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Small Businesses Hope
Bill Stops Privacy Suits



Pictured is Belinda Gutierrez, owner of Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air, which has an office in Galt. 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

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Council
Approves
Crystal Way
Property
Rezone



By John McCallum

GALT, CA (MPG) - The City Council has unanimously approved measures that could make potential development of 12.42 acres in southeast Galt much easier for the property owner. The resolution passed at the Sept. 15 meeting subdivides two existing parcels into five parcels and changes the zoning on three of those new parcels – amounting to almost 8.78 acres – from Highway Commercial to Commercial zoning. Both Highway Commercial and Commercial allow for similar development, but Commercial allows greater flexibility in these uses as well as some residential development such as mixed use with commercial at ground level and residential above. The property, known as the Crystal Way Commercial Development Project and owned by Buzz Oates Enterprises II of Sacramento, is at the intersection of Crystal Way, South Carillion Boulevard and the state Highway 99 ramp, with these roads splitting up the current two parcels. It is bordered by the Dry Creek subdivision on the north, Dry Creek Golf Course on the south, Dry Creek tributaries to the east and Highway 99 on the west. The current eastern parcel is bisected by a gravel road serving a city water well, which under the proposed rezone would become Parcel 3, that is not currently in use. There is also a 6-inch sewer line along the road serving the well. “The existing site has unique features which has resulted in challenges to development,” Galt Associate Planner Stacy Schafer said. “The existing site is divided by public roadways which do not align with the existing parcel boundaries.” The three parcels rezoned Commercial are located east of Crystal Way and South Carillion Boulevard between the golf course and the subdivision. Schafer said the proposed changes meet requirements in Galt’s General Plan and were unanimously

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Hard Hat ‘Hero’ Wins \$10,000

By Keith Burbank

GALT, CA (MPG) - A concrete pumper from Galt won \$10,000 for helping to build schools, hospitals and other structures that improve the lives for the rest of us. Rommel Saldivar, 49, has been pumping concrete for nearly 25 years and won The Day Savers nationwide contest by SupplyHouse, a distributor of plumbing, electrical and heating, ventilation and air-conditioning supplies. His wife Lesley entered him in the contest. Saldivar was one of 10 winners and the only one from California, according to Supply House. “I never thought we’d win anything,” Saldivar told The Galt Herald. He plans to use the money to pay off some bills and to give his family a surprise, he said. “The idea behind The Day Savers is simple: Tradesmen arrive when something is broken and often leave as soon as it’s fixed,” said Kaylin Staub, chief marketing officer at SupplyHouse. “Too often, they never get to see what their work made possible or the impact they had on the people they helped.” The Day Savers changes

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Galt resident Rommel Saldivar, a concrete pumper by trade, spends time with his daughter on a job site. Saldivar won \$10,000 from SupplyHouse for his work pumping concrete for nearly 25 years. Photo by Lesley Saldivar

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and favor the bill becoming law. Elk Grove Plumbing, Drain, Heating and Air is facing a \$20,000 suit while 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 Gytahanna 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 Gytahanna 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.



Pictured are Andrew and Gytahanna 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

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.

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.



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approved by the city’s Planning Commission at its Aug. 13 meeting.

Highway Commercial allows for medium- to high-density development while Commercial is low- to medium-density development. Both allow businesses such as regional shopping centers, offices, various retail, restaurants, hotels and motels, highway service centers and entertainment establishments

As an example of the differences, where Highway Commercial would allow only restaurants without a drive-thru, Commercial would allow restaurants with a drive-thru along with other uses such as car washes and convenience stores if those uses receive Conditional Use Permits. Schafer told the council the property owner currently has no plans for development and could sell the property, something made more appealing with the rezone.

“So, some of the nos in Highway Commercial are allowed in Commercial with the Conditional Use Permit,” Councilmember Shawn Farmer said.

Council members were generally supportive of the proposed changes. Mayor Bonnie Rodriguez said she had some concerns about the existing water well and if there were any considerations for using it in the future. Public Works Director Fritz Buchman said he didn’t have much information on the well and would have to research it.

Vice Mayor Tim Reed said right now residents in the area had to go west across

Highway 99 or north as far as Twin Cities Road to find commercial uses. The rezone would change that.

“It makes it a little more diverse,” he added.

Also, at the Sept. 15 meeting, council waived the first reading and unanimously approved by title only an ordinance making changes to the city’s municipal code regarding solid waste disposal and processing. The changes bring the city’s codes into compliance with two Assembly bills passed to provide greater flexibility and clarify requirements for solid waste processing originally established under Senate Bill 1383.

According to the staff report, SB 1383 “requires municipalities to sort and divert greater portions of the waste stream, perform organics recycling, procure specified quantities of recycled waste products and implement enforcement policies.”

Buchman said the legislation sets standards for compost and mulch, how these organic products can be produced, the percentage of contaminants allowed and other requirements.

The proposed ordinance would not increase solid waste collection rates to Galt residents, something Farmer wanted stated clearly.

“If anything, over the long term it could put downward pressure on rates because it’s easier for us to meet our procurement targets,” Buchman added.

A second reading, required before the ordinance amends the municipal code, is scheduled for the Oct. 6 meeting. ★

Galt Chamber
of Commerce
News Release

GALT, CA (MPG) - Women in Galt have a new place to move, connect, and build confidence with the official opening of It Girl Club CA, a unique fitness studio that combines Pilates and Pom fitness.

The studio celebrated its ribbon-cutting with the Galt Chamber of Commerce on Sept. 13, welcoming the community to its location at 232 N. Lincoln Way, Suite 10.

Founded by Roxanne Babcock, It Girl Club CA was inspired by her family’s love of cheerleading and the positive impact it had on their lives. Roxanne wanted to create a space where women could experience the same energy, encouragement, teamwork and confidence that cheer provides long after their school years have ended.

That vision grew even stronger through her daughter, Kylie, whose passion for Pilates helped shape the concept into something unique. Together, the



Gary Babcock, Roxanne Babcock, Stella Babcock, Scarlett Babcock and Bailey Babcock at the ribbon-cutting for Galt’s It Girl Club CA. Photo courtesy of the Galt Chamber of Commerce

mother-daughter team combined the strength and wellness benefits of Pilates with the fun, high-energy atmosphere of Pom fitness.

“Our goal is to create a place where women can come exactly as they are, have fun moving their bodies, build friendships and leave feeling more confident than when they walked in,” said Babcock.

It Girl Club CA offers a variety of classes for all fitness levels, including Mat Pilates, Warm Pilates, Sculpt, HIIT-style workouts and Pom Fitness classes.

The studio offers monthly memberships, class packs and drop-in classes, allowing participants to choose the option that works best for their schedule and lifestyle.

Perhaps one of the best parts for first-time visitors is how simple it is to get started.

“Just bring your amazing self and some water,” the team says. “We’ll take care of the rest.” ★

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that “by giving customers, families, coworkers and communities a way to tell those stories and recognize the tradesmen who are there when they need them most,” Staub added.

Saldivar’s job can be challenging, he said. Sometimes he is away from his family for more than a day, spending nights in a hotel because he must travel far from home and be on the job early the next day.

His job has taken him as far south as Bakersfield, he said, and north to the Oregon border. He’s worked in Nevada, too, he added.

Opportunities for

advancement are there, but “money is not everything,” Saldivar said.

“I love my job,” he said. “I love pumping concrete, but I want to see my family.”

He has a 7-year-old daughter, Savannah, and another daughter who is a sophomore at Galt High School.

“This man is a hero who wears a hard hat,” Lesley Saldivar said.

“The hospital bed you stayed in till you were well enough to go home, the school (where) your daughter learned how to read, the cancer treatment center (that) treated your grandmother, that bridge, levee, (or) spillway that

was repaired after flooding and wear and tear, those four walls you call home, and that museum you visited as a family: all of those were built by concrete he poured,” she said in the nomination of her husband.

“This man never gets a thank you and he is the most deserving man I know! she said. ★

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State Tax Set; Wire Fencing for Sale

125 Years Ago
September 7, 1901
The State Board of Equalization this week fixed the State tax levy at 48 cents on \$100 worth of taxable property. This is a reduction under last year of one cent and eight mills. (Galt Weekly Witness)

September 14, 1901
See James Whitaker for rabbit and hog tight cyclone wire fence best and cheapest on earth, and he will give you a pointer on how and where to get one at the least trouble and expense. He is at present having wire fences built himself. (Galt Weekly Witness)



GLANCE BACK
with Dan Tarnasky

100 Years Ago
September 3, 1926
Miss Genevieve Harvey returned from San Francisco Saturday evening after attending a reception on board the U.S. flagship California to meet the Secretary of the Navy, also in company with Chester Beckwith, Albert Osler, George Smith, and

Fay Granados. A lunch was provided aboard the U. S. flagship Seattle and given by Admiral Samuel S. Robison, Commander in Chief of the US Navy, in honor of the Knights of King Arthur of Galt.

September 24, 1926
The sales office of Tom Hendley, dealer in

Chevrolet and Oldsmobile cars of Galt, is still making records in the sale of automobiles in this section of the country. Mr. Hendley started in business here about six months ago in a field where others had believed it impossible to succeed as an automobile dealer

75 Years Ago
September 7, 1951
Apparent efforts underway again to discontinue the Galt Fair were blasted yesterday as propaganda by Charles Bellie, Galt's only representative on the board of directors of the 52nd District Agricultural Association. Bellie said he felt certain that a majority of the board members are in favor of continuing the

fair in Galt.
September 14, 1951
Red Quenell, the elementary school bus driver, says he had a bit of trouble on the opening day of school. It seems that the bus was crowded, and the younger kids were squalling, and when Red made a turn away from Galt instead of toward town, they were afraid he was kidnapping them. It only took a couple of minutes for diplomatic Red to explain to them that he would have them home soon and that he was just following his regular route.

50 Years Ago
September 6, 1976
Mark's Bike Shop, operated by Mark Morris and

Matthew Pratton, has moved back home to 318 Maple Street, where they have enlarged their workshop. They are installing a business phone and will stress pickup and delivery, hoping to speed up and improve services.

September 23, 1976
Galt Agent Kent Shebelut has been elected to the Agents' Advisory Council of the New York Life Insurance Company. The 25-member council is elected from more than 10,000 New York Life agents in the US and Canada. A Galt resident since 1955 and an agent since 1966, Shebelut is Galt's Citizen of the Year for 1976. ★

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

Stay with Sabonis

By V.G. Harris

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.

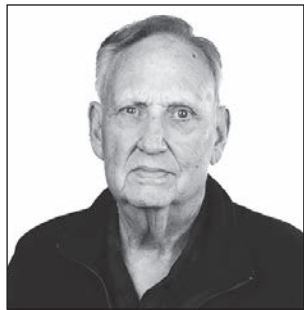
Likewise, Zach Lavine hampered by injuries last season, is a former 2-time NBA all star and has something to prove in garnish-ion nearly 50 million in the upcoming season. Shooting nearly 40% lifetime from beyond the arc and just a shade under 20 points per game, Scott Perry should be giving this talented 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 poten-tial 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 bil-lionaires, with almost all of the proceeds being spent on healthcare.

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

"Our first responsibil-ity as an organization is to lead with our values," the other union officials said in a statement. "We stand with all those who are bul-lied, 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 ammuni-tion. The split within Service Employees International and in the larger union movement reflects both long-standing feuds and resentment that the mea-sure's revenues would be largely confined to ser-vices that Regan's members provide.

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

Prior to the measure's qualification for the bal-lot, Newsom was publicly attempting to derail it, wor-rying 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 presi-dent 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. ★

ABOUT TOWN

Continuing through Saturday, Oct. 31

Greetings from Galt Community Photo Contest – annual contest that celebrates our community through photography. For this year's theme, "Places & Character of Galt," show us the places and details that make Galt recognizable. Capture local landmarks, historic features, architecture, streetscapes, neighborhoods, civic spaces and other unique or fami-liar sights around town. Whether it's a well-known landmark or an everyday view that feels distinctly Galt, we want to see our community through your lens. Requirements and submission instructions at bit.ly/GreetingsFromGalt.

Friday, Sept. 25

Live Music with Phil 'n da Pinots – 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Barsetti Vineyards. Call 209-744-6062 for more information and res-ervations. 400 4th St., #150, Old Town Galt.

Saturday, Sept. 26 and Sunday, Sept. 27

Fall Makers Fair – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day at Lavender Estates. Dive into the spirit of creativity and community at our Fall Makers' Fair. Celebrate the season with local arti-sans, crafters, and creators showcasing their unique handmade goods. From stunning crafts to delicious treats, there's something for everyone. Bring your friends and family to enjoy live demonstrations, inter-active workshops and the beauty of our laven-der fields. 9050 Tavernor Road, Wilton.

Saturday, Sept. 26

Swap Meet & Car Show – 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Galt Market grounds. Turn those old parts into cash. Swap meet spaces are only \$20 pre-regis-tered or \$25 day of show. Free parking; \$5 admis-sion, kids 12 and under are free. Call 209-513-8651 for more information. 610 Chabolla Ave.

Paint & Sip Master Class – 1 p.m. at Barsetti Vineyards. Call 209-744-6062 for more information and reservations. 400 4th St., #150, Old Town Galt.

Old Galt Dinner Dance – 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in Old Town Galt. Gather your friends and join us for one of Galt's favorite annual traditions as Old Town comes alive with music, laughter and com-munity spirit. Whether you're hitting the dance floor, singing along to your favorite country hits or enjoying great food and great company, the Old Galt Dinner Dance prom-ises an evening packed with energy, excitement and memories you'll be talking about long after the last song. Tickets and more information at galt-chamber.org. 4th Street Promenade.

Pumpkin Patch at Fog Willow Farms Opens for the Season – Fog Willow is a friendly, safe, excit-ing "Edu-Tainment" farm where you can celebrate all that is agriculture, all that is family and all that is fun. Open daily through Sunday, Nov. 1. See its website at fogwillowfarms.com for information and updates. 11011 Cecatra Drive, Wilton.

Saturday, Oct. 3

Wilton Community

Yard Sale – 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Wilton Community Center. We're getting ready to pack the Dillard School parking lot with sellers, shoppers, bar-gains and treasures. It's the perfect excuse to finally clean out the garage, clos-ets and storage shed. This sale happens along with the final Dillard Farmers Market of the season, so you can enjoy one last chance to shop your favor-ite local farmers, makers and vendors before we wrap up another great mar-ket season. 9717 Colony Road, Wilton.

Galt Saturday Market – 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the 4th Street Promenade. This open-air extravaganza fea-tures 75-plus vendors offering a delightful variety of baked goods, delicious cuisines, home décor, handmade crafts, seasonal flowers, specialty items and more. Each month brings a unique theme, along with live entertain-ment and activities the whole family can enjoy. Come enjoy sunshine, shopping and small-town charm. 4th and C Streets.

Sunday, Oct. 4

Central Valley Classics 'n' Customs Cars & Coffee – 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Parkwest Casino, first Sunday each month. Bring your ride, bring your friends and let's enjoy another incredible season of community, clas-sics, customs and coffee. This event proudly sup-ports local U.S. military active-duty troops and vet-erans, adding a meaningful community connection to the experience. 1800 S. Cherokee Lane, Lodi.

Lodi Street Faire

– 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Downtown Lodi. Twice a year, the streets of Downtown Lodi transform into a lively marketplace. This massive community event draws thousands of visitors from across the region. With over 500 vendors, this is one of Northern California's pre-mier festivals for shopping, dining and family fun. Free admission. School and Church Streets, Lodi.

Free Admission Day at World of Wonders Science Museum – 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Experience a day of discovery with free admission during the 2026 WOW for All Days. These special Sundays are designed for families, first-time visitors and WOW members looking to share the experience; members can even bring a guest along. Enjoy the museum at your own pace while taking part in hands-on, family-friendly activities offered throughout the day. No tickets or reservations are needed; just arrive and explore. More information at wovsciencemuseum.org. 2 N. Sacramento St., Lodi.

Karaoke/Band Practice – 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Barsetti Vineyards. Join us to sing along with "Phil 'n da Pinots," request your own songs or even join the band on stage to play along. Call 209-744-6062 for more information and reservations. 400 4th St., #150, Old Town Galt.

Ongoing Events

Dillard Farmers Market – 8 a.m. to noon at the Wilton Community Center. Join us at our vibrant, small community

farmers market, where the essence of local agricul-ture comes alive. Every Saturday through Oct. 3, our market serves as a gathering place for farm-ers, artisans and families, fostering a sense of com-munity and supporting sustainable practices. 9717 Colony Road, Wilton.

Galt Café & Cars – every second Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon at Café Latte. Open to cars, trucks, bicycles, motorcycles and anything else with wheels. Next event is Saturday, Oct. 10. 1000 C St.

Twin Cities Cruisers Cars and Coffee – last Sunday of every month, 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Life's Grind coffee house in the Raley's shopping cen-ter. All makes and models are welcome. 10420 Twin Cities Road. **Next show will be Sunday, Sept. 27.**

Widowed Persons Social Club – Sept. 25, 10 a.m.: Mixed variety game day at Elk Grove United Methodist Church, 8986 Elk Grove Blvd. A small donation to the church is expected. Contact Gerri at 916-698-1940.

Wilton Bingo – First Saturday each month. The next bingo will be on Saturday, Oct. 3 in the Wilton Community Center. Doors open at 5 p.m. with food available for sale and Bingo starts at 6 p.m. All proceeds go to two non-profits: the local Park Council and the Wilton History Group. 9717 Colony Road at Dillard Road, Wilton.

Library Events

Sacramento County Libraries have the follow-ing upcoming events at (G) Galt Marian O. Lawrence

Library, 1000 Caroline Ave. and (WG) Walnut Grove, 14177 Market St.

Friday, Sept. 25: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversa-tion group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Tuesday, Sept. 29: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. (WG)

Wednesday, Sept. 30: English conversation group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G)

Friday, Oct. 2: Family story time, 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. (G) English conversa-tion group, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (G) Adult book group, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. This month, we are reading and discuss-ing "You're Not Listening" by Kate Murphy. (WG)

Veterans Meetings

American Legion Post 55, Veterans and Auxiliary Units – fourth Wednesdays: dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove. Breakfast: second Saturday, 8-10 a.m., 8830 Sharkey Ave., Elk Grove.

American Legion Post 233 and Auxiliary Unit 233 – fourth Thursdays at 7 p.m., Elks Lodge, 9240 Survey Road, Elk Grove. Dinner at 6 p.m.

Sons of the American Legion, Squadron 233 – first Mondays at 5:45 p.m. Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

Marine Corps League Detachment #1238 – first Thursdays: dinner 6 p.m., meeting 7 p.m., District56 Veterans Hall, 8230 Civic Center Drive, Elk Grove.

Veterans of Galt – local veterans meet at 9 a.m. third Saturdays at the Galt Place Apartments meeting room. Info: 530-386-2721 or 209-404-5022. ★

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENTS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-06541
Jason Saechao, 411 5th Street, Galt, CA 95632 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Jason Made Me Do It" 411 5th Street, Galt, CA 95632. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 21, 2026
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JASON 9-25-26

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FBNF2026-06705
Antonio Martinez, 1199 Chelsham Avenue, Galt, CA 95632 is doing business under the Fictitious Business Name(s) "Antonio Landscaping" 1199 Chelsham Avenue, Galt, CA 95632. Filed with the Clerk of Sacramento County August 27, 2026
Publish: Sept 18, 25, Oct 2, 9, 2026
ANTONIO 10-9-26

ORDER TO SHOW FOR CHANGE OF NAME

SUPERIOR COURT OF SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CHANGE OF NAME
#26CV020731
Sarah Elizabeth Perry has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing the name(s) of Sarah Elizabeth Perry to Sarah Perry Giron.
IT IS ORDERED that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court on April 26, 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: August 28, 2026
Julie G. Yap, Judge of the Superior Court
Publish: Sept 11, 18, 25, Oct 2, 2026
PERRY 10-2-26

TRUSTEE SALE

T.S. No.: 26-39110 A.P.N.: 148-0530-014-0000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/22/2021. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business 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 covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor: Paul Beckworth, II, a single man Duly Appointed Trustee: Vylla Solutions, LLC Recorded 9/28/2021 as Instrument No. 202109281303 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Sacramento County, California , Described as follows: As more fully described in the Deed of Trust Date of Sale: 10/20/2026 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: \$451,126.03 (Estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property:163 W C ST GALT, CA 95632 A.P.N.: 148-0530-014-0000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF

THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (877) 518-5700 or visit this Internet Web site www.realtybid.com, using the file number assigned to this case 26-39110. 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 (877) 518-5700, or visit this internet website www.realtybid.com, using the file number assigned to this case 26-39110 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. Please be advised that the trustee may require entity or trust bidders at this trustee's sale to provide information, documentation and/or certification of the vesting instructions and the data required to be reported pursuant to FinCEN regulations effective for transfers of residential real property to covered transferees 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. The Buyer may be required to pay charges associated with the gathering and reporting of information to FinCEN. Additional information regarding 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: 9-15-2026 Vylla Solutions, LLC 500 N. State College Blvd., Suite 1030 Orange, CA 92868 Automated Sale Information: (877) 518-5700 or www.realtybid.com for NON-SALE information: 888-313-1969 LaTedran Franklin, Trustee Sales Specialist PPP #26-010171 Published 9/25/2026, 10/2/2026, 10/9/2026 THE GALT HERALD 10-9-26

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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 www.scoe.net or contact Wende Watson at wwatson@scoe.net or (916) 228-2410.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE CONVENIENCE MARKET, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE RESTAURANT WITH DRIVE-THOUGH, A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE CAR WASH, AND DESIGN REVIEW (PROJECT ARCHITECTURE) FOR THE CARILLION BLVD COMMERCIAL CENTER PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the Galt Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on the date and time indicated below, or as soon thereafter that the matter can be heard, to receive and consider all evidence, testimony, and reports relative to the application described herein. The Planning Commission will act on the design review application for the project.

PROJECT TITLE: Carillion Blvd Commercial Center
PROJECT LOCATION: Carillion Blvd Commercial Center is north of Lake Park Ave; east of Carillion Blvd., west of Comfrey Senior Apartments, and south of Twin Cities Road (APNs 148-1110-002).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed infill project includes a Tentative Parcel Map (TPM), three Conditional Use Permits (CUPs), and Design Review (Project Architecture). The TPM will subdivide the existing 11.56± parcel into four separate parcels. Parcel 2 is 1.04± acres with a proposed commercial development including a 3,000 sq. ft. convenience store, 800 sq. ft. retail space, 1,800 sq. ft. fast food restaurant, and a gas station with eight pumps, a 3,000 sq. ft. car wash. Parcel 1 (2.26± acres), Parcel 3 (5.98± acres), and Parcel 4 (2.27± acres) and will be developed at a later date.

The proposed project is exempt from CEQA.
OWNER/APPLICANT: Twin Cities Petro Inc
8012 Goldenleaf Way
Sacramento, CA 95829
Magallon Construction Co., Inc.
P.O. Box 787
Hughson, CA 95326

PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING
Date and Time: The Planning Commission for the City of Galt will hold a public hearing on Thursday, October 8, 2026, at 6:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter that the matter can be heard. The meeting will be in person at the Galt City Council Chambers at City Hall, 380 Civic Drive, Galt.

The agenda packet will be published on October 1, 2026, and will be available for review on the City's website and in person at the Galt City Planning Department, 495 Industrial Drive, Galt, CA 95632. Please contact Stacy Schafer, Associate Planner at 209-366-7230 or sschafer@cityofgalt.org with questions.

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Sections 65009, 66020, and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the city at, or prior to, this public hearing.

Dated: September 25, 2026

Stacy Schafer

Stacy Schafer, Associate Planner

Tina Hubert

Tina Hubert, City Clerk

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ORDINANCE NO. 2026-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE DISTRICT ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF GALT TO REZONE 8.78 ACRES FROM HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL TO COMMERCIAL ALONG CRYSTAL WAY AND S. CARILLION BLVD

WHEREAS, on or around August 4, 2025 the applicant, Buzz Oates Construction submitted an application to the City for approximately ±12.42 acres requesting approval of a Tentative Parcel Map (TPM) and Rezone; and
WHEREAS, the Project site is located at the intersection of Crystal Way, South Carillion Boulevard, and the ramp to SR 99 (Assessor's Parcel Numbers ["APNs"] 150-0092-026 and 150-0092-027), shown on the map attached hereto as EXHIBIT A and incorporated herein by reference, and Applicant has requested the subdivision of two existing parcels into five new parcels and the rezone of three of the newly-subdivided parcels from a Highway Commercial to a Commercial designation ("Project"); and
WHEREAS, the Project proposes five parcels and as part of the Project approvals, the parcel lot lines will be adjusted via a parcel map; and
WHEREAS, Parcels one and five will retain a Highway Commercial (HC) zoning, while parcels two, three, and four will be rezoned to Commercial (C) to facilitate the orderly development of the Project by providing a zoning designation that is more compatible with the site's configuration and future development potential; and
WHEREAS, staff has reviewed the proposed Project, requirements for a rezone, and the underlying General Plan and zoning policies, goals, and criteria and determined that the requisite findings may be made to support a rezone from HC to C as to parcels two, three, and four of the Project site; and
WHEREAS, a public hearing on the rezone for parcels two, three, and four of the Project was held by the Planning Commission on August 13, 2026 and the Planning Commission reviewed the proposed rezone for the Property, considered all evidence in the record including the staff report, supporting documentation, and oral and written evidence and public comments, and using their independent judgement, recommended approval of said rezone; and
WHEREAS, all potential environmental impacts resulting from the Project, including this rezone, were analyzed, addressed, and, where necessary, mitigated pursuant to the Modified Initial Study / 15183 Checklist for the Project adopted by the City Council on September 15, 2026; and
WHEREAS, no further CEQA review is required.
WHEREAS, on September 15, 2026, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing at which all persons wishing to testify in connection with the rezone were heard and the proposed rezone was comprehensively reviewed.
NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA, does ordain as follows:
SECTION 1. Purpose.
SECTION 2. Findings.
SECTION 3. Rezone.
SECTION 4. No Mandatory Duty of Care.
SECTION 5. Severability.
SECTION 6. Effective Date.
SECTION 7. Notice. This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption. Within fifteen (15) days after its final passage, the City Clerk shall cause this ordinance to be published in full in accordance with Section 36933 of the Government Code or publish a pre-adoption and post-adoption summary as otherwise authorized by law.
A certified copy of the full text of this ordinance is posted in and available for public review at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Galt, located at 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California.
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ORDINANCE NO. 2026-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 8.16.200 OF THE GALT MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING DISPOSAL AND PROCESSING REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, AB 2902 and AB 2346 directed the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery ("CalRecycle") to adopt regulations to allow more flexibility to jurisdictions regarding the procurement mandates set forth in SB 1383; and
WHEREAS, the AB 2902 and AB 2346 regulations require the City of Galt to adopt an enforceable mechanism prior to utilizing the flexible means set forth in the stated regulations; and
WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend section 8.16.200 City disposal and processing regulations.
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GALT, CALIFORNIA, does ordain as follows:
Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to amend Chapter 8.16.200 (City disposal and processing regulations) to comply with legislative mandates AB 2902 and AB 2346. These mandates are to add flexibility for adjusting procurement targets and expand recovered organic waste products that are eligible procurement options.
Section 2. Authority. The City Council enacts this ordinance under the authority granted to cities by Chapter XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution.
Section 3. Section 8.16.200 City disposal and processing regulations is hereby amended to read in its entirety as set forth in Attachment 1.
Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unlawful, unenforceable or otherwise void, that determination shall have no effect on any other provision of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared unlawful.
Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty days after its final adoption as provided by Government Code Section 36937. Within 15 days after its final passage, the City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a summary thereof, to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City of Galt in accordance with Section 36933(c) of the California Government Code.
§ 8.16.200. City disposal and processing regulations.
D. Recovered Organic Waste Product Procurement
This Ordinance shall be effective thirty (30) days after its adoption. Within fifteen (15) days after its adoption, the City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a summary of it, to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Galt.
A certified copy of the full text of this ordinance is posted in and available for public review at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Galt, located at 380 Civic Drive, Galt, California.
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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



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. Photo designed by Magnific

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. ★



Election Information

November 3, 2026, General Election

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Nar-Anon Family Group Meetings

Narcotics Anonymous (Nar-Anon) family group meetings for friends and family members who are dealing with drug addiction are held locally from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Saturdays at the Galt United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt.

AA 24-Hour Hotline

For help with an alcohol-related problem, call the Alcoholics Anonymous 24-hour hotline at 209-745-1525.

Sunshine Food Pantry Donations

Sunshine Food Pantry is a food closet that helps provide for residents.

Collections of canned food and dry good nonperishable items are received at United Methodist Church, 571 C St. in Galt; call to make an appointment for donations at 209-745-4133.

The food closet is open from

7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.

Meals on Wheels Cafe Accepting Older Adults

Meals on Wheels is accepting new participants in its Galt All Seasons Café located in the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave.

The cafe is open at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays for adults age 60 and older. Those interested can apply at the Chabolla Center when meals are being served or they can call 916-444-9533.

Senior Bingo Weekly at Chabolla

The Galt Commission on Aging is hosting free Senior Bingo games at the Chabolla Community Center at 600 Chabolla Ave. from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays (except holidays and when required by the city).

Seniors of Galt and its immediate vicinity are invited to have fun and play bingo together and socialize.

Recycle Household Batteries

City of Galt residents can recycle their household batteries in one of two green household-battery recycling bins: on the west side at the front entrance to the Galt Police Department or on the east side at Galt Community Park, just west of the fire station.

The green bin is only for dry-cell household batteries.

For additional information, contact the Public Works Department at 209-366-7260.

Nominate Your Neighbor

The Galt Beautification Committee wants you to “nominate your neighbor.” Has your neighbor recently completed a yard project? Does your neighbor have the best flowers in town or

the best-looking yard? The Galt Beautification Committee wants to know.

Send an email with pictures and why you are nominating your neighbor to planningdivision@cityofgalt.org.

The best submissions will be included in future newsletters and City Manager Updates.

TOPS Weekly Meetings

TOPS, Taking Off Pounds Sensibly, meets every Wednesday at Grace Presbyterian Church, 10 N. Mills Ave., Lodi. Meeting time: 10-10:45 a.m. Weigh-ins: 9-9:50 a.m. No charge for first meeting.

Volunteers Sought for Senior Resource Center

The Commission on Aging is looking for volunteers to operate a computer and are willing to answer questions from seniors in person, over the phone, on social media and by email at the Galt

Senior Resource Center.

Volunteer slots are available in two-hour increments for up to four hours from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, excluding holidays.

Volunteers will be trained and can contact commission members with questions.

The resource center is at the Chabolla Community Center, 600 Chabolla Ave. If interested, call 209-294-3308 and leave a message or inquire in person.

Square Dance Classes Mondays

The Diamond Dancers Square Dance Club hosts social square-dancing classes in Galt.

The classes are open to everyone and are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays at the Valley Oaks Grange Hall.

The Valley Oaks Grange Hall is at 347 Fifth St. For more information, call Sue Regadan at 916-835-8916. ★

POLICE LOGS

During the time period of Sept. 15 to Sept. 21, Galt Police received and responded to a variety of calls, resulting in eight arrests.			
Sept. 15 8:02 a.m., Theft reported, Redwood Glen Avenue: Main electrical panel breakers stolen. 8:35 p.m., Theft reported, Walmart on Twin Cities Road: Male subject stole reporting party's	Sept. 16 7:25 a.m., Identity Theft reported, Guild Street. 7:29 a.m., Identity Theft reported, Linda Marie Court. 7:37 a.m. Theft reported, Seraphina Court: Gate stolen from home under construction. 8:57 a.m., Burglary reported, Lake Park Circle:	Sept. 17 11:53 a.m., Arson reported, Galt's Getting' Place on South Lincoln Way. 3:35 p.m., Warrant Served/Adult Arrest, South	Sept. 18 4 p.m., Domestic Violence/Adult Arrest, Rossi Drive. 9:33 p.m., Hit and Run/Non-Injury reported, Cindy Lane.
Sept. 19 1:47 a.m., Narcotics	Sept. 20 1:30 a.m., DUI/Adult Arrest, Highway 99 Southbound/Walnut Avenue. 3:39 p.m., Vandalism reported, Galt Market, Meladee Lane. 10:49 p.m., Court Order	Sept. 21 8:43 a.m., Vandalism reported, Fairway Drive: Male subject cut the back gate; subject fled when the alarm sounded. 4:04 p.m., Stolen Vehicle reported, Amador Avenue/Ron Way: Trailer taken. 7:34 p.m., Recovered Stolen Vehicle, Camellia Way/A Street. ★	Violation/Adult Arrest, Fermoy Way/Elk Hills Drive. 2:53 a.m., DUI/Adult Arrest, Kost Road/Sargent Avenue.

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National Cooking Day to the rescue! According to the daysoftheweek.com website, it reminds us that there’s nothing that quite matches the flavor, comfort and experience that comes from a delicious home-cooked meal. And it also helps us remember that learning how to cook is an important skill to enhance our health as well as to pass on various traditions to family and friends.

Obviously, the history of cooking itself probably goes back as far as the early days when humans discovered that food tasted better when cooked over a fire instead of raw! Since the history of people, humans



and their cultures have been developing and perfecting various ways to cook food so that it is tasty, enjoyable and sometimes even healthy to eat. National Cooking Day is a fairly recent creation. In 2016, Potsandpans.com decided it was time that there was a proper celebration and recognition of home cooking, and the flavors and smells of tradition that go along with it.

It used to be that the home-cooked meal was the only meal that was eaten on a regular basis. Three times a day, moms and grandmas (and sometimes, dads) slaved over a hot stove to put three meals a day on the table that would keep the family going. Back in the 1960s and 1970s (and prior) takeout and fast food were

rare treats rather than staples of family life. Boxed meals and TV dinners were equally unheard of. They were the province of the single male or the housewife who just never quite learned how to prepare a proper meal for her family. These days such gender stereotypes may be on their way out, but boxed foods and instant meals are very much more in! For many families, the use of easier, time-saving convenience foods has become a lifestyle.

National Cooking Day seeks to change all that, by reintroducing the concept of the home-cooked meal to the family or just to the lives of the bachelor(ette). Taking the time to learn how to cook a proper meal does a lot for individuals, from allowing them to express themselves through their meals, to being able to show someone that you care for them.

The great news about home cooking: Often it can even be cheaper to prepare a meal for your family than to rely on boxed goods and instant meals, and you would be surprised by how far ingredients can go when you learn how to use them properly,

Plus, avoiding all of those preservatives is great for the family’s physical health. National Cooking Day is about all of this and exemplifying the wonder of the home cooked meal!

And speaking (writing) of cooking, here are some “What Fries My Pie” from others in the community. “When my spouse leaves their dirty clothes next to the dirty clothes hamper. Why don’t they toss them into the hamper?” another, “Leaving their dirty dishes on the kitchen counter; why can’t they take one more step to the sink and rinse them?” another, “Leaving a minuscule amount of milk in the carton. Just drink it or toss it out.” And one more: “If you use a family member’s vehicle, put the mirrors and seat back how you found them and take your music with you.” I am definitely guilty of a few of these.

Have a blessed Friday and enjoy your home-cooked meal.

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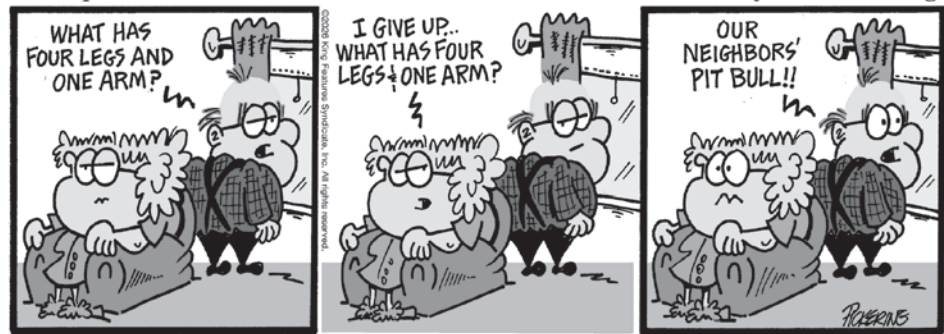
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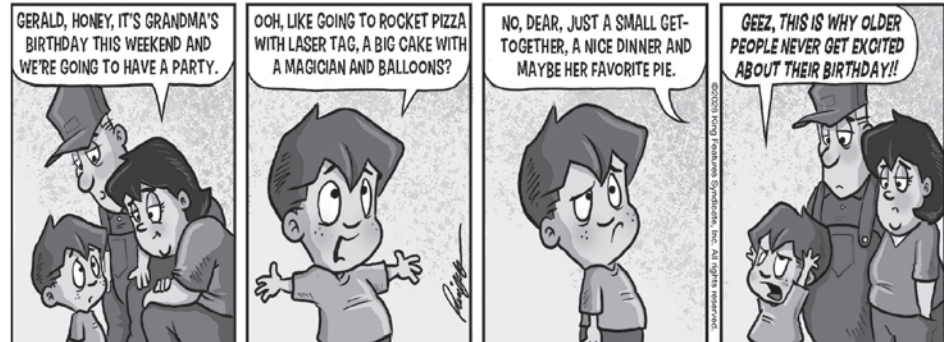
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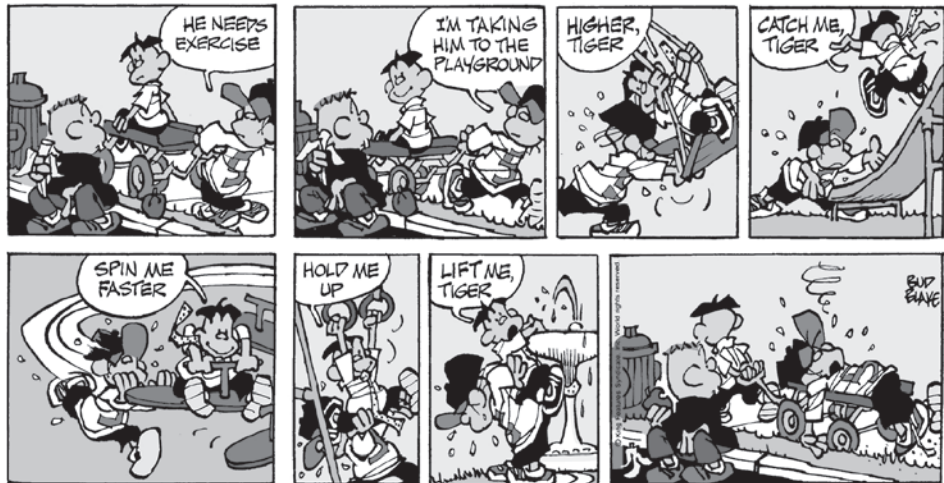
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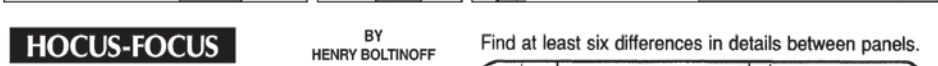


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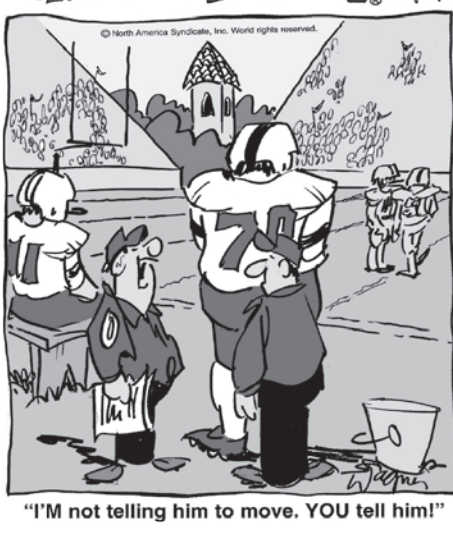
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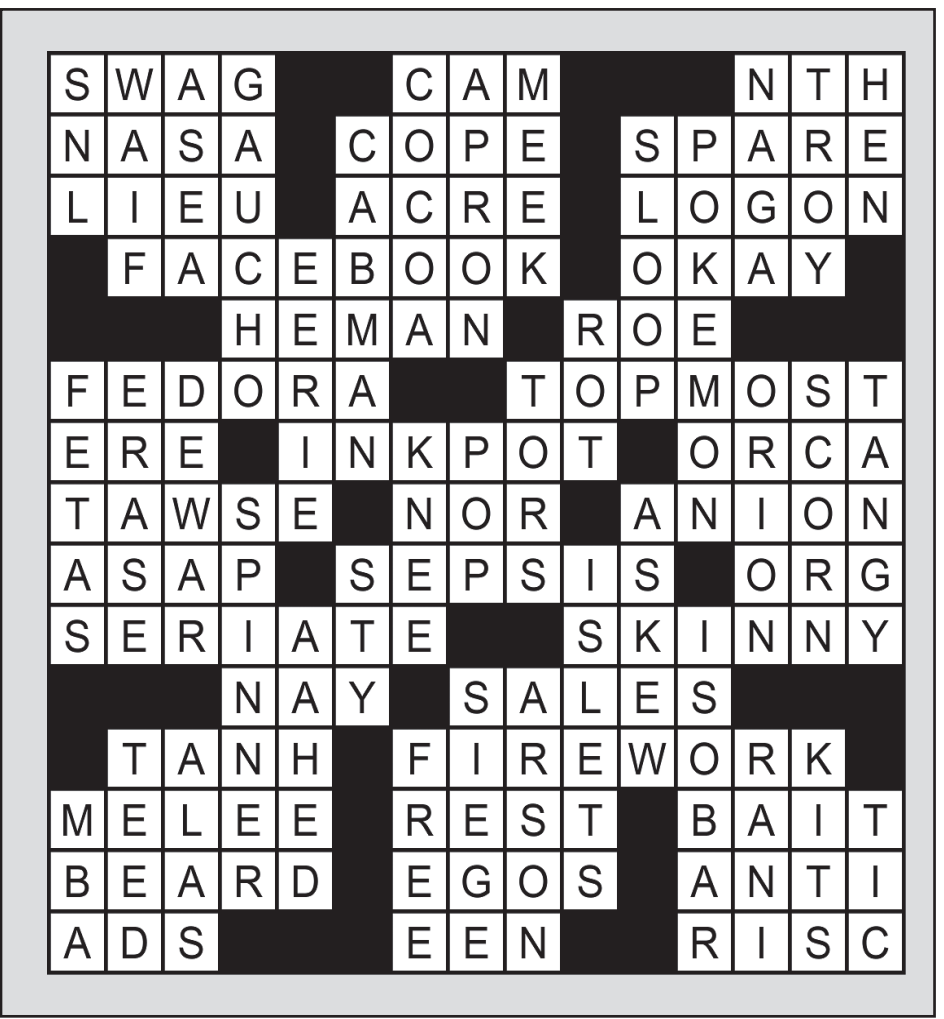
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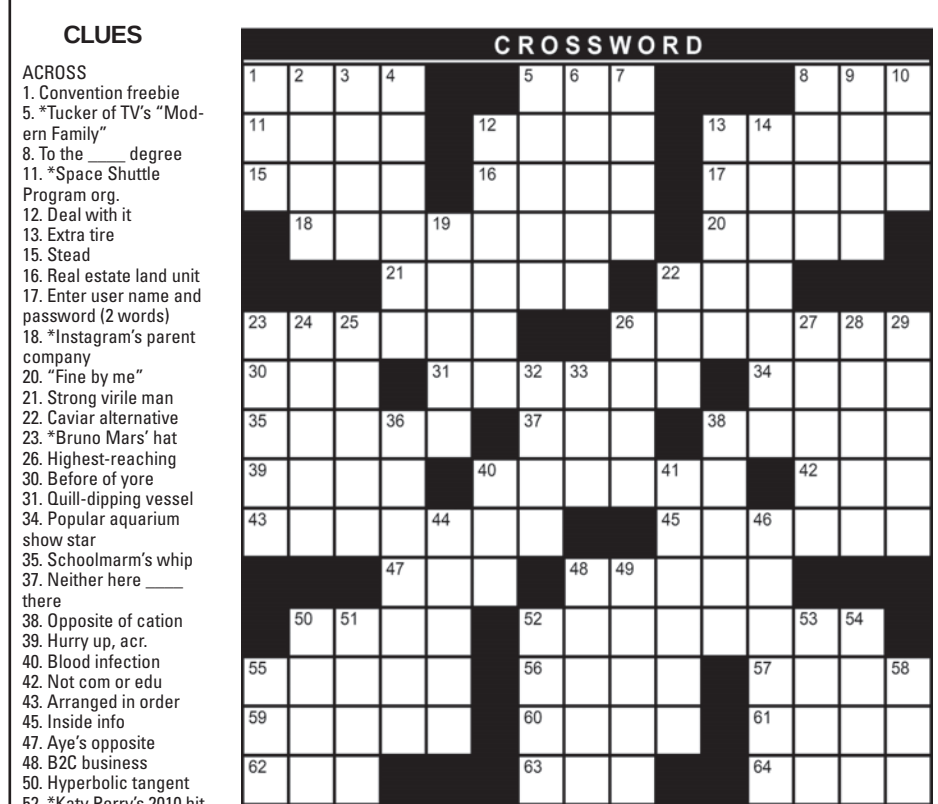


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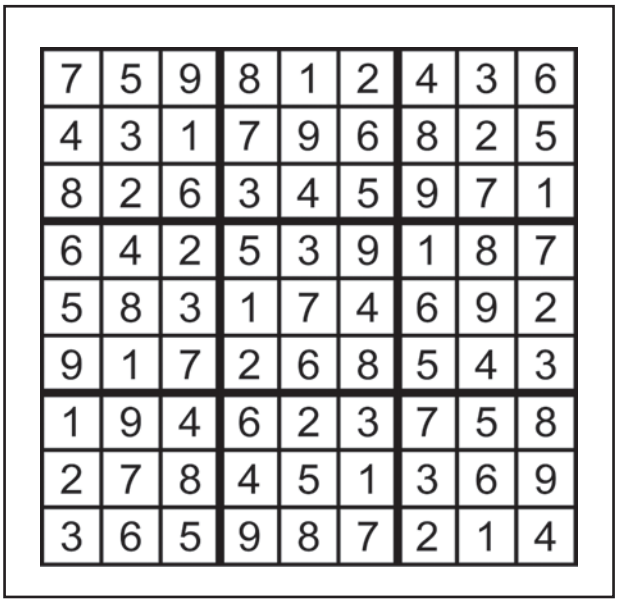


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51. Exclamation of sorrow
52. * ___ solo, Alex Hon-nold's feat
53. Raja's daughter
54. Baby fox and baby beaver
55. Business school degree, acr.
58. Habitual twitching

DOWN

1. *Pete Davidson's TV show
2. Ragamuffin
3. On a deck, perhaps
4. Cowboy, in South America
5. Popular warming drink
6. Chef's garb
7. Opposite of domineering and bold
8. Hindu serpent deity
9. Legendary King Priam's city
10. Chicken coop dweller
12. Taxi driver
13. Ship with a single mast
14. * ___ GO game
19. Spooky
22. Decay
23. Greek cheese, pl.
24. Remove from existence
25. ___'s, blended Scotch whisky
26. High rocky hills
27. Celestial hunter
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Warrior Flag Buries El Dorado

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - There was never a moment of doubt at Warrior Field Sept. 15, and by the time the first quarter ended there was hardly a game left to play. Galt High's flag football team scored three touchdowns before El Dorado could find its footing, never let the visitors across the goal line all evening, and rolled to a 45-0 victory that was as complete as the final score suggests.

Senior quarterback Chloe Goehring-Tassell was the engine of it, and she was nearly unstoppable. Goehring-Tassell carried 15 times for 113 yards and four touchdowns, averaging 7.5 yards a pull-attempt and breaking a long of 21, while also completing 10 of 22 passes for 124 yards and a touchdown. Her 24 points accounted for more than half of Galt's total, but the most telling number on her line may have been the zero in the interception column. Galt did not turn the ball over, did not beat itself, and did not give El Dorado the short field that a struggling offense so desperately needs.

The Warriors piled up 368 yards of offense, 235 of them on the ground on 33 carries for a 7.1-yard average. Freshman Berkley Ward was the perfect complement to her senior quarterback, taking 11 handoffs for 104 yards and a 9.5-yard average with a long of 20. Ward also caught a 9-yard



Skylar Moore runs for a touchdown against El Dorado. Photo by Margareth Cacnio

touchdown pass from freshman Abigail Chapin, who was a perfect 1-for-1 through the air in a cameo behind center, and added three conversion points after scores. Chapin contributed 20 yards on four carries and three receptions of her own, part of a freshman class that looked anything but overwhelmed under the lights.

The night's most explosive play belonged to another first-year player. Freshman receiver Ava Reeve hauled in a 40-yard strike from Goehring-Tassell for a touchdown and finished with two catches for 56 yards, a gaudy 28.0 yards per reception. Sophomore Allie Schmidt chipped in a 23-yard grab, senior Harper Sutenfield caught a 17-yarder, and freshman Madison Chapin added two receptions for 16 yards as eight different Warriors

touched the ball on offense.

If the offense was efficient, the defense was suffocating. El Dorado rarely threatened, undone by a Galt front that lived in the backfield and a secondary that took away anything thrown downfield. Sophomore Hayley Sutenfield was the best player on the field on that side of the ball, recording seven flag pulls, three sacks for 16 yards in losses, three total flag pulls behind the line of scrimmage and a pass breakup. Junior safety Skyler Moore led the team with eight flag pulls and also broke the game open with a 36-yard punt return for a touchdown, one of three Galt returns on the night.

Senior Kristine Meixner picked off a pass and broke up two more, sophomore linebacker Lorrena Ponce added six flag pulls, and senior linebacker Danah

Godinez had four. Junior Sophia Perez, sophomore Lorelei Flores and freshman Lilyana Ruiz each recorded a flag pull as head coach Ryan Tassell rotated bodies through a defense that finished with 30 pulls, three sacks, one interception and three passes defended. El Dorado managed no sustained drives and no answers.

Galt's scoring came in waves. The Warriors put up 20 in the first quarter, added seven in the second for a 27-0 halftime cushion, scored twice more for 12 points in the third, and closed it out with a six-point fourth. Seven touchdowns were spread among four players, with Goehring-Tassell responsible for four of them and Reeve, Ward and Moore each finding the end zone once.

For Tassell, the point of the evening was not the



Ava Reeve runs the ball in for the Warriors. Photo by Paige Lampson



Galt's Danah Godinez grabs the flag and stops the runner. Photo by Paige Lampson

margin but the method. Asked afterward what he liked most about the performance, the head coach kept returning to the same theme.

"I love this one play as a team," Tassell said. "We win as a team, we lose as a team. It takes each of us doing our jobs to be successful. We are many parts of one entity. Pursue excellence in all things and the outcome will be greater than your expectations. I believe, you believe. Fear the spear."

It is a philosophy the box score bears out. Fourteen Warriors appear somewhere in the statistics, freshmen and seniors

alike, and the team's two most productive offensive players were a four-year senior and a first-year running back who has been in high school for a matter of weeks.

Galt's underclassmen accounted for 124 rushing yards, 93 receiving yards and two of the seven touchdowns, a sign that the pipeline behind Goehring-Tassell is filling up fast.

The Warriors will look to carry the momentum forward, and if Sept. 15 was any indication, opponents will need to find a way to keep Goehring-Tassell in front of them and Hayley Sutenfield out of the backfield. ★

Galt Runners Answer the Climb at Frogtown Invitational

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

ANGELS CAMP, CA (MPG) - The Galt High School cross country team turned a punishing foothill course into a showcase of depth and grit Sept. 19, racing to a team title and a long list of personal records at the Bret Harte Frogtown Cross Country Invitational at the Calaveras County Fairgrounds. The Frogtown layout is one of the more honest tests on the fall calendar, mixing dirt and asphalt with three steep climbs that reward patience early and courage late, and the Warriors answered it in every division they entered.

The headline belonged to the Sophomore Boys, who claimed first place overall in the Small Schools division with a commanding 26 points. Galt left little doubt in the team scoring, finishing well clear of Union Mine (64), Hughson (74), Ripon (78) and Central Catholic (115) to take the top spot on the podium.

"Frogtown doesn't let you fake anything: Those three hills find out exactly who you are, and on Saturday our kids answered," Head Coach Bruce Peterson said. "The sophomore boys winning a team title was terrific, but what I'll remember is the number of PRs up and down the roster. That tells me the work in practice



The Warrior boys' cross country runners show off their medals from the Frogtown Invitational. Courtesy photo

is showing up on race day, and it tells me this team is peaking at the right time."

Aaron Garcia spearheaded the victory with a strong third-place finish in 12:22, and the pack behind him did exactly what a winning team is supposed to do. Christian Juarez crossed sixth in 12:51 with Cristian Gomez right on his shoulder in seventh at 13:01. Jayden Sirben grabbed 12th in 13:33, and Trevor Rojas and Isaac Rodriguez closed out the scoring together, both clocking 13:51 for 13th and 14th. Strong supporting runs

came from Damian Miller (14:04, 18th), Ayden Abarca (14:05, 19th), Wyatt Wymer (16:38, 46th), Robin Miller (18:54, 59th) and Diego Flores (20:54, 63rd).

In the Boys Varsity Small three-mile race, Galt secured fifth place overall with 191 points. Junior Daniel Crownover led the way in 31st with a time of 19:07, followed by David Espinoza (20:01, 46th), Zakery Forney (20:35, 52nd), Kole Pierce (20:38, 53rd) and Aaron Gonzalez (21:32, 83rd).

Also competing for the Warriors were

Edwyn Gallardo (23:35), Julian Alvarado (24:41), Mateo Roberto Mejia Beas (24:45), Mason Garcia (24:59) and Amilio Gomez (25:42).

The Girls Frosh-Soph squad finished sixth overall with 118 points in the two-mile race. Freshman Natalia Angel set the pace for Galt in 13th place at 16:26, backed by AnaLucia Alvarado (16:45, 19th), Crystal Lamb (18:29, 37th), Jade Garcia (18:37, 38th) and Allison Miller (21:41, 60th). In the Girls Varsity Small three-mile event, Danielle Aragon led the Warriors with a 34th-place finish of 25:38, while teammate Joseline Jimenez finished 41st in 26:47.

Perhaps the most encouraging number of the day was not a place or a score but a count. Treated by the coaching staff as a development meet, Frogtown produced a remarkable run of personal bests. Runners recording course PRs included Christian Juarez, Ayden Abarca, Julian Alvarado, Daniel Crownover, David Espinoza, Zakery Forney, Aaron Garcia, Mason Garcia, AnaLucia Alvarado, Natalia Angel, Danielle Aragon, Jade Garcia, Joseline Jimenez, Crystal Lamb, Amilio Gomez, Aaron Gonzalez, Damian Miller, Robin Miller, Kole Pierce, Mateo Roberto Mejia Beas, Isaac Rodriguez, Trevor Rojas, Jayden Sirben and Wyatt Wymer. ★

Freshmen Deliver the Hawks' Lone Podium at Frog Town

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

ANGELS CAMP, CA (MPG) - Liberty Ranch sent 15 runners to the Frog Town Invitational and came home with one team trophy, one breakout performance and a clear pattern. The Hawks were not short on talent at the front of any race, only on the fourth and fifth runners who decide team scores.

The freshman boys were the story. In the two-mile small-school race they scored 60 points for second place, behind St Mary's at twenty but clear of Union Mine at seventy and Hughson at seventy-two. Rocco Caramazza led in 13:57, tenth overall at 6:58 per mile, with Samuel Underwood just nine seconds back

in 14:06: the tightest pairing on the roster all day. Zack Pierce made it a credible three in 15:03. Then came the gap: three and a half minutes back to Gavin Arroyo at 18:38, with Abel Foster closing in 21:01, leaving a first-to-fifth spread of 7:04. Trimming ninety seconds from each of the last two scorers would have pushed the team total into the low fifties.

The varsity boys placed fifteenth of sixteen with 329 points, though junior Jordan Gonzalez ran 19:16: 6:25 per mile, the fastest pace any Hawk posted at the meet, beating 130 of 162 runners. Santiago Pargas followed in 20:48 and Matthew Lara in 21:59, a workable top three within 2:43 of each other. Behind them the spread stretched to 9:46. All five

varsity runners are juniors and return next season.

The sophomores entered only three runners in a race requiring five, so they could not score, despite Adrian Meza at 15:04 and Gunnar Rohner at 15:22. Emmanuel Carpio ran in 18:03.

On the girls' side, junior Isabella Westlynn starred, finishing eleventh of 102 in the junior varsity two-mile in 16:40: the best field percentile any Hawk recorded.

Gaohlee Her finished in 21:48. Liberty Ranch entered no girls in the varsity race.

Four Hawks finished inside the top 21% of their fields. In both races where the team actually scored, the result came down to runners four and five. ★

GALT HERALD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Enzo Diaz
Liberty Ranch Football



Soni Takafua
Liberty Ranch Football



Morgan Jones
Galt High Volleyball



Hayley Sutenfield
Galt High Flag Football

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Liberty Ranch Rolls Up 450 Yards in Rout of Lodi

Story and photos
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GALT, CA (MPG) - Liberty Ranch didn't need a star Friday night. It had a roster full of them.

The Hawks turned a scoreless opening exchange into a runaway, scoring on seven possessions behind five different touchdown scorers while a relentless defense held Lodi to a single field goal — one that didn't come until 27 seconds remained in the first half, long after the outcome had been decided — in a 47-3 rout that triggered the mercy-rule running clock late in the third quarter.

The tone was set before Liberty Ranch ever found the end zone. Lodi's opening drive stalled in Hawk territory and the Flames sent out their field goal unit, only to watch the kick sail wide. It was the closest Lodi would come to leading all night, and it was the first of many trips that ended with the Flames walking off the field empty-handed.

From there, the Hawks simply took the game apart, one contributor at a time.

"This was a great team win demonstrated by how we were able to spread out the production on offense and shut down production on defense," Liberty Ranch head coach Warren Schroeder said. "We have many players who are willing to do what it takes to help their teammates shine and our team unity is getting stronger every week."

The numbers make his case better than any highlight reel could. Liberty Ranch ran 31 offensive plays and gained 450 yards — an absurd 14.5 yards every time the ball was snapped. The Hawks rushed 22 times for 306 yards, averaging 13.9 per carry, and threw only nine passes because they never needed a tenth.

Andrew Quinn led the ground game with 142 yards on eight carries, a 17.8-yard average punctuated by a 68-yard burst, and he found the end zone twice. Joe Lara added 101 yards on seven carries and two scores of his own, giving the Hawks a pair of 100-yard rushers before the fourth quarter ever arrived. Wyatt Corriea



A kettle of Hawks descend on Lodi's quarterback.



Soni Takafua sacks the Lodi quarterback.



Andrew Quinn runs up the middle as the line opens it up.

chipped in 19 yards and a touchdown on two carries. Hunter Owen took two handoffs for 15 yards and a score. Enzo Diaz punched in a three-yard touchdown. Even quarterback Ryan Ogas pulled the ball down twice for 26 yards.

Five ball carriers, seven rushing touchdowns, and not a single player asked to carry the load alone.

Through the air, Ogas was efficient to the point of surgical, completing 5 of 7 throws for 144 yards — 28.8 yards per completion — without a turnover, good for a 113.7 rating. Diaz was his primary target and did the most damage, hauling in four catches for 113 yards with a long of 56. Lara added a 31-yard reception out of the backfield. Diaz finished with 152 all-purpose yards after adding 36 more on three punt returns, including a 20-yarder.

None of it happens without the work up front. The Hawks' offensive line logged 16 pancake blocks, led by Ryan Guthrie's

six, Daniel Swearingen's four, and two apiece from Deshaun Jackson and Corriea. Liberty Ranch put the ball on the ground three times and recovered all three, never surrendering a fumble.

And then there was the defense, which spent the evening living in the Lodi backfield.

The Hawks recorded 7.5 sacks for 45 yards in losses, added 9.5 tackles for loss and harassed Flames' quarterbacks with 13 hurries. Soni Takafua was the wrecking ball in the middle with eight tackles, three sacks and three tackles for loss. Corriea led all tacklers with 11 stops, including two for loss and a sack that cost Lodi 20 yards. And he pressured the pocket four more times.

Lara added nine tackles, Diaz and Adrian Torres seven each, and Jackson finished with five tackles, 1.5 for loss, a sack and three hurries. Quinn, Caleb Martinez, Torres and Swearingen all got in on the sack column, and in all,



Enzo Diaz somehow manages to hold on to the ball in an epic catch.



Hunter Owen drags two Lodi defenders as he scores.

18 Hawks recorded at least one tackle.

The secondary was just as stingy, breaking up six passes: two by Owen and one each from Ogas, Lara, Izayah Vera and Liam Trosko. Rex Machado forced a fumble and recovered it himself.

Liberty Ranch led 7-0 after one quarter, then buried the Flames with a 21-point second. By the time Lodi finally got on the board, the Hawks had

scored 28 unanswered points and the clock read 27 seconds until halftime. The field goal made it 28-3 at the break, and that was the last time the scoreboard moved for Lodi.

The Hawks tacked on 19 more in the third, and once the lead crossed the mercy-rule threshold, officials started the running clock with time still left in the period. The fourth quarter was a formality, and neither team scored.

Owen's four PATs and eight kickoffs averaged 32.9 yards, while Quinn added a PAT and boomed a punt 50 yards, pinning Lodi inside its own 20.

Final: Liberty Ranch 47, Lodi 3. Seven touchdowns, five scorers, 18 tacklers, and a locker room full of players who, as their coach put it, are more interested in making each other shine than in seeing their own name at the top of a stat sheet. ★

Hawks Aren't Just Defending a Title; They're Erasing the League

By Paige Lampson
Sports Editor

GALT, CA (MPG) - Liberty Ranch flag football entered the season with a target on its back as the defending league champion, and the Hawks have answered by turning conference

play into a formality. They are 5-0 in league play and, remarkably, have not allowed a single point — let alone a touchdown — in any league game this fall.

The scoreboards tell the story in blunt terms. Liberty Ranch dismantled Union Mine 69-0,

handled Amador 35-0, ran past Argonaut 58-0 and closed out El Dorado 54-0. Games have been decided long before the final whistle, and the Hawks' defense has refused to give an inch even after the outcome was settled.

Senior quarterback

Kamrynn Blevins is the engine. She has thrown 33 touchdown passes while completing 62.4 percent of her attempts and posting a 109.9 quarterback rating. And she is dangerous enough with her legs to lead the team at 76.9 rushing yards per game with

10 rushing scores. Senior Savanna Garbarino complements her on the ground at 28.6 yards per game and leads the team with seven receiving touchdowns. Sophomore Amya Trujillo adds 24.2 rushing yards per game and three rushing touchdowns.

Through the air, junior Lexi Williams paces the receivers at 34.8 yards per game, with sophomore Gianna Faren right behind at 34.3 and six touchdown grabs. Freshman Caroline Herring has already carved out a role at 24.2 yards per game, and sophomore Ella Quaschnick has five receiving touchdowns. Sophomore Gianna Williams has passed for

two touchdowns.

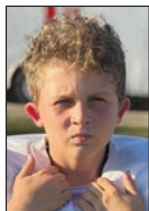
The shutout streak belongs to a defense that hunts. Williams leads the way with 5.2 flag pulls per game, followed by sophomore Krinjeet Dhaliwal at 4.1 and sophomore Makenlee Robbins at 3.3. Dhaliwal has been the disruptor, recording five sacks and five flag pulls for loss. Trujillo and Blevins share the team lead with seven interceptions each. Williams has six.

With a deep, underclassman-heavy roster that includes Fatima Cabrera, Tenley Messersmith, Olive and Ruby Gorelick, and freshman Kate Blevins, the Hawks look built to defend their crown. ★

GALT HERALD JUNIOR WARRIORS OF THE WEEK



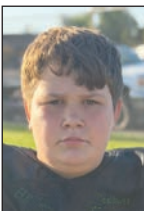
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