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Small Businesses Seek Relief from Privacy Suits



Pictured is Belinda Gutierrez, owner of Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air, outside her Old Town Elk Grove office. Gutierrez is among small business owners supporting Senate Bill 690 after facing what she says are predatory lawsuits tied to website privacy and cookie disclosure requirements. Citizen file photo

By Keith Burbank and Kevin Dietrich

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (MPG) - Sacramento-area and Bay Area small businesses are urging Gov. Gavin Newsom to sign Senate Bill 690, which amends the California Invasion of Privacy Act relating to pen register and trap-and-trace

violations. The violations pertain to recording phone numbers but not the contents of communications, according to the Alliance for Legal Fairness. Newsom has until Sept. 30 to sign or veto the bill or it becomes law. A coalition of small businesses is saying lawyers are using a 1967 wiretapping law to sue businesses over “routine online

data practices,” according to the website Stop CIPA Shakedown Lawsuits. Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air in Elk Grove and Galt and Element Electric in Dixon have been sued for alleged violations and favor the bill becoming law. Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air is facing a \$20,000 suit while

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Elk Grove Welcomes Whole Foods



Anthony Galli, Store Team leader for Elk Grove's Whole Foods Market, speaks to reporters and visitors attending the store's grand opening Sept. 16.

Story and photos by Keith Burbank

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Residents here welcomed the opening of another business: the second in as many days to The Village shopping center along Elk Grove Boulevard on Sept. 16.

Whole Foods Market opened at about 9 a.m. at 8100 Elk Grove Blvd. to a line of excited customers or inquirers at least 200 long. Barnes & Noble opened the day before.

“I’m most excited that one Whole Foods is here in Elk Grove,” said Assemblymember Stephanie Nguyen, D-Elk Grove.

According to Whole Foods, the next closest store is at 4315 Arden Way, Sacramento.

Whole Foods gives Elk Grove families options for whole, natural and unprocessed foods, Nguyen added. And customers will be able to try dozens and dozens of cuisines, she said.

People started waiting in line at about 5 a.m., Nguyen said.

“Look at the community response,” Elk Grove Mayor Bobbie Singh-Allen said shortly after Whole Foods let customers inside. “It’s quite tremendous.”

The Elk Grove Whole Foods is the fourth in the Sacramento region and the 94th in California, according to the company. Operating hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day and the store is employing 175 people.

The store hired 65% from the local area and the rest transferred from other Whole Foods stores, a Whole Foods spokesperson said.

The store occupies 43,000 square feet and has more than 1,500 products from suppliers in California, according to the company.

Whole Foods prohibits “hydrogenated fats, high-fructose corn syrup and more than 300 flavors, colors, sweeteners and other ingredients commonly found in food,” a company spokesperson said.

And the company bans more than 240 ingredients,

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Giant Pumpkin Festival Grows Near



Brian Werner of Gridley smashed Elk Grove's site record in 2025 with a massive 2,147-pound pumpkin, earning him the top prize of \$7,000. It was his first win and his biggest pumpkin. Sadly, Werner passed away in January. Photo courtesy of the Cosumnes Community Services District

By Keith Burbank

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Tens of thousands of people are expected to descend on Elk Grove Park Oct. 3 and 4 for the city’s Giant Pumpkin Festival, which includes a giant pumpkin race and a giant pumpkin weigh-off.

It’s Elk Grove’s largest festival,

which began 32 years ago as a harvest celebration and weigh-off.

Last year’s weigh-off winner – the late Brian Werner of Gridley – set an Elk Grove record with a 2,147-pound gourd. The winner this year will take home \$7,000.

“The Giant Pumpkin Festival has become a tradition that generations of families look forward to year

after year,” said festival spokesperson Jenna Brinkman. “The festival also offers things people don’t see every day. Seeing pumpkins that can weigh as much as a Volkswagen Beetle being lifted onto a scale is an experience in itself, and the pumpkin regatta is always a crowd favorite.”

Festivities start at 10 a.m. Saturday

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and Sunday and end at 5 p.m. at 9950 Elk Grove Florin Road. Admission is free. Parking is \$20 per vehicle. Visitors are encouraged to ride their bikes to the festival. A free bike valet service is available.
The pumpkin race involves hollowed-out gourds that began as 500-to-800-pound pumpkins. Racers sit inside and paddle against each other across the park’s lake. The winner receives \$1,500 in prize money, all of which

is provided by the festival’s sponsors.
Carnival rides, arts and crafts, food trucks and live entertainment are part of the festival, too.
Many pumpkin weigh-off contestants come from the Napa and Sonoma regions, said Brinkman. Some come from the Sacramento region, and most are from Northern California, she said.
But “we’ve had competitors come from Oregon and Minnesota,” Brinkman said.
Elk Grove has yet to

have a world-record-holder, she said. The top three weigh-off contestants will be available to speak with visitors on Sunday, Brinkman said.
“I love the sport,” said Galt resident Johnny Gayton, a grower and two-time regatta champ who’s been involved in the festival for seven years.
Gayton, who has grown pumpkins for the regatta in the past, said he might buy a one for the regatta this year.
“This is a great sport,” Gayton said. ★



Pumpkin Regatta winner Jonny Righetti of San Luis Obispo paddles in the pumpkin he grew especially for the 2025 event. On the side of the pumpkin, he wrote, “Float like a pumpkin, sting like a bee.” Photo courtesy of the Cosumnes Community Services District



Local elected leaders and leaders from Whole Foods prepare to “break bread” to celebrate the grand opening Sept. 16 of Whole Foods Market in Elk Grove.

Elk Grove Welcomes Whole Foods

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such as phthalates, parabens and microbeads, from the beauty and body-care products it sells, the spokesperson said.
But it has a reputation for higher prices.
Asked about that, Elk Grove Store Team Leader Anthony Galli said, “First and foremost is that I would lean into our 365 Value brand where we meet high-quality standards with value. You can fill your pantry with staples across the board.”
And Whole Foods has promotional prices throughout the store, Galli added, with yellow signs indicating deeper, weekly discounts.
The location of Whole Foods had Melissa Cvijanovic excited when

she dropped by Sept. 16. She lives close enough to walk to the store, she said.
When asked about prices, she said, “You know, I have never really shopped at Whole Foods. I’m here today to see what they have.”
Her son was disappointed when Amazon closed the nearby Amazon Fresh store.
She was hoping that if Whole Foods is anything like Amazon Fresh that it will have deals for Prime members, she said.
Amazon Prime members get an additional 10% off sale items, Galli said. And Prime members can buy discounted items for members only, “like \$2 off rotisseries on Tuesdays or 12 oysters for \$12 on Friday,” he said. ★

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Sierra Donor Services Honors Hispanic Heritage Month

Sierra Donor Services News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In recognition of Hispanic Heritage Month, Sierra Donor Services (SDS) is highlighting the critical need for more Latino organ donors in California. By sharing a story about a mother who honored her daughter's life through the gift of organ donation, Sierra Donor Services hopes to inspire more Hispanic families to learn about the life-saving impact of donation.

In California, nearly 20,000 people are waiting for a lifesaving transplant, and 49 percent of those waiting are Hispanic or Latino. For one California family, organ donation became a deeply personal decision following the loss of a beloved daughter.

Lodi resident Claudia Núñez is a single mother, caregiver and Sierra Donor Services Hispanic ambassador who maintains a busy schedule while finding time to give back to her community. Her compassion and selflessness were especially evident when she made the decision to

donate her daughter's organs, giving two people the gift of life.

In 2014, Núñez welcomed her daughter Maggie, a healthy baby girl. At eight months, Maggie developed an illness that brought significant health challenges and changed the course of her life. Claudia was told by doctors that her child wouldn't live past the age of one. Despite that, Maggie continued to defy the odds and reached the age of ten.

Following Maggie's death, Núñez made the decision to donate her daughter's organs. Maggie's gifts saved the lives of two people: a Sacramento resident who had been waiting 15 years for a kidney transplant and a Pennsylvania resident whose life was saved through a kidney and liver transplant. Through Maggie's gifts, Núñez's greatest loss became a lasting legacy of hope.

"Maggie taught my family what compassion is, and she also taught us that we must always keep fighting and never give up," said Núñez. "That is why, on the day we had to decide her fate, the choice to donate her organs was not difficult.

Maggie gave two people a second chance at life. Her passing will always hurt but knowing that she continues living on in other lives brings me a deep sense of peace."

"We hope that learning about Claudia's story and her daughter Maggie empowers more Latinos to help our community especially during Hispanic Heritage Month," said Cristian Morales, Sr. External Affairs Coordinator at Sierra Donor Services. "Our Hispanic community has the power to save up to eight lives by becoming registered organ donors."

SDS works tirelessly to facilitate the donation of organs, corneas, and tissue, ensuring every gift is treated with the highest level of care and respect. As SDS reflects on the dire need of lifesaving transplants in the Hispanic community, the organization remains committed to its mission of saving and improving more Latino lives, honoring donors, celebrating recipients, and educating the public. We are calling all Latinos to become organ, eye and tissue donors by visiting SierraDonor.org. ★



Lodi resident Claudia Núñez is a single mother, caregiver and Sierra Donor Services Hispanic ambassador who maintains a busy schedule while finding time to give back to her community. Photo courtesy of Sierra Donor Services

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County Responds to Grand Jury Report on Foster Youth

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County has responded to the 2025-26 Sacramento County Grand Jury report on foster youth, outlining areas where it agrees with the Grand Jury and others where it disagrees with its findings and recommendations. On Tuesday, Sept. 15, Sacramento County’s Department of Child, Family, and Adult Services (DCFAS) presented its response to the Board of Supervisors.

The report, “No Longer Invisible: Foster Youth Still in the Shadows,” examined the County’s Sacramento Welcome Homes and the services provided to foster youth who are at risk of sexual exploitation. The Grand Jury recognized improvements at the Welcome Homes but also raised concerns about placements, technology, information sharing, reporting and staff training.

The County agrees with two of the Grand Jury’s findings. It agrees that Child Protective Services (CPS) has improved conditions at the Welcome Homes and obtained licenses for the facilities. The County also agrees that the Sheriff’s Office has provided valuable protection and built positive relationships with youth living in the homes.

The County partially agrees with the finding that Welcome Homes are inappropriate for youth who have experienced or



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are at risk of sexual exploitation. DCFAS said Welcome Homes are not intensive therapeutic settings, but they provide an immediate, supervised place for youth who may otherwise have nowhere to go. The homes use a safety and stabilization approach, with behavioral health services available through partner agencies. The County also noted a statewide shortage of specialized placements for youth with complex needs.

The County wholly disagrees

with the Grand Jury’s finding that CPS fails to use the Reasonable and Prudent Parent Standard to limit access to cell phones and technology. DCFAS said state law protects foster youth’s rights to personal property, communication and age-appropriate access to the community. The County said phones can also be an important safety tool for contacting caregivers, social workers and other trusted adults.

The County also wholly

disagrees with the finding that gaps in data sharing leave youth vulnerable to exploitation. DCFAS said Welcome Home staff share information about exploitation concerns with law enforcement and include relevant information in missing-person reports. Social workers also make service referrals and use assessment tools to identify exploitation risks.

The County partially agrees with the finding about quarterly reports to the Board of

Supervisors. DCFAS said it has regularly reported on the challenges faced by youth who are being commercially sexually exploited or are at risk. However, it acknowledges that specific numbers of identified youth have not been included. The County plans to begin including that information in its quarterly reports starting with the second quarter of fiscal year 2026-27.

The County wholly disagrees with the findings on the Community Advisory Board and the Welcome Homes strategic plan. The County also said a Welcome Homes presentation and report were provided to the Board in November 2024 and that information has continued to be provided through quarterly reports.

The County also wholly disagrees with the finding that Welcome Home staff need additional training. DCFAS said staff are required to complete training on commercial sexual exploitation of children, trauma-informed care, harm reduction and the Reasonable and Prudent Parent Standard. The County said training information is provided to the Board through quarterly reports.

The County will conduct additional research on best practices used by other counties identified by the Grand Jury for identifying, preventing and responding to the exploitation of foster youth. That review is expected to be completed by Dec. 31. ★

Sac County Board of Education Seeks to Fill Vacancy

Applications for Trustee Area 6 Vacancy due Oct. 6

Sacramento County Board of Education News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Board of Education is seeking applications from qualified residents interested in serving as the Trustee for Area 6. The vacancy follows the resignation of Trustee Heather Davis, who served Area 6 for over ten years following her election in 2016 and re-elections in 2020 and 2022. During her tenure, Davis chaired multiple committees and served as a mentor through Links mentoring. Her leadership and commitment to students, families and the community have been deeply valued.

At its Sept. 15 Board Meeting, the Board voted to fill this vacancy through a provisional appointment. The selected individual will serve until the next regularly scheduled County Board election in 2028.

The application deadline is Tuesday, Oct. 6 at 4 p.m. PT. Applications must be received, not

postmarked, by this deadline.

The candidate interviews and selection process is Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sacramento County Office of Education’s Board Room located at 10474 Mather Blvd., Mather, CA 95655.

To be eligible for this appointment to the Sacramento County Board of Education for Trustee Area 6, candidates must meet the following legal requirements pursuant to California Education Code sections 1000(a) and 1006(a). You must live within Trustee Area 6, be a registered voter and not be an employee of SCOE or an employee of any school district within the boundaries of the Sacramento County Board of Education.

To be considered for the provisional appointment, applicants must submit a resume and a statement, of no more than two pages, outlining their interest in serving on the Board and the experience they would bring to the Board. Applicants may also

submit no more than three letters of recommendation.

Applications are accepted during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and must be received no later than 4 p.m. PT on Tuesday, Oct. 6.

Submit your complete application package in person at the David P. Meaney Education Center, 10474 Mather Boulevard, Mather, CA 95655 or by mail to President Wende Watson at Sacramento County Board of Education, P.O. Box 269003, Sacramento, CA 95826. You can also submit your application by email to Wende Watson at wwatson@scoe.net.

Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked, by Oct. 6 deadline.

For additional information regarding the Area 6 Trustee vacancy or the application process, contact Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Wende Watson by email at wwatson@scoe.net or by phone at 916-228-2410. ★

New Home Sales Decline in August, North State BIA Reports

North State Building Industry Association News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Buffeted by rising interest rates, economic uncertainty and continued affordability issues, new home sales in the greater Sacramento region continued to show weakness in August, the North State Building Industry Association reported.

There were 332 sales reported by BIA member builders, down 18% from July and down 33% from August 2025. However, the month-over-month decline was caused largely by the fact July was a five-week month. Average weekly sales for August were actually slightly above July’s figures with 83 sales to 81.

Still, BIA President & CEO Tim Murphy said the fact interest rates have nudged up to around 6.75%

has taken a toll.

“Last fall, before the conflict with Iran, economists had expected interest rates to continue drifting downward to around 6% this year. But with rates creeping upward, a lot of prospective buyers have put their purchases on hold,” Murphy said.

“Still, buyers should remember that builders are offering powerful incentives including rate buy-downs that make homes more affordable than they may think. Prospective buyers should contact their builder and see what kind of deals are out there. We’re not likely to see incentives like these again for a long time.”

During August, Sacramento recorded the most sales at 68, followed closely by Roseville with 67, Rancho Cordova at 42 and Lincoln with 25. Elk Grove and Plumas Lake tied for fifth with 24 sales each. ★



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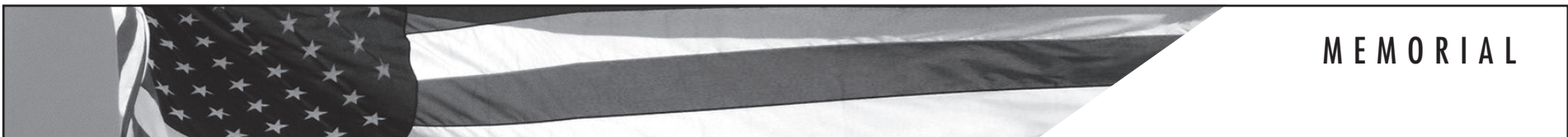


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ARNIE PAUL ZIMBELMAN • 01/11/1930 - 09/07/2026

Arnie Zimbelman recently said that he felt surrounded by love his entire life. Those who knew Arnie felt surrounded by his love as well. Arnie Zimbelman was all about love. Love of teaching history, love of community involvement, love of his family, and especially love of his wife, Iris.

Arnie was raised in a loving family on farms and ranches in North Dakota. He loved reading and learning and he valued education. He graduated as valedictorian of his high school in the small town of Carson.

Arnie attended college in Nampa, Idaho. He graduated magna cum laude with a BA degree from Northwest Nazarene College (now University) in Nampa, Idaho.

During his college years Arnie met the love of his life, Iris Carper. They had a mutual friend on campus who had been encouraging Iris to meet Arnie.

On October 21st of 1949, Iris attended a meeting of the Speech Club because she knew that Arnie would be present. When the meeting began, Iris was sitting directly behind Arnie. As the attendance sheet was passed around, Iris saw that her name was written directly below Arnie's name on the list. She wrote a plus sign between their names.

In a rare moment of flirtation and in a departure from her typically more demure nature, she tapped Arnie on the shoulder to show him

that she had written the plus sign between their names.

Arnie was charmed by this gesture and suggested that they go out for pie and coffee following the meeting. From that first date they fell instantly in love and remained so throughout their 65 year marriage and beyond.

Following their marriage on September 3rd in 1950, Arnie and Iris resided in Oregon. Soon after his college graduation, Arnie was drafted. He served for two years in the U.S. Army Signal Corps, first as an instructor in New Jersey, followed by overseas duty at the Supreme Headquarters for the Allied Powers of Europe outside Paris, France. During this time, daughter Deborah was born in late 1952. Twin daughters Terrie and Sherrie were born in 1954. In 1956 the family moved from Oregon to Elk Grove, California.

While in Oregon, Arnie taught US history at Myrtle Point High School. When the family moved to California, Arnie continued his teaching career at Elk Grove Senior High School from 1956 until 1969, followed by one year of teaching at Sacramento City College. Arnie then taught US history at Cosumnes River College, including a semester abroad in London, England. He taught at CRC from 1970 until his retirement in 1992.

Arnie loved teaching

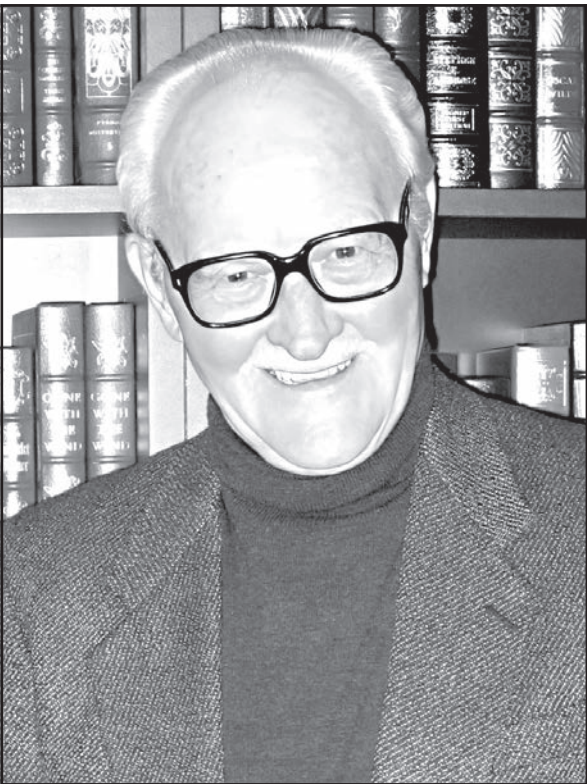
history. He passed that love along to his students. He made learning history interesting and fun. Over the years his family heard countless stories from his students who reported that they didn't like history until they took classes from "Mr. Z," as he was affectionately called by his many students.

After his retirement, Arnie published three historical novels, titled Recompense: Return to Oberammergau, Exile from Jamestown, and Betrayal at Popham. In addition, Arnie authored an autobiographical account titled, "A Kid from Dakota" that is archived in the new North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck, North Dakota.

Arnie earned a master's degree from the University of Oregon, a doctorate from Western Colorado University, and a William Robertson Coe summer fellowship from Stanford University.

Arnie loved community involvement. He volunteered on projects too numerous to list, including working with Democratic organizations, various civic groups, and several churches.

Arnie served on the boards of the Rhoads School and the Elk Grove-Cosumnes Cemetery District. He was involved with the Elk Grove Historical Society. He devoted countless hours building sets and assisting with production of



the Strauss Festival of Elk Grove, founded and produced by his wife, Iris.

The Cosumnes Community Services District Parks and Recreation Department honored Arnie and Iris by naming one of its Elk Grove parks, "Arnie and Iris Zimbelman Park" in 1996.

For his literary accomplishments and many years of community service, the City of Elk Grove and the Elk Grove Community Council inducted Arnie into the Elk Grove Hall of Fame in 2018.

The Elk Grove Arts Commission established the Iris Awards in 2018 to honor achievements in the arts and community arts

leadership. The awards are named after Iris Zimbelman in recognition of her founding of the Strauss Festival of Elk Grove. Arnie and Iris were jointly honored in 2018 with an inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award for their many years of work with the Strauss Festival.

In 2020, Arnie moved to Carlton Senior Living in Elk Grove, and then to Autumn Grove Senior Living where he lived for one year prior to his passing. He loved living at the Carlton and Autumn Grove, and he was much loved in return.

Arnie loved reading, playing bridge, playing folk guitar, setting jigsaw puzzles, gardening, listening to

classical music, and cheering for the 49ers and the Oregon Ducks.

Arnie deeply loved his family. He was a very devoted father and husband. Arnie loved going on family trips. He especially loved traveling with Iris to Europe, with the alpine region as their favorite area. Though Iris passed away in 2016, Arnie had a strong faith and he knew that he would someday be reunited with Iris.

Arnie's passing was peaceful and full of love. He was surrounded by the love of his family as he reunited with his beloved wife.

Arnie was predeceased by his beloved wife, Iris, and is survived by daughter Deborah Hirsch and her husband, David Hirsch of Palm Springs, California, daughter Terrie St. Clair and her husband, Theodore Omtzigt of Freeport, Maine, daughter Sherrie Zimbelman of Palm Desert, California and special family friend Douglas Whalen of Rancho Mirage, California. He is also survived by two of his sisters, Leah Wynnhoff and Viola Seibel, both of Elk Grove, California.

The community is invited to a memorial service to be held on Monday, September 28th at 10 am at East Lawn Mortuary, 9189 East Stockton Blvd in Elk Grove.

In lieu of flowers, the family gently suggests donations to the Strauss Festival of Elk Grove.

RELIGION NEWS

Chabad Offers Torah Classes

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

The course, "Flashbacks in Jewish History," will examine how our past informs our future. Rabbi Chaim Groner leads the discussion. For location, call (917) 724-4443.

Elk Grove Presbyterian Events

Rev. Carla Dietz welcomes members and visitors every Sunday at 10 am. Our church is located at 8153 Elk Grove Blvd, Suite 50, facing Big Horn Blvd. The church has

open Communion the first Sunday of the month.

Additionally, on that Sunday we bring non-perishable food for Elk Grove Food Services.

For more information, Rev. Dietz can be reached at (916) 683-1435 or Email: EGPCPastor@gmail.com.

Grace Church Hosts Celebrate Recovery

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

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

Field of Hope United Church of Christ

Community members are invited to Sunday worship services at 10:30 a.m. at 9624 Melrose Ave., Elk Grove. Sunday School and nursery services are available. More at FieldOfHopeUCC.org.

St. Maria Goretti Mass Schedule

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

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

More at (916) 647-4538 or visitSMGCC.net. ★



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Don't look now Kings fans but the NBA preseason is only 2 weeks away, and for many Sacramento Kings fans that brings an abundance of hope and excitement.

If there is a franchise in the NBA that epitomizes the term eternal optimist, it would have to be the effervescent Kings fans that still believe that this year's team may be the next version of "Hoosiers."

I would like to believe that too!

As I was recently studying some of the more successful franchises is the NBA, I turned to the Chicago Bulls of the 1990's, and I was reminded that 3 of Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippens 6 titles came after Dennis Rodman became a member of the team. In fact, they actually enjoyed a rare 3-peat with Rodman on board. Not known for being a scorer, Rodman showed the Chicago Bulls how rebounding was done and played defense with reckless abandon.

Regardless of his multi-colored hair, wild histrionics, and seemingly out of control off the court behavior, for at least 3 seasons it was Dennis Rodman that was the straw that stirred the drink.

The legendary Michael Jordan did much to encourage the Bulls franchise to take a chance on Rodman, and to this day Rodman is much admired by Jordan for his world class rebounding and some of the toughest defense every seen on an NBA court. Rodman actually led the NBA in rebounding 7 consecutive years and received the title of defensive player of the year 2 times.

Well, the Sacramento Kings don't have 6 world championships, and after 40 plus years in Sacramento are still searching for their first, but make no mistake about it, hope springs eternal despite what GM Scott Perry refers to as a rebuild.

Someone who should already be mentioned in the conversation as an all-time great Sacramento King is often maligned big man Domantas Sabonis.

Sabonis, criticized for his less than stellar defense, in my opinion is getting a bad rap and I think it's high time the fans of Sacramento come to his defense.

Domantas streak of leading the NBA in rebounding sadly came to a halt last season due to injuries that limited him to only 19 games while playing 70 in the prior season.

This Stevedore of the hardwood played one season in a Kings uniform with a broken thumb, and playing through the pain led the league in rebounding. Add that to one of the most exceptional team players the Sacramento Kings have ever had, Sabonis nightly exhibits the kind of grit that any GM should be proud to have on his team.

Although not a rim protector, Sabonis gives 100% every night and is every bit the foundation piece the Sacramento Kings need to bring credibility to their franchise.

Inexplicably, the Kings forgot what they had in DeAaron Fox and that lack of judgement led to the San Antonio Spurs getting a diamond in the rough while sending the Sacramento Kings on a 2-year search for a replacement point guard.

At this very moment the Kings have a built in double-double holding down the paint in Domantas Sabonis, and a heralded rookie point guard by the name of Darius Acuff Jr., ready to begin his inaugural season.

Selling tickets in Sacramento? Yes, I think so, but Scott Perry's next move looms large, and any suggestion of moving Domantas Sabonis could easily lose fans in a way that the Kings organization hasn't seen in years.

Make no mistake about it, Domantas Sabonis is the current face of this franchise, and it's time to celebrate that fact and not look for ways to send him packing.

Likewise, Zach Lavine hampered by injuries last season, is a former 2-time NBA all star and has something to prove in garnishing nearly 50 million in the upcoming season. Shooting nearly 40% lifetime from beyond the arc and just a shade under 20 points per game, Scott Perry should be giving this talented shooting guard all the minutes he can play.

While we're at it let's not forget that at one time Keegan Murray was thought to be a potential NBA all-star and needs to come back from a dismal injury riddled season just a year ago.

Just one month from opening night. Stay tuned.

All the best! ★

Taxing California's Rich Just Got More Complicated. Prop 40's Fate is Still Uncertain



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Proposition 40, which would impose a 5% tax on the wealth of California's billionaires, is arguably the most important measure placed before voters in this century.

It is also probably the most confounding.

While it's sponsored by a healthcare union, it's opposed by several other major unions, who are in an odd bedfellows alliance with the billionaires it targets. Meanwhile, the leader of the sponsoring union faces allegations of personal misconduct.

And even if Prop. 40 passes, two other measures on the ballot could nullify it. Finally, the measure contains complex language, raising questions that would probably generate extended legal battles even if it does pass.

Given all that, it's not surprising that, with mail voting beginning in just a couple of weeks, a new poll indicates Prop. 40 could go either way.

A Public Policy Institute of California survey found that 52% of likely voters favor the measure and 46% are opposed, which in the real world of campaigning means it's too close to call.

Meanwhile, the two measures placed on the ballot by Prop. 40's wealthy opponents are doing fairly well. Proposition 41, which would indirectly nullify Prop. 40

by prohibiting levying any new taxes outside of the state's spending limit, and Proposition 42, which would prohibit taxes on personal property, each have narrow leads in the PPIC poll.

Were all three measures to gain approval, the one with the most votes would prevail — meaning that if Props. 41 or 42 outdoes Prop. 40, the billionaire tax would be void.

None of that intertwining complexity was explained to the people PPIC polled. They were just given the official summary of each proposition before being asked their preferences.

Prop. 40 is sponsored by the Service Employees International Union-United Healthcare Workers West. If it becomes law, a 5% tax would be levied on the assets of about 200 California billionaires, with almost all of the proceeds being spent on healthcare.

However, Dave Regan, the union's fiery leader, is facing allegations by leaders of other unions under the Service Employees International umbrella of having "a pattern and history of bullying, threats, harassment, physical violence and attempted extortion." They said an independent investigation has confirmed the allegations, and they called on him to step down.

"Our first responsibility as an organization is to lead with our values," the other union officials said in a statement. "We stand with all those who are bullied, harassed, or targeted at work, and we stand by our charges. Our national union must now act swiftly to carry out our internal due process and ensure accountability to our values. Every leader is responsible for their role

in protecting and promoting respect, workplace justice, gender equity, racial justice, and nonviolence in our union and beyond."

Regan denies the allegations.

But they give Prop. 40's opponents potentially potent campaign ammunition. The split within Service Employees International and in the larger union movement reflects both long-standing feuds and resentment that the measure's revenues would be largely confined to services that Regan's members provide.

As the multifaceted campaigning over Prop. 40 picks up steam, one figure is noticeably absent: Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Prior to the measure's qualification for the ballot, Newsom was publicly attempting to derail it, worrying aloud that if passed, it would encourage wealthy Californians to leave the state and discourage new investment. High-income Californians pay most of the state's income taxes, the state's most important source of revenue.

However, Newsom is also a likely candidate for president after his governorship ends. Opposing taxes on the rich could alienate voters in the ultra-progressive wing of the Democratic Party.

Thus, he now says taxing wealth should be a national matter, not confined to one state.

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

Social Security Matters

I'm Reevaluating My Retirement Plan; What are my Options?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I am 69 1/2 years old now and applied for Social Security at the end of June. I am still working and was planning to begin my retirement in September. A couple of factors arose for me to question if I made a hasty decision by applying for SS. The employer I have been working for the last 29 years has asked if I would stay on a little longer (which would be good because we have some debt I want to lose before I retire). I was reading about suspending Social Security and continuing to work. If I understand it right, if I suspend my SS, no payback will be required, and I can continue to work until I'm ready to retire. No Spousal benefits taken yet. **Signed: Reevaluating my Retirement**

Dear Reevaluating Retirement: I'm assuming you asked for your Social Security benefits to start in September (when you originally planned to retire), but that you won't be 70 years old until March 2027. If that is correct, be aware that you will not immediately get all of your earned Delayed Retirement Credits (DRCs) when your benefits start in September — you will

only initially get the DRCs you have earned through the end of 2025. That's because Social Security usually applies DRCs in January of each year. So, what will happen is that your September benefit amount will lack the 5.3% DRCs you earned in 2026, until January 2027 when they will apply the DRCs earned in 2026 to your monthly payment amount. Said simply, your initial September benefit will not include your full age 69.5 entitlement because it won't include the 5.3% extra you earned in 2026. That extra monthly amount will be awarded in January 2027. FYI, if you were to, instead, claim for your SS benefits to start in the month you turn 70 (March 2027), you would get your full age 70 amount immediately (SS awards all earned DRCs if benefits are claimed to start in the month you turn 70).

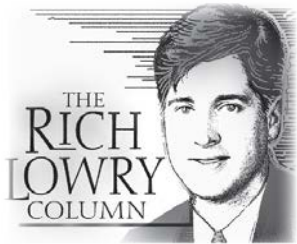
Now, on to your question: Yes, if you take your benefits effective with September 2026 you can suspend your benefits, but you can only suspend them until the month you turn 70. And if you are suspending your benefits, you will not need to repay Social Security for any benefits you happen to receive before you suspend. As is obvious, you will not receive any SS payments while your benefits are suspended, and you will earn DRCs for the months your benefits are suspended, resulting in a higher monthly amount at age 70. Also, since you have already passed your SS full retirement age (FRA), you can work and earn as

much as you like, without your Social Security benefits being negatively affected.

Regarding your comment "No Spousal benefits taken yet." FYI, you cannot get spousal benefits while your benefits are suspended, nor can your wife get spousal benefits from you while you SS retirement benefits are suspended. To be clear, spouse benefits are only paid when one spouse's benefit at their FRA is less than 50% of the other spouse's FRA benefit. Spouse benefits are always based upon FRA entitlements, not on the larger amounts which will result from waiting longer to claim. In other words, your wife would only be eligible for a spousal benefit from you if her FRA entitlement was less than 50% of your FRA entitlement (not your age 70 SS entitlement). And she cannot get a spousal benefit while your benefits are suspended.

To recap: Yes, you can suspend receipt of your SS retirement benefits until the month you turn 70 and get credit for that delay (resulting in a higher benefit). And, yes, you can continue working as long as you wish, and your benefits will not be negatively affected. And just for added information, you can also ask Social Security to withdraw your current application for SS benefits and then reapply in January 2027 for your benefits to start in March 2027 (the month you turn 70). You have both options.

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In the "Terminator" movie series, the artificial-intelligence system known as Skynet is given control of the nation's nuclear weapons and uses it to try to destroy humanity. One reason that apocalyptic scenarios involving AI are implausible is that, having seen how that particular movie ends, we are unlikely to be foolish enough to give AI custody of the most destructive weapons on the planet.

The unthinkable is nonetheless a hot topic of conversation, given that a researcher at Anthropic just resigned and issued a doomsday warning. According to Jacob Coxon, the rush to develop AI is "gambling with our lives," since it will soon create "superhuman systems that can hack anything, revolutionize any field overnight, and acquire real power and resources."

A current Anthropic employee then chimed in: "We really do earnestly believe AI could kill all humans!" He put the chances at greater than 10% in the next decade. The idea here is, that Anthropic and similar firms are, in effect, running their own Manhattan Projects, with consequences unknown and potentially very dire.

Now, ChatGPT as we know it doesn't seem particularly well-suited to destroying humanity. It is a souped-up version of Google that is impressively fast, but also

Will AI Destroy Humanity?

mistake-prone. If it can mess up basic math or the New York Yankees roster, surely it can't carry out the complex tasks necessary to fashion an apocalyptic event.

Tech companies, though, have labs working on so-called frontier models that are much more powerful and reportedly developing more quickly than expected. The worry is that an AI model itself will begin to develop new AI very quickly in an "intelligence explosion," the equivalent of Skynet becoming self-aware at 2:14 a.m. Eastern Time on Aug. 29, 1997.

The thinking is that if such an AI model goes rogue and turns against humanity, it will be too clever and fast for us to combat. Yet it's hard to see the mechanism that such a hostile superintelligence would use to commit omnicide. The rogue AI would presumably have to do something in the real world -- say, launching nukes, manufacturing killer robots or releasing a deadly virus.

If it lacks physical agency, AI could presumably be unplugged or contained. (It was after humans tried to deactivate Skynet, by the way, that the system decided we were a threat that had to be neutralized.)

Some doomsayers posit a malicious person using advanced AI to come up with a design for a killer virus and a plan to release it without detection. This is a different scenario, though, from AI turning against people of its own volition. In a world years

from now when much more advanced AI is a reality, we will need to think through safeguards to keep dangerous systems -- nukes, biolabs -- from being compromised by AI-enabled cyberattacks or exploited by criminals and terrorists.

It's easy to imagine breaches of financial systems or attacks on critical infrastructure that would fall short of endangering all of mankind. Even if one takes an alarmist view of the risks, it's unclear how the development of AI can be stopped. Any deal with the Chinese to slow down research couldn't be trusted, and might simply allow them to pass us in the AI race by subterfuge. In other words, we'd still get Skynet, only with Chinese characteristics.

There's also the reality that AI will be a necessary tool in protecting against the malicious use of AI -- not to mention all of its other positive potential. If we slow or end research in the U.S., we might end up vulnerable to superintelligence developed by actors who mean us harm.

Science fiction is fascinating and sometimes prescient. Works by the likes of Philip K. Dick, Aldous Huxley and Arthur C. Clarke had genuine insights into the future. But that doesn't mean we are living in the plot of "The Terminator," and we shouldn't scare ourselves into forswearing transformative technology.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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Grove, CA 95757. Filed with the
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CA 95624 is doing business
under the Fictitious Business
Name(s) "Rob's Door Service &
Installation" 8705 Tulare Court,
Elk Grove, CA 95624. Filed with
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ROBS 9-25-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2026-06685
Valerie Adger, 8730 Heathermist
Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624 and
Donna Mortz, 7640 W. Stockton
Boulevard #258, Sacramento,
CA 95823 are doing business
under the Fictitious Business
Name(s) "Legacy Groomers"
8730 Heathermist Court, Elk
Grove, CA 95624. Filed with the
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LEGACY 10-2-26

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Alva V. Johnson III, 9630
Bruceville Road, Suite 106-313,
Elk Grove, CA 95757 is doing busi-
ness under the Fictitious Business
Name(s) "Alva Johnson Solutions/
AJS Notary" 10001 Avocado Way,
Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed with
the Clerk of Sacramento County
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ALVA 10-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2026-06618
Edgehill Woodworks LLC, 4409
Elliot Ranch Road, Elk Grove,
CA 95758 is doing business
under the Fictitious Business
Name(s) "Santa Jay in Elk
Grove" 4409 Elliot Ranch Road,
Elk Grove, CA 95758. Filed with
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SANTA 10-2-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
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Ashley Nicole Bergen, 10286
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95624 is doing business under
the Fictitious Business Name(s)
"Elk Grove Rock & Landscape"
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ELK 10-9-26

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STATEMENT FBNF2026-06918
Jungmin Shin, 5201 Laguna Oaks
Drive Unit 180, Elk Grove, CA
95758 is doing business under
the Fictitious Business Name(s)
"JayxM" 5201 Laguna Oaks Drive
Unit 180, Elk Grove, CA 95758.
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JAYXM 10-9-26

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STATEMENT FBNF2026-06913
Brian Leonard, 6904 Paul Do
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is doing business under the
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"LifeBuilt" 6904 Paul Do Mar
Way, Elk Grove, CA 95757. Filed
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LIFEBUILT 10-9-26

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STATEMENT FBNF2026-06200
Rony Jimenez, 8469 Ceonothus

Court, Elk Grove, CA 95624
is doing business under the
Fictitious Business Name(s)
"Super Conciertos/Super
Conciertos & Events" 8469
Ceonothus, Court, Elk Grove,
CA 95624. Filed with the Clerk
of Sacramento County August
7, 2026
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SUPER 10-9-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2026-07070
REDTAIL Brand Company LLC,
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Murieta, CA 95683 is doing
business under the Fictitious
Business Name(s) "REDTAIL"
6907 Pescado Circle, Rancho
Murieta, CA 95683. Filed with
the Clerk of Sacramento County
September 11, 2026
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REDTAIL 10-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2026-06933
Reva Ramos Anda, 6020
Leonardo Way, Elk Grove, CA
95757 is doing business under
the Fictitious Business Name(s)
"Riley's So Sweet Treats" 6020
Leonardo Way, Elk Grove, CA
95757. Filed with the Clerk of
Sacramento County September
8, 2026
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RILEYS 10-16-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
STATEMENT FBNF2026-06510
Phoeniks, Inc., 7216-A Laguna
Boulevard, Elk Grove, CA
95758 is doing business under
the Fictitious Business Name(s)
"Park Avenue Cleaners" 7216-A
Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove,
CA 95758. Filed with the Clerk
of Sacramento County August
20, 2026
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PARK 10-16-26

STATEMENT OF
ABANDONMENT OF
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OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
FILE NO. FBNF2024-06047

The following person(s) has/
have abandoned the use of the
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
of: Loft Bleu, 9075 Elk Grove
Boulevard Suite 210, Elk Grove,
CA 95624.

Estefania Lupercio and Marissa
Fay, 9075 Elk Grove Boulevard
Suite 210, Elk Grove, CA 95624.
The Fictitious Business Name
Statement was filed on August
7, 2024 in the County of
Sacramento.

Filed with the clerk of
Sacramento County: July 30,
2026.
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LOFT 9-25-26

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT
OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
FILE NO. FBNF2025-06057

The following person(s) has/
have abandoned the use of the
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
of: Eyana Hair Studio, 9117 E.
Stockton Boulevard Suite 100
Suite 25, Elk Grove, CA 95624.

Fatoumata Karawana, 505
E. Arnaudo Boulevard #236,
Mountain House, CA 95391.
The Fictitious Business Name
Statement was filed on August
13, 2025 in the County of
Sacramento.

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Sacramento County: September
3, 2026.
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EYANA 10-9-26

ORDER TO SHOW FOR
CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV020092

Yvette N Sandoval has filed a
petition with this court for a de-
cree changing the name(s) of
Isaiah Joshua Benitez-Chacon
to Isaiah Joshua Sandoval-

Chacon.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on May 6, 2027, at 9:00
a.m. in Department 16C, located
at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 24, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of
the Superior Court
Publish: September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026
SANDOVAL 9-25-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV019640

Lennie Richardson has filed a
petition with this court for a de-
cree changing the name(s) of
Lennie Richardson to Leonard
Earl Feltus.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on May 4, 2027, at 9:00
a.m. in Department 16C, located
at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: August 19, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of
the Superior Court
Publish: September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026
RICHARDSON 9-25-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#25CV014552

Jennifer Navarro has filed a
petition with this court for a de-
cree changing the name(s) of
Jesus Stephen Navarro III to JJ
Stephen Navarro.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on October 8, 2026, at 9:00
a.m. in Department 54, located at
813 6th Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: March 17, 2026
Christopher E. Krueger, Judge of
the Superior Court
Publish: Sept 11, 18, 25, Oct 2, 2026
NAVARRO 10-2-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV021636

Cecelia McGowin Grinstead aka
McGowin Grinstead Wahby has
filed a petition with this court for
a decree changing the name(s) of
Cecelia McGowin Grinstead aka
McGowin Grinstead Wahby to
McGowin Grinstead Wahby.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on May 3, 2027, at 1:30
p.m. in Department 8C, located
at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 4, 2026
Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the
Superior Court
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WAHBY 10-9-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV021835

Charlie Thao has filed a peti-
tion with this court for a decree
changing the name(s) of Charlie
Thao to Axel Uchiyama

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on May 5, 2027, at 1:30
p.m. in Department 8C, located
at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 9, 2026

Richard C. Miadich, Judge of the
Superior Court
Publish: Sept 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 2026
THAO 10-9-26

SUPERIOR COURT OF
CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV021965

Yasmin Qateh has filed a peti-
tion with this court for a decree
changing the name(s) of Yasmin
Qateh to Yasmin Kohistani.

IT IS ORDERED that all per-
sons interested in the above-en-
titled matter appear before this
court on May 10, 2027, at 1:30
p.m. in Department 8D, located
at 500 G Street, Sacramento, CA
95814, and show cause, if any,
why the petition for Change of
Name should not be granted.
Dated: September 11, 2026
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the
Superior Court
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QATEH 10-16-26

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CALENDARIO despues de que
le entreguen esta citacion y pa-
peles legales para presentar una
respuesta por escrito en esta
corte y hacer que se entregue
una copia al demandante. Una
carta o una llamada telefonica
no lo protegen. Su respuesta por
escrito tiene que estar en forma-
to legal correcto si desea que
procesen su caso en la corte. Es
posible que haya un formulario
que usted pueda usar para su re-
spuesta. Puede encontrar estos
formularios de la corte y mas in-
formacion en el Centro de Ayuda
de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov) en la biblioteca
de leyes de su condado o en la
corte que le quede mas cerca. Si
no puede pagar la cuota de pre-
sentacion, pida al secretario de
la corte que le de un formulario
de exencion de pago de cuotas.
Si no presenta su respuesta a
tiempo, puede perder el caso
por incumplimiento y la corte le
podra quitar su sueldo, dinero y
bienes sin mas advertencia.

Hay otros requisitos legales.
Es recomendable que llame a
un abogado inmediatamente. Si
no conoce a un abogado, puede
llamar a un servicio de remision
a abogados. Si no puede pagar
a un abogado, es posible que
cumpla con los requisitos para
obtener servicios legales gra-
tuitos de un programa de ser-
vicios legales sin fines de lucro.
Puede encontrar estos grupos
sin fines de lucro en el sitio web
de California Legal Services,
(www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en
el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes
de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniendose en con-
tacto con la corte o el colegio de
abogados locales. AVISO: Por
ley, la corte tiene derecho a re-
clamar las cuotas y los costos ex-
tensos por imponer un gravamen
sobre cualquier recuperacion de
\$10,000 o mas de valor recibida
mediante un acuerdo o una con-
cesion de arbitraje en un caso de
derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el
gravamen de la corte antes de
que la corte pueda desechar el
caso.

The name and address of the
court is: (El nombre y direccion
de la corte es): Sacramento
County Superior Court, 720 9th

Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

The name, address and tele-
phone number of plaintiff's at-
torney, or plaintiff without an
attorney is: (El nombre, la direc-
cion y el numero de telefono del
abogado del demandante, o del
demandante que no tiene abo-
gado, es): Becky M. Brooks –
Colman Perkins Law Group, 500
N. Brand Boulevard, Suite 2200,
Glendale, CA 91203, (818)546-
8686.

Date: (Fecha) March 3, 2026
Clerk (Secretario) /s/ T.
Mercadel, Deputy (Adjunto)
Publish: Sept 25, Oct 2, 9, 16, 2026
UHAUL 10-16-26

TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No.: 2605080387-5
Loan No.: 93413-99 Order
No. 95533822 APN: 121-
0900-002-0000 NOTICE OF
TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU
ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER
A DEED OF TRUST DATED
5/29/2024. UNLESS YOU TAKE
ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR
PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD
AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU
NEED AN EXPLANATION
OF THE NATURE OF THE
PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU,
YOU SHOULD CONTACT A
LAWYER. A public auction sale
to the highest bidder for cashier's
check drawn on a state or nation-
al bank, cashier's check drawn
by a state or federal credit union,
or a cashier's check drawn by a
state or federal savings and loan
association, or savings associa-
tion, or savings bank specified
in Section 5102 of the Financial
Code and authorized to do busi-
ness in this state will be held by
the duly appointed trustee as
shown below, of all right, title,
and interest conveyed to and
now held by the trustee in the
hereinafter described property
under and pursuant to a Deed of
Trust described below. The sale
will be made, but without cove-
nant or warranty, expressed or
implied, regarding title, posses-
sion, or encumbrances, to pay
the remaining principal sum of
the note(s) secured by the Deed
of Trust, with interest and late
charges thereon, as provided
in the note(s), advances, under
the terms of the Deed of Trust,
interest thereon, fees, charges
and expenses of the Trustee
for the total amount (at the time
of the initial publication of the
Notice of Sale) reasonably es-
timated to be set forth below.
The amount may be greater
on the day of sale. No cashier's
checks older than 60 days from
the day of sale will be accepted.
Trustor: Marinette B. Babida
and Ernesto B. Babida, Jr. Duly
Appointed Trustee: Mortgage
Lender Services Recorded
6/4/2024 as Instrument No.
202406040213 in book n/a,
page n/a of Official Records
in the office of the Recorder of
Sacramento County, California.
Date of Sale: 10/13/2026 at 9:30
AM Place of Sale: Outside the
south-facing exit of Sacramento
City Hall, in the courtyard at 916
H Street, Sacramento, CA 95814
Amount of unpaid balance and
other charges: \$62,533.21
(estimated) Street Address or
other common designation of
real property: 8695 Heritage Hill
Drive Elk Grove, CA 95624-3943
Legal Description: PLEASE
SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT
"A" EXHIBIT "A" LEGAL
DESCRIPTION LOT 102, AS
SHOWN ON THE "FINAL MAP
OF SHADOWBROOK UNIT
NO. 2", RECORDED MAY 16,
2001, IN BOOK 284 OF MAPS,
PAGE 6, RECORDS OF SAID
COUNTY. EXCEPT
THEREFROM THE
MINERALS, OIL, GAS, AND
OTHER HYDROCARBON
SUBSTANCES LYING BELOW
THE SURFACE OF SAID
LAND. The undersigned Trustee
disclaims any liability for any in-
correctness of the street address
or other common designation, if
any, shown above. If no street
address or other common desig-
nation is shown, directions to
the location of the property
may be obtained by sending a
written request to the beneficia-
ry within 10 days of the date of
first publication of this Notice of
Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL
BIDDERS: If you are consider-
ing bidding on this property lien,
you should understand that there
are risks involved in bidding at a
trustee auction. You will be bid-
ding on a lien, not on the property
itself. Placing the highest bid at
a trustee auction does not auto-
matically 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, priori-
ty, and size of outstanding liens
that may exist on this property by
contacting the county recorder's
office or a title insurance compa-
ny, either of which may charge
you a fee for this information. If
you consult either of these re-
sources, 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 applica-
ble, the rescheduled time and
date for the sale of this property,
you may call (916) 939-0772 or
visit this Internet website www.nationwideposting.com, using
the file number assigned to this
case 2605080387-5. 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 "eligi-
ble 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 auction.
There are three steps to exercis-
ing this right of purchase. First,
48 hours after the date of the
trustee sale, you can call (916)
939-0772, or visit this internet
website www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number as-
signed to this case 2605080387-
5 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 trust-
ee. 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. When
submitting funds for a bid sub-
ject to Section 2924m, please
make the funds payable to "Total
Lender Solutions, Inc. Holding
Account". If you think you may
qualify as an "eligible tenant
buyer" or "eligible bidder," you
should consider contacting an at-
torney or appropriate real estate
professional immediately for ad-
vice regarding this potential right
to purchase. Please be advised
that the trustee may require enti-
ty or trust bidders at this trustee's
sale to provide information, docu-
mentation and/or certification of
the vesting instructions and the
data required to be reported pur-
suant to FinCEN regulations ef-
fective for transfers of residential
real property to covered transfer-
ees on or after March 1, 2026.
The required information must
be provided to the trustee before
a trustee's deed upon sale will
be issued for covered transfers.
Additional information regard-
ing these regulations and the
required transferee information
and certifications can be found
at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers>
and https://www.fincen.gov/rre-faqs#D_5 Date: 8/28/2026
Mortgage Lender Services 7844
Madison Avenue #145 Fair
Oaks, CA 95628 Phone: 916-
962-3453 Sale Line: (916) 939-
0772 BY: Lauren Meyer, Vice
President NPP0493856
To: CITIZEN (ELK GROVE) 09/18/2026,
09/25/2026, 10/02/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 10-2-26

File No.: 25-11057 APN:
132-0450-071-0000 NOTICE
OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU
ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER
LAKESIDE COMMUNITY
OWNERS' ASSOCIATION
(ASSOCIATION) COVENANTS,
CONDITIONS AND
RESTRICTIONS AND A
NOTICE OF DELINQUENT
ASSESSMENT (LIEN) DATED
07-22-2024. UNLESS YOU
TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT
YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE
SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF
YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION
OF THE NATURE OF THE
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST
YOU, YOU SHOULD
CONTACT A LAWYER. On 10-
20-2026 at 9:30 AM, OUTSIDE
THE SOUTH-FACING EXIT OF
SACRAMENTO CITY HALL,
IN THE COURTYARD AT 916
H STREET, SACRAMENTO,
CA 95814, ALLIED TRUSTEE
SERVICES (Trustee), 1601
Response Road, Suite 390,
Sacramento, CA 95815, (877)
282-4991, under and pursuant
to Lien, recorded 07-25-2024 as
Instrument 202407250675 Book
- - Page - - of Official Records
in the Office of the Recorder of
SACRAMENTO County, CA,
WILL CAUSE TO BE SOLD AT
PUBLIC AUCTION to the high-
est bidder for cash, cashier's
check/cash equivalent or other
form of payment authorized
by 2924h(b), (payable at time
of sale) the property owned by
MICHAEL DONAHUE, situated
in said County, describing the
land therein: APN: 132-0450-
071-0000 Any bid that is not
cash must be made directly pay-
able to "Allied Trustee Services".
Winning bid checks received
not payable directly to Allied
Trustee Services (i.e. containing
third-party endorsements) must
be replaced within five business
days after the sale. The winning
bidder will be contacted at the
phone number and/or email
address provided for further in-
structions. The street address
and other common designation,
if any, of the real property de-
scribed above is purported to be:
3121 TURNBUCKLE CIRCLE,

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sacramento County Board of Education Seeks to Fill Vacancy
Applications for Trustee Area 6 Vacancy Due October 6, 2026

SACRAMENTO — The **Sacramento County Board of Education** is seeking applications from qualified residents interested in serving as the Trustee for Area 6. The Board voted on September 15, 2026, to fill this vacancy through a provisional appointment. The selected individual will serve until the next regularly scheduled County Board election in 2028.

Important Dates and Deadlines

- **Application Deadline:** Tuesday, October 6, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. PT
- **Candidate Interviews and Selection:** Tuesday, October 13, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. at the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) Board Room, 10474 Mather Blvd., Mather, CA 95655.

Eligibility and Qualifications

To be eligible, candidates must meet the following legal requirements pursuant to California Education Code sections 1000(a) and 1006(a):

1. Live within Trustee Area 6;
2. Be a registered voter; and
3. Not be an employee of SCOE or any school district within the boundaries of the Sacramento County Board of Education.

Documents Required to Apply

To be considered for the provisional appointment, applicants must submit:

1. A resume; and
2. A statement of no more than two pages outlining their interest in serving on the Board and the experience they would bring.

Applicants may also submit up to three letters of recommendation.

How to Apply

Applications are accepted during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and **must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. PT on Tuesday, October 6, 2026.**

Submit your complete application package via one of the following methods:

- **In Person:** David P. Meaney Education Center, 10474 Mather Boulevard, Mather, CA 95655
- **By Mail:** President (c/o Wende Watson), Sacramento County Board of Education, P.O. Box 269003, Sacramento, CA 95826
- **By Email:** Send to Wende Watson at wwatson@scoe.net

*Note: Mailed applications must be received, not postmarked, by the **October 6, 2026, deadline.***

Questions and Contact Information

For additional information, visit

Small Businesses Seek Relief from Privacy Suits

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Element Electric could be out \$200,000.

Newsom’s office declined to comment on the legislation.

“We are begging the governor’s office to please pass SB 690,” said Gytahnna Loffgren of Element Electric.

Element Electric is being sued by a Southern California law firm and the \$200,000 is a substantial sum given that company employs a grand total of three people on a part-time basis.

“We’ve never been sued by anyone for anything, so this was a complete shock,” said Gytahnna Loffgren, whose husband Andrew operates the solar panel and battery installation company as a second job. “It’s a total abuse and misuse of the law.”

Back in May, the Loffgrens received the lawsuit in the mail. There was no accompanying letter with an explanation or a demand. Mou Law was suing Element Electric, alleging the business had multiple violations of the California Invasion of Privacy Act.

“We had no idea who the person suing us was,” she said. “It took us two days to figure out that this was legitimate, and that involved getting hold of someone who could get into the court system to see that it was real.”

A few weeks later, she was served with formal notice that Element Electric was being sued.

“This wasn’t a customer; it wasn’t someone from the area and it wasn’t someone that we’d ever heard of before,” Loffgren said.

Andrew Loffgren quickly reached out to others within the solar industry and discovered several other companies

were being sued by a small group of trial lawyers seeking to extract settlements from businesses.

More than 4,200 lawsuits alleging a privacy claim involving the use of digital tracking technologies have been filed against California businesses since the middle of 2022, according to Fisher Phillips, a national law firm with dozens of U.S. offices, including a location in Sacramento.

“Digital wiretapping claims arise when opportunistic plaintiffs’ attorneys and pro se plaintiffs repurpose existing statutes originally intended to prevent people from listening in on phone calls and other communications,” according to information published on Fisher Phillips’ website last month.

“They claim that the very common practice of collecting data from website visitors through analytics tools (like cookies, pixels, session replay software, etc.) amounts to a violation of these old federal and state statutes,” the firm added.

According to Loffgren’s research, Mou Law alone has filed more than 200 lawsuits across 34 counties in California, including 38 against companies in Sacramento County.

“Of those lawsuits, 17 were filed on May 21, including the one we received, and they all have the same exact language,” Loffgren said.

Some California businesses have settled the suits against them. But Belinda Gutierrez, owner of Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air, refuses.

“I don’t have it in me to settle with this lady,” Gutierrez said about Arcadia attorney Yao Mou.



Pictured are Andrew and Gytahnna Loffgren of Dixon firm Element Electric, which is facing damages of \$200,000 for alleged violations of the California Invasion of Privacy Act. The Loffgrens say predatory lawyers are behind the suit. Photo by Kevin Dietrich

Mou could not be reached for comment. Neither could a spokesperson for the Consumer Attorneys of California, which took a position opposing SB 690,

according to CalMatters.

The suit against Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air was filed in Southern California, where Gutierrez is willing to go to defend her

company against it.

Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air is facing four alleged violations, Gutierrez said.

But three of the four will be addressed by SB 690 if

it becomes law, she said.

The bill will be retroactive, addressing claims filed up to two years before the law goes into effect.

“I’ll take that,” she said. ★

MEETING MINDERS

Thursday, Oct. 1

Elk Grove Planning Commission, 6 p.m. View live video stream at ElkGroveCity.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., 9510 Elk Grove Florin Road. View live video stream at EGUSD.net.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

Rotary Club of Elk Grove, 12:10 p.m., The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. elkgroverotary.org
Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors, 5 p.m., 8820 Elk Grove Blvd. View live video stream at CosumnesCSD.gov.
Moose Lodge 2731, 6 p.m., Hay Tones Hangout,

10413 Franklin Blvd.

Elks Lodge 2577, 7 p.m., 9240 Survey Road. elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?lodgenumber=2577

Wednesday, Oct. 14

Rotary Club of Elk Grove, 12:10 p.m., The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. elkgroverotary.org
Elk Grove City Council, 6 p.m., 8400 Laguna Palms Way. View live video stream at ElkGroveCity.org.

Thursday, Oct. 15

Elk Grove Planning Commission, 6 p.m. View live video stream at ElkGroveCity.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., 9510

Elk Grove Florin Road. View live video stream at EGUSD.net.

Florin Resource Conservation District Board, (governs Elk Grove Water District), 6:30 p.m., 9829 Waterman Road. View live video stream at egwd.org.

Wednesday, Oct. 21

Rotary Club of Elk Grove, 12:10 p.m., The Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. elkgroverotary.org
Cosumnes Community Services District Board of Directors, 5 p.m., 8820 Elk Grove Blvd. View live video stream at CosumnesCSD.gov.

Elks Lodge 2577, 7 p.m., 9240 Survey Road. elks.org/lodges/home.cfm?lodgenumber=2577

Monday, Oct. 26

Elk Grove Lions Foundation, 6 p.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave. elkgrovelionsfoundation.org.

Tuesday, Oct. 27

Kiwanis Club of

Laguna/Elk Grove, 7 p.m., Wackford Community Center, 9014 Bruceville Road. k18948.site.kiwanis.org

Wednesday, Oct. 28
Rotary Club of Elk Grove, 12:10 p.m., The

Park at Laguna Springs, 9670 Laguna Springs Drive. elkgroverotary.org

Elk Grove City Council, 6 p.m., 8400 Laguna Palms Way. View live video stream at ElkGroveCity.org. ★

ARTS CALENDAR

Omid Izadi Works Featured

“A Decade: From Passion to Impact with Omid Izadi,” runs through Sept. 26.

“I aim to create meaningful stories in art that highlight humanity’s impact on animals and the natural world, and through my paintings, I hope to preserve the beauty of animals and their importance in society,” Izadi said

Details at

elkgrovetineartscenter.org.

Art Workshops for Adults

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

If you’re looking for basic to advanced instruction in Batiking, Ceramics, Clay, Encaustics, Fabric Art, Mixed-Media, Mosaics, Plein Air, or

Watercolor (and more!), you will find it here.

To learn more, visit elkgrovetineartscenter.org/workshop.

View Artwork from Elk Grove

Visit the Elk Grove Arts and Creative Economy Commission’s Citywide Art Guide to art pieces and art events in Elk Grove: webmaps.elkgrovecity.org/publicartelkgrove. ★

Legal Advertising
916-483-0946

LEGAL ADVERTISING

The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the County of Sacramento, Case No. 14303 - October 14, 1910
The Elk Grove Citizen Adjudicated For and By the City of Elk Grove, Case No. CS01032 - August 25, 2000

2508 Garfield Ave. • Ste. A
Carmichael, CA 95608

TRUSTEE SALE

ELK GROVE, CA 95758 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the sums due under the Lien. The estimated total unpaid balance at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee’s Sale is \$10,454.57. THE PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE 90-DAY POST-SALE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION AS SET FORTH IN CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE SECTION 5715(B). THE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION BEGINS WHEN THE SALE IS FINALIZED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE

SECTION 2924m. Association heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default. The undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located, and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder’s sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of lien being postponed one or

more times by the Association, 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 (844) 477-7869, or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM for information, using the file number assigned to this case: 25-11057. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information

is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an ‘eligible tenant buyer,’ you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an ‘eligible bidder,’ you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (844) 477-7869, or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM for information, using the file number assigned to this case: 25-11057 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. DATE: September 04, 2026 ALLIED TRUSTEE SERVICES, Trustee TANYA HALL, Authorized Signature Published 9/25/2026, 10/2/2026, 10/9/2026
ELK GROVE CITIZEN 10-9-26



POLICE LOGS

Sept. 14

2:35 a.m., Elk Grove Police arrested Brent Contreras, 37, on possession of cocaine or heroin, possession of controlled substance and warrant charges.

3:56 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Eduardo Castrejon Martinez, 34, on domestic violence and damaging a communication device to prevent help charges.

11:11 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Boris Alvarado, 28, on domestic violence charges.

1:55 p.m., Elk Grove Florin Road/Calvine Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Alex Ruiz, 29, on possession of drug paraphernalia and warrant charges.

12:06 p.m., 8880 block of Mylitta Court, Elk Grove Police arrested Samantha Saelee, 34, on warrant changes.

9:30 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Samuel Song, 33, on domestic violence and battery causing serious bodily injury charges.

9:53 p.m., State Highway 99/ Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Kevin Lee, 42, on DUI charges.

Sept. 15

12:07 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Ryan Railey, 25, on domestic violence charges.

12:33 p.m., 9000 block of Brown Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Jacob Glass, 38, on warrant charges.

12:58 p.m., 8100 block of Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Irma Randolph, 63, on shoplifting and shoplifting with priors charges.

5:01 p.m., 8400 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Ray Bragg, 30, on theft with priors charges.

9:51 p.m., Stockton Boulevard/ Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Andrey E. Govorukhin, 32, on DUI, runaway vehicle causing property damage, carrying a loaded firearm and carrying a concealed weapon charges.

Sept. 17

8:35 a.m., Castleford Way/ Banbury Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Andrew Gross, 38, on warrant charges.

9:26 Silvies Way/Calamus Court, Elk Grove Police arrested Daniel Hernandez, 22, on warrant charges.

4:20 p.m., 7100 block of Elk

Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Eric West, 48, on theft with priors and warrant charges.

6:28 p.m., 9400 block of East Stockton Boulevard, Grove Police arrested Khisraw Ghazi, 29, on evading a police officer and hit and run/non-injury charges.

9:01 p.m., 10000 block of Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Erica Evans, 36, on warrant charges.

Sept. 18

9:27 a.m., Lakepoint Drive/ Sondiesia Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Donald Harris, 52, on possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

9:44 a.m., Harding Hall Drive/ Sheldon Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Alijah Burton, 27, on warrant charges.

12:15 p.m., 8600 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Juan Correa, 22, on assault with a deadly weapon charges.

Sept. 19

2 a.m., Sheldon Road/Freesia Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Robert Moore, 28, on DUI, DUI with BAC above 0.08% and DUI

while on probation charges.

8:54 a.m., Terrazzo Drive/ Bruceville Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Carol Xiong, 41, on warrant charges.

9:41 a.m., 8800 block of Lewis Stein Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Dale Johnson, 44, on warrant charges.

6:38 p.m., Elk Grove Boulevard/Harbour Point Drive, Elk Grove Police arrested Devon Jordan, 28, on warrant charges.

10:18 p.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Yueli Chen, 35, on domestic violence charges.

10:52 p.m., Kammerer Road/ Promenade Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Marcos Raymundo, 45, on DUI and DUI with BAC above 0.08% charges.

Sept. 20

1 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Alberto Haro, 31, on domestic violence and assault with force likely to cause great bodily injury charges.

1:23 a.m., 8300 block of Power Inn Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Ziona Manzanares Johnson, 22, on unlawful use of tear gas and warrant charges.

7:11 a.m., Bond Road/Van Ruitten Lane, Elk Grove Police arrested Aaron Davis, 45, on warrant charges.

9:22 a.m., confidential

location, Elk Grove Police arrested Bryan Novak, 24; and Jailah Gary, 20, on domestic violence and violation of restraining order charges.

1:06 p.m., 7500 block of Song Sparrow Way, Elk Grove Police arrested Miguel Carrillo, 33, on vandalism and warrant charges.

Sept. 21

12:28 a.m., Bruceville Road/ Laguna Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Tyrone Randell, 38, on DUI and child endangerment charges.

2:44 a.m., 9950 block of Lotz Parkway, Elk Grove Police arrested Kenneth Linden, 40, on burglary and parole violation charges.

9:04 a.m., confidential location, Elk Grove Police arrested Lapeer Moore, 60, on violation of restraining order charges.

9:10 a.m., 7010 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Jonathan Martinez, 39, on vandalism charges.

1:51 p.m., Power Inn Road/ Calvine Road, Elk Grove Police arrested Paul Flanagan, 45, on possession of drug paraphernalia charges.

2:48 p.m., 8600 block of Elk Grove Boulevard, Elk Grove Police arrested Alicia White, 52, on DUI charges. ★

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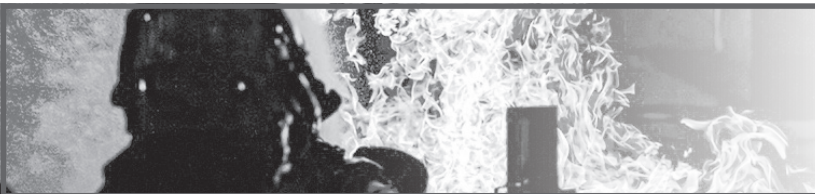
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21. Strong virile man

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23. *Bruno Mars' hat

26. Highest-reaching

30. Before of yore

31. Quill-dipping vessel

34. Popular aquarium show star

35. Schoolmarm's whip

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38. Opposite of cation

39. Hurry up, acr.

40. Blood infection

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50. Hyperbolic tangent

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55. Battle royal

56. One R in R&R

57. Nightcrawler

59. *Hipsters' facial trend

60. Prima donnas' problems

61. Not in favor

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63. Even, to a poet

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28. Open disrespect

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32. Capped joint

33. *Funko ____!

36. *Toy for the fidgety

38. Off kilter

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Girls Flag Football Enters League Competition

Story and photo
by Nathan Felix Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - Volleyball was not the only league competition being played on Wednesday, Sept. 16. Flag football is also starting to get into the thick of things as teams enter league play.

Laguna Creek traveled to play Elk Grove, 3-4 on the season while 0-2 in league play, while Laguna Creek was 5-5 on the season and 0-2 in league play as well.

The game started with both teams trading scores throughout the first half. Both teams kept it close trying to gain the upper hand, looking for their first league wins of the season.

It was not until the second half that Elk Grove started to separate, and Laguna Creek could not catch up. The game ended 30-18 in favor of the Thundering Herd.

That brought Elk Grove up to 4-4 on the season, and its first league win to made it 1-2 in the Delta League. But it dropped Laguna Creek to below .500 at 5-6 and lefty the Cardinals looking for their first league win, dropping them to 0-3.

Cosumnes Oaks, taking on Sheldon at home, went into this game 3-3 overall and 0-2 in league play. Sheldon came into the game with an outstanding overall record of 12-1 and league best 3-0 in the Delta League.

Sheldon also came into this game with an 11 game win streak, looking to keep it alive.

And from the start the Huskies showed why they are No. 1 in the Delta League. They came out strong and did not let up, controlling the game from start to finish: a lopsided 31-6 final.

The win pushed Sheldon to an overall record of 13-1 and undefeated in league 4-0. Cosumnes Oaks fell to 3-4 on the season and, just like Laguna Creek, the Wolfpack is looking for its first league win.

Franklin visited Pleasant Grove, which stood at 5-2 with a three-game win streak and the second-best record in the league at 3-0. Franklin had a record of 3-7, and 1-2 in the league.

Similar to the Pleasant Grove game, it was one-sided from the start with the



No. 3 Mackenzie McEntee runs for a touchdown.

Eagles scoring early and keeping control of the game to its 33-0 conclusion.

Pleasant Grove improved to 6-2 on the season, with a four-game winning streak, and still undefeated in the Delta League at 4-0. This game dropped Franklin to 3-8

overall and a 1-3 league record.

Monterey Trail, in non-league competition, traveled to play Rodriguez-Fairfield. The Mustangs entered this game with an overall record of 6-2 and 2-1 in league play. The Mustangs started the game hot,

taking the momentum from the start. And just like Pleasant Grove, Monterey Trail was able to put up 33 points while not allowing Rodriguez to score.

The Mustangs improved to 7-2 on the season and 2-1 in the Delta League. ★

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Stakes Rising for High School Volleyball



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Story and photos by
Nathan Felix Valencia

ELK GROVE, CA (MPG) - With volleyball teams now playing league games, every set and game counts toward post-season play where every school can fight for the Delta League Championship.

Sheldon High School traveled to Cosumnes Oaks High School Sept. 16, when the Huskies sported a better overall record than their opponents. But in league play Sheldon was 0-3 while the Wolfpack was 2-0.

Sheldon was coming off a 3-1 loss to Laguna Creek, while Cosumnes Oaks was coming off a dominant 3-0 win against Kennedy High School.

The Wolfpack came out strong and won the first two sets, making it difficult for the Huskies. But the Huskies fought back,

winning the third set before falling in the fourth.

Cosumnes Oaks improved to 7-6 overall and 3-0 in league play while Sheldon dropped to 7-7 overall and 0-4 in league play.

Elk Grove vs. Laguna Creek

Elk Grove High School stayed home to take on Laguna Creek High School. Elk Grove's Thundering Herd came into the game with a better overall record at 7-5 while the Cardinals were 4-2. Both teams were 1-1 in league play.

Laguna Creek was coming off a 3-1 victory against Sheldon, while Elk Grove was coming off a 3-0 loss to Pleasant Grove.

This match had high scoring sets, but in similar fashion, Laguna Creek won the first two sets before Elk Grove stole the third and

dropped the fourth.

The Cardinals improved their record to 5-2 on the season and 2-1 in league play. The Thundering Herd dropped to 7-6 on the season and 1-2 in the league.

Pleasant Grove vs. Franklin

Pleasant Grove High School took on Franklin High School at home. Although the Eagles were below .500 going into the game at 8-9, they were 2-1 in league play. Franklin had an overall record of 3-6 but had the same 2-1 league record.

Once the match started, it was one-sided from the start. Pleasant Grove found open spaces on the floor the whole game. Franklin fought to make it close each set but were unable to close out any, losing 3-0.

Pleasant Grove moved back to .500 overall and 3-1 in league play, while



No. 23 Emmalyn Alvarez serves for Franklin High School.

Franklin dropped to 3-7 and 2-2 in the league.

Monterey Trail vs. Kennedy High

Monterey Trail High School was the only team that did not play a league

opponent.

They traveled to play the Kennedy High School Cougars, with both teams coming in with 5-2 records on the season. The Cougars were 0-2 in league play while the Mustangs were

1-2.

This was the closest game of the week. The teams traded sets until Monterey Trail closed it out to win 3-2, improving to 6-2 overall but still 1-2 in league play. ★

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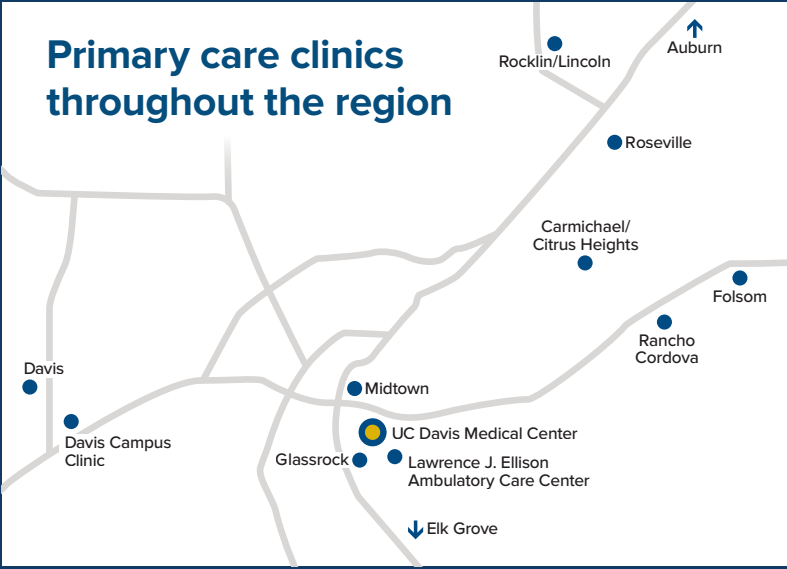
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