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West Sacramento Remembers 9/11 Victims



John Vinson stands amid the West Sacramento 9/11 memorial at the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Locks Drive.

Story and photos
by Kevin Dietrich

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - John Vinson remembers the shock and sorrow he felt 25 years ago, when he and Americans across the nation were stunned by terror attacks in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania. That afternoon, Vinson went to the O Street overpass over Interstate-5 during the afternoon rush hour and unfurled an American flag. “As I started waving the flag, there was a barrage of horn-blowing,” he said. “I knew then that this was something that was important to do.” Since then, Vinson has made sure there has been a memorial in West Sacramento on Sept. 11.

This year, thanks to the assistance of dozens of volunteers, he oversaw the placement of thousands of flags at the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Locks Drive, to honor those killed a quarter century ago. Vinson and hundreds of others turned out to remember the 9/11 attacks, starting well before sunrise. “I’m not going to let 9/11 be forgotten,” he said. On Sept. 11, 2001, 19 Islamic terrorists hijacked four commercial jetliners and perpetrated suicide attacks against U.S. targets, killing nearly 3,000 in the deadliest act of terrorism in history. Two of the planes were flown into the twin towers of the World Trade Center in New York City,

which collapsed within a short time. Another plane was crashed into the Pentagon in Arlington, Va., while a fourth jet went down in a field near Shanksville, Pa., after passengers and crew fought back against the hijackers. Vinson, who funds the memorial out of his own pocket and through donations, said this will likely be the last year he oversees the memorial. Now 72, he’s ready to hand it off, likely to someone in his family. “It takes a lot to keep this going, and the heat takes a toll on me,” he said, standing in 103-degree weather. The display featured 2,977 small flags – one for each life stolen on 9/11. There were thousands of small
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Council Approves Solid Waste Contract with GreenWaste

By John McCallum

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The City Council voted 4-1 at their Sept. 9 meeting to authorize the city manager and staff to enter into a 10-year contract with GreenWaste Recovery, LLC for solid waste collection in the city. Councilwoman Norma Alcalá was the no vote on the contract. Alcalá, who represents District 1 in northern West Sacramento, said she has received calls and been approached by constituents at church, local stores and elsewhere about the proposal. “My constituents are not happy with GreenWaste and the proposal they’ve made, and they didn’t like the approach the city used,” Alcalá said. “I heard my constituents.” “As a disadvantaged community area, District 1 is most impacted,” Mayor Martha Guerrero said in urging her fellow members to speak up during council discussion. Council also approved one of three options presented by GreenWaste to phase in new solid waste collection rates over the first five years rather than two other options that would have phased in rates over three years. The five-year phase-in has the lowest starting point of the three at \$29.48 a month for a 64-gallon single family residential waste cart, rising to \$36.90 at the midpoint in 2029 and ending with the highest rate of \$46.18 at the beginning of 2031. The first option would provide lower rates at the beginning of the period, starting at \$30.50 before rising to \$40.76 in 2029 and ending at \$44.94 in 2031. A second option would have provided lower rates over the life of the contract, starting at \$32.38, rising to \$40.25 in 2029 and ending at \$44.38 in 2031. Rates for multifamily housing also increase in a similar fashion under the 5-year option but will be for a 4-cubic yard bin. The annual cost of living
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Stingers Up! A’s and Sacramento State Celebrate Hornet Pride at Sutter Health Park

Athletics
News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Athletics (A’s) and Sacramento State welcomed students, alumni, faculty, staff, families and fans to Sutter Health Park Tuesday Sept. 8 for Sacramento State Night at the A’s, bringing the Hornet community together for an evening of baseball, school spirit and Sacramento pride. Throughout the evening, Hornets showed their green and gold spirit and put their Stingers Up as the A’s took on the Toronto Blue Jays. The evening celebrated



Sacramento State President Luke Wood is joined by A's mascot Stomper, Sacramento State mascot Herky the Hornet, and A's third base coach Bobby Crosby after throwing out the first pitch on Sept. 8. Photo courtesy of Athletics

the connection between the Athletics and Sac State, two organizations united by a shared commitment to bringing people together and creating memorable experiences across the Sacramento region. The celebration began with Sacramento State President Luke Wood
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West Sacramento 9/11 memorial at the corner of Jefferson Boulevard and Locks Drive showing replica of World Trade Center towers and flags representing each person killed during the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

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American flags representing U.S. citizens, including hundreds of first responders who died. There were also hundreds of foreign flags, denoting foreign nationals who were killed, some from as far away as Uruguay, Uzbekistan and Zambia.

Vinson, who worked for decades in the construction industry before retiring, moved from West Sacramento south to Acampo several years ago, yet still made the 70-mile round-trip trek to set up and oversee the memorial. “Somewhere along the way this became a calling,” he said. “I do this because I’m proud of America, and I want other people to be proud of America.”

Yolo County Receives National Procurement Award for Third Consecutive Year

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo County announced Sept. 9 that it has received the 2026 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award from the National Procurement Institute, Inc. This marks the third consecutive year Yolo County has received the national award. “This recognition reflects the skill, care and professionalism of Yolo County’s Procurement team,” said Sheila Allen, chair of the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. “Public procurement may not always be visible to the public, but it plays a key role in how we serve our residents, manage public funds and support the daily work of County government. I am grateful to the team for continuing to meet such a high standard.” The Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award recognizes public and nonprofit agencies that show strong practices in innovation, professionalism, productivity, leadership and e-procurement. The award process asks agencies to document how their procurement

programs support transparency, efficiency, accountability and sound use of public funds. Yolo County’s Procurement Division supports departments across County government by helping secure the goods and services needed for public programs, operations and long-term projects. Through continued improvements to its e-procurement system, expanded vendor outreach, and ongoing staff training, the Division has streamlined purchasing, increased transparency, and strengthened service to departments across the County. “The Procurement team is honored to receive this award for the third consecutive year,” said Tonia Murphy, deputy director of the Yolo County General Services Department. “This recognition reflects the dedication of our team and the strong partnerships we have built with County departments to deliver efficient, transparent and responsible procurement services. Together, we continue to improve processes, expand access to contracting opportunities and ensure public resources are managed with integrity. We remain committed to fair, open and innovative procurement practices that deliver the best value for our community.” For 2026, NPI recognized 251 public and nonprofit agencies through the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award. This year’s program included 269 applications from 28 U.S. states and Canada. Award recipients included 54 counties nationwide, 59 agencies in California and 12 California counties. Established in 1995, the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award is open to public and nonprofit organizations. The program is designed to encourage continuous improvement and recognize procurement as a key part of good governance. This recognition supports the goals of Yolo County’s 2024–28 Strategic Plan, including responsible stewardship of public assets, operational excellence and support for a thriving local economy. For more information about the National Procurement Institute and the Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award, visit www.npi-aep.org.

Stingers Up! A’s and Sacramento State Celebrate Hornet Pride at Sutter Health Park



Members of the Sacramento State baseball team celebrate Hornet pride during Sacramento State Night at the A’s. Photo courtesy of Athletics

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throwing the ceremonial first pitch, helping kick off an evening celebration of Hornet pride. A proud two-time Sacramento State alumnus, President Wood has led his alma mater for the past three years. Fans who purchased the special Sacramento State

Night at the A’s ticket package also received a limited-edition co-branded A’s and Sacramento State hat commemorating the evening. Sacramento State Night at the A’s is one of several community partnership events hosted by the Athletics as part of

the club’s commitment to celebrating the schools, organizations and communities that make Northern California unique. Through these partnerships, the Athletics continue creating opportunities for people to connect, celebrate local pride and enjoy the game of baseball together.

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UC Davis Professor Recognized

By MPG Staff

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - UC Davis Professor Walter Leal was awarded the 2026 Applied Chemical Ecology Award from the International Society of Chemical Ecology for research targeting insect pests that damage plants, spread diseases and destroy crops.

Leal is a distinguished professor of the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology in UC Davis's College of Biological Sciences and former chair of the UC Davis Department of Entomology.

He was recognized for work on insect chemical communication involving mosquitoes, navel orangeworms, Asian citrus psyllids, citrus borer moth and other pests. He delivered his award presentation at the recent International Society of Chemical Ecology conference at

Cornell University.

The award recognizes career achievements by chemical ecologists for contributions in developing technologies for advancing practical applications in chemical ecology.

"Walter is, without a doubt, one of the foremost authorities on the integration of chemical ecology fundamental research (molecular, biochemical, and physiological interactions among insects and between insects and plants) and translational research culminating in numerous patents, on the identification of numerous semiochemicals," wrote nomination team leader Professor Coby Schal, of North Carolina State University and a former International Society of Chemical Ecology president.

Chemical signaling is fundamental to all life forms, including

microbes, plants and animals. Chemical cues allow animals to appraise their environment, detect food, toxins, prey, predators and pathogens, and to evaluate potential reproductive partners. Leal's research has led to 23 patents.

A native of Brazil, Leal received his bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the Federal University of Pernambuco in Recife, a master's in agricultural chemistry from Mie University in Japan, and a Ph.D. in applied biochemistry from the University of Tsukuba in Japan.

He joined the UC Davis Department of Entomology in 2000, after serving as head of the Laboratory of Chemical Prospecting, National Institute of Sericultural and Entomological Science, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries, Japan.



UC Davis Distinguished Professor Walter Leal delivering his Applied Chemical Ecology Award presentation at Cornell University. Photo courtesy of International Society of Chemical Ecology

WUSD Employees Selected as 2026 Yolo County Classified School Employees of the Year

Washington Unified School District News Release

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Washington Unified School District (WUSD) is proud to celebrate the exceptional employees selected as 2026-27 Yolo County Classified School Employees of the Year.

Yolo County's Excellence in Education Awards program selected these WUSD honorees, recognizing school employees whose work has a lasting impact on students, families, colleagues and their school communities.

Their selection reflects outstanding performance, leadership, service, school and community involvement, and a commitment to going above and beyond for students.

Join us in congratulating the following honorees representing WUSD as the 2026-27 Yolo County Classified School Employees of the Year:

Custodial and Maintenance Services: Joseph Looby, Custodian, Southport TK-8, Washington Unified



Washington Unified School District (WUSD) is proud to celebrate the exceptional employees selected as 2026-27 Yolo County Classified School Employees of the Year. Graphic courtesy of Washington Unified School District

School District

Health and Student Services: Salvador Vega, Jr., Youth Outreach Specialist, Washington Unified School District

Paraprofessional Services: Reshmi Ratna, Paraeducator III, Bridgeway Island K-8 School, Washington Unified School District

Security Services: Patricia Arauza, Campus Aide, Westfield Village K-8 School, Washington Unified School District

Technical Services: Michael Bingham, Technology Technician

II, Washington Unified School District

Transportation Services: John Olvera, Special Education Bus Attendant, Washington Unified School District

Each honoree represents the many ways WUSD employees contribute to safe, welcoming and engaging learning environments and ensure that every student is supported and prepared to succeed. We couldn't be prouder of these individuals for their commitment to our schools. Congratulations! ★

Yolo County Reports First West Nile Virus Death of 2026

Yolo County News Release

WOODLAND, CA (MPG) - Yolo County Public Health has confirmed the first death from West Nile virus in Yolo County in 2026. The resident had neuroinvasive West Nile virus, the most severe form of the disease.

The death comes as West Nile virus activity has increased in both Yolo County and statewide, with more mosquito samples testing positive for the virus. Public Health has confirmed two additional cases of neuroinvasive West Nile virus in county residents this year, after only recording a single case in 2025.

"Our thoughts are with those who are grieving the loss of this community member to West Nile virus," said Dr. Joanna Locke, Yolo County health officer. "This is also a reminder that West Nile virus can cause serious illness. Older adults, people with weakened immune systems and those with certain underlying medical conditions are at greatest risk for severe illness."

West Nile virus is the most common mosquito-borne disease in California. While most people infected with the virus experience mild or

no symptoms, approximately 20 percent develop flu-like symptoms such as fever, headache, body aches, nausea or vomiting. Approximately one in 150 people infected with West Nile virus develop severe neurological illness that may require hospitalization and can be fatal.

"West Nile virus activity remains elevated throughout our region, and we are entering the time of year when mosquito populations and virus activity typically remain high," said Gary Goodman, district manager of the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District. "Residents can help by eliminating standing water around their homes, using insect repellent and reporting mosquito problems so our staff can respond where needed."

To reduce the risk of West Nile virus infection, Yolo County Public Health and the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District recommend following the Seven D's of Mosquito Prevention:

DRAIN standing water to eliminate mosquito breeding sites.

DAWN and **DUSK** are times to limit outdoor activities, when mosquitoes are most active.

DRESS in long sleeves and pants when outdoors.

DEFEND against mosquitoes by always using an EPA-registered insect repellent, such as one containing DEET, picaridin or oil of lemon eucalyptus. Follow label directions.

DOOR and window screens should be in good working condition to prevent mosquitoes from entering your home.

DISTRICT personnel are available to help with mosquito concerns by calling 1-800-429-1022.

The Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District continues to monitor West Nile virus activity throughout the region and work to reduce mosquito populations.

The Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency also offers free insect repellent through its Wellness Vending Machine Program. For vending machine locations, visit www.YoloCounty.gov/Wellness-Vending-Machine.

For more information and resources, visit the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District's website at www.FIGHTtheBITE.net or call 1-800-429-1022. For more information about West Nile virus in California, including data and statistics, visit WestNile.ca.gov. ★



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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

The Simmons Factor

By V.G. Harris

Ben Simmons has stolen the preseason show thus far and understandably so. 2018 rookie of the year in the NBA and a three-time all-star, brings with it a lot of optimism and certainly fan excitement.

After sitting out the entirety of the 2025-26 season recovering from back problems, Simmons says he is 100 percent healthy and ready to prove his naysayers wrong.

Many have questioned his toughness, but two back surgeries are nothing to scoff at, and as many people can attest to, back injuries can be hard to overcome.

At 6-foot-10, Simmons represents a skyscraper of a point guard and is even taller than hall-of-famer Magic Johnson.

The apparent plan is for Simmons to back up Darius Acurr Jr., and if so, it could pay dividends.

Without question a point guard of his size represents problems for opposing teams, so what remains to be seen is how he fits in with Scott Perry’s new look Kings, and does he have the motor to be a game changer.

The good news as it relates to Ben Simmons is that on a team that is hungry for players with defensive qualities, Simmons has a proven history of being a top flight defender, and although not known for being a big scorer, Simmons can certainly make his mark of the defensive end.

If, as has been expressed, the Kings intend to bring Simmons off the bench and have him back up Darius Acuff, giving him 20-25 minutes per game may be a recipe that will work for a player that has proven to be injury prone.

Meanwhile, aside from Acuff, there are two other draft picks that need attention, and that most notably means on court minutes.

Emanuel Sharpe is another player that comes to the Kings with a history of being a tough defender, and Kings fans got to see his defensive skills on display during the NBA summer league.

Sharpe has a natural knack for the ball and was a division one standout in college on the defensive end of the floor. It makes fans wonder how Simmons and Sharpe would look on the court together, as Sharpe is a natural

shooting guard and Simmons plays the point. Just possible that times are changing for the better.

Trade talks continue to swirl as it relates to Domantas Sabonis, and that should not come as welcome news.

I see Sabonis as the anchor of this team, and if anyone comes with a pedigree it is most certainly Domantas.

The Kings need this big man to have a comeback season after being limited to a career low 19 games last year due to injuries. This stalwart has proven himself not just to the Kings organization, but to the league as well, and Sabonis has earned the respect of players throughout.

Alex Karaban, drafted 29th overall, comes to the Kings with four seasons of college ball, and an NCAA title under his belt. Used to winning, Karaban should be a consistent player off the bench, and if coach Christie develops a consistent flow with minutes, Karaban can become a valuable commodity for Sacramento this season.

Much depends on how Christie develops what has now become a young team, and effective use of players like Achiuwa, Cardwell, Karaban and Sharpe will make a big difference in the win/loss record of the Kings this season.

The Kings young players aren’t the only ones that need to earn their stripes. It’s high time the coaching staff steps up and shows what they can do.

It is hard to measure Doug Christie after a season where his team was largely on the disabled list, but make no mistake about it, this year marks the litmus test in his young coaching career.

If the 20-25 wins that the pundits have expressed are what the Kings have to look forward to is in any way correct, look for a complete shake-up of the coaching staff.

There is way too much talent for this team to be on the south side of 30 wins, and even one more tweak could represent an acceleration of Scott Perry’s rebuilding program.

Stay tuned Kings fans, because I believe you’re going to see a much healthier team than just a season ago!

All the best! ★

California’s Future Water Supplies Depend on the Outcomes of Four Intertwined Battles



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Since the earliest years of its history, California has been a political battlefield over divvying up the state’s water. The intensity of the multisided conflict, like water itself, ebbs and flows.

By happenstance this is one of the more intense and climactic periods in the eternal competition over water. It’s driven by uncertainty over the effects of climate change on precipitation and by looming decisions on how to cope with those effects.

What happens on four intertwined fronts in the near future will determine how water will be managed and allocated in the coming decades. In no particular order:

Colorado River

Decades of conflict over allocating Colorado River water, involving not only California but other Western states, are coming to a head. Runoff from snow in the Rocky Mountains has been declining, and the two major reservoirs on the Colorado, Lakes Mead and Powell, have been shrinking and rapidly approaching operational failure. Federal authorities have been pressing the states involved to agree on how the shortages should be managed, but it’s been a stalemate.

California is less dependent than Nevada and Arizona, which rely on

the Colorado to serve their fast-growing urban centers. When the Bureau of Reclamation imposed some temporary operational rules recently, Nevada sued and Arizona is threatening to follow.

Sites Reservoir Project

An off-stream reservoir on the west side of the Sacramento Valley to capture and store water during years of high precipitation has been proposed for decades. But with projections of decreased snowpacks due to climate change, the project, called Sites, has gained momentum in recent years.

Gov. Gavin Newsom wants to nail down the project before leaving office in four months. Last week, the administration’s Water Resources Control Board issued a draft water rights decision for Sites. The project needs permission to draw water from the Sacramento River before it can secure financing for the 1.5-million-acre-foot reservoir.

Delta Tunnel Project

Newsom also wants to pin down another major project — a tunnel that would carry Sacramento River water around the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to improve deliveries to Southern California via the California Aqueduct. A conveyance of some kind has been proposed for more than 60 years but has never been able to clear political, legal and financial hurdles.

Advocates say the project would take pressure off the Delta, but it faces stiff opposition from environmental groups who contend it would worsen the Delta’s environmental problems. Putting together a package of regulatory permission and financing from water

agencies that would benefit has been a daunting, and so far elusive, goal.

San Joaquin River Diversions

While proposing the 45-mile-long tunnel to divert some Sacramento River water from flowing through the Delta, state water officials are simultaneously pressuring San Joaquin Valley farmers to reduce San Joaquin River diversions to increase flows into the Delta.

Supposedly reductions would be voluntary, but the state is also working on mandatory cutbacks if not enough water is voluntarily offered. Last week, Westlands, the largest water district in the valley, pulled out of the voluntary negotiations, saying the state was moving toward coercion. If the state issues mandatory cutbacks, it would probably become a legal battle over whether the state can interfere with long-standing water rights.

The conflict is exacerbated by reductions in water farmers can draw from underground aquifers with wells. There are projections that reductions in water supply, could take as many as 900,000 acres of farmland out of production.

That possibility drove major agricultural interests to successfully press the Legislature last week to make it easier to remove farmland from open space preserves, to replace crops with solar power arrays.

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

Must I Enroll in Medicare at Age 65?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I will be turning 65 next month, I am currently retired and I am not on Social Security. My question is; Is there anything I have to do, if I don’t want Medicare? I am on my wife’s employer plan, and she works for the Postal Service as a Rural Carrier. She doesn’t plan on retiring for another 8 yrs. Also, I would like to wait till my full retirement age (FRA) before I draw Social Security at 67. Do I have to draw Medicare at that point? Signed: *Retired but Curious*

Dear Retired but Curious: As long as you are covered by a “creditable” healthcare plan (such as that from your wife’s US Postal Service employer), you can defer enrolling in Medicare

until your Postal Service Health Benefit (PSHB) coverage from your wife’s employer ends. When that happens, you (and your wife) will enter a Medicare “Special Enrollment Period” (SEP) during which you can enroll in Medicare without incurring a Late Enrollment Penalty. Thus, in your specific circumstances, you don’t need to do anything about enrolling in Medicare when you turn 65.

That is still true, regardless of when you claim your Social Security benefits. If you claim Social Security at age 67 and before your wife retires from the USPS, you will be required to take Medicare Part A (coverage for inpatient hospitalization services), but Medicare Part A is premium-free for those also eligible for Social Security.

However, enrollment in Medicare Part B (coverage for outpatient healthcare services) is always optional because there is a premium associated with it, and you can continue to defer enrollment in Medicare Part B as long as you

have “creditable” healthcare coverage from your wife’s employer (even while you are collecting Social Security).

When you apply for Social Security, you can inform SS that you are declining Medicare Part B because you are still covered by your wife’s USPS employer healthcare plan. Then, when your wife retires and you lose your USPS healthcare coverage, you can enroll in Medicare Part B at that time without a late enrollment penalty.

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A decade later, Colin Kaepernick is as tiresome as ever. To mark the 10-year anniversary of his kneeling during the National Anthem, the former San Francisco 49ers quarterback is out with a new memoir, “The Perilous Fight.” (Get it?)

In an interview with NBC News in advance of the book’s release, which he clearly imagines as part of a vindication tour, he proved himself as committed to woke racial politics as ever.

He told NBC that his protests were about fighting “police killing black folks” and “systemic oppression.” He added that he was thinking -- not very modestly -- about the Montgomery bus boycotts, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King while he took a knee.

It’s certainly true that Kaepernick sacrificed his career to his protests, although he was a marginal player by the end. In his prime, Kaepernick was a top-notch athlete and electric performer. No one can take his exemplary 2012 and 2013 seasons away from him. In one playoff game in 2012, he passed for 263 yards and ran for 181, a single-game record for rushing by an NFL quarterback.

He couldn’t maintain this level of performance, though. In 2015, he lost his starting job to journeyman Blaine Gabbert. He won it back for a time in 2016, although he got benched during one game

Ten years later, Kaepernick Remains Unpersuasive

after throwing for all of 4 yards. The 49ers went 1-10 when he started, and by one metric, he ranked 23rd out of 30 qualifying quarterbacks. So he was hardly the GOAT, instead once-very-good, now-mediocre.

Then there was the issue that his style of play didn’t necessarily fit in most offensive schemes.

Layer on top of this the circus he’d bring to town with his kneeling and it’s understandable that teams didn’t find him an alluring proposition in 2017 when he was a free agent. There were myriad options available as backup quarterbacks who weren’t notorious for disrespecting the national anthem immediately prior to games.

TITLE: None of this would have mattered if Kaepernick had maintained his 2012 level of play; in that hypothetical, teams would have signed him even if he started to do the black power salute during huddles.

Kaepernick has now worked himself into a position where he’s compared NFL players to enslaved people (in an absurd Netflix documentary), and he’s bitter that he isn’t numbered among them as a 38-year-old who hasn’t played in 10 years.

Then there’s the substance of his advocacy. The high-water mark for Kaepernick’s anti-police worldview came in the aftermath of the killing of George Floyd, when the NFL basically apologized for not listening to his supposed wisdom and the police were put on their back foot in many cities

around the country.

The result was an increase in violent crime that, of course, disproportionately victimized black people. The country has now recovered from this idiocy -- based on the lie that the police indiscriminately kill black people -- and the country is much safer for the people who Kaepernick purports to care most about. If we ever go anywhere near his preferred policy of abolishing the police and prisons, we’d instantly create the worst crime wave in the country’s history.

Kaepernick is sometimes compared to Muhammad Ali. The legendary boxer sacrificed part of his career by claiming conscientious objector status during the Vietnam War. Ali was hated for a time, but his true greatness as a boxer, his incandescent charisma and his outsized place in the culture allowed him to transcend that political controversy and become a beloved American figure.

That is not going to happen to Colin Kaepernick, whose claim to fame is kneeling on the sidelines during some NFL games. He’s very dismissive of the enduring change wrought in the NFL by his protests and the tumult after 2020. The league has painted the words “End Racism” in end zones. Kaepernick rightly considers these pointless messages performative, but so was his scorn for the anthem of his own country a decade ago.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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WEST SACRAMENTO CRIME REPORTS

Incidents / Crime Reports

Saturday, Aug. 22 – victim reports vandalism of a surveillance camera and attempted vehicle burglary at a storage facility on West Capitol Avenue by an unknown suspect. Loss and damage valued at \$950.

Tuesday, Aug. 25 – business on Stillwater Road reports an employee lost their wallet, resulting in unauthorized charges to the employee's company credit card by an unknown suspect. Unspecified value of loss.

Thursday, Aug. 27 – victim on West Capitol Avenue reports a theft of \$5,350 by an unknown suspect.

Thursday, Aug. 27 – victim reports an unknown female suspect attempted to use her debit card for a \$3 transaction at a gas station on Lake Road.

Sunday, Aug. 30 – victim reports he was bitten by another male's dog. The two men got into a verbal argument and mutual pushing match with no injuries sustained from the pushing. The victim stated the suspect followed him and made death threats three times afterward. The suspect was identified.

Tuesday, Sept. 1 – two unknown suspects broke into a corporate parking lot on West Capitol Avenue and siphoned gas out of company vans after damaging a chain link fence. Loss and damage valued at \$1,320.

Wednesday, Sept. 2 – victim reports a burglary at a residential facility on Jefferson Boulevard. An unknown suspect forced entry into an apartment and stole from an unlocked garage. Stolen items include women's sneakers and a Pokémon card collection. Loss valued at \$15,501.

Friday, Sept. 4 – security for a bank on West Capitol Avenue reports the glass door was shattered by an unknown suspect. Unable to review video footage since the bank's responsible party could not be reached. Unknown value of damage.

Saturday, Sept. 5 – victim on Fountain

Drive reports her cell phone was stolen by an unknown suspect. Loss valued at \$1,100.

Monday, Sept. 7 – victim on Arthur Drive reports an unknown suspect broke into their vehicle and took work tools and documents. No video surveillance available. Property damage and loss valued at \$1,500.

Arrest Reports

Baldemar Camacho, 19, was arrested Saturday, Aug. 29 at Ikea Court and Reed Avenue by West Sacramento Police for an active felony warrant. Officer on patrol observed a vehicle without a license plate light at night and conducted a traffic enforcement stop. A records check of the driver, Camacho, found the warrant and he was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Michael Lee Dunne, 41, was arrested Wednesday, Sept. 2 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer was dispatched to the location for report of a fight. Upon arrival, he contacted Dunne and saw a methamphetamine pipe poking out of his coat pocket. Dunne stated he was on parole and a records check confirmed that as well as an outstanding felony warrant. A search of his person found a clear bag of methamphetamine in his right jeans pocket. He was transported to Yolo County Jail on the warrant and charges of possession of a controlled substance and unlawful paraphernalia.

Latazia Chjarie Allen, 28, was cited Wednesday, Sept. 2 at Merkley Avenue and Jefferson Boulevard by West Sacramento Police for possession of a narcotic controlled substance and unlawful paraphernalia.

Anthony Paul Muzio, 50, and Danya Ann Rangel-Aragon, 31 were arrested Thursday, Sept. 3 at N. Harbor Boulevard and Riverbank Road by West Sacramento Police. Officer responded to a nearby location for report of a male who had been stabbed. Upon arrival, officer contacted the victim, who stated he was in an argument with Rangel-Aragon. During the argument, she struck the victim on his head with a milk crate and later a pole. The victim wants to press charges. After the dispute, Muzio,

who is Rangel-Aragon's boyfriend, threw a large knife at the victim, impaling his right shoulder, inflicting great bodily injury. Muzio and Rangel-Aragon fled the scene before police arrived. The victim identified the male who threw the knife as "Droopy" and stated Droopy stayed at a camp at the location where police found and detained the pair. Rangel-Aragon had a backpack that had the word "Droopy" written on the exterior, and Muzio claimed it was his. A records check found Muzio had an active misdemeanor warrant and two prior convictions for possession of hard drugs. A search found he had methamphetamine. The victim positively identified Muzio in a photo lineup as the man who threw the knife at him. Muzio was transported to Yolo County Jail. Rangel-Aragon was cited for battery and released.

Eric Anthony Graham, 35, was arrested Thursday, Sept. 3 at Jefferson Boulevard and Park Drive by West Sacramento Police for an outstanding misdemeanor warrant. Officer responded to the location regarding a transient male who was refusing to leave and had exposed himself. From prior contacts, officer recognized Graham, who had been reported in that area for the same behavior numerous times. A records check found the warrant and Graham was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Joshua Lynn Allen, 33, was arrested Thursday, Sept. 3 at Westacre Road and West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer received an alert of a stolen vehicle and initiated a vehicle stop. Under Miranda, the driver, identified as Allen, stated he did not know the registered owner of the vehicle and did not obtain permission from them to drive the vehicle. He stated he received the vehicle a short time earlier from two people sitting in front of City Hall. He later changed his story to say he received it even earlier, from someone else at a different location. Other details of Allen's statement also changed, but they never included the registered owner. A search of the vehicle found a plastic bindle containing methamphetamine in the footwell of the back passenger seat, behind where Allen

had been sitting. Allen denied knowing it was in the vehicle. He was transported to Yolo County Jail, charged with possession of a controlled substance and a stolen vehicle.

Alexander James Bair, 30, was arrested Friday, Sept. 4 at Lake Washington Boulevard and Highland Drive by West Sacramento Police for resisting a peace officer. Officer was dispatched to a nearby location for report of an assault. The reporting party stated her son, Bair, had hit her husband and a friend, both over 65 years old. Upon arrival, officers observed Bair walking from the back yard toward the street – he turned and ran into the back yard when he saw officers. Officers chased Bair and gave him multiple commands to stop, but he went into his residence, locked the door, and refused to come out. The elderly victims did not wish to press charges, and they had no injuries. Due to calls for service and staffing, officers were not able to stay on scene to wait for Bair to exit. Later that evening, officers observed Bair driving his vehicle and initiated a traffic stop based on the prior incident. Bair refused to exit the vehicle and ignored multiple commands to comply. Ultimately PepperBall was deployed into the vehicle and Bair exited and was detained without further incident. He received medical attention for the PepperBall exposure and was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Larry Edward Bailey, 76, was arrested Saturday, Sept. 5 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police for multiple outstanding warrants. Officer responded to a call regarding a brandishing. Upon arrival, officer contacted Bailey, and a records check found the warrants. Bailey was transported to Yolo County Jail.

Juan Contreras, 40, was arrested Monday, Sept. 7 on West Capitol Avenue by West Sacramento Police. Officer on patrol conducted a stop on a vehicle with no license plates. Contreras, the driver, failed to produce valid insurance or registration for the vehicle. A records check found Contreras to be on searchable probation until April 2027 and found an

existing misdemeanor warrant. A search of the vehicle found several pieces of mail, checks, checking account numbers, account numbers with PINs, checkbooks, and debit cards belonging to no less than ten other people. Contreras also had a check that he signed that had the original name removed and his own crudely added. A search of Contreras' motel room nearby revealed more personal identifying information of two people and three methamphetamine pipes. Contreras was transported to Yolo County Jail on a variety of related charges.

Angelique K. Feliciano, 35, was arrested Monday, Sept. 7 by West Sacramento Police for an incident on Jefferson Boulevard. On Sept. 1, officer responded to a structure fire involving a wooden support beam in front of the location. West Sacramento Fire Department arrived and extinguished the fire. The business owner arrived at the scene and wants to prosecute for the damage. Video footage of the arson incident shows the female suspect intentionally lighting several items on the ground as well as a bush, which led to the structure fire. Officers shared a "be on the lookout" message regarding the arson suspect, with photographs and a video. On Sept. 7 officers observed a female sitting on the sidewalk with a small dog and recognized the woman as a match to the arson suspect. They contacted the woman, who identified herself as Feliciano, and observed a plastic baggie sticking out of her bra. The baggie contained a substance later confirmed as methamphetamine. Under Miranda, Feliciano agreed she was the person in the video and claimed she blew her nose in a napkin and lit it on fire instead of throwing it away. She was not aware of how much damage the fire caused and left the scene quickly not knowing the results of the fire. She was transported to Yolo County Jail, charged with possessing a controlled substance and property arson.

Rogelio Uribe Martinez, 41, was transported Monday, Sept. 7 from Sacramento County Main Jail on I Street, Sacramento to Yolo County Jail by West Sacramento Police for an outstanding felony warrant.

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LUMINOUS 9-18-26

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STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260603
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CAMPUS 9-18-26

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business as: Jex Sourcing, 1520
E Covell Boulevard Suite 5 PMB
805, Davis, CA 95616.
Xingnan Li, 1520 E Covell Bou-
levard Suite 5 PMB 805, Davis,
CA 95616. This business is
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JEX 9-18-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FILE NO. F20260649
The following person(s) is do-
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Grace, 608 El Toro Way, Davis,
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RANCH 10-2-26

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COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
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cause, if any, why the petition for
Change of Name should not be
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Dated: July 29, 2026
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of
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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.
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titled matter appear before this
court on October 7, 2026, at 9:00
a.m. in Department 14, located at
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why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 12, 2026
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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.
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sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on October 28, 2026, at
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cause, if any, why the petition for
Change of Name should not be
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Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of
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KILLE 10-2-26

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 per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled 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
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SINGH 10-2-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-2560
Parwati Shoba Devin has filed a
petition with this court for a de-
cree changing the name(s) of
Amtoj Singh Ghuman to AJ Neel
Devin.
IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled 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: September 1, 2026
Samuel T. McAdam, Judge of
the Superior Court
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DEVIN 10-9-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF YOLO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#CV2026-2402
Seyedeh Fereshteh Sadraei has
filed a petition with this court for
a decree changing the name(s) of
Seyedeh Fereshteh Sadraei to
Fereshteh Sadraei.
IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled 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
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SADRAEI 10-9-26

TRUSTEE SALE

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S
SALE Trustee Sale No.:
00000010722809 Title
Order No.: 260102372
FHA/VA/PMI No.: ATTENTION
RECORDER: THE FOLLOW-
ING REFERENCE TO AN AT-
TACHED SUMMARY APPLIES
ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED
TO THE TRUSTOR, NOT TO
THIS RECORDED ORIGINAL
NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A
SUMMARY OF THE INFOR-
MATION IN THIS DOCUMENT
ATTACHEDYOU ARE IN DE-
FAULT UNDER A DEED OF
TRUST, DATED 10/19/2004.
UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION
TO PROTECT YOUR PROP-
ERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT
A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU
NEED AN EXPLANATION OF
THE NATURE OF THE PRO-
CEEDING AGAINST YOU,
YOU SHOULD CONTACT A
LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN
FRAPPIER TREDER AND
WEISS, LLP, as duly appoint-
ed Trustee under and pursuant
to Deed of Trust Recorded on
11/08/2004 as Instrument No.
2004-0051218-00 of official re-
cords in the office of the County
Recorder of YOLO County, State
of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED
BY: MANUEL BUSTAMANTE
AND MARIA P BUSTAMAN-
TE, 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 Sacra-
mento City Hall, 1110 W. Cap-
itol Avenue, West Sacramento,
CA 95691. STREET ADDRESS
and other common designation,
if any, of the real property de-
scribed above is purported to be:
3142 MIDWAY ISLAND ST, W
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA
95691-5899 APN#: 045-613-
041-000 AKA 045-613-41-1 The
undersigned Trustee disclaims
any liability for any incorrectness
of the street address and oth-
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shown herein. Said sale will be
made, but without covenant or
warranty, expressed or implied,
regarding title, possession, or en-
cumbrances, to pay the remain-
ing 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, ex-
penses and advances at the time
of the initial publication of the

Notice of Sale is \$183,195.51.
The beneficiary under said Deed
of Trust heretofore executed
and delivered to the undersigned
a written Declaration of Default
and Demand for Sale, and a
written Notice of Default and
Election to Sell. The undersigned
caused said Notice of Default
and Election to Sell to be record-
ed in the county where the real
property is located. NOTICE
TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If
you are considering bidding on
this property lien, you should
understand that there are risks
involved in bidding at a trustee
auction. You will be bidding on
a lien, not on the property itself.
Placing the highest bid at a trust-
ee auction does not automati-
cally 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 be-
ing auctioned off, before you can
receive clear title to the property.
You are encouraged to investi-
gate the existence, priority, and
size of outstanding liens that may
exist on this property by contact-
ing 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 PROP-
ERTY 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 avail-
able 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 833-561-0243 for information
regarding the trustee's sale or
visit this Internet Web site WWW.
SALES.BDFGROUP.COM for
information regarding the sale
of this property, using the file
number assigned to this case
00000010722809. Information
about postponements that are
very short in duration or that oc-
cur close in time to the scheduled
sale may not immediately be re-
flected in the telephone informa-
tion or on the Internet Web site.
The best way to verify postpone-
ment information is to attend the
scheduled sale. NOTICE TO
TENANT: You may have a right
to purchase this property after
the trustee auction pursuant to
Section 2924m of the California
Civil Code. If you are an "eli-
gible tenant buyer," you can pur-
chase 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 auc-
tion. There are three steps to
exercising this right of purchase.
First, 48 hours after the date of
the trustee sale, you can call
833-561-0243, or visit this in-
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BDFGROUP.COM using the file
number assigned to this case
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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
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Community Calendar

FOOD RESOURCES

City of West Sacramento Parking Lot, 1271 West Capitol Ave., every Saturday, 8:30 a.m. while supplies last. This is a walk-up distribution. Please bring your own bags or cart.

Home Church, 108 W. Woodland Ave., Woodland, every Monday at 3:30 p.m. This is a walk-up food distribution. Please bring your own bags or cart.

Masjid Aisha, 700 Glide Ave., every Tuesday, 8:30 a.m. while supplies last. This is a walk-up food distribution. Please bring your own bags or cart.

Woodland Community College, 2300 E. Gibson Rd., Woodland, every Friday at 8:30 a.m. This is a drive-through distribution.

Yolo Food Bank, www.yolo-foodbank.org/find-food, has additional public community food distribution sites updated monthly, as well as information on their network of partner agencies.

AUGUST

Turner Library, located at **1212 Merkley Ave.** has the following events this week:

Friday, Sept. 18: Brain health talk, **10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** Adults are invited to join us for a practical overview of what brain health is, why it matters, and how lifestyle habits can help support memory, focus, and overall well-being, presented by the Greater Sacramento Women’s Brain Health Program. English conversation group, **1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** LEGO block party, **3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

Saturday, Sept. 19: Russian story time, **10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

Monday, Sept. 21: Family story time, **4 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.**

Tuesday, Sept. 22: Baby story time, **11:15 a.m. to noon.**

Wednesday, Sept. 23: Wiggle **Wednesday, 11:15 a.m. to noon.** English conversation group, **2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

Thursday, Sept. 24: Tech help, **11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Book a 30-minute one-on-one appointment with a library staff member to help you with your computer, phone, and other technology questions. Bring your personal device

or use a library computer. To make an appointment, visit the Information Desk or call (916) 375-6465. Toddler time: Piñatas, **11:15 a.m. to noon.** Yoga at the library, **6 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

Friday, Sept. 25: English conversation group, **1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Saturday, Sept. 26: Russian story time, **10 a.m. to 11 a.m.** Mahjong, **1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.** Learn how to play Hong Kong-style Mahjong at the library. Beginners are welcome, as well as players who just need a refresher. For teens and older. All game supplies will be provided. Watercolor paint & sip, **3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.** Follow along with a watercolor tutorial and leave with a beautiful painting and a new mocktail recipe. Limited to 20 people, register on the library website. All supplies provided.

Clarksburg Branch Library, located at **52915 Netherlands Road, Clarksburg,** has the following event this week:

Thursday, Sept. 24: Spooky gardens, **5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** Adults are invited to the library to craft some spooky gardens. All materials provided.

Call 530-666-8005 for more information on events at any Yolo County Library branch.

Continuing through Sunday, Sept. 27: *“The Addams Family”*, various times, presented by Davis Musical Theatre Company. **Wednesday** Addams, the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family whom her parents have never met. She confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he’s never done before: keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia. Everything will change for the whole family on the fateful night they host a dinner for **Wednesday’s “normal”** boyfriend and his parents. Tickets and more information at www.dmtc.org.

Continuing through Sunday, Sept. 27: *“Roots and Resilience – the Japanese Farm Families of Clarksburg”*, **11 a.m. to 3 p.m.** Saturdays and Sundays. This ongoing exhibit at the 1883 Clarksburg Schoolhouse, **36446 Riverview Dr., Clarksburg,** features a wealth of archival materials from the early and mid-20th century that

depict this immigrant community through its challenges and triumphs.

Continuing through Saturday, Sept. 26: Art Auction 2026, viewing and online bidding open. The Pence Gallery’s annual Art Auction offers the best in contemporary art, all on display at the Gallery, and online for silent auction bidding. Preview fantastic sculptures, paintings, photography, textiles, and more by 100+ regional artists online at bit.ly/penceartauction and at the Pence Gallery, **212 D St., Davis.** Bidding is currently open online and closes at **8 p.m.** on September 26th during the Auction Party, **6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m..** Proceeds from this event provide essential support for our youth education programs and art exhibits, serving more than 19,000 people annually.

Continuing through Sunday, Sept. 20: *“Honk! The Musical”*, various times, presented by the EnKore Theatre Company, **1210 Commerce Ave., Suite 8, Woodland.** Join us for this hilarious and heart-warming musical based on The Ugly Duckling. Celebrate individuality, belonging and what makes us extraordinary – with memorable music, plenty of heart and a whole lot of feathers. Tickets and more information at www.enkoretheatre.org/tickets.

Friday, Sept. 18: Skate Park Grand Opening, **5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.** at the Community Park, **203 E. 14th St., Davis.** The City of Davis Parks and Community Services Department is excited to announce the ribbon cutting ceremony for the renovated Community Park Skate Park. All are invited to attend this celebration that will feature a ribbon cutting, vendors, free merchandise, and music.

Friday, Sept. 18: Art Reception – *“What a Colorful World”* by Tracy Dixon, **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.** at Gallery 1075 at the Community Center, **1075 West Capitol Ave.** Welcome to an evening bursting with artistry, creativity, and drive. 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. Exhibition continues through **Wednesday, Sept. 30.**

Friday, Sept. 18: 20 Years of Turning the Tide – a Benefit for Restore the Delta, **6 p.m.** at The Willow Ballroom & Event Center, **10724 Highway 160, Hood.** A lot has changed since we began this work, yet our vision for the Delta remains the same: a place where a vibrant local economy, tourism, recreation, farming, wildlife, and fisheries thrive as a result of resident efforts to protect our waterways. To commemorate our amazing feat, we ask that you join us for our anniversary celebration. Tickets are \$150 each and sponsorships are also available. To donate online, visit RestoretheDelta.org/Donate or to donate by phone or for any questions, call **209-479-2559.**

Saturday, Sept. 19: The Market at Killdeer Farms, **9 a.m. to noon** at **4951 Jefferson Blvd.** Welcome back to the farm for the first market of our fall season. Join us for a relaxed **Saturday** morning celebrating the turn of the season. Wander the farm, shop our first pumpkins of the year, browse seasonal farm goods and fresh flowers, grab a cup of coffee, and spend some time with a wonderful collection of local makers and community partners. Free admission, no registration required.

Saturday, Sept. 19: Fall Skills Share. **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at Three Sisters Gardens, **317 5th Street.** Join us to prepare for fall in the gardens. We will be covering fire-making, emergency preparedness, food and water preservation. You’ll see a mini farm tour, make your own bouquets and enjoy a farm-to-fork meal. Event is free and donations are welcome. Sign up at www.3sistersgardens.com.

Saturday, Sept. 19: Mediterranean Food & Music Festival, **11 a.m. to 9 p.m.** at Holy Virgin Mary Church, **3060 Jefferson Blvd.** Join us for a full day of fun and all your Greek food favorites, live music and dancing at this family-friendly event. Free parking, admission is \$5, children 12 and under are free. For more information, contact Jean at **916-955-4736.**

Saturday, Sept. 19: Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Trails Master Plan Community Workshop, noon to **1:30 p.m.** at Arthur F. Turner Library, **1212 Merkley Ave.** Join the project team to share your input on the draft plan and ensure it meets your walking, biking, equestrian,

and mobility needs. Visit bit.ly/45g8DO3 to RSVP or watch for our pop-up events **Thursday, Sept. 24, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.** at Bike Dog Brewery, **2568 Industrial Blvd., #110** or at the River City High School Football Game at **1 Raider Lane, Friday, Sept. 25, 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

Saturday, Sept 19: Movies in the Park, *“Cars”*, just after sunset, around **8:10 p.m.** Join Davis Sunset Rotary for this free outdoor movie at Davis Central Park, **401 C St., Davis.** Bring your low chairs and blankets, snacks will be available for purchase. Fun for the whole family.

Sunday, Sept. 20: Wines of Clarksburg and Art Auction, **1 p.m. to 5 p.m.** at Heringer Estates Family Vineyards & Winery, **37375 Netherlands Rd., Clarksburg.** The Friends of the Clarksburg Library invite you to attend this fundraiser just 20 minutes south of downtown Sacramento. Join us for an elegant afternoon of gourmet food samplings, local wines from over a dozen wineries, live music, silent auction, and a fine art auction featuring Sacramento and Delta artists. Proceeds from this event will benefit the Clarksburg Library, which is the only community-owned public library in California. Tickets and more information at Eventbrite.com.

Sunday, Sept. 20: 9th Annual Dinner on Main, **5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.** at **701 Main St., Woodland.** Join us for an evening spent dining at the long table, stretched down the center of Woodland’s Main Street, enjoying delicious fare prepared by local chefs, featuring the finest agriculture produced by Yolo County’s own farmers and ranchers. Every registration to this event will bring us closer to achieving our mission. Together, we can create a brighter, more compassionate community for all. Tickets and more information at www.woodlandsdinneronmain.org.

Wednesday, Sept. 23: Dance for a Senior, **5 p.m.** at Berryessa Brewing Co., **27260 Highway 128, Winters.** Please join Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance for our annual celebration and fundraiser. We will have live music, line dancing, raffle, food, and drinks. Come learn more about Yolo Healthy Aging Alliance and dance for a senior. Tickets and more information at www.yolo-healthyaging.org. ★

Council Approves Solid Waste Contract with GreenWaste

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adjustment for both single- and multifamily rates would be capped at 5%.

After 2031, the city and GreenWaste would evaluate the rates at the time. The contract, which would run through June 30, 2037, also provides for two 5-year extensions.

The contract includes low-income and senior discounts of 20% for qualified applicants. It also extends a pledge to offer employment to qualified displaced employees of the current waste hauler, Waste Management (WM) and has signed a Letter of Intent with Operating Engineers 3 union to keep their negotiated employment package in place.

“Simply put, our future employees will not be going backwards in benefits and compensation,” GreenWaste Chief Operating Officers Kevin DiVincenzo said.

The San Jose-based company’s contract with West Sacramento begins July 1, 2027 — after a rate increase public comment process required by Proposition 218 takes place, with a public hearing on the increase slated

for Feb. 17, 2027. Part of that process requires rate increase notices to be mailed to all city ratepayers at least 45 days prior to the hearing.

Ratepayers impacted by the proposal may submit written protests up to the hearing. If 50% of ratepayers object, which City Attorney Jeff Mitchell said in West Sacramento’s case would be 7,501 letters, the city would re-enter negotiations with GreenWaste on rates.

“It’s essentially a consumer protection law for local utility rates,” Katelyn Scholz, senior managing consultant with R3 Consulting Group, said of the 218 process. R3, based in Roseville, was hired by the city to assist with the solid waste proposal process.

Four companies responded to the city’s request for proposal (RFP) for solid waste services issued in November 2025. One was disqualified for an incomplete proposal with the remaining three — Atlas Disposal, GreenWaste and WM — evaluated by an “Evaluation Panel” comprised of

representatives from the city’s Sustainability Division, Finance Department and a neighboring jurisdiction’s solid waste manager.

Proposals were scored on quality of service, experience and references; proposed operational services; customer service, reporting and outreach; sustainability and service rates and value. GreenWaste scored highest of the three with an 86.4 and was the highest in all categories save one — service rates and value where Atlas and WM both scored higher.

According to the staff presentation, GreenWaste was selected because of its overall scores along with “enthusiastic references,” inclusion of the 20% low income and senior discount, detailed transition plan, high diversion and sustainability practices and its compliance with state Senate Bill 1383 organics legislation. Passed in 2016, SB1383 requires all jurisdictions to provide organic waste collection services, which can then be transformed into marketable products such as compost, paper, renewable natural

gas and electricity.

“There’s a lot that comes with that,” West Sacramento Sustainability Manager Ryan Burnett said. “That’s a big part of what attracted us to GreenWaste is their ability to help us meet our 1383 obligations.”

In remarks later in the meeting, Guerrero also listed GreenWaste’s sustainability practices noting she was able to tour their facility and came away impressed.

“For me, sustainability is a big deal,” she said. “Less to the landfill and more to reversing methane gas and things that are going to be happening.”

Once GreenWaste was selected, city staff entered into rate negotiations. The proposed contract also went before the city’s Environment and Utilities Commission for a presentation, with the members providing additional input including a request for more public comments, according to the staff report.

It also went through a public comment process, including an Aug. 19 workshop where 50 residents spoke against the

proposal. At the Sept.9 meeting, another 14 voiced displeasure through recurring themes the city does not engage residents in discussion and when they do fails to listen to concerns.

Resident Kathy Bailey told council public input isn’t just about the opportunity to speak.

“It must also mean listening when the same concerns are raised repeatedly and thru different channels,” she said.

Representatives from Atlas and WM also addressed council with complaints they had not been given the same opportunity afforded GreenWaste to fine tune their rate proposals and asked the city negotiate rates and terms with all three.

“We remain confident that if we were afforded the same negotiation opportunities, we would have presented the best rates and service for your community,” Atlas General Manager Terrance McNamara said.

WM representative Erik Lynch said the company would agree to an extension of its existing contract in order to make

the RFP process “more transparent.”

“If you need an extra six months, great,” Lynch said. “12? 18? Whatever it takes to do the process right.”

Alcala made a motion later in the meeting to authorize city staff to enter into rate and term negotiations with all three companies, a motion that failed for lack of a second. City Manager Aaron Laurel said such a move or a similar one proposed during public comments to redo the entire RFP process would delay the city’s need to address the solid waste rate issue.

West Sacramento has not increased its rates at the same pace as WM primarily to help residents and businesses deal with recovery from the Covid pandemic and its aftermath. Rates have been kept “artificially low” which has created a shortfall utilities funds since 2021.

City staff and council members agreed that regardless of which hauler is selected, solid waste rates in West Sacramento will need to increase to deal with the shortfall. ★

COMICS & PUZZLES

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

THIMBLE THEATRE PRESENTS

POPEYE

BY RANDY MILLER

BEG YOUR PARDON?

MR. ROUGH HOUSE SAID I NEED TO WATCH OUT FOR YOU, I GUESS HE'S WORRIED YOU'RE HAVING A HARD TIME.

I ASSUME HE WANTS ME TO MAKE SURE HIS FAVORITE CUSTOMER IS OKAY.

BINGO

ACHIEVEMENT UNLOCKED FOUND A NEW SUCKER.

OH, YOU'RE SO LUCKY! I LOVE SUCKERS! DO THEY STILL MAKE THE ROOT BEER-FLAVORED ONES?

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

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21. "Like magnifying glass lens

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28. Harper and Bruce, e.g.

30. Type of jacket

35. Nevada city

37. "The Road Runner" corporation

39. Solemnly promised

40. One twelfth of a foot

41. What blacksmith did to a horse

43. Ice dancer's jump

44. Phishing and such

46. Nobel Peace Prize home

47. Either right or left

48. Good guy

50. Same as island

52. Tierra ____ Fuego

53. Third-person possessive pronoun

55. Yoko's last name

57. "Electric current unit

60. "It pulls things down

64. Doom's companion

65. Thomas Paine's "The ____ of Reason"

67. 10 percent to charity, e.g.

68. Prevention measure

69. Sir George Ivan Morrison's stage name

70. Wife's dad, e.g.

71. In a frenzy

72. Three ahead of PST

73. Picts and Gauls

DOWN

1. Catchall abbr.

2. ____ spumante

3. Bear's den, e.g.

4. Same as talcums

5. Opposite of potential

6. Med. sch. requirement

7. *Path of light

8. Heard by Horton

9. Tel ____ city

10. Bowling ball path

11. Seductive one

12. Like a fox

15. Historical records

20. Some are bright

22. Ball-shaped object

24. *Reverse one, in the kitchen

25. *Rainbow-producing device

26. From this time on

27. Relating to Quechuan people

29. *Sound reverberation

31. Hole-punching tools

32. Coral polyp, e.g.

33. Eat away

34. *What similar magnetic poles do

36. *Electrical resistance

units

38. Mature elvers

42. Sorrow

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Voters Agree Building Fees Are a Major Problem

Three-quarters say government fees and regulations contribute to affordability challenges; 83% favor reducing fees that average over \$100,000 per new home

North State Building Industry Association News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sacramento-area residents overwhelmingly agree that housing costs are a major problem and that government fees and regulations contribute to the shortage of housing that is affordable, according to a new regional poll.

The poll of 810 registered voters in Sacramento, Placer, Yolo and El Dorado counties found that 93% consider the cost of housing and rent a very big or somewhat of a problem, including 68% who consider it a very big problem.

Three-quarters of respondents said excessive government regulations and fees have contributed a lot or somewhat to the shortage of housing people can afford. And 83% said local government leaders should work to reduce fees, which average more than \$100,000 for each new home.

The poll was commissioned by the North State Building Industry Association, Sacramento Association of Realtors, the Placer Business Alliance, and the Sacramento Metro, Folsom and Roseville chambers of commerce. The survey was conducted Aug. 4-7 among 810 registered voters and has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.44 percentage points.

BIA President & CEO Tim Murphy said the results show

that residents are deeply concerned about housing costs and want local government officials to address the fees and regulations that increase the cost of building new homes and apartments.

“Housing affordability is a tremendous challenge in the Sacramento region, and the only way to seriously improve affordability is for local governments to reduce the red tape that makes building such a lengthy and expensive process and to reduce the fees that drive up costs,” Murphy said.

“Nearly three out of four respondents — 72% — don’t believe their children or grandchildren will be able to afford to buy a home in our area. The poll found that should be their top priority, ahead of reducing homelessness, cutting taxes or preventing crime. Isn’t it time for local officials to begin promoting housing affordability instead of making homes more and more expensive to build?”

Poll also finds support for housing choice, stronger business climate

Jessica Coates, CEO of the Sacramento Association of Realtors, said a top priority should be supporting development of all types of housing.

“Homeownership is at the heart of the American Dream, and our agents hear every day that buyers want options,” Coates said. “Solving California’s housing crisis means building

all types of housing. Nearly two-thirds of those surveyed agree, and that desire for choice holds up across the region and across age groups. Single-family homes are a critical piece of the solution, and they need to go hand-in-hand with the full range of housing types, including infill, missing middle and multi-family housing, that reflect what Californians actually want and can afford.”

The poll also found strong support for local businesses.

“California’s high cost of doing business and increasingly complex regulatory environment continue to create real challenges for employers, entrepreneurs, and small businesses. The public recognizes that challenge, with 82% in our region agreeing that it should be easier for everyday people to open and run a small business,” said Robert Heidt, President & CEO of the Sacramento Metro Chamber.

“At the Metro Chamber, we believe we should be removing unnecessary barriers to entrepreneurship, investment, and job creation — and we’ll continue advocating for policies that make the Capital Region a place where businesses can start, grow and succeed.”

Joe Gagliardi, CEO of Choose Folsom, said local chambers play a key role in promoting a healthy business climate.

“These results reinforce that people want

communities where businesses can start, grow and thrive — and they expect local leaders and business organizations to help create that environment,” Gagliardi said. “They also remind organizations like ours that we have an ongoing responsibility to clearly demonstrate the value of that work. Strong local businesses contribute to strong local economies, quality jobs and vibrant communities, and we need

to continue connecting those dots for the people we serve.”

Ananda Rochita, President & CEO of the Roseville Area Chamber, pointed out that poll results found that Placer County residents were more likely to think their area was on the right track than the rest of the region, which she attributed to the longstanding cooperation between business leaders and

government to promote a strong economy.

“Thanks to the strong partnership between the business community and local government in Placer County, our area is the only part of the region where more people think the county is going in the right direction,” Rochita said. “The chamber will continue advocating for business-friendly and streamlined policy that cuts through red tape.” ★

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The preview shows the front page of the West Sacramento News Ledger, dated August 14, 2026. The main headline is 'Classic Car and Truck Show Returns to Yolo'. Other headlines include 'Washington Unified Celebrates Reopening of School', 'UC Davis' Shahid Siddique Receives International Award', 'Sacramento Selected as New Sample Area for the Consumer Price Index', 'Sycamore Trail Phase III Expands', and 'Tony Bracy Knows this Market'. The page also features a 'SEE INSIDE' section with 'WEST SACRAMENTO COMMUNITY CALENDAR', 'RATE THE REFERENCE', and 'COURTESY POLICY AND ETHICS'.

Celebrating Transit Month in September

Sacramento Area Council of Governments News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is encouraging community members to try transit during the month of September! By riding transit and logging trips in the NorCal GO app, community members will be entered to win weekly \$25 gift card drawings or one \$100 gift card drawing at the end of month.

“Transit connects all corners of the Sacramento region,” said Jill Gayaldo, SACOG board chair and City of Rocklin councilmember. “Transit Month gives us an opportunity to highlight the region’s transit agencies and routes while encouraging community members to take the

bus or microtransit to get to work, go to an event or even to visit friends or family members. We hope the Transit Month celebration and gift card giveaways inspire people to try transit.”

The six-county Sacramento region transit system provides millions of trips every year by transit agencies large and small. Each service provides critical connections to support local economies, decrease traffic and keep the region moving.

NorCal GO is an app designed to provide convenient, eco-friendly and cost-effective travel solutions for residents across the region. This new platform offers an easy one-stop shop to find transit, bike, and walking routes and carpools for commutes and daily travel alike. NorCal GO is available in app stores and can be accessed at www.NorCalGO.org. ★



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