing the county landfill and expanding recycling operations near Oroville.

Supervisors on May 12 approved a contract with GHD Inc. for environmental review, permitting and design work tied to the Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility master plan. The agreement runs through June 30, 2030, and is not to exceed \$1.51 million.

Interim Public Works Director Wendy Tyler said the Neal Road master plan was first presented to the board in October 2023 and March 2024 before receiving approval in May 2024.

Tyler said the approved plan outlines several

major upgrades intended to modernize the facility. Planned improvements include construction of a new access road and scale house, establishment of a public drop-off area, development of a new administration building and creation of a reuse area with a construction and demolition processing facility.

The modernization effort also follows the county's acquisition of adjacent property near the landfill, creating opportunities to improve site access, redesign traffic circulation and expand recycling and waste diversion operations tied to future growth.

County officials described the project as part of a long-term framework to expand and modernize the Neal Road facility to meet changing operational, environmental and regulatory requirements.

The construction and

demolition recycling component is expected to increase material recovery while reducing waste entering the landfill. Plans include designated drop-off areas for source-separated materials and mechanical processing using a simplified sorting line.

Tyler said the county issued a request for proposals in December 2025 for environmental studies and facility design work connected to the project. Three firms submitted proposals before GHD Inc. was selected following interviews with finalists.

The Neal Road Recycling and Waste Facility serves as Butte County's primary landfill and recycling center, handling residential and commercial waste from communities throughout the county.

Supervisors approved the contract without opposition. ★

Butte County Moves Ahead on Dump Overhaul

Biggs Baseball, Softball Seasons Ended by Los Molinos

By YSBC Sports

SUTTER/BUTTE COUNTIES, CA (YSBC) - The Biggs baseball and softball teams had their season by the Los Molinos Bulldogs programs in the playoffs.

Baseball

The two programs squared off in the CIF Northern Division V Championship at Butte College on Saturday, May 23.

Los Molinos won the Five Star league and took care of Portola and Etna to reach the D-V final.

The Bulldogs made Biggs junior pitcher Dennis Dewhurst worked hard getting the ball over the plate in the first inning as Dewhurst tossed 39 pitches in the inning and surrendered four runs.

Los Molinos built the decisive lead 11-1 at the end of the third and Dewhurst was taken out after three innings pitched.

Dewhurst surrendered 11 runs off eight hits, walked three, hit two batters and struck out seven in the loss.

Wolverines freshman Jaiden Bandy pitched the fourth inning and shut down the Bulldogs



Biggs junior Dennis Dewhurst (7) throws a pitch on April 28 during the Wolverines' loss to Hamilton. Photo by Chris Pedigo

lineup. Bandy led Biggs with two hits in the loss.

Wolverines sophomore Brayden Martin scored the lone run for Biggs in the defeat.

The Wolverines graduate two seniors on this roster and have a

lot of room to grow in the offseason with the experience coming back next season.

Biggs has the veteran leadership next season to make another run and get back to another championship.

Softball

Biggs had previously seen Los Molinos twice during the season and been victorious both times during tournaments but defeating a team three times in a row is a major challenge.

The Wolverines lost their first-round matchup to Quincy 8-5 and landed in the elimination game against the Bulldogs on May 21.

Biggs scored the first run of the game in the first inning when sophomore Arden Vines grounded out and scored senior Gracie Sheppard.

The Wolverines struggled at the plate as they had three hits total in the loss and Bulldogs junior pitcher Addison Jones was locked in for Los Molinos.

Jones mixed her pitches well and kept the ball low and forced multiple swings and misses out in front of the ball.

The Bulldogs scored four runs between the second and third innings with five hits and capitalized on a couple defensive errors by Biggs for a 4-1 lead.

The Wolverines cut the lead in half as junior Daisy Seipert hit a run-batted-in (RBI) single to left.

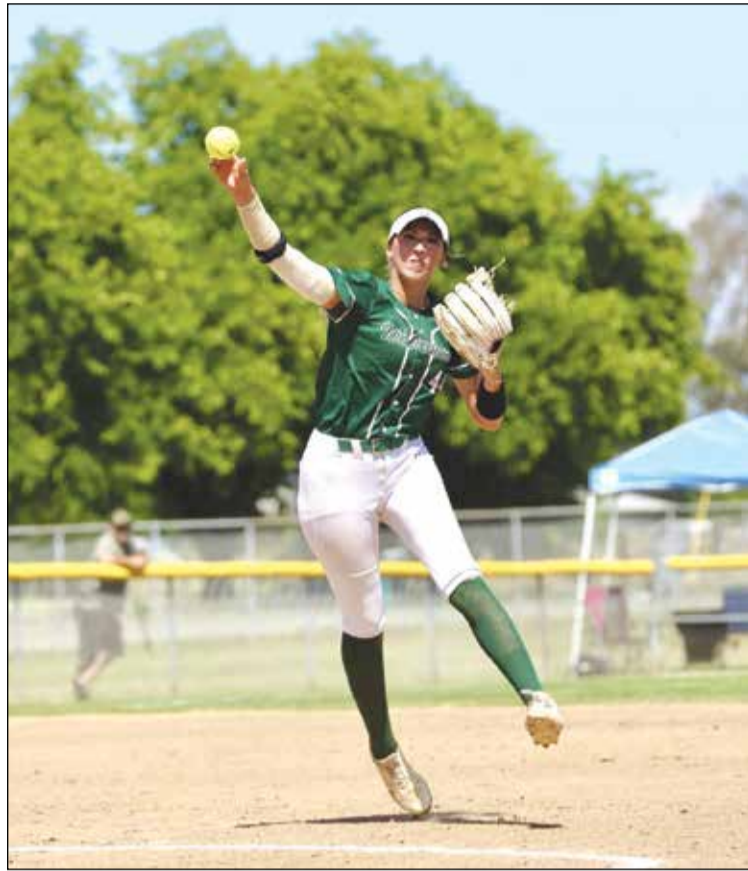
Sheppard did everything you could ask out of an ace inside the circle as she forced Los Molinos to put the ball in play, but the Bulldogs hit the ball in the right spots.

Sheppard tossed six innings in the loss but was relieved in the sixth inning by junior Riley Harrison.

Sheppard tossed six innings in the loss where she allowed eight hits and struck out five.

The Bulldogs scored their final four runs of the game in the sixth off of Harrison all with two outs.

Biggs head coach Zonah Headley told Yuba Sutter Butte

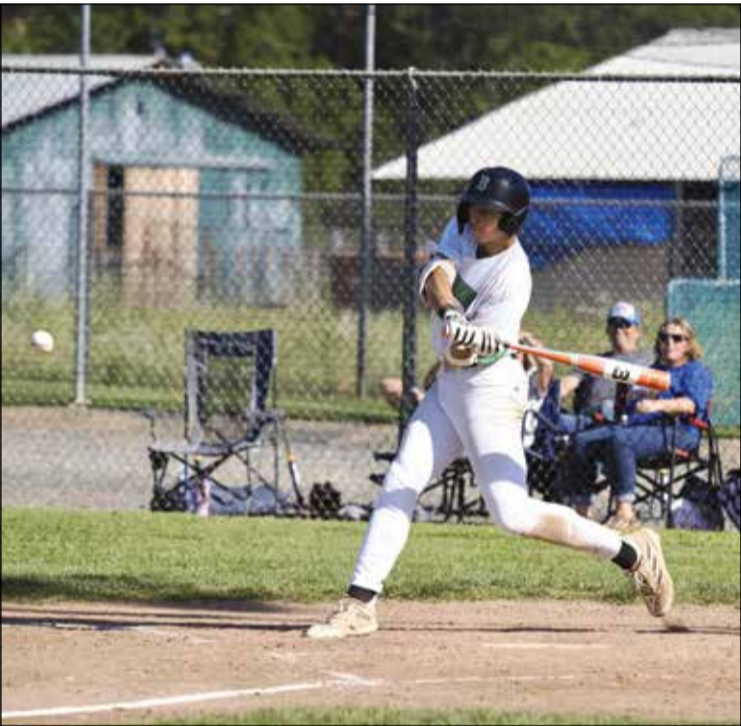


Biggs sophomore Arden Bines (44) throws a runner out on May 21 during the Wolverines' loss against Los Molinos. Photo by Steven Bryla

Colusa Sports that she was proud of her team for fighting all the way until the last pitch.

Headley added that she

couldn't have been prouder of coaching this team to a postseason and is excited to see the work in the offseason. ★



Biggs freshman Jaiden Bandy (11) hits the ball on April 28 during the Wolverines' defeat to Hamilton. Photo by Chris Pedigo



Biggs senior Gracie Sheppard (28) slides back safely to first base on May 21 during the Wolverines' defeat to Los Molinos. Photo by Steven Bryla



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