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A celebration of the multicultural pride in the West Sacramento community



Visitors to this free family-friendly event experience music and dance performances, visual art and activities. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

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WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Arts in the Heart is a celebration of the multicultural pride in the West Sacramento community. Visitors to this free family-friendly event experience music and dance performances, visual art, and activities. There will also be community informational booths.

At the event, attendees will have the opportunity to add a picture to commemorate a passed loved one to the Community Center's altar for Día De Los Muertos.

There will also be dance

performances by multiple cultures. Light refreshments will be provided as well as free raffle prizes.

Día de los Muertos Community Altar

The Día de los Muertos community altar will be available weekdays at the Community Center through Friday, Nov. 4.

The purpose of the Community Altar is to highlight the diversity of our community and to honor the lives of those we've lost. In some cultures there are holidays that commemorate the dead with festivals and celebrations. We welcome the community to bring a copy of a photo of your lost

loved ones to place on the altar, celebrate memories and share traditions.

ADA Accommodation

Persons with a disability, or caretakers of a person with a disability, who need an accommodation to participate in the City's programs, services, activities, and meetings should email ada@cityofwestsacramento.org at least 72 hours before an event to request an auxiliary aid or accommodation.

Transportation & Parking

There is limited street parking along West Capitol Avenue. Visitors may use the City Hall and

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What UC Davis Lab Discovered About Aphids and Milkweed

By Kathy Keatley Garvey, UC Davis Department of Entomology and Nematology

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Those aphids infesting your milkweed plants offer a surprising benefit.

Newly published UC Davis research suggests that the honeydew produced by aphids on milkweed plants increases plant growth.

"We found that the addition of honeydew at accumulated levels reduced total inorganic soil nitrogen by 48.8 percent relative to controls," said community ecologist Louie Yang, a professor in the UC Davis Department of Entomology



Oleander aphids infesting narrow-leaved milkweed. Photo by Louie Yang

and Nematology. "Unexpectedly, milkweed seedlings were 90 percent

taller and had 4.2 times greater dry biomass in honeydew-conditioned soil than

in the control group."

The Louie Yang lab set

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Celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month This September



Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - This September, Yolo County Library invites residents to celebrate Library Card Sign-up Month and discover the resources and services available with a library card.

With a library card, you can do more than check out books. From free classes and job resources to homework help, digital materials and cultural events, today's libraries connect communities to information, inspiration and one another.

An initiative of the American Library Association, Library Card Sign-up Month has been held each September since 1987 to mark the beginning of the school year, support literacy and learning, and encourage communities to explore the many resources available through their libraries. Thousands of public libraries and schools nationwide take part each year.

This year's theme, "A Library Card Hits All the Right Notes," highlights the wide range of resources libraries offer for people of all ages and interests. Whether you are looking for a favorite book, a quiet place to study, a new skill to learn or a community program to attend, Yolo County Library has something to explore.

Yolo County Library offers books, movies, music, eBooks, internet computers, and quiet areas to work and study.

In addition to books, the library offers board games, Nature Explorer backpacks and California State Library Parks Passes; STEM2Go kits with books and hands-on materials for exploring science, technology, engineering and math; and Discovery Kits covering a range of hobbies and activities, including meditation, cake decorating and

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out to answer whether “seasonal pulses of accumulated aphid (Aphis nerii) honeydew reduce the availability of soil nitrogen below milkweed (Asclepias fascicularis) host plants, and how honeydew-conditioned soil affects the relative seedling growth of host plants and other, potentially competing plant species.”
The team, which included three UC Davis student researchers, Lizbeth Gonzalez, Sarah Solis and Prabhjot Singh--hypothesized that: “honeydew would reduce plant-available nitrogen in the soil, reflecting the expectation for increased microbial immobilization in response to high carbon inputs, and reduced

nitrogen availability would have a greater negative effect on the growth of cheatgrass (Bromus tectorum) and yellow star-thistle (Centaurea solstitialis) than milkweed, reflecting the expectation of greater nitrogen limitation in disturbance-adapted, non-native, annual plant species compared with native, perennial plants.”
The scientists, however, did not observe any effects on the growth of cheatgrass and yellow star-thistle seedlings. “These results suggest the possibility of a positive plant-herbivore-soil feedback for milkweeds, mediated by aphid honeydew,” they wrote.
The research, “Aphid Honeydew Reduces Soil Nitrogen and Increases Host Plant Growth,”

is published online in the journal, “Oecologia,” an international journal dedicated to publishing innovative ecological research of broad interest.
“This study contributes to our understanding of plant-herbivore-soil interactions,” Yang said. “Previously, aphids in this system were known for their direct effects on host plant traits and aboveground, plant-mediated indirect effects on other members of the milkweed-associated arthropod community. However, our results indicate that aphids may also affect their host plants and the surrounding community through a belowground, honeydew-mediated pathway. More broadly, this work underscores the potentially

important role of herbivore-soil interactions on community and ecosystem processes.”
The authors noted that “Few studies have examined honeydew as a potential mechanism of plant-soil (or plant-herbivore-soil) feedbacks. In the context of multispecies plant-soil feedbacks, a focal plant could potentially benefit from reducing nutrient availability in the soil if competing plants experience stronger negative effects than the focal plant.”
In their abstract, the team pointed out that “Plants are known to affect their soils in ways that can have positive or negative effects on themselves and other plants,” a process known as

plant–soil feedback. “However, less is known about the potential for herbivores to change the soil in ways that affect plant growth.”
The research began with the researchers germinating narrow-leaved milkweed seeds under controlled conditions in a UC Davis Orchard Park Research Facility.
The work was partially supported by a National Science Foundation Ecological and Evolutionary Response to Rapid Environmental Change (EERREC) Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) traineeship, awarded to Gonzalez and a National Science Foundation award to Yang. ★

Arts in the Heart Yolo County Issues RFP for Community Low-Cost Spay and Neuter Clinic



At the event, attendees will have the opportunity to add a picture to commemorate a passed loved one to the Community Center’s altar for Día De Los Muertos. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

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For Community Center Parking: Turn onto Merkley Avenue and use the parking lot entrance at the Arthur F. Turner Yolo County Library. Continue through the parking lot. The Community Center parking lot will be on the right.

The West Sacramento Parks & Recreation Department Community Center organizes this event. For more information, contact Email Recreation Coordinator Lucy Ramos at LucyR@cityofwestsacramento.org. ★



Yolo County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) today seeking a qualified organization to operate a community low-cost spay and neuter clinic in Woodland. Photo by SimonN90! of Pixabay

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) today seeking a qualified organization to operate a community low-cost spay and neuter clinic in Woodland.
The County is seeking nonprofit animal welfare organizations, educational institutions and private veterinary providers to operate the clinic, which will occupy approximately 2,500 square feet of dedicated space in a County-owned facility on East Gibson Road. The selected operator will provide low-cost or no-cost spay and neuter services for dogs and cats, vaccinations, microchipping and

other wellness services.
“This request for proposals marks an important step toward establishing a dedicated low-cost spay and neuter clinic in our community,” said Supervisor Angel Barajas, chair of the Yolo Animal Services Planning Agency. “Yolo County is moving from exploring what is possible to finding the right partner to help provide these important services.”
The selected operator will manage and staff the clinic while working with Yolo County Animal Services on outreach, education, referrals and other efforts to expand access to services. The County owns the building and will provide the clinic space for a nominal amount, along with building maintenance.

The RFP follows an information-gathering effort launched in 2025 to help the County better understand potential approaches to strengthening animal services and opportunities for partnerships.
Interested organizations may inspect the clinic space at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 2780 E. Gibson Road, Building 2A, in Woodland.
To review the full RFP and submit a proposal, visit: <https://www.beaconbid.com/solicitations/yolo-county/dal1dc918-1403-498b-843e-1aca6d5351b3/community-low-cost-spay-and-neuter-clinic>.
Proposals are due by Thursday, Oct. 15. ★

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Finding Capacity and Resilience

Exploring Somatic Therapy and Dream Work with Nicole Lemaster, LFMT, SEP

By Abbey Wicks

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Nicole Lemaster considers herself to be more than just a therapist. She considers herself a healer. With more than a decade of experience, Lemaster is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) and a Somatic Experiencing Practitioner (SEP). As a somatic therapist, she takes a body-centered approach in helping clients find relief from trauma stored in the body. Stored trauma might show up as chronic pain, difficulty sleeping or not being able to enjoy the present moment. Her work guides her clients to nervous system regulation and finding a state of homeostasis. Lemaster’s journey to becoming a somatic therapist stemmed from her own lived trauma. She identifies with the wounded healer archetype, or a person whose personal trauma and pain becomes their source of helping others.

She specializes in patients with PTSD, complex PTSD and shock trauma. Anxiety and depression usually end up in the cluster with those other diagnoses, Lemaster said. However, this type of therapy can benefit clients who aren’t experiencing these disorders. “The nervous system work is profound, and it can literally support people who haven’t had these types of shock traumas or complex traumas from their developmental years,” Lemaster said. Working with nervous systems led Lemaster to start her own dream coaching business, Moonbeam Dream, where she offers sessions such as DreamSphere, a five-week program and Auralis, a nine-week program. “The same nervous system work that helps you get over symptoms also supports you having the capacity to tolerate visibility or have courage,” Lemaster said. Lemaster said somatic therapy might be

considered by patients who are feeling stuck and not benefiting from traditional talk therapy or continue to engage in patterns or habits that they know are harmful. “There’s like on lay of guilt and shame for being able to see it, but their system still doesn’t have the capacity to do it different,” Lemaster said this same idea applies to fear around pursuing a dream. According to an article from Harvard Health, “Typical talk therapies such as CBT engage only the mind, not the body, encouraging people to become aware of disturbing thoughts and behavior patterns and work to change them. But in somatic therapy, the body is the starting point to achieve healing.” Lemaster explained the natural pendulum of the nervous system; it wants to go back to homeostasis. “What it learns throughout time, it gets conditioned for survival,” she said. She explained it as the system



Nicole Lemaster with her book “WTF Am I Even Doing: A Nervous System Workbook To Support Mind Body Alignment.” Photo courtesy of Nicole Lemaster (@coleyology)

finding a way to manage a stressful situation and continuing to exist in that state because that’s what helped the person survive, even if that is not its true state of homeostasis. This creates tension stored in the body. Somatic therapy involves showing your nervous system that it can reset, that it is safe. According to Lemaster, a supported nervous system looks like capacity and resilience. The buzzword concept of being “zenned out”

oversimplifies the work that is being done within the nervous system, Lemaster said. “It is being able to go to that space,” Lemaster said. “But an actual nervous system that is regulated is like ‘Oh, there’s some high charge stress I know how to activate, and after it’s done, I’m able to deactivate.’” Lemaster explained the process of a somatic therapy session as mirroring back to her clients what she sees in their body language. “My whole hope is to build safe enough, self-trust, self-love, self-intimacy, self-empowerment and it has nothing to do with me because I’m just mirroring back what your body’s already doing,” Lemaster said. “I’m just helping you know it’s there and trust yourself.” It’s building a well of resources to pull from and a safe space to pendulate back to. “So often when people are hurting, they can’t locate pleasure as easily or what’s good.”

According to Lemaster, it’s very common for people to experience microdoses of regulation, like taking a deep breath or noticing something beautiful in nature. Somatic therapy can help people become fully conscious of that regulation. Nervous system regulation plays a significant role in pursuing dreams, something Lemaster realized throughout her work as a therapist. “To create your dream, you need to be in alignment and authentic and vulnerable,” Lemaster said. An unregulated nervous system might shut down to keep you safe from experiencing that vulnerability, LeMaster said. Building resilience lends itself to pursuing dreams with courage. “Because dreams are precious,” Lemaster said. Lemaster’s book “WTF Am I Even Doing: A Nervous System Workbook To Support Mind Body Alignment” is available on Amazon. She can be found on social media @interconnectedheart and @coleyology. ★

Residents Invited to ‘What A Colorful World’ by Tracy Dixon

Free All Ages Art Show at Gallery 1075

City of West Sacramento News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Gallery 1075 is pleased to welcome West Sacramento residents to What a Colorful World by Tracy Dixon. Join us at the West Sacramento Community Center Friday, Sept. 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. for an evening bursting with artistry, creativity and drive. Tracy’s pieces use the structure of coloring books to express how she sees the world, endlessly varied and colorful. This free in-person event is an amazing chance to experience and support the arts in our community. Converse

with a growing artist in our community. Don’t miss out on this fun celebration of imagination! Light refreshments will be provided. All ages are welcome. Exhibition will be on display through Friday, Sept. 30, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reception will be held Friday, Sept. 18 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Transportation and Parking** There is limited street parking along West Capitol Avenue. Visitors may use the City Hall and Community Center parking lots. The city urges visitors to use the Crosswalks. The front entrance along West

Capitol and Merkley is locked. Enter on the south side of the building next to the Community Center Parking lot. For Community Center Parking: Turn onto Merkley Avenue and use the parking lot entrance at the Arthur F. Turner Yolo County Library. Continue through the parking lot. The Community Center parking lot will be on the right. **ADA Accommodations** If you are a person with a disability and need an accommodation to participate in the City’s programs, services, activities and meetings, please email



This free in-person event is an opportunity to experience and support the arts in our community. Photo from Flourish Art Reception. Photo courtesy of the City of West Sacramento

ada@cityofwestsacramento.org at least 72 hours in advance to request an auxiliary aid or accommodation. Learn more about Gallery 1075 and future exhibitions at: <https://www.cityofwestsacramento.org/government/departments/parks-recreation/community-center/gallery-1075>

cityofwestsacramento.org/government/departments/parks-recreation/community-center/gallery-1075 This event is organized and implemented by the City of West Sacramento Parks & Recreation Department. For more information about Gallery 1075 events contact Evan Harté Lead Recreation Leader / Gallery 1075 Curator at evanh@cityofwestsacramento.org or 916-617-5150. ★



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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

Welcome Ben Simmons

By V.G. Harris

Many of you have now been Sacramento Kings fans for literally decades, and discussions of playoffs have been a topic rarely heard in the city of Sacramento.

Enter new GM Scott Perry who has been promising changes with regard to bad drafts and trades that don’t make sense.

Although Perry has made a couple of moves that I strongly disagree with, the jury is largely still out as he has begun in earnest his quote, “rebuild.”

DeAaron Fox was traded not on his watch, but make no mistake about it, the decision to bring on the first overall pick in the 2016 draft is all about Scott Perry.

Sink or swim, the acquisition of Ben Simmons, albeit for only one year and a price tag of only 3.5 million, lands entirely in the lap of Scott Perry.

Just a week ago in this column I wrote that the possibility existed that the Kings may have interest in signing Simmons, who has had a checkered past to say the least, and now the suspense is over, and Ben Simmons is now about to become a full-fledged member of the Sacramento Kings family.

I am an ardent believer that any player attempting a comeback deserves his opportunity to allow the fan base see what he has in the tank, and I for one will not root against this player that has literally been injury prone for the entirety of his 10-year NBA career.

It is rare that an organization has the opportunity to acquire a player drafted No. 1 overall, and in the case of 6-foot-10 Ben Simmons he is coming to the Kings after sitting out the entire 2025-26 season.

The prevailing problem has been related to back issues for Simmons, but according to Simmons himself, he wasn’t going to try and mount a comeback until he was “bulletproof.”

The Kings recently worked out Simmons in Sacramento, and he had a meeting with Scott Perry that obviously went well.

Simmons stats are not eyepopping, but certainly worthy of taking note. Over a 10-year career spent with three teams, Simmons had a scoring average of just over 13 points per game, seven rebounds, seven

assists and 1.5 steals.

To his credit, although most widely noted for missing games due to injury, Simmons made the all-star team one time, and in 2021 was runner up for the defensive player of the year.

Aside from the perpetual injury bug, if there is one knock on this otherwise talented big man, it is his abysmal free throw shooting.

At an astonishing low 59 percent, he brings back memories of another talented big man who couldn’t make free throws by the name of Wilt Chamberlain. Wilt shot an almost unbelievable 51 percent from the charity strip, and like Shaquille Oneal he was known for his inability to make free throws when it counted.

Sadly, Ben Simmons is coming to a team that is typically dead last in free throw shooting, so who on the Kings team is going to step up and teach this 10-year veteran how to improve in an area that he clearly knows little about?

The Kings coaching staff?

If you thought all eyes were on Darius Acuff Jr., wait till you see Ben Simmons take the floor for the Sacramento Kings.

As I said before, I refuse to root against Simmons regardless of past problems, and I don’t believe the Kings would sign him to a contract of any length if they thought he wasn’t 100 percent healthy.

I want to close my eyes and imagine what a healthy Ben Simmons looks like playing alongside Domantas Sabonis, with a talented rookie point guard distributing the ball, and two capable three-point shooters on the wings in Zach Lavine and Keegan Murray.

Does this new lineup have potential? Absolutely it does, and once again it boils down to staying away from injuries and allowing a group of very talented players to develop chemistry and do what they do.

If you’re an ardent Kings fan it’s almost impossible not to get excited.

Look for an opening night that Sacramento hasn’t seen in years, and all of a sudden ticket sales just went up!

Stay tuned Kings fans because there is more to come.

All the best! ★

California’s Political Hopefuls Remain Silent on State’s Job Losses, Unemployment



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

In two months California voters will elect a governor, fill several other statewide offices and choose a new class of state legislators and members of Congress.

The aspirants for those positions are making all sorts of promises to win voters’ approval. But few, if any, have mentioned a slow-motion menace affecting a fundamental facet of life: jobs.

The state has never fully recovered from the virtual shutdown of the economy during the COVID-19 pandemic. It still has more than a million unemployed workers. Its unemployment rate continues to be the highest, or nearly so, of any state. And its signature economic sectors, such as high tech and film production, have been shedding jobs for several years.

As ominous as those data points sound, a deeper dive into employment data reveals an even darker reality.

“California’s labor market is holding up, but its foundations remain troublingly narrow,” Justin Niakamal, research manager at Beacon Economics, said in a recent overview of the state’s economy. Healthcare is the only sector with strong employment gains, he noted.

While healthcare jobs are welcome, they are highly dependent on spending by

federal and state governments, and both have been cutting back. Moreover, while healthcare is a service industry, it does not create added-value wealth the way technology, film production and agriculture do.

Back to the data.

California’s stubbornly high unemployment rate — 5.1% in July — was second-highest among the states, behind Connecticut and Oregon, both at 5.2%. The rate is the percentage of the labor force that is not employed, even in part-time work, during the month.

The size of the labor force, as well as the unemployment figure, are important to note. Over the previous year, California’s labor force — people who are working or seeking work — declined by 286,300, according to the monthly Employment Development Department report.

To some extent, the labor force decline masks the actual decline in employment. Moreover, the widely quoted unemployment figure is simplistic: Even if someone is paid for working just a few hours in a month, he or she is counted as employed.

The federal Bureau of Labor Statistics makes several other computations of employment that are more sophisticated. One, called U-6, measures underemployment. It takes into account workers who want to work full time but can only find part-time work, as well as those who are “marginally attached” to the labor force.

California’s U-6 rate is a much more realistic measure of the job picture. It was calculated at 10.3% in June, easily the highest of any state.

The bureau also calculated

U-6 for New York City and Los Angeles County because their populations are larger than many states. New York’s rate was 10.2% while Los Angeles’ was 12.1%.

Those are high numbers but may still understate what’s happening — or not — in California’s job market.

The Ludwig Institute for Shared Economic Prosperity takes the U-6 underemployment calculation even further. It discounts jobs, even full-time work, that pay less than a living wage, which it pegs at \$26,000 a year. It calls its number the “true rate of unemployment,” saying it measures “functional unemployment.”

As one might suspect, Ludwig’s calculations for California — reported by major metropolitan area — are very high, especially in rural communities where agriculture is a primary source of jobs.

California’s highest “true unemployment” rate, according to Ludwig, is in Redding (67.4%). Other rural or semi-rural communities fall into the 50%-65% range. But some urban regions see high rates as well, such as 53.8% in the Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim metropolitan area.

Only a few regions are under 50%.

Given these numbers, one might expect that California’s officeholders and office seekers would be telling us how they will respond. They are not.

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 change Social Security now? It’s a working “Ponzi



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: Maybe everybody has the same reaction that I do to Social Security insolvency. I do not understand a system that has been basically run like a Ponzi Scam since its Inception; why have you decided (in 2026-2027) that now is the time to change a perfectly good Ponzi Scam. In all reality, this began with Babylon. I’m sure that if you searched the meaning of the words “Babylonian money magic,” you would understand what I’m talking about. If this is as good as the Earth has, why would you mess with a perfectly rotten thing. Why would you decide to change currencies to some sort of fragile digital currency?

Signed: Skeptical Senior

Dear Skeptical Senior: You touch on an item that the AMAC Foundation has dealt with many times over the years, specifically the notion that Social Security has the characteristics of a Ponzi Scheme. Our position in response to that notion is that Social Security was created and operated with full transparency, with its financial

status, formulas, and long-term deficits completely and publicly documented, and reported to the President and Congress annually. Unlike the infamous Charles Ponzi, the government has a permanent pool of contributors through mandatory FICA and SECA (self-employment) payroll taxes and is designed to remain in operation infinitely as long as there’s a taxpaying workforce. Moreover, the Social Security system is overseen by Congress, specifically the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee, and the Government Accountability Office (GAO). The Social Security Administration is subject to routine hearings by these congressional overseers and maintains an independent Office of the Inspector General to ensure the integrity of its financial operations.

Contrary to Ponzi victims, all participants retiring from the workforce (and their dependents) recover their Social Security contributions via benefit payments, some more than others based on their level of participation in the system. Also, contrary to Ponzi Schemes, Social Security was designed as a social insurance system and has operated successfully in that mode for over nine decades.

What raises the notion of a Ponzi Scheme comparison these days is the looming insolvency facing Social Security just six

years from now. This financial problem, however, has nothing to do with fraud. Rather, it is a function of workforce demographics and the fact that Congress has long deferred corrective action on a problem that has been known for the past four decades. We sometimes hear well intended (but sometimes uninformed) comments from some Washington politicians invoking the Ponzi Scheme reference, but we believe that Congress is finally waking up to the urgency. And we also believe Congress is now starting to move seriously to set a course for correction in time to ward off the impact of insolvency. AMAC is proud to be a part of the collective thinking currently surfacing, and our Social Security Guarantee is in play as a plan to be considered.

We invite you to review our SS reform plan (at <https://amac.us/social-security-guarantee>) and likewise to stay tuned to our Social Security Report website (<https://socialsecurityreport.org/>) where we post regular updates on a variety of matters pertaining to Social Security and retirement.

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A Foolhardy Conflict with an Inoffensive Ally

senseless, legally dubious and politically harmful push to tariff everything and everyone he can.

Trump’s imposition of all these duties -- often relying on strained interpretations of U.S. statutes -- has run directly counter to his promise in the 2024 campaign to reduce prices, a pledge central to his victory. Although the administration maintains that the cost of tariffs isn’t passed on to U.S. consumers -- instead borne by foreign countries and producers -- its actions implicitly concede the opposite.

The administration excluded an array of consumer electronics from new reciprocal tariffs on China to avoid unpopular price increases, and it lifted tariffs on a long list of foodstuffs late last year. Twice this year, including about a week ago, the administration widened exceptions for beef imports. If tariffs were genuinely cost-free, none of this would have been deemed necessary by the most protectionist administration since that of Herbert Hoover.

A chief argument for tariffs is that they will revive American manufacturing. Even if this is true, it’s a long-term play, whereas the disruption from tariffs is experienced immediately. It’s also a questionable proposition; increasing the price of imported goods used in manufacturing, which is the effect of the scattershot tariffs, doesn’t do U.S. producers any favors. It is telling that the National Association of Manufacturers opposes the sweeping tariffs.

Polling consistently

finds that the duties are unpopular. Majorities oppose Trump’s handling of the issue, and the public believes that the tariffs have increased prices and should be lowered. The trade war with Canada in particular fares poorly. A YouGov survey found that 62% of people oppose the imposition of 50% tariffs on many Canadian imports.

At the end of the day, Trump has chosen a long-standing ideological goal and his legacy over his short-term political standing. He has advocated for major tariffs for decades and has finally gotten them. They are likely to endure, even if they hurt now. His most probable Republican successor, J.D. Vance, presumably wouldn’t roll them back, and the Democratic candidate in 2028 might be equally protectionist. Regardless, it’s going to be difficult for future presidents to give up the revenue generated by the duties.

And so a president who campaigned on lowering prices has embraced a policy that, at the margins, increases them. Unless things are smoothed over with our Friendly Neighbor to the North, there will be more where that came from -- in a dispute with a country that no one considers an economic threat to the United States.

If the midterms end up sending a broad message of discontent, the tariffs will surely be a reason why.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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The Big West Honors Ching as the League’s Offensive Player of the Week

Sacramento State Athletics News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Following her two-goal performance that helped lift the Sacramento State women’s soccer team to victory against Southern Utah, junior Candace Ching was named The Big West’s Offensive Player of the Week on Monday (Aug. 31) for the first time in her career.

Ching became the second Hornet to win weekly honors from the league this season alongside teammate Mia Jackson, who also picked up her own offensive award back on Aug. 17 following two goals in her debut in the green and gold against Pacific. Sacramento State has now won multiple offensive weekly awards in the same season for the first time since 2019 when Kylie Kim-Bustillos, Tiffany Miras and Camila Fonseca did so in the Big Sky Conference.

Her first score came in the



Junior Candace Ching was named The Big West’s Offensive Player of the Week on Monday (Aug. 31) for the first time in her career. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

61st minute as she collected a deflected ball that was tapped to her by teammate Marely Velazquez Varela, outraced a defender into the box, and finished with the right foot to the near post to tie the match.

In the 64th minute, Ching then gave her team the lead for good. Establishing position near the penalty spot, Ching chested down a lofted ball from teammate Ellie Farber before unleashing a one-timer into the

upper right-hand corner for the eventual game winner.

Along with Jackson’s performance against the Tigers, Ching’s stellar second half gave the Hornets two players with a brace in the same season since

2022 when Abigail Lopez (at Pacific) and Aubrey Goodwill (at Cal State Bakersfield) did so.

Entering the week, Ching ranks tied for second in the league in goals scored with three, tied for sixth in shots on goal with five, and tied for second in the conference in points with six.

Standing as one of only three remaining unbeaten teams in The Big West table, Sacramento State put its 4-0-1 record on the line with a single match the week of Aug. 31-Sept. 4 against Fresno State (Sept. 3).

The Hornets have tied the school record for the best start in school history through five matches originally set by the 2000 squad with the same record. A win over the Bulldogs would give this year’s team the title of the best start in school history after that 2000 team began the year 4-0-2 following a draw against Pacific. ★

Chibi Ukaegbu to Join Houston Dynamo

Sacramento Republic FC News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Republic FC announced that the club has reached an agreement with Major League Soccer club Houston Dynamo FC transferring defender Chibuike “Chibi” Ukaegbu (pronunciation: Chi-bee Oo-kay-boo) to Houston Dynamo II of MLS NEXT PRO pending league and federation approval. The 19-year-old becomes the latest homegrown player developed in Republic FC’s nationally respected academy system to feature with the first team and continue his professional career beyond Sacramento.

“Chibi is a highly talented and hard working young player, who has positively contributed to the club’s success over the past several seasons. We know that he’ll represent our club and region well as he continues to grow and wish him all the best as he enters the next chapter of his career,” said President and General Manager Tim Holt. “Chibi is a great example of what the young players of this region can

accomplish, and his journey through our academy, to the first team, and now on to a top club like Houston Dynamo is a source of pride for our club and the Sacramento soccer community.”

“It’s bittersweet to say goodbye to my first club — my hometown club — but it has been an honor to wear the Sacramento Republic FC crest,” said Chibi Ukaegbu. “I’m proud to be one of the local kids that followed their dream through the academy, to the first team, and now on to the next stage in my career.”

Ukaegbu continued, “I hope more kids across the region see this moment and understand that the path to the top doesn’t skip places like Sacramento — it runs right through this club. I’m grateful for all the people who’ve stood behind me and pushed me further each day — coaches, teammates, the team and academy staff, my friends, and of course my family.”

Ukaegbu joined Republic FC’s academy at 14 years old in 2021 after playing for Placer United.

In two seasons with the academy, he appeared in 60 matches



Sacramento Republic FC has reached an agreement with Major League Soccer club Houston Dynamo FC transferring defender Chibuike “Chibi” Ukaegbu to Houston Dynamo II of MLS NEXT PRO pending league and federation approval. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Republic FC

and helped the club’s U15 and U17 teams reach MLS NEXT Cup playoffs in both years. He earned opportunities to train with the First Team and signed his first professional contract with his hometown

team in November of 2023.

He would go on to make his professional debut and mark his first career start on May 7, 2024, at age 17. Facing off with fellow USL Championship club Monterey Bay FC in the U.S. Open Cup, Ukaegbu made a splash in his first-ever appearance, leading all players with four tackles won and seven duels won. He was a critical substitute in the club’s Open Cup 4-3 extra time thriller over San Jose Earthquakes.

Since making his debut, Chibi has made 47 appearances and played nearly 2,500 minutes across all competitions. Featuring in 20 matches that resulted in clean sheets, the defender has helped Republic FC secure two play-off berths, three appearances in the U.S. Open Cup Round of 32 and a trip to the Quarterfinals in 2024, and a spot in the 2025 USL Cup Final. Earlier this year in Open Cup play, he came on as a substitute to close out Republic FC’s shutout performance against MLS club Minnesota United before converting his penalty attempt in the ensuing twelve-round shootout.

Regularly recognized as one of the USL Championship’s top young players, Ukaegbu has also earned several invitations to U.S. Soccer national team programs, including two selections to the U-20 Men’s National Team and one to the U-19 Men’s National Team in 2025.

Founded in 2015, Republic FC’s youth development academy has propelled hundreds of young players into the next stage of their soccer journey. As the only youth-to-pro pathway in the Sacramento region, Republic FC’s academy provides unique opportunities for players to access professional environments, premier coaches, elite competition and more.

Over 30 players have joined the professional ranks in domestic and global leagues, including the eight who have signed professional contracts to play for their hometown team. Nearly 50 players have earned the opportunity to train and compete with the First Team through USL Academy contracts, while over 100 have gone on to play for Division I colleges. ★

UC Davis Welcomes Zyhira Jones as New STUNT Assistant Coach

UC Davis Athletics News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - UC Davis STUNT is strengthening its coaching staff with the addition of Assistant Coach Zyhira Jones. A former collegiate STUNT athlete and experienced head coach with a proven track record of program building and athlete development.

Jones arrives in Davis after founding and directing the inaugural STUNT program at West Park High School in Roseville, Calif. Over her six years, she built the program into a regional power, expanding the roster from 13 to more than 30 athletes while leading the team to three consecutive California STUNT State Championship appearances, two League Championships and two CIF Section runner-up finishes. During her time at West Park, Jones developed over 10 athletes who advanced to play at the collegiate level.

“Zyhira brings a level of expertise and experience that will be incredibly valuable as we build this program from the ground up. She has a proven ability to develop athletes, establish a strong team culture and build a program from its foundation into one of the most competitive high school STUNT programs in the state of California,” said UC Davis STUNT Head Coach Brittany Lampson. “Her experience leading a program through that growth process gives her a unique perspective that will translate directly to what we are building here at the Division I level. I’m excited to have her on our coaching staff and know that her knowledge, passion, and commitment to STUNT will play a huge role in helping us establish the foundation for this program and create something special from day one!”



Zyhira Jones has been named assistant coach of the Division I STUNT team at UC Davis. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Athletics

Before her time at West Park, Jones served as the head cheer coach at Del Campo High School (2018–20) and Encina High School (2017–18), overseeing practice planning, routine development and program administration.

“I’m so excited to join UC Davis and have the opportunity to help build the STUNT program at the Division I level,” Jones said. “I’ve had the unique experience of being part of a collegiate STUNT program from the beginning and then later building a high school program from the ground up, so getting to be part of another program’s first chapter feels really special to me. I’m excited to bring what I’ve learned as both an athlete and a coach to UC Davis, help develop our student-athletes, and build a program that we can all be proud of. I’m really honored to be part of the start of this program and can’t wait to see what we build together. Let’s go Aggies!”

As a collegiate student-athlete, Jones competed for Concordia University Irvine from 2013 to 2016 as a member of CUI’s inaugural STUNT program. She graduated from Concordia University Irvine in 2016 with a Bachelor of Arts in biology. ★

State Fair Junior Championship Crowns 2026 Winners at Haggin Oaks

Sacramento Golf Council News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The State Fair Junior Championship for boys and girls ages 7 to 18 was held Saturday, Aug. 26, at Haggin Oaks Golf Complex. Players ages 12 to 18 competed on the Alistair MacKenzie 18-hole course, while the 7 to 11 division played nine holes on Arcade Creek.

In the boys 14 to 18 division, Kees Hoogendyk captured the overall title with a 68 score in the boys 16 to 18 division.

In the girls 14 to 18 division, Melody Chen won the overall championship from the 14 to 15 division.

Other division highlights included boys 16 to 18 winner, Amani Asghar scored 70; girls 16 to 18 winner, Khloe Chao scored 73; boys 14 to 15 winner, Ricky Soe scored 71; and girls 14 to 15 winner, Elise Lim scored 74.

Boys 12 to 13 winner, Rishan Dey scored 71; girls 12 to 13 winner, Zoe Yu scored 73; boys 10 to 11 winner, Joseph Alastair scored 38, winning in a play-off against Carter Cedillo. And girls 10 to 11 winner, Livy Woodward scored 37.

Lastly, Boys 7 to 9 winner, Chung-Kuang Chang scored 36 and the girls 7 to 9 winner, Olivia Villajoquin scored 37.

The tournament was hosted by the Sacramento Golf Council under the direction of Council President and Tournament Chairman Mark Perry. ★



In the girls 14 to 18 division, Melody Chen won the overall championship from the 14 to 15 division. Photo courtesy of Sacramento Golf Council



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WEST SACRAMENTO CRIME REPORTS

Raul Gutierrez-Flores, 58, was arrested Thursday, July 30 at Jefferson Boulevard and Michigan Boulevard by West Sacramento Police for multiple DUI charges. Officer responded to the location to assist with a DUI investigation. The driver of the vehicle, Gutierrez-Flores, stated he had consumed two alcoholic beverages prior to driving. Officer observed objective signs of intoxication, which were confirmed by field sobriety tests. He was detained without incident and transported to Yolo County Jail.

Jose Juan Diaz-Nava, 33, was cited Wednesday, Aug. 19 on Evergreen Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle with code violations. The driver and passenger consented to a vehicle search and the passenger, Diaz-Nava, was found to have a methamphetamine pipe in his backpack. A personal search of him found methamphetamine. He was cited for both and released.

Ezekiel Balderas, 33, was cited Saturday, Aug. 22 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting.

Devonia Tyrone Inman, 47, was cited Sunday, Aug. 23 at Cabaldon Parkway and Grand Street by West Sacramento Police for possessing narcotic controlled substances and unlawful paraphernalia.

Isaiah Jamonz Evans, 28, was cited Tuesday, Aug. 25 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for vandalism: defacing property. Officer responded to a call on Franklin Way for a report of vandalism. The reporting party stated their neighbor, later identified as Evans, damaged their surveillance camera, the camera wiring, and the stucco on the exterior wall of the residence, resulting in approximately \$157 in damages. They want to prosecute and signed a citizen's arrest form. Dispatch provided a picture of Evans, and the reporting party confirmed he was the suspect. Evans was no longer on scene. A few hours later, officer observed Evans at the arrest location, and detained him. Under Miranda, Evans confirmed he damaged the surveillance camera with a shovel. He was released with a notice to appear.

Arman Ronald Emerson Porupsky, 31, was arrested Tuesday, Aug. 25 on Jefferson Boulevard by West Sacramento Police for disorderly conduct under the influence of drugs. Officer responded to the location regarding a male running toward people and yelling incoherently. Officer contacted Porupsky and he immediately fled the scene and continued walking away. Officer observed Porupsky walking across the street in the middle of traffic and seemed to be unaware of his surroundings. Officer observed objective signs of being under the influence of alcohol or narcotics. Porupsky failed to comply with the officer's verbal commands and continued to walk away until detained. Under Miranda, Porupsky admitted to smoking methamphetamine earlier in the day. He was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Isaiah Jamonz Evans, 28, was arrested Wednesday, Aug. 26 on Franklin Way by West Sacramento Police for vandalism, damaging property and trespassing. This was a citizen's arrest.

Vincent Rudolph Jiron, 54, was arrested Wednesday, Aug. 26 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer responded to the location for a male suspect throwing rocks at passing cars. He contacted a male who was displaying objective signs of being under the influence of narcotics. He was unable to provide his name to officers when asked multiple times. As officers were attempting to identify him, they conducted a consent search and found a clear bulbous pipe in his pants pocket. As officers searched him, him spontaneously stated he had smoked methamphetamine earlier in the day. Officer believed he was unable to care for himself since he lived in another town. A records check of the male, now identified as Jiron, found post release community supervision (PRCS) until June 2028. He was transported to Yolo County Jail for probation violation, disorderly conduct and possession of unlawful paraphernalia.

John Ramon Stewart, 40, was arrested Wednesday, Aug. 26 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer

responded to the location for report of a man dancing in the roadway with his pants around his ankles. Officer observed Stewart, who appeared lethargic, and his pants were around his ankles. A records check revealed he was on probation and had at least 2 prior convictions for possession of dangerous drugs. A search of his person found a clear plastic bag containing methamphetamine, and a glass pipe. Stewart was transported to Yolo County Jail for possession of drugs with priors and drug paraphernalia.

Courtney Nicole Stainbrook, 32, was cited Wednesday, Aug. 26 at Town Center Plaza by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting. Store loss prevention officer detained her for paying for only some of her items at self-checkout. They signed a citizen's arrest, and she was released with a written promise to appear after being trespassed from the location.

Randolph Michael Rodriguez, 48, was cited Wednesday, Aug. 26 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for possession of a controlled substance.

Brandon Mehr, 38, was cited Thursday, Aug. 27 on Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police for shoplifting and possessing a controlled substance.

Ruth Jessica Garcia-Belmontes, 32, was transported Thursday, Aug. 27 from the Sacramento County Main Jail on I Street, Sacramento to Yolo County Jail by West Sacramento Police for an outstanding felony warrant.

Joseph Benny Steffen, 34, was transported Thursday, Aug. 27 from the Sacramento County Main Jail on I Street, Sacramento to Yolo County Jail by West Sacramento Police for multiple outstanding warrants.

Sergio Efrain Hernandez, 58, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 27 on B Street by West Sacramento Police for possessing a stolen vehicle. Officer on patrol observed a vehicle that scanned as an outstanding stolen vehicle. A high-risk stop was performed and the driver, Hernandez, detained. Under Miranda, he stated he was given the car to

drive but could not provide any back up and his statement kept changing and was not credible. Officers checked footage where Hernandez said he was given the vehicle and determined he was lying. The registered owner of the vehicle responded to the scene and stated Hernandez did not have permission to drive the vehicle and pressed charges. He was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Sulman Hafeez Jr., 42, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 27 on Riverpoint Court by West Sacramento Police. Officer responded to the location for a report of stealing. Upon arrival, officer contacted Hafeez, who had been detained by loss prevention. A records check found an active misdemeanor warrant. Loss prevention reported Hafeez had been observed on video surveillance removing a wallet from its packaging and concealing it, along with tweezers and nail clippers. Under Miranda, Hafeez admitted stealing the tweezers and wallet. He claimed the nail clippers were his. He was transported to Yolo County Jail on the warrant and a charge of shoplifting.

Caleb Luv Brookins, 48, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 27 on Cedar Street by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to the location for a domestic violence incident. Officer contacted the involved parties and Brookins displayed objective signs of intoxication as he stood on the porch. Officers told him he was detained, and he attempted to go back inside the residence. When officers attempted to handcuff him, he tensed up his body and kept moving his arms in an attempt to escape. Officer believed he was too intoxicated to care for himself. Brookins was transported to Yolo County Jail for disorderly conduct and resisting a peace officer.

Gustabo Cervantes-Romero, 30, was arrested Thursday, Aug. 27 on Lake Boulevard by West Sacramento Police. Officer responded to the location for report of a stolen vehicle, which was occupied by Cervantes-Romero. He was listed as the suspect on the theft report and detained. The registered owner of the vehicle advised

his daughter had driven the vehicle to a friend's house and Cervantes-Romero took it from there. He did not have permission to have the vehicle, and the owner pressed charges. A records check found multiple active misdemeanor warrants and Cervantes-Romero was transported to Yolo County Jail on the related charges.

Adam Porter Young, 46, was arrested Friday, Aug. 28 on Lake Road by West Sacramento Police for an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. Officer was dispatched to the location for a reported trespassing. A male had been trespassed previously and was back at the location. Officer arrived on scene and contacted Young, who refused when asked to leave the location. A records check found the warrants and Young was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Jeffrey L. Bailey, 32, was arrested Friday, Aug. 28 on Ballpark Drive by West Sacramento Police. Security staff at the ballpark observed a male adult changing seats in the stadium during a ballgame and attempted to contact him to determine whether he had a valid ticket for the event. Staff found the man to be intoxicated and uncooperative, and the decision was made to ask him to leave the ballpark. The man refused numerous requests and had to be physically escorted off the property. While park security was removing him, he grabbed on to one of the staff and tried to pull them to the ground. Police officers arrived on scene and moved in to assist park security. The man threatened an officer and was finally detained in handcuffs and placed in the back of a patrol vehicle. He refused multiple requests to identify himself. Officer observed the man demonstrating objective signs of being under the influence of alcohol. While he was in the patrol vehicle, he began kicking the inside of the door. He was placed in restraints and transported to Yolo County Jail, where his identity was confirmed as Bailey, and he was booked on multiple related charges.

Shavon Danne Brooks, 47, was cited Friday, Aug. 28 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for receiving stolen property.

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260670
The following person(s) is doing business as: Glo and Lash, 2240 Lake Washington Boulevard Suite 130, West Sacramento, CA 95691.
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GLO 9-11-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260672
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PLUMB 9-11-26

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LUMINOUS 9-18-26

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260603
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West Coast Hospitality Group LLC, 720 2nd Street, Davis, CA 95616. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A.
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CAMPUS 9-18-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
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JEX 9-18-26

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TRAINING 9-18-26

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260698
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MB 9-18-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260598
The following person(s) is doing business as: Woodland True Value, 345 West Main Street, Woodland, CA 95695.
Woodland Home Center LLC, 8473 Lonely Oak Court, Fair Oaks, CA 95628. This business is conducted by A Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on October 3, 2016.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on July 16, 2026.
By: Jesse Salinas, Deputy
Publish: September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026
WOODLAND 9-25-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260725
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RANCH 10-2-26

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260729
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ORDER TO SHOW FOR
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
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#CV2026-2372
To Linh Truong has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of To Linh Truong to Linh To Truong.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 13, 2026
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
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TO 9-11-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-2272
Rossmery Rueda-Garcia has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Rossmery Rueda-Garcia to Rossmery Rueda.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on September 23, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
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GARCIA 9-18-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-2390
CHRISTOPHER JENKINS has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of CHRISTOPHER JENKINS to Christopher Jenkins.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 12, 2026
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
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JENKINS 9-25-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-1346
Michelle Kille and Jabin Kille has

filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Aveline Andrea Raquel Kille to Aveline Andrea Kille.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 31, 2026
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Sept 11, 18, 25, Oct 2, 2026
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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-2457
Kristina Orlova and Jasmeet Singh has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Avan Orlov Singh to Avan Orlov-Singh.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on October 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in Department 14, located at 1000 Main Street Woodland, CA 95695 and show cause, if any, why the petition for Change of Name should not be granted.
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NOTICE OF PETITION
TO ADMINISTER ESTATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
BARBARA JEAN RODRIGUEZ
CASE NO. PR2026-0194
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of BARBARA JEAN RODRIGUEZ.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by J'ANET WILLIAMS in the Superior Court of California, County of YOLO. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that J'ANET WILLIAMS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or 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: 09/24/26 at 9:00AM in Dept. TBD located at 1000 MAIN STREET, WOODLAND, CA 95695
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 decedent, 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 a person 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.
Attorney for Petitioner
DONALD P. MADSEN - SBN 207159
WHEATLEY, SOPP & MADSEN, LLP
2600 E. BIDWELL ST., STE. 150
FOLSOM CA 95630
Telephone (916) 923-9347
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TRUSTEE SALE

TS#:CA24-120502Notice of Trustee's Sale APN:067-132-014-000 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust, Dated October 27, 2022. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceeding Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 12:00 pm at rear (north) entrance of West Sacramento City Hall,

located at 1110 West Capitol Avenue, West Sacramento, CA 95691, in the City of West Sacramento, County of Yolo, State of California, Thyne Berglund & Co., Trustee, whose street address is 1290 Coast Village Rd. #200, Montecito, CA 93108, and whose telephone number is (805)-869-2224, will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the real property described below. The real property is located in the City of West Sacramento, County of Yolo, State of California. It is commonly described as 1250 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento, California 95691-3494. The county assessor's parcel number for the property is 067-132-014-000. The following is the legal description of the property: Parcel One: Parcel 1, As Shown On Parcel Map No. 3945, Filed September 4, 1991 In Book 10 Of Parcel Maps, At Pages 36 And 37, Yolo County Records. Excepting Therefrom That Portion Described In The Final Order Of Condemnation In Favor Of State Of California, Department Of Transportation, Recorded March 30, 2011, As Instrument No. 2011-0008940, Official Records. Parcel Two: A Reciprocal Parking Easement, Over A Portion Of Parcel 2, Parcel Map No. 3945, As Shown On The Parcel Map Filed September 4, 1991 In Book 10 Of Parcel Maps, Pages 36 And 37, Yolo County Records, More Particularly Described As Follows: The West 21.00 Feet Of Said Parcel 2. Excepting Therefrom: The West 12.00 Feet Of Said Parcel 2. Parcel Three: A Reciprocal Access Easement Over A Portion Of Parcel 2, Parcel Map No. 3945, As Shown On The Parcel Map Filed September 4, 1991 In Book 10 Of Parcel Maps, Pages 36 And 37, Yolo County Records, More Particularly Described As Follows: The West 12.00 Feet Of Said Parcel 2. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligations secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain deed of trust dated October 27, 2022, executed by West Sacramento Hospitality LLC, a California limited liability company, as original Trustor to Fidelity National Title Company, as Trustee for State Bank of Texas, as Beneficiary, recorded on November 2,2014, as Doc No. 2022-0024615, Official Records of Yolo County, California. A Notice of Default containing an election to sell the described real property under the above Deed of Trust was recorded on September 4, 2024, as Doc No. 2024-0015548, Official Records of Yolo County, California. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$11,705,683.88 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. The undersigned was appointed and substituted as Trustee under the above Deed of Trust by a substitution dated November 27, 2024, and recorded on December 4, 2024, as Doc No. 2024-0021875, Official Records of Yolo County, California. This Notice is given in compliance with a written request made to the Trustee by the Beneficiary. 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 (805)-869-2224 or visit this internet website, thyneberglund.com, using the file number assigned to this case, CA26-081326. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You 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 (800) 280-2832, or visit this internet website www.auction.com, using the file number assigned to this case 25-10999CA 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. 3 File No.:25-10999CA 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. For Pre Sale Information Log On To: www.auction.com or Call: (800) 280-2832. For Post Sale Results please visit www.affiniadefault.com or Call (866) 932-0360 Dated: August 13, 2026 By: Carlos Quezada Foreclosure Associate Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd., Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 (833) 290-7452 NPP0492688 To: NEWS LEDGER 08/28/2026, 09/04/2026, 09/11/2026 NEWS LEDGER 9-11-26

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
Sale Trustee Sale No.:
00000010722809 Title
Order No.: 260102372
FHAA/VP/MI No.: ATTENTION
RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING
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NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A
SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION
IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED
YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER
A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 10/19/2004.
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. BARRETT DAFFIN
FRAPPIER TREDER AND
WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed
Trustee under and pursuant to
Deed of Trust Recorded on
11/08/2004 as Instrument No.
2004-0051218-00 of official
records in the office of the County
Recorder of YOLO County, State
of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED
BY: MANUEL BUSTAMANTE
AND MARIA P BUSTAMANTE,
HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT
TENANTS, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC
AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER
FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/
CASH EQUIVALENT or other form
of payment authorized by California
Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at
time of sale in lawful money of the
United States). DATE OF SALE:
09/29/2026 TIME OF SALE:
1:00 PM PLACE OF SALE:
North Entrance, West Sacramento
City Hall, 1110 W. Capitol
Avenue, West Sacramento,
CA 95691. STREET ADDRESS
and other common designation,
if any, of the real property described
above is purported to be:
3142 MIDWAY ISLAND ST, W
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95691-5899 APN#: 045-613-
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shown herein. Said sale will be
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warranty, expressed or implied,
regarding title, possession, or
encumbrances, to pay the remaining
principal sum of the note(s)
secured by said Deed of Trust,
with interest thereon, as provided
in said note(s), advances, under
the terms of said Deed of Trust,
fees, charges and expenses of
the Trustee and of the trusts
created by said Deed of Trust.
The total amount of the unpaid
balance of the 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 \$183,195.51.
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of Trust heretofore executed
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New Liquor License Authorizations for Sacramento Region

Alcoholic Beverage Control News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Paul Tupy, director of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), announced authorization for the issuance of new on-sale general and off-sale general licenses and authorization for the intercounty transfer of on-sale general and off-sale general licenses for the following counties in the Sacramento region: El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento and Yolo.

From Sept. 14 through Sept. 25, applications for new original on-sale general and off-sale general licenses will be accepted at local ABC offices. During the same period, priority applications will be accepted for the intercounty transfer of on-sale general and off-sale general licenses, as authorized.

Only one priority application will be accepted from any one applicant per county for each type of license. A fee of \$19,840 is to be paid when filing an application for a new

original general license and a fee of \$7,515 is to be paid



when filing a priority application for the intercounty transfer of a general license.

If the number of applicants within a county for a particular type of license/transaction is equal to or less than the number of licenses available, all applicants will be notified that they have 90 days to complete a formal application for their specific premises.

If the department receives more applications than there are licenses available, a virtual drawing will be held. To participate in such a drawing, an applicant must have been a resident of California for at least 90 days prior to the date

of the scheduled drawing. Successful drawing participants will be notified that they have 90 days to complete a formal application for their specific premises.

Applicants are encouraged to file their applications early in the filing period to avoid a lengthy wait.

In the coming weeks, additional information and instructions regarding applications for original and intercounty transfer of general licenses will be made available on ABC's website. ★

From Tragedy to Tradition

Sac-Town Rodeo Supports a Sacramento Legacy

AMPLIFY 360 News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - When the Sac-Town Rodeo returns to Cal Expo on Sept. 12 and 13, it will bring two days of bull riding, bronc riding, Western tradition and family entertainment to Sacramento.

But beyond the arena action, the event carries a deeper purpose: supporting the Firefighters Burn Institute, an organization born from one of the darkest tragedies in Sacramento's history and one that continues to serve burn survivors, families and injured firefighters across the region.

For many Sacramento residents, the Firefighters Burn Institute is a familiar name. Its origins, however, trace back more than five decades to a devastating day in 1972.

That year, a jet attempting to take off from Sacramento Executive Airport crashed into a crowded Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor. Twenty-three people were killed, and many others suffered serious burn injuries. Among those who died were Sacramento firefighter Gene LaVine and eight members of his family.

The scale of the tragedy exposed a critical gap in the region's medical resources. At the time, Sacramento had limited access to specialized burn treatment, leaving patients and families facing a difficult and uncertain path to recovery.

Sacramento Fire Department Captain Cliff Haskell believed the community could not allow that need to go unanswered. Through his fundraising and advocacy, the Firefighters Burn Institute was established in 1973. The organization later worked with UC Davis Medical Center to help establish a regional burn



The Sept. 12-13 event at Cal Expo will bring together first responders, local businesses, rodeo fans and families from across the region for a high-energy competition and a celebration of Western culture. Photo courtesy of Sac-Town Rodeo

center, providing specialized care closer to home for burn survivors throughout Sacramento and Northern California.

More than 50 years later, the Institute's mission has expanded well beyond its founding goal.

Today, the Firefighters Burn Institute supports burn survivors and their families through recovery programs, peer support, community reintegration and camps for young burn survivors. It also provides assistance to injured firefighters and their families while advancing burn prevention, public education and

awareness throughout the region.

The work is personal for many of the firefighters, survivors and families connected to the organization. It is a mission rooted in a community's response to loss, and sustained by a belief that people recovering from burn injuries should not have to navigate that journey alone.

That is where the Sac-Town Rodeo comes in.

The Sept. 12-13 event at Cal Expo will bring together first responders, local businesses, rodeo fans and families from across the region. While

spectators can expect high-energy competition and a celebration of Western culture, the rodeo also gives the Sacramento community a chance to rally around an organization whose impact reaches far beyond the event grounds.

Proceeds from the Sac-Town Rodeo will benefit the Firefighters Burn Institute and help sustain programs serving children, adults, families and firefighters affected by burn injuries.

For Sacramento, the rodeo represents more than an annual

community gathering. It is also a reminder of how a tragedy that devastated the city more than half a century ago led to lasting action, from improved specialized burn care to decades of support for survivors and their families.

As the Sac-Town Rodeo returns next month, it offers a timely opportunity to honor that history, celebrate the resilience of burn survivors and recognize the firefighters and community members who have carried the Firefighters Burn Institute's mission forward for generations. ★

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LIEN SALE

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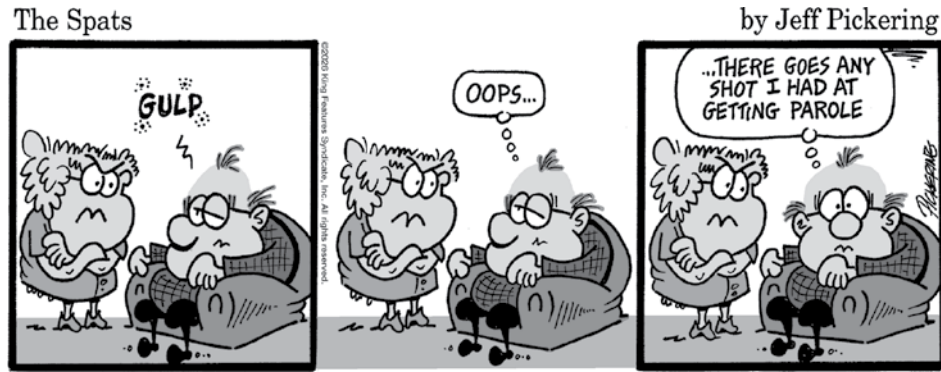
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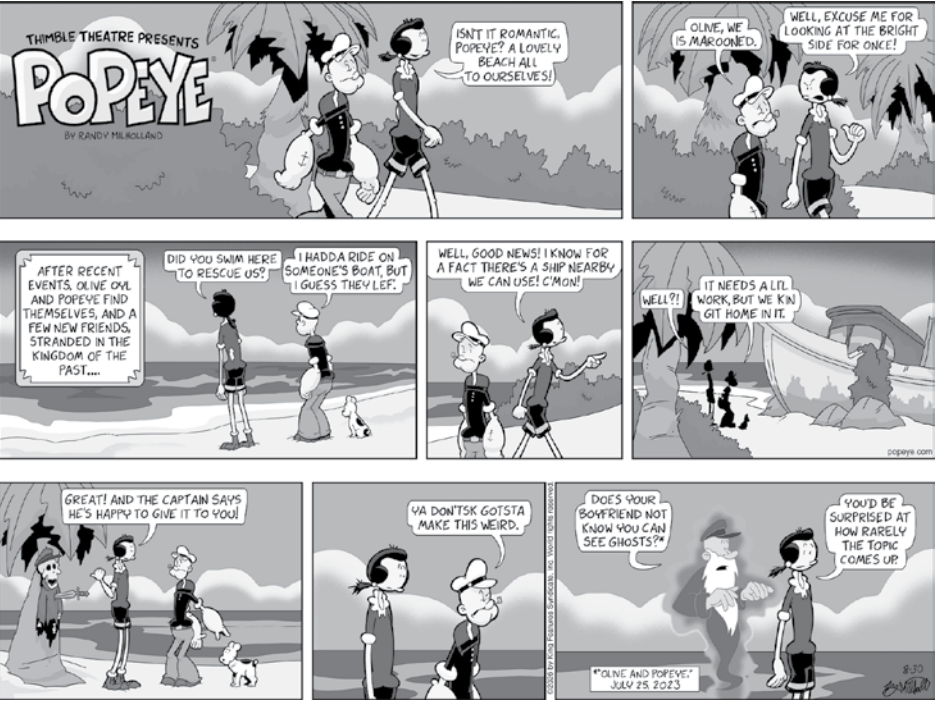
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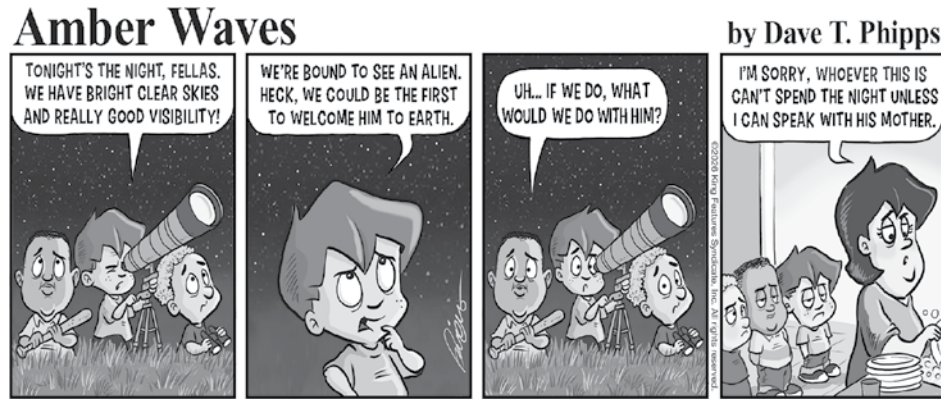
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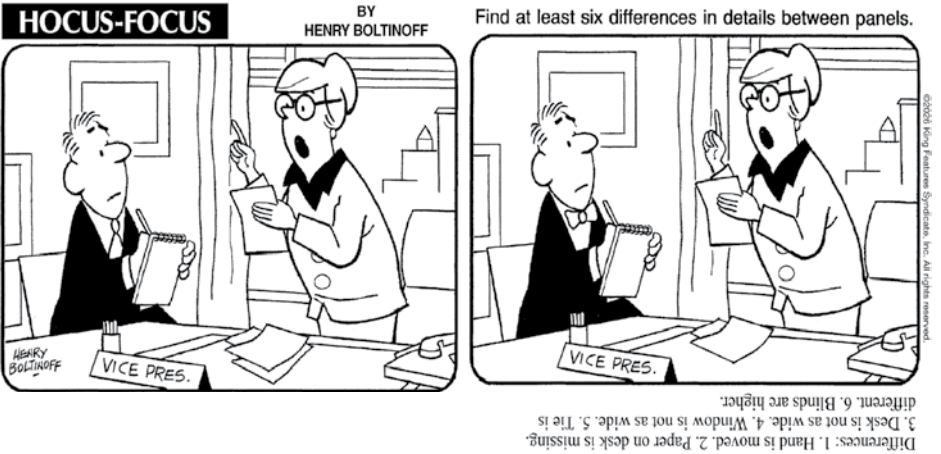
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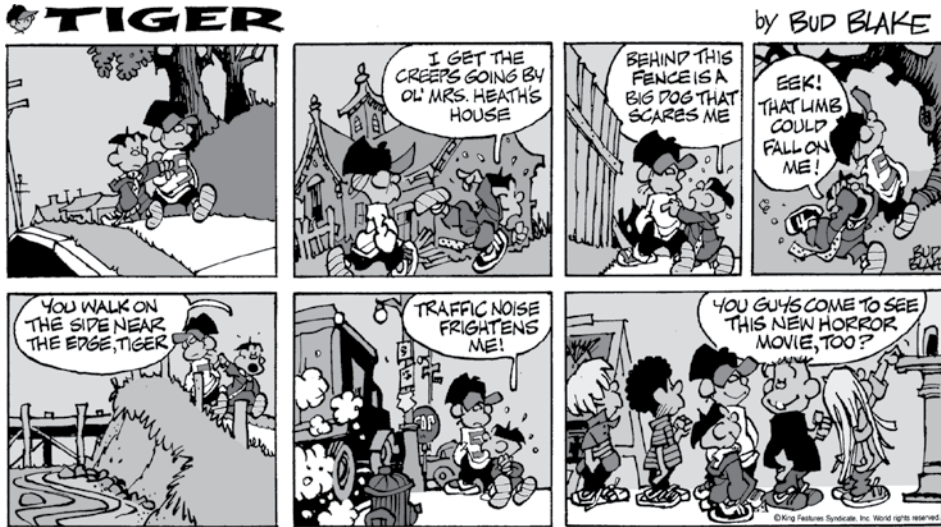
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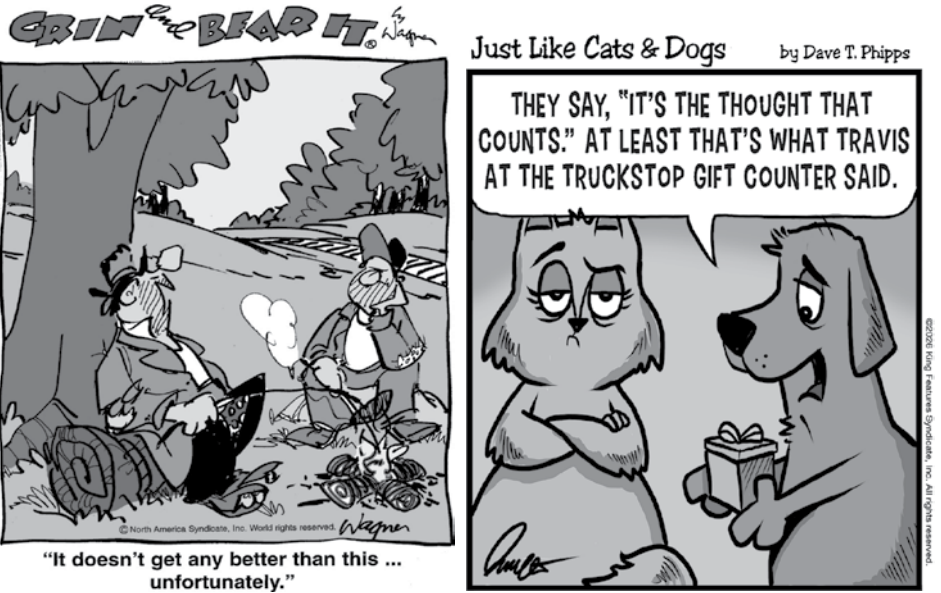
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A Morning Like No Other – Ground Zero at 25 years



An early morning skyline view from the Staten Island Ferry. This was the daily view of thousands of commuters to Manhattan before 9/11. Years later, I met with my friend, the captain of the ferry, in Sacramento for lunch. John had to leave New York because he just couldn’t live another day in that memory. He stopped his ship in the middle of the harbor that 9/11 morning, as he and his entire shipload of travelers and crew watched the horror unfold.



Reflections at East River and John Finley Walk. Photo by a savior

Commentary and photos by Paul V. Scholl

After a long night of late work well into the morning, I was in a deep sleep. The repeating ring of the telephone awakened me. I received an alarming telephone call from a close friend frantically trying to get my attention. She said “just get up and turn on the TV. You won’t believe what is happening”. She was absolutely right.

As I sat there on my white leather couch in my small rental home in Roseville, tuned in as the world was tuned in, to the disaster in New York as it unfolded live for everyone to see. We were all New Yorkers that day.

I had previously lived in Manhattan. After returning to California, I traveled to New York City often to teach classes at The Learning Exchange and spiritual training centers as a part of my ministry. I also met with many clients as a spiritual life coach each visit. Through these visits I became friends with so many great people who lived in The City. I stayed at their homes, got to know their families, learned about their lives, loves, and fears. Many of them worked in the immediate area of the Twin Towers.

As I sat there watching the towers fall along with the rest of the world, I had no idea if any of those friends or members of their families were being crushed under the weight of that destruction. It was a personal anguish and horror felt by millions

simultaneously. It was a grief embedded forever. And we as a nation vowed to never forget.

Everything changed for everyone during those hours. Terrorism had come to our shores, and those whom we had charged to protect us failed miserably. We have been paying for their failures ever since.

And for those who paid the ultimate price, giving their lives to save others inside and around the Twin Towers? And for all the First Responders who witnessed the death and destruction at the end of their fingertips and right before their own eyes? What did they get from so many after only 25 years? Many forgot.

Yes, life goes on, but as individuals we do not. Our time is limited. We are here to understand life, liberty, love, and loss. We are here to understand joy and grief. These become the web that builds our evolution, our DNA that we pass on to those who follow us. If we do not teach our emotional history to our children, good and bad, they will suffer repeating our mistakes and the feeling of betrayal from us for not forewarning them.

Enter our current day Neon Nation. Have we lost our way in one generation? Does the “Shiny thing” distract us so easily because it is too hard for us to focus on the truth and explaining it to others as our society crumbles around us?

A few months after 9/11 I traveled back to New York to offer support to any of those friends who needed it. I traveled to the site while the clean-up was still underway. I saw the scorched church and cemetery. There were still many “Missing” flyers posted to walls and lampposts. I saw the many memorials around the site. When I found one memorial that listed all of the names of those lost I read every one of them. I thank God to this day that not one of my



One of the many memorial walls surrounding the Ground Zero site. Photo by Paul Scholl

friends was on that list.

The history of Ground Zero is complex and still unfolding. The more the years fall away the more important it is that we reveal as much as we can about that fateful morning and all that led up to it.

When someone kills your son or daughter, husband or wife, it doesn’t matter what political party they belong to. It doesn’t matter what religion they belong to. It doesn’t matter their motive. All that matters is your loved one is gone forever. Grief takes over. And no one can ever really fill that void. It never truly heals. You just learn how to manage it in the silent times, alone with your Creator.

All those who lost loved ones during those tragic days only asked one thing from us. Never Ever Forget.

On this remembrance weekend 25 years later, take a few moments in silence to share the grief and the weight of the losses experienced by so many on September 11, 2001. If only with that simple action, love will prevail.



Visitors reading through the many memorials and “missing” posters.



A dedication plaque honoring the fallen first responders.



A memorial sculpture remembering all the construction workers.



And then an angel appeared over the site in my camera lens.

Free Movie Night
at the Park

Celebrate Library Card Sign-up
Month This September

City of West Sacramento News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Bring the whole family out for an evening of activities, games, a costume contest and a movie under the stars! Everyone is welcome at this free, all-ages event. Bring blankets, lawn chairs, and your favorite snacks, and get comfortable for a fun night at the park with family and friends.

This year's feature is Disney's Lilo & Stitch (2025), a live-action reimagining of the beloved story about Lilo, a spirited young girl in Hawai'i, and

Stitch, a mischievous alien who unexpectedly becomes part of her family. Together, they discover the meaning of friendship, belonging and 'ohana. The film is rated PG and has a runtime of approximately 1 hour 52 minutes.

Event Schedule

At 6 p.m. the Family Fun Zone opens with activities and games. Before the movie, the Costume Contest will take place in front of the screen with prizes! At approximately 7:30 p.m., Lilo & Stitch begins at sundown.

Transportation and Parking

Parking is free in the parking lot and adjacent streets. Please do not block driveways or obstruct traffic.

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This event is organized and implemented by the City of West Sacramento Parks & Recreation Department.

For more information about Cinema at Sundown contact Sam Brinkhuis Recreation Supervisor.

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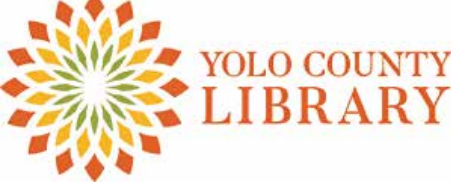
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Throughout September, library patrons



can also contribute to Community Playlists by sharing their favorite songs at each Yolo County Library branch.

To sign up for a library card, view the library's event calendar or learn more about Yolo County Library, visit <https://yolocountylibrary.org/>. ★

September is Attendance
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Washington Unified School District News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - September is Attendance Awareness Month, and we are asking every member of our school community to help reinforce one simple message: every school day matters.

Regular attendance is one of the strongest predictors of student success. When students are in class each day, they have more opportunities to build relationships with teachers and classmates, participate in learning, stay on track academically and feel connected to their school community.

We understand that students may occasionally need to miss school because of illness or other unavoidable circumstances. However, even a few absences

each month can add up quickly and make it harder for students to keep pace with instruction. Establishing consistent routines, such as preparing backpacks and clothing the night before, maintaining regular bedtimes and scheduling appointments outside the school day when possible, can make a meaningful difference.

Throughout September, Washington Unified School District schools will share reminders, resources and encouragement to support strong attendance habits. Families play an essential role in helping students arrive at school every day, on time and ready to learn.

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