

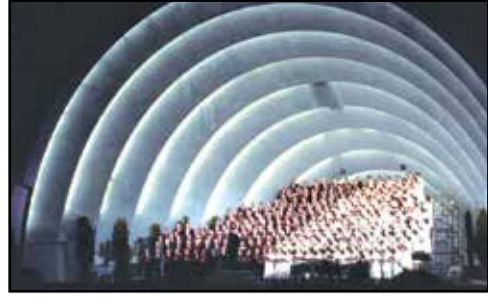


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Celebrating Student Accomplishments



Twin Rivers Unified School District students pose with certificates of recognition from the district at its June 16 board meeting. Photo courtesy of Twin Rivers Unified School District

By MPG Staff

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - At its June 16 board meeting, the Twin Rivers Unified School District celebrated students for a variety of accomplishments including statewide honors and championship-winning projects. The district posted to its Facebook page congratulating twenty-eight Twin Rivers graduates who earned

one or more associate degrees this school year. The students were recognized as their names were added to the Dual Enrollment Graduates Wall, located in the district's Board Room.

Trustees also honored 133 students at the meeting who earned the California State Seal of Biliteracy and celebrated students from Vista Nueva and Foothill high schools for

earning Best in Show at the 2026 Northern California Design Build Competition. The event, hosted by the Construction Industry Education Foundation (CIEF), challenges teams to design and construct a 96-square-foot structure from the ground up.

To learn more, visit trusd.net. To contact Twin Rivers Unified School District, call 916-566-1600. ★



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Sacramento County Expands Residential Fee Deferral Program to Support Housing Development

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - At its June 16 meeting, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved a resolution expanding the County's Residential Development Impact Fee Deferral Program to all residential projects, including eligible mixed-use developments that incorporate housing. The change is intended to reduce upfront development costs and support the construction of new housing throughout the County.

The expansion of the fee deferral program is part of Sacramento County's broader effort to create a more predictable, efficient and competitive development environment. By shifting the timing of fee payments, developers' upfront costs are reduced and access to capital during construction is improved, which provides developers with additional tools to advance projects, attract investment, and deliver housing more quickly, while continuing to ensure that new development contributes to the infrastructure and services growing communities depend on. The action reflects Sacramento County's commitment to supporting responsible growth.

The expanded program also broadens eligibility to include certain mixed-use developments, supporting projects that combine residential housing with commercial, retail or other compatible uses that contribute to vibrant, walkable communities.

The action aligns the County's program with Senate Bill 937, a state law intended to support housing development by allowing local governments to defer certain development impact fees.

In addition to approving the resolution, the Board introduced an ordinance that would amend portions of Sacramento County Code to formally implement and support the expanded program. The ordinance would establish the necessary code changes to align County regulations with the updated fee deferral

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Beyond the Books

10 Things to do at the Library This Summer

Sacramento Public Library News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Summer at the library is heating up. Whether you're looking for free events or creative ways to have fun and save money, there is so much to do at the library this summer. To browse the full calendar, visit www.saclibrary.org/events

Join the Summer Reading Challenge

Reading for pleasure boosts your imagination and reduces stress. Adults and kids can participate in our Summer Reading Challenge and earn prizes just for reading. Sign up online to complete activities and track reading progress. Books, audiobooks, graphic novels, magazines, it all counts as reading. Sign up for



Adult Summer Camp takes place July 11. Join the library to make friendship bracelet bag charms, bookmarks and participate in a book swap. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Public Library

summer reading at <https://www.saclibrary.org/explore-services/summer-reading>

Relive your old summer camp days

Lean into nostalgia and

spend the afternoon crafting with us. We're making friendship bracelet bag charms, bookmarks, and hosting a book swap at Adult Summer Camp on July 11. We're also hosting

Tote Bag Embroidery Craft Camp at several locations.

Get ready for your next build

Grab a baseplate
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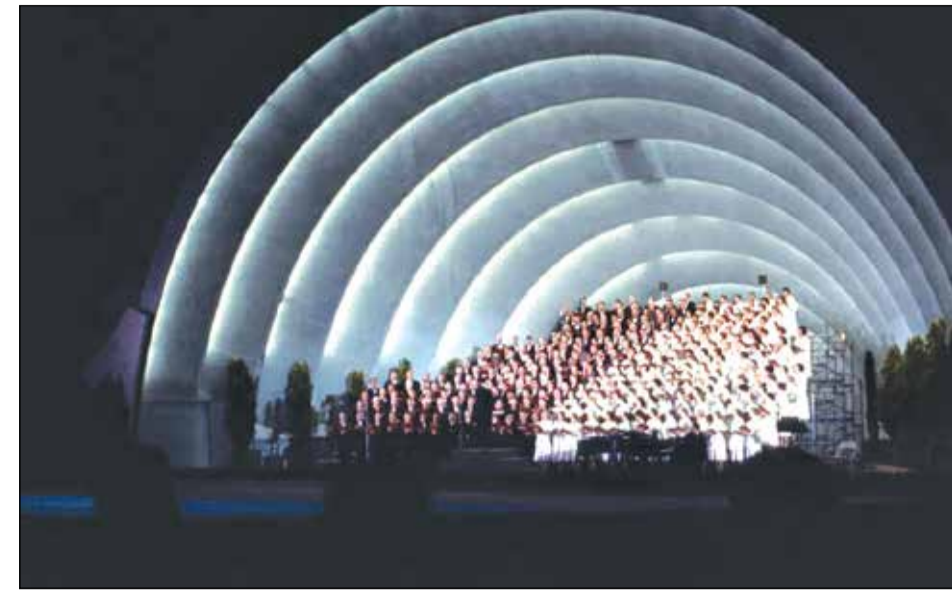


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Tabernacle Choir's Hollywood Bowl Centennial Concert Comes to Local Watch Parties

'A Century of Song. Heard Together.'



The Tabernacle Choir performs at the Hollywood Bowl in Los Angeles, California on May 23, 1962. Photo courtesy of the LDS Church Newsroom

By Patsy McGavock

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - On June 26 and 27, residents can experience the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square's Songs of Hope Benefit Concert without traveling to Los Angeles. Celebrating 100 years since the choir's first performance at the Hollywood Bowl, the choir invites communities nationwide to gather for a shared evening of music, fellowship and service through local watch parties.

Admission is free, though advance registration is requested so hosts can plan seating and refreshments. Some locations will also include service projects as part of the evening.

Watch parties will be hosted June 26 at local meetinghouses of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Specific locations and times can be found at the registration website twatchparty.com. An additional event will be held June 27 at the church building located at 3621 Elverta Road in Antelope.

The performance will not be publicly streamed elsewhere, making local watch parties the exclusive way for many to participate.

"If you've ever attended a performance of the Tabernacle Choir, you know what a thrilling experience it can be," said Cynthia Cates, communications director

for the Citrus Heights Stake, which is hosting the Antelope event. "This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends, neighbors and family members to enjoy an evening of music, fellowship and hope together."

Bringing together community and service, the Antelope event will include light refreshments and a service project benefiting mothers and at-risk children. Attendees are invited to bring backpacks, school supplies, makeup items or hair care products, Cates said.

The concert itself also supports humanitarian causes. Proceeds from the live performance will be matched dollar for dollar and directed to international organizations serving women and children, including I CARE, Helen Keller International and The Hunger Project.

Guest artists Donny Osmond, David Foster, Katharine McPhee, Stephanie J. Block and Sebastian Arcelus will perform alongside the Tabernacle Choir and Orchestra at Temple Square.

"Whether you're a longtime fan of the Tabernacle Choir or discovering their music for the first time, you'll find a warm welcome and an evening filled with beautiful music that speaks to the heart," Cates said.

Find a local watch party and reserve free tickets at twatchparty.com. ★

Latest State Budget Raises Taxes on Californians and Ignores Voter Priorities



Josh Hoover

By Assemblyman
Josh Hoover

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - As Californians grapple with an affordability crisis touching nearly every aspect of daily life, they deserve a state budget that addresses their struggles. Unfortunately, this year's budget bill does the opposite. It raises taxes on families and businesses, further driving up the cost of living. That's why I opposed it.

Families are already stretched thin by the high cost of housing, groceries, gas, electricity and healthcare. Yet Sacramento continues to favor government spending over real relief.

Despite historic revenue gains exceeding \$60 billion above initial projections, the budget relies on accounting gimmicks, new tax hikes and withdrawals of more than \$14 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund to achieve balance.

At a time when healthcare costs are skyrocketing, the budget imposes new taxes on health plans that will increase premiums by approximately \$1.5 billion annually. This will add an average of \$400 per year for a family of four and more than \$10,000 annually for businesses with 100 or more employees.

The budget also

introduces a new sales tax on digital software and software-as-a-service products. This will hit businesses and individuals relying on tools like Microsoft Office, Adobe, QuickBooks, Slack and Workday. The tax is projected to raise hundreds of millions for the state, but will inevitably be passed along to consumers through higher prices making California even less competitive and affordable. It also breaks new ground by taxing services — previously limited to tangible goods — setting a troubling precedent.

Voters made their priorities clear in November 2024. Proposition 35 dedicated Managed Care Organization (MCO) tax revenues to improving Medi-Cal provider reimbursement rates and healthcare access. Instead, these funds are being redirected to backfill the General Fund. Californians voted for better healthcare, not another budget-balancing maneuver by the governor and supermajority.

A similar disregard appears with Proposition 36. Voters approved it to enhance accountability for drug and theft crimes while expanding treatment for addiction and mental illness. Last year's budget offered only partial funding for implementation; this year provides none. Courts, probation departments and treatment providers now lack the dedicated resources needed to deliver on the voters' will.

The budget also fails to address other critical needs. It provides no meaningful funding for fraud prevention in major programs like

Medi-Cal, CalWORKS, In-Home Supportive Services, or childcare — despite persistent concerns about improper payments. Employers also continue to face burdens from the state's unemployment insurance debt with no substantial relief.

These choices reveal a clear pattern: Sacramento is protecting existing spending priorities rather than tackling our most pressing challenges — affordability, accountability and long-term fiscal health.

California families make tough tradeoffs every day to balance their own budgets. State government should meet the same standard of responsibility. A truly responsible budget would focus on lowering costs, strengthening public safety, honoring voter-approved initiatives, and ensuring taxpayer dollars are spent transparently and effectively.

This budget falls short. Californians deserve better — one that truly reflects the priorities and values they have expressed at the ballot box.

Assemblyman Josh Hoover represents the 7th Assembly District in Sacramento County, which includes the cities of Citrus Heights, Folsom, and Rancho Cordova and the unincorporated communities of Carmichael, Fair Oaks, Foothill Farms, Gold River, Mather, McClellan Park, North Highlands, Orangevale and Rosemont. You can follow him on X @joshua_hoover or contact his office at Assemblymember.Hoover@assembly.ca.gov. ★



Labor Expenses Push Farmers to Automate

Rising farm labor costs in recent years, combined with depressed crop prices, have pushed California farmers to seek labor-saving technology in an effort to remain financially viable, according to farmers and industry leaders. During the past decade, multiple state laws increased farm labor costs. Since 2016, the state's minimum wage increased 40%, rising faster than inflation and farm revenue. Meanwhile, California phased in an agricultural overtime law, entitling farmworkers to overtime benefits when they work more than eight hours a day or 40 hours a week. Josh Puckett, vice president of operations at Sierra Gold Nurseries in Yuba City, said the rising costs threatened the tree nursery's profitability. To adapt, the company invested in new technologies to reduce manual labor and make its operation more efficient. This month, where a potting line of 12 people once worked, a robot transplanted rootstock into pots of soil. In place of utility vehicles, autonomous shuttles ferried plants around the 65-acre facility. "We've implemented a lot more automation," Puckett said.

Policymakers, Agricultural Leaders Gather to Discuss Key Issues

Labor shortages, rising costs and water access emerged as key concerns for California farmers during discussions at the 2026 Agri-Pulse Food & Ag Issues Summit. The annual conference, held earlier this month in Sacramento,

brought together policymakers and agricultural leaders. Dan Sumner, an agricultural economist at the University of California, Davis, said changes affecting immigrant laborers have caused uncertainty for some farmers, with the threat of immigration raids worrying farmers and workers. "There's a bunch of fear out there, and I don't think it would take more than an incident or two to make real chaos for hired farm labor," Sumner said. "We really will see incredible stress on all of agriculture and, of course, the families involved."

Counties Struggle with New Abandoned Orchard Law

The U.S. Department of Agriculture confirmed multiple cases of New World screwworm cases in Texas this month. The flesh-eating pest was eradicated from North America decades ago but made a resurgence in Mexico beginning in November 2024. It poses a significant threat to cattle and can also affect other livestock, wildlife, pets and in rare cases people. "The re-emergence of New World screwworm in the United States after 60 years will have an immediate impact on farmers and ranchers in the affected areas," American Farm Bureau President Zippy Duvall said in a statement. "We are confident that the longstanding coordination between the states and USDA will enable a quick response and hopefully limit the negative impacts and resulting market volatility." ★

Beyond the Books

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and get ready to build at LEGO programs this summer. Kids can stretch their imaginations and learn how to build a robot. Adults can explore ways to regulate stress at creative wellness workshops.

Join a book group

Join a book group at your local branch or online. We also have a few programs on the American River Parkway this summer. Pick a genre like non-fiction, mystery, classics, quick reads, romance, graphic novels, horror, or mystery, and more.

Get creative

Learn how to crochet, dabble in watercolors, or experiment with a 3D printer at one of our creative spaces. You'll find all sorts of free classes and equipment to create something new.

Learn how to cook

Join us for a cooking demonstration and learn how to make recipes from Alana Kysar latest cookbook "Aloha Recipes."



Adults and kids can participate in the Summer Reading Challenge and earn prizes just for reading. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Public Library

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Sacramento County Expands Residential Fee Deferral Program

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program and state law requirements.

The ordinance is scheduled to come back to the Board of Supervisors for

consideration and final approval on July 14.

County staff will monitor implementation of the program and return to the Board within one

year with an evaluation of its effectiveness, including any impacts to housing production and infrastructure funding timelines. ★

Making Every Beat Count

Metro Fire strengthens the chain of survival with HeartSafe Community initiative

By Omella Rossi

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - When every second counts, Sacramento Metro Fire wants more neighbors ready to answer the call.

A 19-year-old heard an alert on his phone, jumped on his e-bike and raced to a nearby park. Someone was in cardiac arrest. Before paramedics arrived, he began CPR.

For Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District officials, that response represents exactly what they hope to build across the region: a community where ordinary residents are prepared to help save a life.

Through its HeartSafe Community initiative and Citizen Responders Project, Sacramento Metro Fire is working to improve survival rates from sudden cardiac arrest by expanding access to automated external defibrillators, or AEDs, increasing CPR training and encouraging residents to use the PulsePoint AED app.

“Before any professional is actually helping, that is when the majority of people are dying,” said Capt. James Ellis, who helps lead the initiative. “The biggest bang for our buck, the thing that you can do to save most lives, is that time period from the incident until we get on scene.”

The effort officially launched in 2025, but Ellis said the idea began years earlier after his cousin survived a cardiac arrest



In November, the Cordova Recreation & Park District and Sacramento Metro Fire celebrated the installation of the district's first publicly accessible AED cabinet at Hagan Community Park. Photo courtesy of the Cordova Recreation & Park District

while working as a white-water rafting guide on the American River.

“He recognized something was wrong, grabbed an AED from his raft and collapsed moments later. Crew members performed CPR and used the device to restart his heart,” said Ellis.

The experience led Ellis to explore why AEDs were often locked inside buildings and unavailable when parks and public spaces were closed. As he researched solutions, he discovered the national HeartSafe Community model and realized Sacramento could benefit from a coordinated approach.

At the same time, Metro Fire data showed cardiac arrest survival rates in the greater Sacramento region were below the national average.

Metro Fire formed a working group that includes Ellis, Community Relations Specialist April West and Director of Government

Affairs Kyle Macdonald. The team presented the concept to the district's board last fall and received strong support.

“We really do view this as an agency priority,” Macdonald said. “This is something that we're excited to keep working on.”

One major focus is expanding public access to AEDs. In November, the Cordova Recreation & Park District and Sacramento Metro Fire celebrated the installation of the district's first publicly accessible AED cabinet at Hagan Community Park. In May, members of Leadership Citrus Heights class also unveiled an AED at Rusch Park as part of their class project. Additional devices have since been installed at parks throughout the region.

Metro Fire currently knows of nine publicly accessible AED locations, most of them in parks, and expects that number to



Since October, Metro Fire has trained nearly 1,600 people in hands-only CPR, compared with about 100 people annually in previous years. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Metro Fire District

continue growing.

The district is also building an AED registry through the PulsePoint app. Residents can use the app to locate nearby AEDs, while trained users can receive alerts when a cardiac arrest occurs nearby.

“If we can drastically increase the number of people using the app,

we're going to increase the chance that people are going to survive,” Ellis said.

Education is another key component.

Without CPR, survival chances decrease by roughly 10% every minute after a cardiac arrest. Metro Fire officials say bystander CPR can significantly

improve outcomes, and combining CPR with an AED can improve survival rates even more.

Since October, Metro Fire has trained nearly 1,600 people in hands-only CPR, compared with about 100 people annually in previous years.

“We can train anybody to do hands-only CPR in 10 minutes or less,” Ellis said. Fear is often the biggest barrier, officials said.

“People are not afraid to act. They've never been in that situation. They don't know how they're going to act,” Ellis said.

His message to hesitant bystanders is simple: do something.

“If somebody doesn't make that call, that person doesn't have a chance,” he said. “Think about it if it's your loved one or yourself. What would you want?”

Looking ahead, Metro Fire hopes to train more residents, expand AED access in schools and neighborhoods, and eventually help communities throughout the district earn HeartSafe Community recognition.

“We know we can't do this alone,” Macdonald said. “The more we can create awareness and demystify CPR and AEDs for folks, the better. This is really about helping create a safer community.”

For more information and to get involved visit <https://metrofire.ca.gov/citizen-responders>. ★

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72.2 Million Americans Expected to Travel over July 4th Week Despite Higher Fuel Prices

AAA Mountain West Group News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG)

- AAA projects 72.2 million people will travel at least 50 miles from home for Independence Day between Saturday, June 27 and Sunday, July 5. Of those, more than 8.94 million are expected to travel in California, and more than 1.59 million are expected to travel in Arizona. This year's domestic travel forecast surpasses last year's record of 71.8 million travelers, but the increase is smaller than recent year-over-year gains. The vast majority of travelers (61.4 million) are expected to drive while 5.85 million are expected to fly to their destinations. While there's been little change in those numbers compared to last year, travel by other modes, including cruises, is the category seeing the biggest increase.

"As the United States celebrates its 250th birthday, Americans are prioritizing making memories with family and friends this 4th of July," said Cyndi Zesk, senior vice president of travel for AAA Mountain West Group. "While beaches and theme parks top our list of destinations, AAA Travel is seeing a boost in cruise ship bookings, signaling continued interest in the cruise industry this summer."

Independence Day Travelers by Mode of Transportation

By Car: Driving is the preferred mode of transportation during holiday travel periods



As the United States celebrates its 250th birthday, Americans are prioritizing making memories with family and friends this 4th of July. Photo courtesy Designed Magnific

with 85% of Independence Day travelers choosing to take road trips. AAA is reminding travelers not to delay vehicle maintenance. A breakdown is the fastest way to ruin a holiday weekend. Of the 61.4 million Americans traveling by car, 7.08 million will be in California and 1.2 million will be in Arizona.

By Air: Air travelers make up 8% of the share of holiday travelers. Seeking the guidance of a AAA Travel Advisor can help navigate these nuances should they come up during your trip. Of the 5.85 million Americans who are flying, 1.2 million will be flying out of California and 179,000 will be flying out of Arizona.

By Other Modes: AAA projects 4.93 million Americans will take buses, trains, and cruises over Independence Day week, a 5.3% increase from last year. This year is also expected to surpass 2019's figure of 4.79 million travelers, due in large part to the post-COVID cruising boom. Approximately 620,000 Californians and 135,000 Arizonans will travel by bus, train or cruises over Independence Day week.

AAA Encourages Safety on the Road This Summer

Independence Day week can be especially dangerous on the road with more teen drivers behind the wheel and a rise in

impaired driving due to holiday festivities.

According to AAA crash data analysis, nearly one in three summertime traffic deaths involves an impaired driver.

From 2019 to 2023, there were 2,653 traffic crash fatalities during the Fourth of July holiday period.

More than 1,600 of those fatalities were a driver, and about 38% of those drivers were under the influence.

The 21-34 age group had the highest percentage (48%) of drunk drivers.

AAA is urging drivers to commit to 100 Days of Safe Driving this summer and to plan a safe

ride home before going out. AAA also reminds drivers to Slow Down, Move Over when approaching any stopped vehicle on the side of the road. By reducing speed and changing lanes, drivers allow roadside workers to do their jobs safely and help prevent tragedies.

AAA Shares Best Travel Tips

Hit the road early. Thursday, July 2, Friday, July 3 and Sunday July 5 are projected to be the busiest travel days with 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. being the most congested hours. Conversely, Saturday, July 4 will see lighter traffic overall, with a spike between between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. before tapering off after 3 p.m., barring any unexpected events on the road.

Be road trip ready. AAA anticipates about 350,000 roadside service calls nationwide for the holiday weekend. A pre-trip inspection at a AAA Auto Repair Center can prevent common breakdowns like dead batteries and blown tires. Last year, AAA came to the rescue of hundreds of motorists in these Mountain West Group states: Alaska: 191; Arizona: 7,700; Montana: 710; Northern California: 26,000; Nevada: 4,000; Utah: 1,400; Wyoming: 270.

Flexibility is key to scoring cheaper airfare. Weekdays tend to be the least expensive days to travel. Opting for basic economy fares (while noting restrictions), booking airport parking in advance, and bringing your own meals can help save you money. ★

Don't Forget Food Safety this Summer



As summer gatherings, picnics and camping trips are underway, Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) and the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department (EMD) are urging residents to follow safe food handling practices. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) and the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department (EMD) are urging residents to follow safe food handling practices as summer temperatures, activities and subsequent foodborne illnesses are on the rise.

Food Safety Best Practices

Thoroughly cook all meats, especially poultry. Poultry should be cooked to reach a minimum internal temperature of 165 degrees. If you are served undercooked poultry in a restaurant, send it back for further cooking.

Wash hands before preparing food and immediately after handling any raw poultry or meat.

Avoid cross-contamination by carefully

cleaning all cutting boards, countertops and utensils with soap and hot water after preparing raw poultry or meat and prevent juices from raw meats from dripping on other foods.

Make sure that other foods, such as fruits or vegetables, do not come into contact with cutting boards or knives that have been used with raw poultry or meat.

Always refrigerate meat products. Never leave raw meat at room temperature.

Avoid unpasteurized milk and soft cheeses and untreated (not chlorinated or boiled) surface or stream water.

Wash hands well with soap and water after using the bathroom, changing diapers or handling pets, including animals at petting zoos. Make sure children wash their hands well after going to the bathroom or handling pets.

This reminder follows a recent increase in Campylobacter infections in Sacramento County. Campylobacter is one of the most

common bacterial causes of foodborne illness in the United States. Recent monitoring data shows Campylobacter cases were 1.3 times higher than the previous month and 1.2 times higher than the three-year average.

Campylobacter infections can result from eating undercooked poultry, consuming unpasteurized dairy products, drinking contaminated water or allowing raw meat and poultry juices to contaminate ready-to-eat foods. Symptoms often include diarrhea, stomach cramps, fever, nausea and vomiting.

"Summer is a time for gathering with family and friends, whether that's around a backyard grill, at a picnic in the park or on a camping trip," said Sacramento County Public Health Officer Dr. Phuong Luu. "Recent increases in Campylobacter infections serve as a reminder that food safety matters. No one wants a celebration to end with a trip to the doctor. A few simple food

safety steps can help prevent illness and keep summer memories focused on the people and moments that matter most."

SCPH monitors disease trends, investigates outbreaks and works to prevent the spread of communicable diseases. EMD protects public health through food safety inspections, environmental health programs and education for food facilities and residents. Both departments work together to identify emerging public health concerns and provide residents with information to prevent illness before it occurs.

"Food safety starts long before the first bite," said Jennea Monasterio, director of the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department. "Keeping food at safe temperatures and preventing cross-contamination are small steps that can prevent illness and help people enjoy their summer season." ★

Local Emergency in Response to Invasive Golden Mussel Threat

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG)

- On Tuesday, June 16, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a local emergency in response to the growing threat posed by the invasive Golden Mussel. These freshwater species have rapidly spread throughout California waterways and threaten regional water infrastructure, the environment and the local economy. This proclamation allows the County to work more closely with regional, state and federal partners to address the threat posed by the Golden Mussel and help safeguard vital water resources.

The Golden Mussel (*Limnoperna fortunei*) was first



On Tuesday, June 16, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a local emergency in response to the growing threat posed by the invasive Golden Mussel. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

detected in North America in October 2024. Native to Asia, Golden Mussels are highly invasive and reproduce quickly, forming dense colonies on hard surfaces. They can spread through waterways, on boats and on water equipment, making containment

difficult once established. Large clusters of the mussels can clog pipes, pumps and conveyance systems. Golden Mussels can also damage infrastructure and disrupt aquatic ecosystems by competing with native species.

Sacramento County joins a

growing number of jurisdictions throughout California that have taken action to address the threat. Neighboring San Joaquin County also proclaimed an emergency this year. Kern County also recently declared an emergency due to the presence

of golden mussels.

Sacramento County relies on an extensive network of waterways and water infrastructure to support residents, businesses and agriculture. The County will continue working with water agencies, environmental partners and state officials to monitor the species and support efforts to prevent further spread.

You can help prevent the spread of invasive mussels by cleaning off tubes, kayaks, canoes and other watercraft between uses. Visit the Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers website to find out how to correctly clean your watercraft to help prevent the spread of all invasive species. If you believe you have sighted golden mussels, you can report it to Invasives@wildlife.ca.gov. ★

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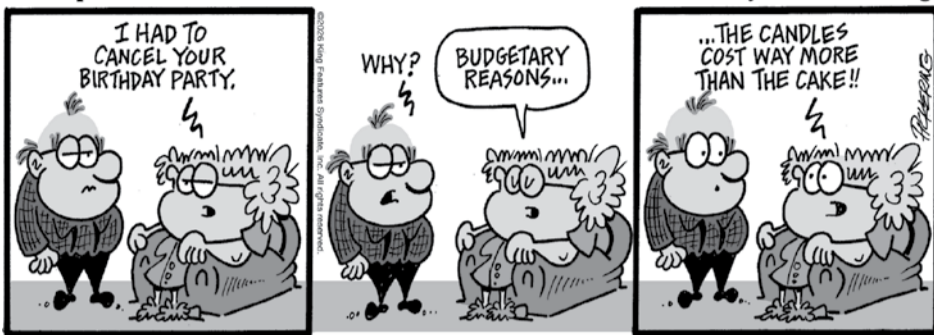
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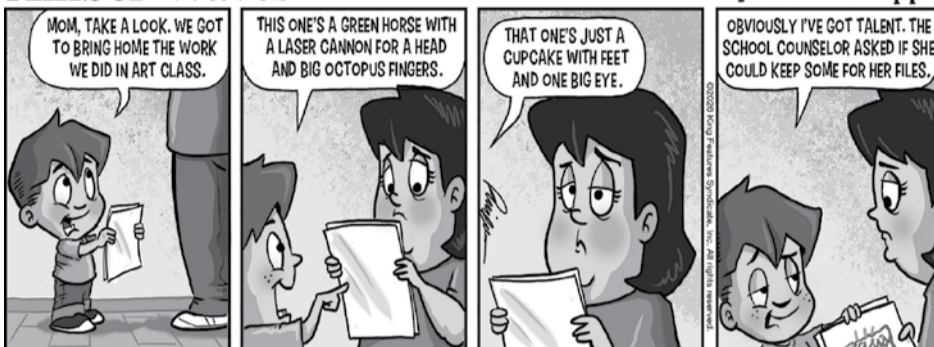
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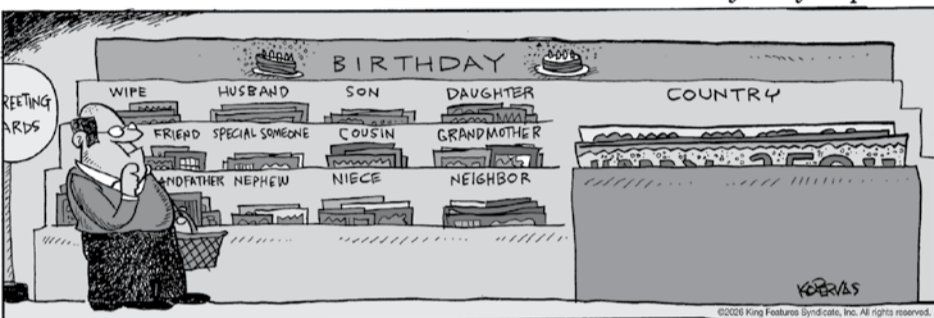
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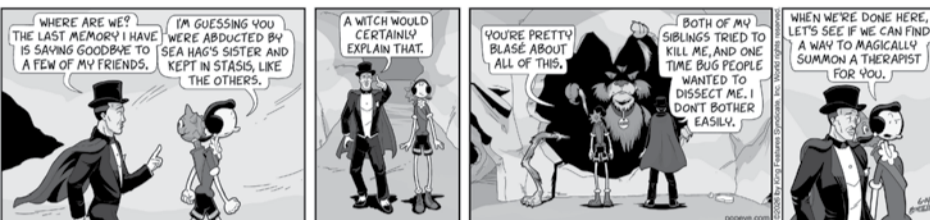
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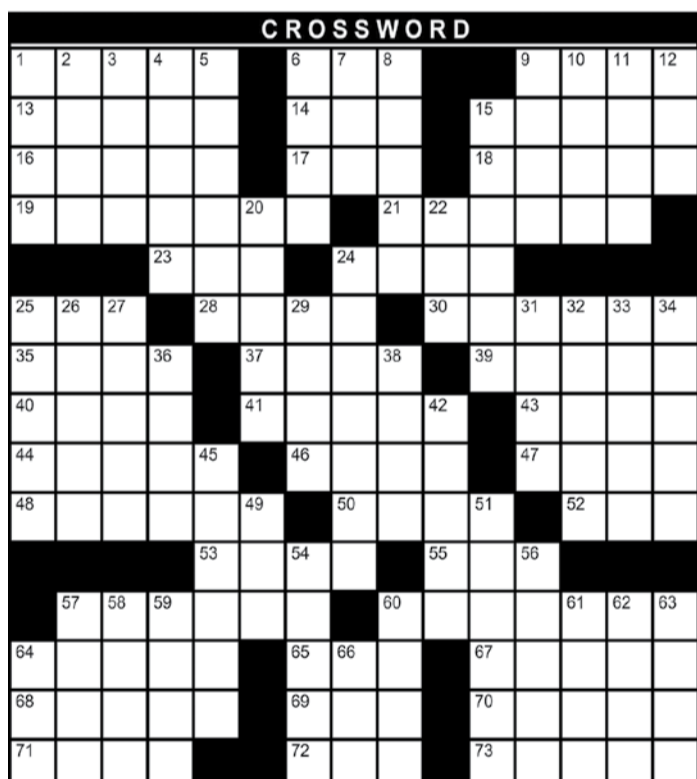
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 - Do like volcano
 - Fire (2 words)
 - Pro football org.
 - Jonas Salk's conquest
 - Like a Harvard building?
 - ET carrier
 - Bedeck
 - "Tasty Fourth of July outings
 - "Float processions
 - Black gunk
 - Ivan the Terrible, e.g.
 - The Jackson 5's 1970 hit
 - Caffeine source
 - TV classic "Heroes"
 - Folio page
 - Abel's big brother
 - Fortune teller's card
 - Rank in British peerage
 - Archipelago parts
 - Head for (2 words)
 - Beseech
 - Impermanent employee
 - Prayer's end
 - Gardener's trimmer
 - Part of speech
 - Am is to I as ___ is to we
 - Calista Flockhart's husband
 - Likewise
 - "Salad tuber
 - * ___ Famous Hot Dog Eating Contest
 - Nonsense
 - Female gametes
 - "A Doll's House" playwright
 - Cuckoo
 - Opposite of guzzle
 - Cuckoo for what puffs?
 - Eyelid affliction
 - Driver's aid
 - Giving a once-over
- DOWN
- Hair holder
 - First name in jeans
 - Auricular
 - ___ provocateur
 - Island off Alaskan coast
 - Wildbeests
 - "For most, the 4th is a day ___"
 - Onomatopoeia for splash
 - *Drink at a barbecue
 - Weary walk
 - Ireland, once
 - "Patriots ___ over Loylists
 - Long John Silver's pet
 - Crocus, pl.
 - Ooh partner
 - Last part (2 words)
 - 1st letter of Hebrew alphabet
 - Famous Memphis street
 - Felt concern
 - "...twilight's ___ gleaming"
 - Lady of "A Star is Born"
 - Smell
 - Post-it user
 - "Born on the Fourth of July" director
 - *Popular July 4th decoration
 - Captain of Nautilus
 - Phegms
 - Sully one's reputation
 - Go bad
 - Public announcement
 - Fowl perch
 - Exclamation of delight or dismay (2 words)
 - Bridge, in Paris
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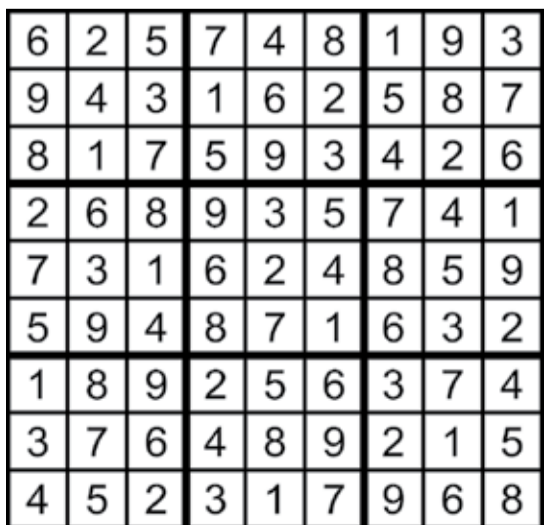
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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris



Draft Night is Here

By V.G. Harris

While the wild celebrations go on in the city of New York, and Jalen Brunson has been given the key to the city, NBA fans all over America wait like a four-year-old at Christmas for the NBA draft to take place.

The long-awaited draft will finally bring into focus what G.M. Scott Perry is all about. No more inaction and waiting to see what other teams will do, it's time to show up and let the Sacramento Kings fans get a glimpse into who they really have.

Much discussion has taken place with so many mock drafts, and most pundits are reciting names in their sleep.

While sharpshooter Darius Acuff Jr. remains a longshot possibility, a likely candidate that will still be available as the Kings pick at No. 7 is none other than Kingston Flemings, and that is not a bad thing.

For the Houston Cougars last season, Kingston scored 16 points per game with four rebounds and five assists, and while those numbers aren't gawdy, they are certainly respectable.

Listed at six-foot-four with an average wingspan, it's his on-court presence and basketball I.Q. that have teams interested in taking a closer look.

Without a doubt Kingston has competition, and names like Mikel Brown and Braydon Burries top the list that Kingston will have to contend with. Still, Kingston has the intangibles that matter, and among them is a strong family presence that continues to support his journey. Raised in a tight-knit Texas home, Kingston understands the team concept, and although I don't pretend to know the mind of Scott Perry, Kingston Flemings passes the litmus test.

Now is the time for the Sacramento franchise to come home with a sold pick and not something that brings up nightmares from the past. No more Marvin Bagley's or Thomas Robinson's. Now is the time to not get cute or to try and show the league that you know better than they do.

I'm not wanting to see an overseas candidate come out of nowhere. Staring this franchise in the face are solid players that can

make a difference on a team that is in rebuilding mode.

Rome wasn't built in a day, and neither will the Sacramento Kings build a team overnight.

The No. 7 pick in this year's draft needs to be a player that will make an impact, but he doesn't have to be a franchise player to make a difference.

No Luka Doncic or Cooper Flagg waiting this time around, but just as Jalen Brunson was selected 33rd overall in the second round, anything can happen if you don't try and get too creative.

I've said before and I'll say again, the foundation of this team is Domantas Sabonis, and there's a reason why so many teams have an interest in trading for him. Domantas is a game changer, a consummate team player that never takes a night off, and a true leader that young players can aspire to.

Tuesday night is finally here, and it needs to be Christmas time for the Sacramento Kings. Make a sensible selection and feel good that you've just made your team better.

Go back to work and help Keegan Murray to find his shot again. In particular, the past two seasons Keegan looks like the player who's lost his confidence, and it's up to Doug Christie and staff to build his confidence back and remind him that he's the guy that led the entire nation in scoring while playing for the Iowa Hawkeyes.

Russell Westbrook, who last season exceeded everyone's expectations, is eager to return for one more season with the Sacramento Kings, and this year with a healthy team he can make an even bigger difference than he did last year.

It's time to celebrate Kings fans because having a top ten pick in the draft is not something to be taken lightly.

If the experts are to be believed, this is one of the deepest drafts in decades, and the Kings enjoy not only a first-round pick, but two second-round picks as well.

Tuesday night will reveal how well Scott Perry and staff have done their homework, but don't be too surprised if you hear the name Kingston Flemings!

All the best Kings fans because a better season is just around the corner! ★

Minimum Wage Hikes to Offset High Living Costs. There's a Downside



By Dan Walters,
CALMatters.org

There are three immutable aspects of economic life in California today.

No. 1, Californians face the nation's highest cost of living. It is 11% higher than the national average, according to the federal Bureau of Economic Analysis, including rents 53% higher than average and utilities 63% higher. It's why California also has the nation's highest poverty rate.

No. 2, the high cost of living, especially for housing, is the most important factor in the out-migration of Californians to other states. It has led to a net loss of 900,000 people since 2015, according to the Public Policy Institute of California.

No. 3, California's unemployment rate, currently 5.3% of its labor force, has been among the highest of any state for the last half-decade, with more than a million jobless workers. It rises to 10.1% when it's broadened to discouraged job seekers and those who work part-time but want full employment. This alternative measure is also the nation's highest.

The response to these economic conditions from the state's mostly Democratic politicians has been an amalgam of high concept policy changes, one-time or short-term allocations of relief money and micro-managing wages.

Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature, for example, have enacted dozens of laws and administrative directives aimed at making it easier to build new housing, especially for low- and moderate-income families and, in theory, tempering housing costs.

However, the actual rate of new housing construction of all kinds has been stuck at about 100,000 units a year. Newsom's latest state budget projects only fractional gains, to about 115,000 units, through 2030.

When the budget's revenues allow — or at least appear to allow — the state has appropriated funds for direct relief to Californians mired in poverty, such as an earned income tax credit or even cash distributions.

Increasingly, state and local officials also have responded to ever-increasing costs of living by increasing minimum wages.

A new report from the Virginia-based Employment Policies Institute reveals that California is the most active state in setting new and higher wages for specific economic sectors. It has 8 of the nation's 10 largest local minimum wage increases taking in effect in July.

When California, after much political angst, decreed a \$20 minimum wage for fast food workers three years ago and created an agency to oversee that industry's employment conditions, it ignited a debate over impact that's still raging.

Proponents have ginned up studies that purport to prove that the higher wages had little or no negative effects on employment and consumer prices. Critics have countered with studies saying that \$20 wages forced fast food

operators to raise prices and reduce their staffs.

Newsom and the Legislature also set higher wages for healthcare industry employees. Local city and county officials have decreed new wage levels for particular economic segments, such as the hotel industry in Los Angeles and amusement parks in San Diego.

The Los Angeles City Council set a \$30 minimum wage for hotel and airport workers on the theory that travelers from elsewhere would bear the costs, but last month postponed implementation until after the 2028 Olympics. In return, the business community canceled a ballot measure to eliminate the city's gross receipts tax, a major city revenue source.

The tactic of raising minimum wages to offset rising living costs shows no signs of abating. Currently, for example, the Service Employees International Union is sponsoring legislation, Senate Bill 1203, that would increase the training requirements for private security guards but also empower the state Industrial Welfare Commission to set new and presumably higher minimum wages for such guards.

This may be a circular economic firing squad. Higher wages can lead to higher consumer costs, which increases pressure for higher wages and pushes those caught in the middle, trying to survive, to lower-cost states.

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

Social Security Matters

Why Don't They Just Create Individual Social Security Accounts?



By Russell Gloor,
AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: Regarding Social Security's financial issues, three people contributing to Social Security for every one beneficiary sounds to me like a surplus. If they had given workers their own accounts, similar to a 401k, where they could manage their own money, it would have worked out more favorably for retirees. President George W Bush suggested these changes, but it was shot down by Congress.

The average worker now pays a 6.2% Social Security tax. If the government had bumped it up to say 7%, I don't believe that me or anyone else would have cried too hard. There are ways of correcting this before the SS reserves are depleted, hopefully, Congress will address Social Security's financing soon. **Signed: Skeptical Senior**

Dear Skeptical: Believe it or not, putting SS contributions (from payroll taxes) into separate

individual accounts is not really a good idea. For information, most people get back all payroll taxes they contributed to Social Security within about 5 years of receiving SS benefits. Even with decent public market returns, some individual separate accounts would eventually run out of money, causing some to lose Social Security benefits before they die, meaning they would likely live in poverty. People are now collecting benefits (on average) for decades, and the current SS format means that even those who contribute only a small amount will collect benefits no matter how long they live. Remember, the primary purpose of the SS program is to reduce poverty in America.

FYI, President Bush's plan had opposition in the 2005 Congress largely because of the cost to transition to that plan, and the fear that investments in the public markets subjected individual retirement savings to unacceptable risk. In any case, few have since advocated investing Social Security funds in the public financial markets because of the risks and the political backlash. And adding a small amount to the FICA/SECA payroll tax rate only somewhat mitigates the problem - it doesn't completely solve it. I'm afraid that

Social Security's financial issues are more complex than that and can't be fully solved by a small increase in SS payroll taxes.

You are right - Congress can (and, we are confident, will) address this, and hopefully soon. For its part, AMAC (the Association of Mature American Citizens) and the AMAC Foundation have been evaluating this issue for years and have developed a Social Security reform plan for Congress to consider (see this). And we are actively promoting our reform plan in Washington, D.C. Please know that we share your concerns about the future of Social Security and will continue to work hard to ensure the program is here for many generations.

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The spirit of Buchenwald lives on, we are supposed to believe, in the Israeli military operation in Gaza. It's nearly mandatory for progressive Democrats to denounce Israel for its alleged genocide, while Tucker Carlson and Hasan Piker -- radical influencers on the right and left, respectively -- say that the moral offense is the same as the Holocaust, even if the scale is less extensive.

Israel's haters surely enjoy the perversity of accusing the Jewish state of the same enormity that contributed to its creation, of comparing the Jews to heinous murderers of Jews. The charge is a grotesque libel.

If Israel wanted to kill everyone in Gaza, it could do it easily. What we have witnessed in the Hamas-controlled territory is not a genocide -- the deliberate destruction of a people -- but an urban battle.

Warfare in urban environments is almost always highly destructive. When the Iraqi army retook Mosul from ISIS in 2016-2017 with our air support, tens of thousands of buildings were damaged or destroyed and an estimated 80% of the Old City.

Vietnam gave us the famous (perhaps apocryphal) line, "We had to destroy the city in order to save it." The city in question was Ben Tre, infiltrated by the Viet Cong during the Tet Offensive in 1968. We used airstrikes, heli-

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copter gunships, artillery and ground troops to extricate the communist forces, and the Mekong Delta town suffered extensive damage, even though the fighting only lasted days.

The old imperial capital of Hue suffered the same fate, but on a larger scale. Communist forces took most of the city and dug in, requiring street-to-street combat over a period of months to take it back. About half the city was damaged or destroyed.

The lesson is that cities never fare well when they are the locus of combat, whether Seoul or Pyongyang during the Korean War, Manila or Stalingrad during World War II, Vicksburg or Charleston during the Civil War.

Civilians inevitably suffer and die. This is true of even the most honored military operations. The Allied invasion of Normandy killed 20,000 French civilians as cities such as Rouen and Le Havre were pulverized by our bombardment. Why would anyone expect Gaza, one of the most densely populated places on Earth, to be different? Hamas spent years and massive resources tunneling and fortifying, making Gaza into a bristling armed camp difficult to subdue.

Sure enough, it has taken a grinding, years-long campaign to substantially reduce Hamas. Israel's detractors profess to detect "genocidal intent" in harsh things that Israeli officials have said about Gaza, but these statements have typically been aimed at Hamas.

If Israel wanted to commit genocide against the Gazans, Prime Minister

Bibi Netanyahu wouldn't have sought to accommodate Hamas for years, in the hopes that a major war could be avoided. The Oct. 7 attack exposed this as a grievous misjudgment. It's hard to believe that any society, having experienced the unspeakable crimes visited on its people that day, would have concluded, "Well, we can't do anything in response -- even recover our hostages -- because combat in Gaza will be too destructive."

Hamas intertwined its military infrastructure with civilian facilities, and made military use of hospitals, mosques and schools. Its fighters posed as medical personnel and journalists. Everything was geared to making it as difficult as possible to target Hamas without collateral damage, creating the predicate for denouncing Israel for war crimes.

As military expert John Spencer points out, Israel takes steps to avoid civilian harm: "It warns before attacks using text messages, phone calls, leaflets and broadcasts. It opens safe corridors and pauses operations so civilians can leave combat areas. It tracks civilian presence down to the building level."

TITLE: None of this matters, though. The ultimate perversity is that Hamas has genocidal intent against the Jews. Yet, it is the war against this cruel terror group that is being used to associate the Jewish state with one of history's worst crimes.

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LLC, 931 Hartz Way, Suite 200,
Danville, CA 94526 is doing
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Business Name(s) "Autumn
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US Truck Permits LLC, 10040
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Cordova, 95742 is doing
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Sunset Creek Court, Pleasanton,
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Sunset Creek Court, Pleasanton,
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Ivan Savorona, 9787 Burline
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95827 is doing business
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Flooring" 9787 Burline Street,
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Noral Global Getaways, 2225
Glenrio Way, Sacramento, CA
95833 is doing business under
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Glenrio Way, Sacramento, CA
95833. Filed with the Clerk of
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NORCAL 7-10-26

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The Nateway Group, LLC, 7872
Sungarden Drive, Citrus Heights,
CA 95610 is doing business
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7872 Sungarden Drive, Citrus
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Boulevard #100, Sacramento,
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Valley Broadcast Legends Scholarship Opportunity

Valley Broadcast Legends News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - The Valley Broadcast Legends (VBL), an organization comprised primarily of retired broadcasters, photographers and engineers, is pleased to offer two \$500 scholarships to individuals pursuing careers in digital media.

The Jim Drennan Scholarship is awarded to students or early-career individuals interested in media content production or related fields, including website development, podcasting, and social media. The scholarship supports those developing the skills needed to create and deliver compelling digital content.

Eligibility is open to 2026 high school and college graduates, as well as individuals currently working in a related field.

VBL is committed to a simple and accessible application process. Applicants are asked to submit responses (one page or

less) addressing the following.

A brief personal introduction including applicant name, email and phone number, an explanation of why they qualify for the scholarship and a description of how the funds will be used to support their career or creative work.

Selected applicants may be invited for an interview. Scholarship recipients are also expected to attend one VBL lunch meeting following the award.

Application deadline is July 15.

Please email application materials to VBL President Bill George at Nimbusbill@icloud.com

About the Scholarship

This scholarship honors the memory of Jim Drennan, a Sacramento television news assignment editor and former president and board member of VBL. Jim Drennan was deeply committed to the craft of news gathering and broadcasting, and his legacy continues through this scholarship program. ★



Dave Ramsey

Dave Ramsey Says

Pursue Your Dreams, But Do It Wisely

Dear Dave,

My husband and I are debt-free, including our home. My husband is a great guy, and a talented man, but he's also a bit of a dreamer sometimes. He has written three or four novels that haven't been accepted by publishers. He feels he's close to a breakthrough, and he asked me the other day about my thoughts on selling our home and living on the money we make so he can really concentrate, and work on the new book full-time. I want him to pursue his dream, but this idea scares me. What do you think about it?

- Emily

Dear Emily,

First of all, congratulations on being completely debt-free! That's a huge accomplishment, and I'm really happy for you two.

Now, about your hus-

band's idea. It sounds to me like he's a good man. And he obviously has drive, focus and discipline if he's been able to write that many novels in his spare time and be part of you reaching such a great financial point in your lives. But I think it would be a huge mistake for you guys to sell your home, especially when he hasn't proven he can sell anything he writes.

I understand where his head is right now, believe me. He wants to write and be a successful, full-time novelist. That's a great dream to have. It's one I sincerely hope he can achieve one day. But my advice right now would be for him to keep his day job, and continue working his tail off nights and weekends to try and make his dream a reality.

As part of that, I'd suggest drawing up a strategy to get some exposure for the books he has already written. Develop a website highlighting his work. Maybe he could self-publish a few dozen

copies, then contact local libraries and civic groups for an opportunity to speak. In the process, he might sell a few books and get his name out there.

It may take longer than he'd like, but that's honestly a much better idea than the one he has now. It will allow him to pursue his passion, work toward a goal and not run the risk of putting his family in financial danger.

- Dave

Dave Ramsey is a nine-time national bestselling author, personal finance expert and host of The Ramsey Show. He has appeared on Good Morning America, CBS This Morning, Today, Fox News, CNN, Fox Business and many more. Since 1992, Dave has helped people take control of their money, build wealth and enhance their lives. He also serves as CEO for Ramsey Solutions. ★

Defendant Convicted of Shooting at Officers in North Highlands Police Standoff

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - Daniel Murphy was convicted by a jury of three counts of assault with a firearm on a peace officer with a use of firearm allegation found true. Murphy was also convicted of negligent discharge of a firearm. The jury found true aggravating factors: the crimes involved great violence, great bodily harm, threat of great bodily harm, or other acts disclosing a high degree of cruelty, viciousness, or callousness and the defendant engaged in violent conduct that indicates a serious, danger to society.

On March 29, 2023, a resident called 911 to report gunshots coming from his neighbor's apartment unit, later identified as the home of Daniel Murphy. When responding Sacramento sheriff's deputies arrived on scene, they heard more gunshots coming from Murphy's home and called for additional units, including SWAT and the crisis negotiation team. Murphy ignored law enforcement's calls to exit the home and instead fired his gun at the officers through a window and wall. Over the course of six hours, Murphy fired at officers no less than 24 times. He struck



a patrol car where deputies were taking cover and an armored vehicle where a deputy was seated. Murphy exited his home after law enforcement deployed tear gas canisters and a police K9. A search of Murphy's apartment revealed two handguns, a shotgun, and more than 60 empty shell casings. Deputies never returned fire and no neighbors or deputies were injured.

Murphy faces a maximum sentence of 44 years and 8 months in prison. Sentencing is set for July 27 at 9 a.m. in Department 11C before the Honorable Deborah Lobre. ★

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Hoopa Valley Tribe, and Klamath Tribes were part of a \$250-\$400 million Klamath settlement. The Skokomish Indian Tribe secured more than \$15 million, and tribes participating in the Columbia River Basin agreements—including the Yakama Nation, Nez Perce Tribe, and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs—received more than \$1 billion in new federal funding for restoration and fish passage improvements.

Meanwhile, Butte County has stood up a website quantifying the costs to the community by a project that exports billions in water and power far beyond county boundaries. The website, ourwatertheirpower.org, shows specific promises the State made to get the FERC license 70 years ago and how often the State has not followed through and, worse, added costs to the community as locals watch millions of dollars go downstream to meet the needs of urban areas and farmers that compete with them in the global ag market.

The County has complained about the State's failures for years. This time, the County has quantified the costs; the tribes can legally compel the Federal government to address them. The last time the State applied for a FERC license, the local tribes were too poor and lacked the capacity to speak out on environmental, fisheries, and economic issues.

As the numbers above indicate, Tribes have been successful when they stand up for their communities. As California plans for a water future in which Central Valley interests cannot pump unlimited groundwater, and droughts are more frequent, cooperation with the Federal Government; the EPA, the Bureau of Reclamation, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and other agencies will be essential. How that moves forward is a policy issue that will affect all Californians. ★

CA Loves to Fight Trump

The State Water Project Can't Move Without FED Help

By Josh Cook

The relicensing of the Oroville Dam hydroelectric facilities has been underway for more than two decades. The Oroville Dam is the cornerstone of the State Water Project, delivering water to 27 million Southern Californians and irrigating 750,000 acres of farmland in the Central Valley. The dam generates about 2.2 billion kilowatt-hours of hydroelectric power annually, enough to power hundreds of thousands of homes.

Although the California Department of Water Resources and many local stakeholders reached a settlement estimated to provide roughly \$1 billion in environmental, recreational, cultural, and other community impact benefits, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has yet to issue a new license, and the project continues to operate under annual extensions.

One big new issue: not all California tribes with cultural and historical rights to the Feather River have signed onto the relicensing process. They were consulted, but then left out of the process, the money, the changes in water allocations, and the signing ceremony.

Mooretwon Rancheria, Berry Creek Rancheria, and Enterprise Rancheria Maudis all have lands in the FERC boundary; indeed, the Enterprise Tribe has original village sites at the very bottom of Lake Oroville. Hard for CA to say the Indians have not experienced impacts from the project. Across the country, tribes have had a non-stop series of wins in FERC relicensing agreements and community impact settlements.

The Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe participated in a \$325 million restoration project, while the Yurok Tribe, Karuk Tribe,

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