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Christmas Light Contest is Back

Register by Dec. 6 to participate



The chamber-sponsored Christmas Light Contest is a longstanding tradition of Rio Linda and is open to both homes and businesses in the community. Image designed by Magnific

By MPG Staff

RIO LINDA, CA (MPG) - Mark your calendars! It's already that time again. Rio Linda's Christmas Light Contest is back, with registration required by Dec. 6 to participle. The chamber-sponsored contest is a longstanding tradition of Rio Linda and is open to both homes and businesses in the community.

Lights are judged between Dec. 18-19, with winners announced Dec. 21.

The first-place winner takes home $400; second place takes home $200; the third-place winner takes home $100. In addition, the Clark Griswold and Christmas Classic award winners each receive $50.

Business winners receive an award and social media recognition. There is a $5 residential entry free for homes.

For more information and to register, visit riolindachamber.com.

And, don't forget to string your lights before the 11th Annual RLE Hometown Christmas Light Parade on Dec. 12.

Organizers are asking local businesses and community partners to help sponsor the beloved event, in which local organizations, community groups and businesses float down M Street with families gathered on the sidelines to watch and enjoy a hot drink. The event concludes with the lighting of the community's Christmas tree. ★



Residents get creative with their floats, including this kissable chicken. Photo courtesy of Tabitha Worth

Bird Flu Confirmed in Two Sacramento County Backyard Flocks

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) and Sacramento County's Department of Agriculture, Weights and Measures are encouraging residents who own backyard chickens and other poultry to take precautions following the confirmation of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), commonly known as bird flu, in two backyard flocks.

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) confirmed the first case Oct. 5 and the second Oct. 23. All birds in the affected flocks have been culled to prevent further spread of the virus. CDFA has not placed movement restrictions on poultry in Sacramento County.

SCPH is working to contact individuals who may have been exposed to the infected birds.



The California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) confirmed the first case of bird flu on Oct. 5 and the second Oct. 23. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

The current overall public health risk for this situation is categorized as "low."

What Poultry Owners Should Know

Bird flu is a highly contagious disease that can cause severe illness and death in chickens, ducks, turkeys and other birds. Wild birds, particularly ducks and geese, are a primary source of the virus.

The virus can spread through direct contact with infected birds or through contaminated surfaces, including shoes, clothing, equipment and other materials.

Backyard poultry owners can help protect their flocks by taking a few precautions:

Limit contact with wild birds. Keep poultry in enclosed or covered areas when possible and prevent wild birds from accessing feed and water.

Keep equipment and spaces clean. Regularly clean and disinfect poultry housing, tools, feeders and other equipment.

Avoid spreading germs between flocks. Wash your hands and change or clean footwear and clothing after handling birds. Avoid sharing equipment between flocks without disinfecting it.

Monitor birds for signs of illness. Watch for sudden deaths, difficulty breathing, decreased appetite, swelling around the head or eyes, unusual discharge, stumbling or other changes in behavior.

Report sick birds. Poultry owners who notice unusual illness or deaths should contact CDFA's Sick Animal Hotline at 866-922-BIRD (2473).

For additional guidance, review CDFA's Disease Prevention Guide for Backyard and Pet Bird Owners.

What Residents Should Know

Residents should avoid touching or handling sick,

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County Sandbag Locations Open

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO COUNTY, CA (MPG) - The Sacramento County Department of Water Resources (DWR) has opened three sandbag locations for residents in the unincorporated areas. County DWR continues its annual winter operation to help residents Be Aware and Be Prepared in the event of flooding in their neighborhoods.

Due to the growing concern of what El Nino may bring to the area, residents who believe their property will be in danger of potential flooding are encouraged to get sandbags now before rain falls.

As in previous years, three main locations are now open including Branch Center, 3847 Branch Center Rd.; Orangevale Community Center, 6826 Hazel Ave.; Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Station #116, 7995 Elwyn Ave.

Last year, 308 tons of sand were scooped up and placed into 23,000 bags by Sacramento County residents between the various sandbag locations. During a storm event, if the conditions worsen and flooding become a larger concern, the department can deliver sand to six more sandbag locations that are on standby around the unincorporated parts of the County.

Do you have old sandbags from last winter? Get rid of them and get new bags. The older ones have deteriorated due to sitting out in the summer sun and won't provide the best protection. Get new bags to make sure you are prepared this winter.

Before the rain falls, residents are also encouraged to clear storm drains of trash and debris to reduce the chance of street flooding. During the storm, residents living near creeks and streams can use the County ALERT system to monitor rising streams in the unincorporated areas.

County DWR supplies the sand and bags, paid for by stormwater utility fees, but residents will need to bring a shovel. There is a 20-bag limit per visit. Residents not living in the unincorporated areas of the County will need to check with their cities for sandbag information. The public can visit www.stormready.org for more information on locations and other flood related topics. ★

WE SUPPORT OUR MILITARY

Sierra Donor Services Honors Veterans Day



Middle: Earl Lovell, Veteran and Heart Transplant Recipient. Photo courtesy of Sierra Donor Services

Sierra Donor Services News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Sierra Donor Services (SDS) proudly joins the nation honoring the courageous men and women who served in the United States Armed Forces, our Military Veterans and Donor Heroes - including the many Veterans whose lives were saved and improved through the gift of organ, eye and tissue donation.

Nearly 20,000 Californians and 100,000 patients across the nation are waiting for a transplant - many of whom are Veterans and active-duty Military service members. Tissue grafts, for example, are commonly used to help them recover from injuries. These include skin, bone and vascular grafts. One registered donor can save up to eight lives through organ donation and heal the lives of 75 more through tissue donation.

Service members commit their lives to protecting and serving our nation. For many, giving back is part of their dedication.

"My heart transplant gave me more than just time; it gave me a second chance at life. I now get to experience all the milestones that I otherwise wouldn't have been able to do and be a part of - all because someone made the selfless decision to say 'yes' to donation," Earl Lovell, veteran and heart transplant recipient said. "The things that have happened since then are all blessings, the people that I have met, the specialists that I have seen. My whole life has changed 180 degrees."

Lovell's story is one of gratitude and the impact of one selfless decision. But it also reflects a much larger reality, one that affects thousands of individuals and families every day.

Sierra Donor Services encourages everyone to honor our nation's heroes this Veterans Day by having conversations with family and friends about their wishes and registering as a donor. As Sierra Donor Services reflects on over 40 years of impact, the organization remains committed to its mission of saving lives, honoring donors, and educating the public. Be a part of this life-changing legacy. Register today at SierraDonor.org. ★

Former Contractors Behind Anchored Tiny Homes Face Felony Charges

Contractors State License Board News Release

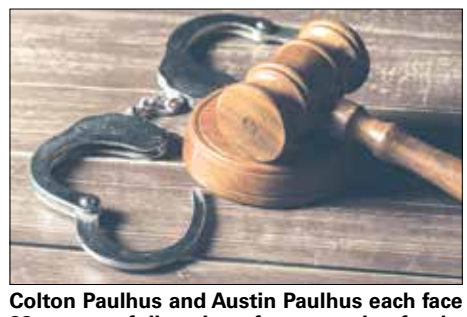
SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Following investigations by the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) and Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, two brothers behind former company Anchored Tiny Homes have been charged with 35 felony counts related to unfinished accessory dwelling unit (ADU) projects.

Colton Paulhus and Austin Paulhus each face 33 counts of diversion of construction funds, one count of conspiracy to commit a crime, and one count of employee wage theft. Their charges come after CSLB investigated more than 200 consumer complaints across 18 California counties alleging abandoned ADU projects, unpaid subcontractors, payments in advance of work performed or often not performed and funds paid by homeowners that were not used for the homeowners' projects.

A settlement conference hearing initially scheduled for last week has been continued until Jan. 12, 2027.

Due to the volume and severity of the allegations, CSLB pursued a criminal investigation against Anchored Tiny Homes and took the most serious administrative enforcement action available to the Board by filing an accusation with the California Attorney General's Office seeking revocation of its contractor's license. CSLB revoked Anchored Tiny Homes' license in Nov. 2024.

After the revocation, CSLB continued to receive and investigate consumer complaints, and in collaboration with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, began referring cases for possible criminal charges.



Colton Paulhus and Austin Paulhus each face 33 counts of diversion of construction funds, one count of conspiracy to commit a crime, and one count of employee wage theft. Photo designed by Magnific

CSLB remains committed to protecting consumers from financial harm and ensuring integrity within California's construction industry. The Board's investigative and enforcement efforts play a critical role in reducing and preventing unlawful activity and unprofessional conduct in California's construction industry.

Contractors building ADUs must follow home improvement payment law restrictions regarding down payment and additional payments, known as progress payments. Down payments should never exceed $1,000 or 10 percent of the project's total cost, whichever is less. Any additional payments cannot exceed the value of the work performed or material delivered. CSLB's Fast Facts: Tips for Building a Residential Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) outlines other important information about ADUs.

For ongoing information and updates, visit www.cslb.ca.gov. ★

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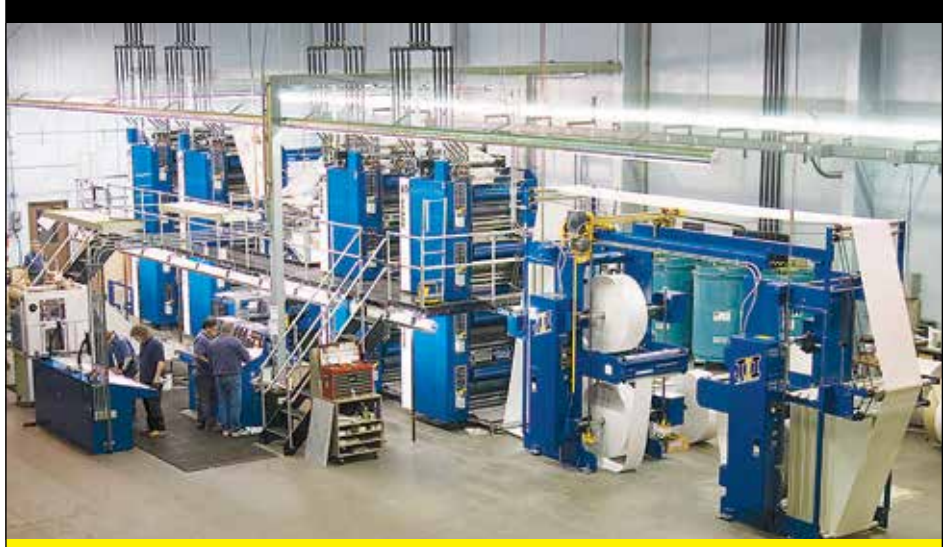
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injured or dead wild birds. Contact local animal control for guidance and report unusual wild bird deaths to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Anyone who has had direct contact with birds suspected or confirmed to have bird flu should avoid further exposure and contact a health care provider or public health officials if they develop symptoms.

For questions and additional resources regarding bird flu in California, contact CDFA at 916-217-7517 or cdfa.HPAIinfo@cdfa.ca.gov. ★

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Mandaquit Earns All-Big West Honors in Women's Soccer's Debut Season

Sacramento State Athletics News Release



Sacramento State junior midfielder Jaety Mandaquit was named to the All-Big West honorable mention squad on Nov. 3. Photo courtesy of Sacramento State Athletics

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Sacramento State junior midfielder Jaety Mandaquit was named to the All-Big West honorable mention squad on Nov. 3, becoming the first Hornet to pick up all-conference honors from The Big West in the team's debut season.

Mandaquit started 17 of the team's 19 matches, finishing fourth on the team with nine points thanks to a single-season career-high four goals and an assist. She led the team with 36 shot attempts, putting 15 on frame and had one game-winner against CSUN on Oct. 24

Three of her four scores and her lone assist came in Big West play as she followed up her score at San Francisco with goals against Long Beach State (Oct. 3), CSUN (Oct. 24) and California Baptist (Oct. 28). Her assist came against Utah Valley on Oct. 21 on the road.

She wraps up her third season with the program with six career goals and 13 points overall, while doubling up her shot attempts from her previous two seasons combined.

At the end of the regular season, Mandaquit finished ninth in the league with 2.12 shots per match and in the top 20 in the league in both shots on goal and goals scored.

Sacramento State, which opened the campaign by tying the 2000 squad for the best start in school history after going unbeaten in its first six matches, finished 6-8-5 overall and 2-6-3 in its first year in The Big West, batting for a berth in the postseason right up until the final week of the regular season.

The six wins matched their win total from all of last season, while the five draws are tied for the third-most in a single year in school history. The Hornets' 25 goals scored, 19 assists and 69 total points as a team, are the most since the 2019 squad finished with 28 scored, 23 assists and 79 points. ★

Aggies' Afsoon Roshanzamir Johnston Named to National Wrestling Hall of Fame



Former UC Davis wrestler and Cal Aggie Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Afsoon Roshanzamir Johnston has been named to the National Wrestling Hall of Fame Class of 2027. Photo courtesy of UC Davis Athletics

UC Davis Athletics News Release

DAVIS, CA (MPG) - Former UC Davis wrestler and Cal Aggie Athletics Hall of Fame inductee Afsoon Roshanzamir Johnston has been named to the National Wrestling Hall of Fame Class of 2027, becoming the first UC Davis wrestler to earn induction as a Distinguished Member.

Johnston is one of four Distinguished Members selected for the Class of 2027, joining Iris Smith, Thad Turner and Joe Warren. The class will be officially inducted during the National Wrestling Hall of Fame's 50th Honors Weekend, June 4–5, 2027, in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

A pioneer in women's wrestling, Johnston made history in 1989 when, at just 17 years old, she captured bronze at the World Championships, becoming the first American woman to medal at a World Wrestling Championship. She followed that performance with a silver medal at the 1990 World Championships and went on to compete internationally throughout her career.

Johnston continued breaking barriers at UC Davis, becoming the first woman to earn a roster spot on the Aggies' men's varsity wrestling team. She later made history as the first woman to officiate an NCAA Division I men's wrestling match while refereeing a UC Davis dual meet.

Following her competitive career, Johnston became a prominent figure in coaching and developing women's wrestling. She helped lead the United States to a third-place finish at the 2014 Women's World Championships and served on the U.S. coaching staff at the 2016 Rio Olympics, where Helen Maroulis became the first American woman to capture Olympic wrestling gold.

Johnston has also served in leadership roles with USA Wrestling and several national wrestling organizations, advocating for expanded opportunities for women and girls in the sport.

A member of the Cal Aggie Athletics Hall of Fame, California Wrestling Hall of Fame, San Jose Sports Hall of Fame and Independence High School Hall of Fame, Johnston will become one of just nine women inducted as Distinguished Members of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. ★

A's Hire Former Brewers Exec Cam Castro as GM

Athletics News Release



The A's have added to their new-look front office by hiring Cam Castro as general manager, the club announced on Nov. 11. Photo courtesy of the Athletics

WEST SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Athletics have found a right-hand man for new president of baseball operations Taylor Smith.

Just over two weeks after Smith's hiring, the A's have added to their new-look front office by hiring Cam Castro as general manager, the club announced on Nov. 11.

"I'm beyond thankful to John Fisher, Taylor Smith, Ross Bowen and the entire Athletics organization for this opportunity," Castro said. "The A's are a historic franchise with an incredible legacy. I look forward to being a part of the next chapter of A's baseball and developing a team, culture, and organization that our fans will be proud of."

Castro, 36, arrives from the reigning World Series champion Brewers, with whom he held the title of senior vice president of player development and performance over the past two seasons. He joined Milwaukee in 2019 as a Minor League pitching coach and worked his way up the organizational ladder. After serving as the club's Minor League pitching coordinator and director of pitching development from 2020-21, Castro was promoted to vice president of player development in '22, quickly becoming a vital part of Brewers GM and president of baseball operations Matt Arnold's inner circle.

Castro has a long background in pitching dating back to his time working as a throwing trainer at Driveline Baseball in 2016. That expertise will be key for an A's club that is coming off a 64-98 season and has a clear need for improvements in the pitching department.

Castro's pairing with Smith also signals the beginning of a new chapter in front office leadership for the A's as they prepare for their final season playing at Sutter Health Park in West Sacramento before relocating to a new ballpark in Las Vegas, which is expected to be ready for play by Opening Day 2028.

"Cam will be an awesome addition to the front office and a great partner to me in running this organization," Smith said. "He has experiences and skillsets that will complement me and the very talented people that we already have in the organization. He's one of the best development minds in the game with a proven track record of building the systems and processes that develop a winner." ★

Paityn Snow Named Hawk of the Week

Volleyball Sophomore, Paityn Snow leads the Hawks' offensive attack with 23 kills and four service aces across two straight-set victories

Consumnes River College Athletics News Release



Volleyball sophomore Paityn Snow has been named the CRC Athletics Hawk of the Week following an impressive week that helped lead the Hawks to consecutive three-set victories. Photo courtesy of Consumnes River College Athletics

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Cosumnes River College volleyball sophomore Paityn Snow has been named the CRC Athletics Hawk of the Week following an impressive week that helped lead the Hawks to consecutive three-set victories over Diablo Valley College and Modesto Junior College.

Snow delivered a strong offensive performance across both matches, totaling 23 kills, four service aces and 27 points while helping Cosumnes River secure a pair of conference victory sweeps.

In the Hawks' 3-0 sweep of Diablo Valley on Oct. 28, Snow recorded nine kills on 16 attempts, hitting .375, while adding a service ace and five digs. She followed that performance with an outstanding showing against Modesto on October 30, leading the Hawks with 14 kills on 29 attempts, hitting .345, and recording three service aces for a team-high 17 points.

Against Modesto, Snow's offensive production helped Cosumnes River earn a hard-fought 25-22, 26-24, 25-17 victory. The Hawks also secured a 25-14, 25-15, 25-21 sweep of Diablo Valley earlier in the week.

The two victories highlighted Snow's consistency and impact as a key offensive contributor for the Hawks, helping the team maintain its momentum as the season continues. ★

Defendant Convicted of Human Trafficking-Related Charges

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - On Oct. 27, James Wilkerson was convicted by a jury of attempt to traffic an underage victim and pimping and pandering.

James Wilkerson was arrested as a result of a joint Sacramento Regional Human Trafficking Task Force operation. On July 25, Wilkerson contacted a Task Force undercover agent posing as a minor and asked her to be a sex worker for him and to pay him to be her pimp. He also stated he had another female working as a sex worker for his benefit. The Task Force was able to quickly determine the identity of that female and setup an operation to arrest Wilkerson and recover the victim he was exploiting.

An allegation that Wilkerson has a prior strike conviction for assault with a firearm will be determined at the sentencing hearing.

Wilkerson faces a maximum sentence of 26 years and 8 months in prison. Sentencing is set for Jan. 22, 2027, at 9 a.m. in Department 11A before the Honorable Carlton Davis.

The Sacramento Regional Human Trafficking Task Force is a partnership between the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office, California Department of Justice, Sacramento Police Department, Homeland Security Investigations, Federal Bureau of Investigation Sacramento Field Office and California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR). ★

Richard Cervantes Campa Sworn in as CHP Officer

California Highway Patrol News Release

SACRAMENTO REGION, CA (MPG) - Richard Cervantes Campa of Stockton has successfully completed cadet training at the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Academy. He is assigned to duty at the CHP's North Sacramento Area office.



Richard Cervantes Campa of Stockton, California has successfully completed cadet training at the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Academy. Photo courtesy of California Highway Patrol

Officer Campa graduated from Stockton Early College Academy in 2018 and then attended San Joaquin Delta College. He served as a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) specialist in the California Army National Guard for seven years, attaining the rank of staff sergeant. He counts completing the U.S. Army Air Assault School among his proudest achievements. Officer Campa is passionate about helping others and chose to join the CHP as the ultimate way to serve his home state.

At the CHP Academy, cadet training starts with nobility in policing, leadership, professionalism, ethics, and cultural diversity. Training also includes mental illness response and crisis intervention techniques. Cadet instruction covers patrol operations, crash investigation, first aid, and the arrest of suspected violators, including those who drive under the influence of alcohol or drugs. The cadets also receive training in traffic control, report writing, recovery of stolen vehicles, assisting the motoring public, issuing citations, emergency scene management and knowledge of various codes, including the Vehicle Code, Penal Code and Health and Safety Code.

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Sacramento County Prepares for Strong El Niño Winter



During the Nov. 3 Board of Supervisors meeting, the County's Office of Emergency Services (OES) presented its preparations for the upcoming storm season and what residents can do to prepare. Photo courtesy of Sacramento County

Sacramento County News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - With a strong El Niño expected this winter, Sacramento County is preparing for heavy rainfall, flooding and severe winter storms.

During the Nov. 3 Board of Supervisors meeting, the County's Office of Emergency Services (OES) presented its preparations for the upcoming storm season and what residents can do to prepare.

The presentation featured information from weather experts at the National Weather Service (NWS) Sacramento office and Sacramento County OES, explaining what El Niño could mean for the region, how weather patterns are monitored and how residents can stay informed and safe.

While El Niño increases the likelihood of a wet winter, it does not guarantee one. County officials encourage residents to prepare for winter weather regardless of the forecast, since even one major storm can cause flooding and other impacts.

Understanding El Niño and what it could mean for Sacramento County

We talked to the National Weather Service (NWS) about what to expect and why forecasters are predicting the potential for heavy rainfall and flooding this year.

NWS Meteorologist Courtney Carpenter explains that understanding this year's forecast starts with understanding the natural weather pattern.

"El Niño is the warm phase of a climate pattern called El Niño-Southern Oscillation (ENSO), which occurs in the tropical Pacific Ocean. Normally, strong winds along the Equator push warm ocean water west toward Asia. During El Niño, those winds weaken, allowing warmer water to shift east toward the Americas. This releases heat and moisture into the atmosphere and can change the position of the jet stream, which helps steer weather systems across North America. El Niño is not a storm or an atmospheric river. It is a climate pattern that can influence weather conditions around the world," said Carpenter.

She explained why this year's El Niño is expected to be stronger and potentially wetter than usual.

"This year's event is on track to be very strong and potentially record-breaking, with ocean temperatures in the tropical Pacific several degrees warmer than average. Warmer ocean temperatures can contribute more heat and moisture to the atmosphere, increasing the potential for heavier rainfall and stronger storm systems along the West Coast," said Carpenter.

NWS uses weather models, satellite imagery, radar and thousands of observations to monitor conditions and forecast winter storms.

This information helps forecasters issue alerts for hazardous weather, including flooding, high winds, fog and thunderstorms. NWS also works closely with local emergency management agencies, including Sacramento County OES, to help communities prepare for and respond to hazardous weather.

How Sacramento County is Preparing

The County's Office of Emergency Services (OES) works closely with NWS and local agencies to prepare for potential flooding and other winter weather emergencies.

Chief of Emergency Services, Mary Jo Flynn explained how the County prepares and what residents can do to keep themselves and their families safe.

"Our office brings together representatives from cities, special districts and nonprofit organizations to discuss potential emergency scenarios and the resources and services each can provide. This helps everyone understand what resources are available and how to access them during an emergency," said Flynn.

Residents can take several steps to prepare for winter weather. Register for emergency alerts or update your information at Ready.SacCounty.gov. You can also follow updates from Sacramento County OES, the Department of Water Resources at StormReady.org, the National Weather Service Sacramento office and local radio and television news.

"It's also important to check in with family members and neighbors and discuss how you can share information and help one another if flooding, downed trees or power outages occur," said Flynn.

With more than 20 years of experience in emergency services, Flynn said preparation can make a significant difference.

"Knowing what to expect and having a plan for how to respond are just as important as having supplies available in case you lose power or need to evacuate. People genuinely try to help one another during emergencies. Neighbors, nonprofits and faith-based organizations all play an important role. There are many ways to volunteer, but one of the most effective is to sign up in advance with an organization such as the Sacramento Medical Reserve Corps," said Flynn.

Residents should also have a plan for contacting and reuniting with family and friends, consider obtaining flood insurance and making copies of important documents to keep in a waterproof location.

Learn more about Preparing for El Niño

While no one can predict exactly how El Niño will affect Sacramento County this winter, residents can take steps now to prepare for potential storms and flooding.

Watch the County's El Niño presentation to learn more about the climate pattern, potential impacts on the region and how to prepare for the upcoming winter storm season: agendanet.saccounty.gov/ BoardofSupervisors/ Meetings ViewMeeting ?id=10243& doctype=1 ★

Sites Reservoir Clears Major Milestone

Decision advances landmark project to strengthen California's water supply and resilience

Sites Reservoir News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - In a unanimous decision Nov. 4, the State Water Resources Control Board approved the water right decision and permit for the Sites Reservoir Project, marking a major milestone that clears a path for the project to move forward after decades of planning.

The decision reflects a careful balance that preserves the project's viability and ability to deliver the statewide benefits Californians have long envisioned from Sites Reservoir.



The State Water Resources Control Board has approved the water right decision and permit for the Sites Reservoir Project, marking a major milestone that clears a path for the project to move forward after decades of planning. Photo courtesy of Governor of California

"This is an important day for Sites Reservoir and for California," said Fritz Durst, chair of the Sites Project Authority Board of Directors. "Sites has been decades in the making, and today we are closer than ever to making it a reality. Sites is a 21st century solution for 21st century problems. With this decision, we're ready to move forward and turn years of planning into action."

The State Board's decision follows an extensive public water right proceeding and decades of planning and collaboration among the Authority, its local, state and federal partners, and participating water agencies across California. The decision and permit provide greater clarity around the conditions under which Sites Reservoir will operate, including its ability to divert and store water when Sacramento River flows are high.

That certainty provides the critical foundation the Authority and participating agencies need to make significant, long-term funding commitments to the Project. With the water right decision and permit in place, the Authority is positioned to advance the Sites Reservoir Project toward construction.

"Our focus has always been on developing a Sites Reservoir Project that is affordable, permittable and buildable," said Jerry Brown, executive director of the Sites Project Authority. "Reaching this point has taken sustained collaboration with our partners across California. The water right decision puts us in a strong position to move the Project toward construction."

Sites Reservoir is an innovative, off-stream water storage project designed to capture water when Sacramento River flows are high and store it for drier periods. The Project would provide more reliable water supplies for communities, farms and businesses while creating dedicated storage for the environment and benefits for fish, migratory birds and the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Sites Reservoir is a 1.5 million acre-foot, off-stream reservoir proposed north of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta that would improve California's water reliability and resiliency in drier years for farms, families, fish, and fowl. The Project is backed by a broad coalition of cities, counties, water agencies, and irrigation districts across California, as well as the State of California through the Water Storage Investment Program and the federal government under the 2016 Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act. Additional information can be found at www.sitesproject.org or on Facebook, Instagram, and X at @SitesProject. ★

California Contractors Board Takes 73 Enforcement Actions

Contractors State License Board News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Contractors State License Board (CSLB) recently completed a combined 39 separate stings and sweeps resulting in 73 enforcement actions across the state, part of a coordinated, multi-state initiative organized by the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies (NASCLA). California was one of 15 states that participated in the effort to crack down on unlicensed activity and protect consumers.

CSLB partnered with local law enforcement to conduct enforcement operations, known as stings and sweeps, to combat unlicensed activity and address compliance. Unlicensed individuals often seek to take advantage of consumers by offering services without the legally required licenses or workers' compensation insurance, leaving homeowners responsible for any accidents or damages that occur.

"Unlicensed activity often crosses state lines and NASCLA's coordinated effort sends a unified message about the consequences and risks of unlicensed activity," said CSLB Registrar David Fogt. "CSLB will continue to advance consumer protection and we are grateful for our partners who share in our mission to protect consumers."

CSLB conducted stings, which are undercover operations, in three counties. During the three undercover stings, investigators contacted suspected unlicensed individuals through advertisements. The individuals arrived at designated locations to bid on various projects ranging from $1,100 to $35,000 for various construction projects. As a result, 25 misdemeanor Notices to Appear in criminal court citations for unlicensed contracting and illegal advertising were issued, 10 administrative citations were filed, and six individuals will be referred to district attorney's offices for review and possible prosecution for contracting without a license.

California laws prohibit unlicensed contractors from bidding and/or contracting on any project that requires a building permit or where employee labor is used, or when the project is valued at $1,000 or more in combined labor and material costs.

CSLB conducted sweep operations in 18 counties. These operations included 182 site visits, 11 cases referred to local district attorneys, 13 licensee citations, six non-licensee citations, and two Letters of Admonishment. Separately, CSLB also issued 11 stop work orders and 20 advisory notices.

Individuals that received citations were provided with information to encourage licensure and compliance.

For more information about CSLB or to report suspected unlicensed activity, visit www.cslb.ca.gov or call 1-800-321-CSLB (2752). ★

Recruitment for the 2027-28 Sac County Civil Grand Jury Opens Soon

Sacramento County Grand Jury News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - The Civil Grand Jury is appointed to provide oversight of Sacramento County, its cities, public schools, including community colleges and special district agencies and operations. The Grand Jury also investigates complaints submitted by the public and issues reports of its findings. Past Grand Jury reports and government responses can be found online at https://sacgrandjury.org/reports.aspx.

The Civil Grand Jury is also authorized to hear criminal indictments as needed, and is tasked with visiting regional detention facilities, along with the Sacramento County District Attorney's Office Crime Lab and the Sacramento County Coroner's Office. Nineteen Sacramento County residents and 11 alternates will be selected from among qualified applicants. The one-year term for volunteer jurors runs from July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2028.

"Serving on the Grand Jury has been a fantastic experience. It gives you, as a County resident, an opportunity to review and investigate your local government, school and special district operations, and then provide recommendations to improve their service to your community," Dave Comerchero, Foreperson, 2026-27 County of Sacramento Grand Jury.

To serve on the Grand Jury, you must be a U.S. citizen 18 years of age or older, a resident of Sacramento County for at least one year and available for 20 to 30 hours a week. Applicants must also be able to speak, read and write the English language.

The application period opens Nov. 20 and the deadline to apply is Dec. 31 to be considered. The 2026-27 Grand Jury will be empaneled in June 2027. Grand Jurors receive a small stipend for their volunteer work.

For more information about the Sacramento County Grand Jury, applicant criteria and how to apply, visit https://sacgrandjury.org/apply.aspx.★



Dave Ramsey

Dave Ramsey Says

Bad Things Happen When You Don't Save Money!

Dear Dave,

How important is saving money when you're young and have a good income? If you're just saving it, you're not really doing anything with it, right? So, what good is money if you don't actually use it for something?

– Garrett

Dear Garrett,

I'm going to shoot straight with you. It worries me that you seem to think that you're not doing anything with your money when you save it. Saving money is one of the most important things you can do with your money, because when you save you're planning for the future *and* the unexpected.

Retirement may seem long way off right now, but think for a second how it would feel to have worked your entire life only to end up broke by the time you're 65. If that thought doesn't scare you, it should. Have you ever seen someone that age, or even older, sweeping floors in a fast food restaurant? Wrangling carts in the rain outside a shopping center? In most cases, it's not because they love the job and meeting people. They're doing it because they have to in order to make ends meet. Why? Because they did not plan for the future and *save some money.*

Let's talk about a few other things. How will you get by if you're laid off, or fired, from your job if you haven't saved any money? What if your air conditioning unit goes out and needs to be replaced? Long story short, bad things happen when people are foolish enough not to save money.

Do you get my point, Garrett? Saving is doing something with your money. It's one of the most important things you can ever do with your money!

– Dave

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

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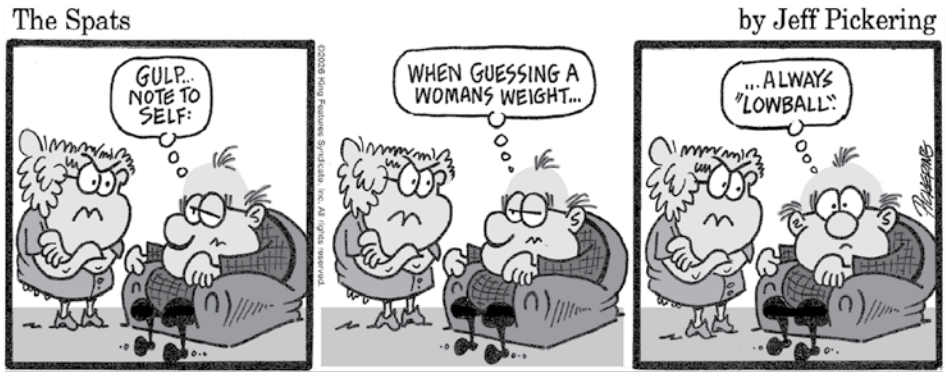
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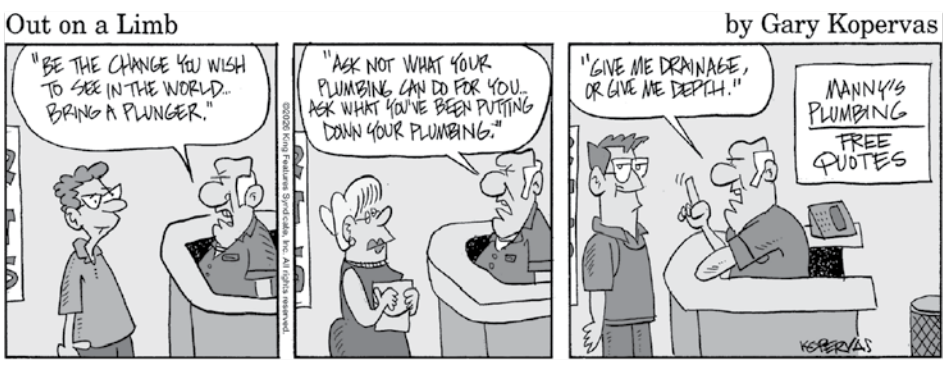
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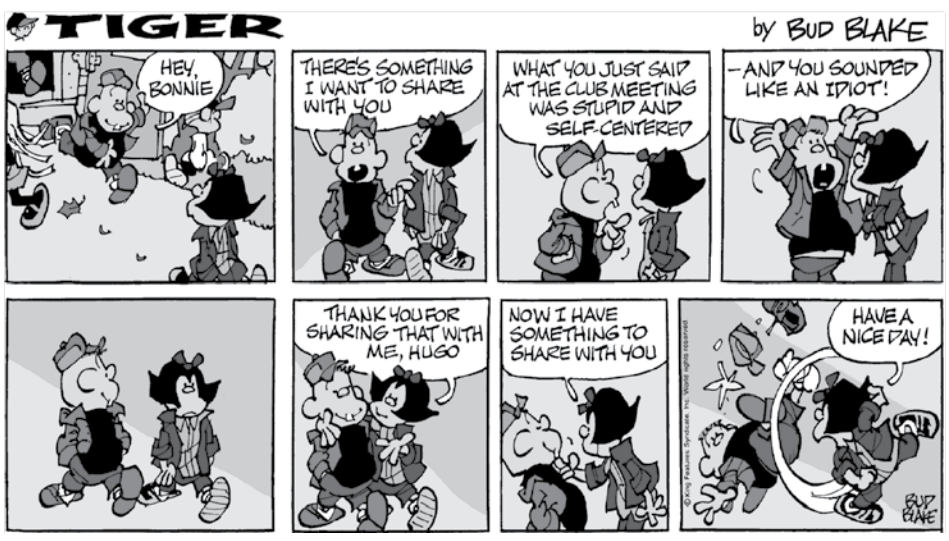
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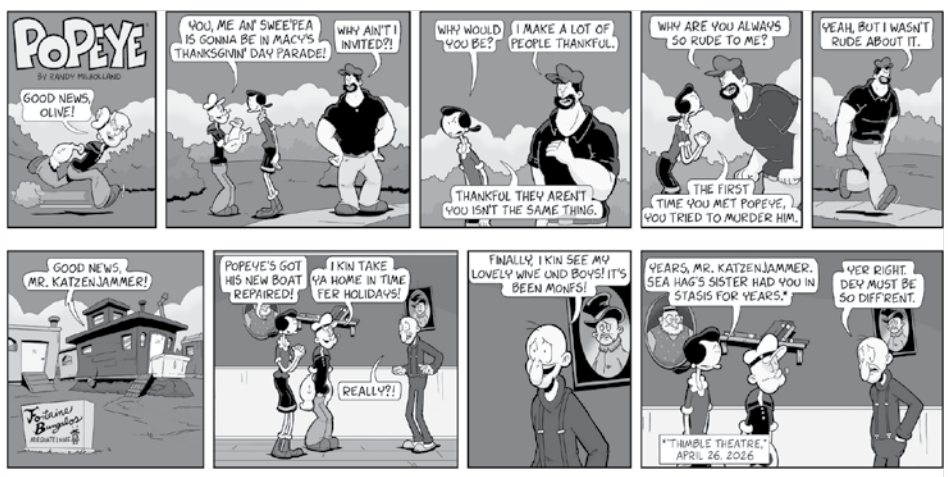


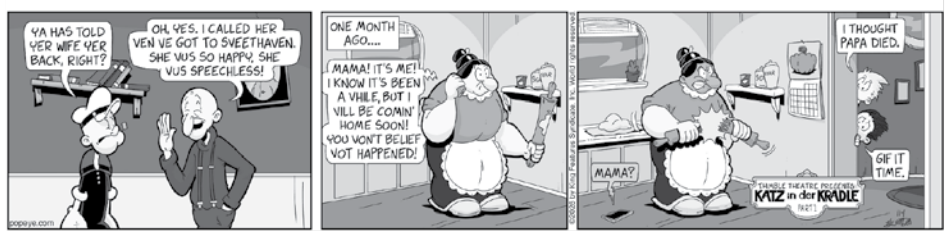
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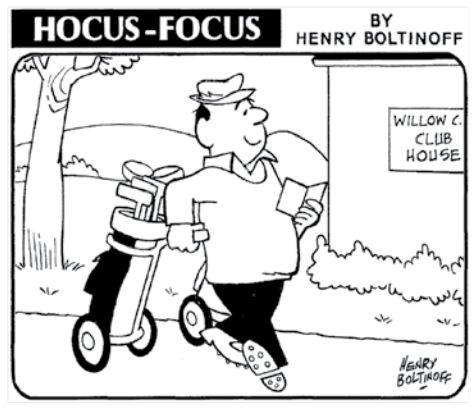
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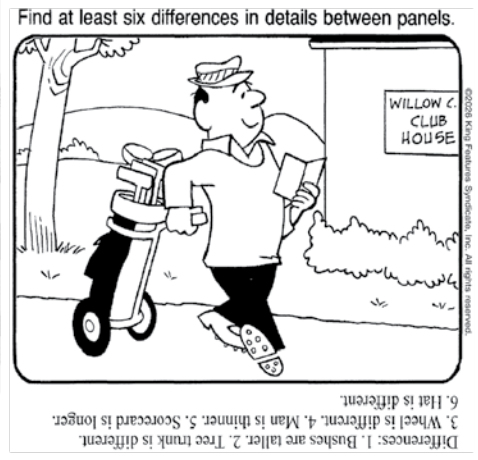




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1. Chevy of "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation"
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15. Gem state
16. 1960s abstractionism
17. "I" mania
18. *The only First Lady to issue official Thanksgiving Day proclamation
19. *First department store to host Thanksgiving parade
21. *Keeping turkey juicy
23. Use one's eyes
24. Same as island
25. Chasing game
28. 4th planet from sun
30. Milk-related
35. 1952 Olympic site
37. *Brad who starred in a Friends Thanksgiving episode
39. Remus Lupin's nickname
40. Continent
41. Most common vowel in English language
43. Try
44. Ascetic holy Hindu
46. Fail to mention
47. Ditty
48. Interruptions
50. "Do ____ others..."
52. P in m.p.g.
53. Partiality
55. Pie ____ ____ mode
57. *Gizzard, heart, liver, neck
61. *Soaking turkey
65. Heart chambers
66. Polite form of address
68. Outspoken
69. Behave like a coquette
70. "But I heard him exclaim, ____ he drove out of sight..."
71. Allergic reaction to bee sting
72. Bloodsucking hopper
73. "Ideas worth spreading" talk
74. Counseled

DOWN
1. Heidi's shoe
2. Kachina doll maker
3. *"The Thanksgiving Song" performer
4. Some Slavs
5. Put on a pedestal
6. Gorillas and orangutans
7. *National ____ Show
8. Pigsty dwellers
9. Mine passage
10. Neither mini nor midi
11. What phonics and cacophony have in common
12. Playlist item
15. Trouser measurement
20. Bounds' partners
22. Opposite of nothing
24. Isthmi, sing.
25. *Charlie Brown's meal: ____, popcorn, pretzels, jelly beans
26. Allegro ____, in music
27. Move like on ice
29. Organized crime-related ____ Act, acr.
31. Selling price minus profit
32. Add (2 words)
33. Absurd
34. *____ Monday after Thanksgiving
36. Hawaiian island
38. "The Parent Trap" child
42. Rose oil
45. Cheerful
49. Dog command
51. Dickens' Twist
54. Opposite of liability
56. Positive electrode
57. Gamecock's spur
58. It will
59. French hors d'oeuvre staple
60. Turkish money
61. Raised
62. Like some cakes
63. ID info
64. Happy
67. Ill temper

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Kings Korner

By V.G. Harris

No Win but Progress

By V.G. Harris

It has been said the journey of a thousand miles begins with the first step. It's just possible that the Sacramento Kings took that first step against the Miami Heat on Sunday night.

As the Heat ultimately bested the Kings by the score of 114-108, one might ask how a person can say you took a positive step when you just walked away with a defeat.

While 1st round draft choice Darius Acuff Jr. chalked up a 32-point 10 assist night, the Sacramento Kings overcame a 16-point deficit in the 2nd half to tie the score at 95 points apiece with 6 minutes remaining in the game.

No, the Kings did not close it out, and that remains an element yet to be learned. But suffice it to say, Sacramento kept their faithful fans engaged, and for more than a second gave the Golden One fans a reason to get excited.

Without debate, Giannis Antetokounmpo and Bam Adebayo are genuine NBA superstars and combined with a talented defensive minded point guard in former King Davion Mitchell, the Miami Heat had the horses to close out a very competitive game.

There would be no resting of the regulars for Miami in this contest, as the Kings gave an earnest effort, and even with Domantas Sabonis sitting this one out, Sacramento let Miami know they had a game on their hands.

The longest tenured current coach of an NBA team, Eric Spoelstra had to bear down in the final 6 minutes to put this game in the victory column.

For the Kings, what this game represents is a small step forward, but one that sends a message of confidence to a team in sore need.

Prior to Sunday's game came the news that the Kings had traded former first round draft choice Nique Clifford to the Oklahoma City Thunder for 2 second round draft choices.

The trade brought to an end the 2-year experiment of trying to make a point guard out of a player that was clearly suited as either an off guard or a small forward.

With the acquisition of Darius Acuff Jr., and his noteworthy start to the season, the handwriting was on the wall. Although I have been at odds with most of the trades the Kings have made in recent years, this admittedly makes sense, and although the draft picks aren't until 2028 and 2030, it remains possible that Sacramento can ultimately come away with a positive result.

Truth be told, with Malik Monk returning from injury, the Kings were faced with a logjam that was going to relegate Clifford to be bench, and instead Sacramento chose to make a move that may very well benefit both Clifford and the Kings.

Meanwhile, Zach Lavine and De'Andre Hunter chipped in 15 and 14 points respectively, but without question young Darius Acuff was the offensive star of the show.

What is encouraging for Kings fans is the progression of Darius game in the first 10 games of the season. He is learning his craft, and what stands out for me is watching his level of comfort on the floor.

Defense is a bit of a moving target, but I would not label Acuff as a poor defender. He is not Davion Mitchell and probably never will be, but if anyone questions whether he is the Kings point guard of the future, just buy a ticket and see for yourself.

Currently coach Christie is ratcheting down on his substitutions, going 11 deep Christie left Alex Karaban on the bench, and I'm convinced that has to change.

Once again, fans scratch their heads as assessment of talent is the order of the day, and that assessment was on display all night as Sacramento watched former King Davion Mitchell in action.

There are few point guards in the NBA that have the defensive ability to shut down the competition as does Davion Mitchell, and he is the poster child when it comes to defense.

If you go to my website thekingskorner.com I have a spot for fans to see the players that have gotten away in recent years, and I'm hopeful I don't have to add any more names to the list.

Wins begin with competitive games, and that's what we're starting to see!

All the best! ★

California's Congressional Gerrymander Worked. What Happens After the Next Census?



By Dan Walters, CALMatters.org

Last year, after Texas Republicans reconfigured their congressional districts to grab five more seats, California's Democratic governor, Gavin Newsom, and its Legislature countered with a gerrymander to shift five seats their way.

Both partisan maneuvers, and those in a few other states, were designed to either bolster or erase the paper-thin GOP majority in the House.

On Tuesday the Texas two-step failed spectacularly. Democrats won four of the five targeted districts there, while California's counterplay succeeded even more spectacularly as five Republican congress members from here were wiped out.

The GOP held just eight of the state's 52 congressional seats going into the election, plus one Republican-turned-independent. Their ranks now shrink to a miniscule four, even though a quarter of the state's voters are Republicans.

It's a testament not only to the determination of Newsom and Democratic legislators to affect the national power struggle over Congress, but also to the professional competence of Paul Mitchell, the Sacramento-based political guru Democrats recruited to draw the new, gerrymandered redistricting maps.

The plan, which was pushed through the Legislature and onto a special election ballot as Proposition 50 last year, didn't go exactly as envisioned, but the result was exactly what Newsom and Co. intended. And it burnishes Newsom's status as a partisan warrior for his almost certain bid for the Democratic Party's presidential candidacy in 2028.

As it turns out neither the failed Texas gerrymander nor California's successful one played decisive roles in the "blue tsunami" that swept Democrats into solid majorities in both houses of Congress.

California now has five new members of Congress, most likely for at least six years. But what then?

The gerrymandered maps of 52 congressional districts will legally be in effect through the 2030 election, after which the state, under current law, will revert to the prior districts drawn by an independent commission for the 2032 elections and beyond.

However, it's not that simple. Political ambition and demography will likely combine to create a dilemma for the state's dominant Democrats.

The five new members will presumably want to keep their seats after 2030. But that year's census will confirm that California has had scant population growth since the 2020 census, or even a slight decline.

The size of each state's congressional delegation hinges on its population trend over the previous decade. California's stagnant population will almost certainly result in a loss of three to five of the nation's 435 congressional seats.

If redistricting reverts to the independent commission, as current law says it will, it probably would pare down — or even erase — the extra five gerrymandered seats, even if there is no overall decline in the delegation.

With a likely decline, a fair commission plan would probably end the careers of more than five Democratic members and return a few to the GOP.

Democrats will still dominate levers of control after 2030. And their leaders must decide whether to allow the commission to do its work or abolish it via another ballot measure in the 2028 or 2030 election.

Party leaders have never liked commission redistricting, a process forced upon them by a pair of initiative ballot measures in 2008 and 2010 championed by former Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Abolishing the commission system would return the drafting of new maps to the Legislature, thus allowing Democratic leaders (and possibly Paul Mitchell again) to redraw districts that maximize their party's share of seats.

That's what they did, or at last tried to do, after the 1980, 1990 and 2000 censuses, and what they probably would prefer to do after the 2030 count.

We shouldn't be surprised if gerrymandering becomes permanent.

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

Social Security Matters

How Can I Find out What I've Contributed to Social Security?



By Russell Gloor, AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor

Dear Rusty: I have a simple question (I think). How do I find out how much I have paid into Social Security over the years? ***Signed: Curious Senior Citizen***

Dear Curious Senior: I expect you might rightfully believe you have contributed quite a lot and, fortunately, there are a couple of convenient ways for you to find out how much you have actually paid into Social Security over your lifetime:

1. If you have an online Social Security account **(www.ssa.gov/myaccount)** you can simply go to your online ***"my Social Security"*** account and click on the link for ***"Social Security Statement."*** In that online Social Security statement, you will see a listing of your lifetime earnings, and at the bottom of that listing you will see how much you (and your employers on your behalf) have paid in Social Security FICA payroll taxes (or SECA self-employment taxes) over your lifetime.

2. If you do not have your online Social Security account set up, you can also contact the Social Security Administration, either your local SS field office get the local office contact information at **www.ssa.gov/locator** or call 1.800.772.1213 to ask that a copy of your personal "Social Security Statement" be mailed to you.

Obviously, getting this information online is the most efficient method, so you may wish to create your online account if you don't yet have one. Instructions for doing so can be found at www.ssa.gov/myaccount. Having this online account will open the door for you to access all the information Social Security has for you, including details of your monthly benefit and your lifetime earnings history.

FYI, many who seek this information are looking to understand when (or if) they might get back all their contributions once they start collecting Social Security benefits. Of course, much depends on the age at which you claim your benefits, but as a general guide, it usually takes about 5 years or less for you to get back in SS benefits all that you have personally contributed to Social Security. However, the length of time to "breakeven" is longer for self-employed individuals, who must pay both the employee and employer portion of Social Security payroll taxes.

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The Unauthorized War

President Donald Trump says that the Iran war will end "soon," a promise he's been making most of this year. Eventually, he will be right, but it hasn't happened in time for the midterm elections, and his party is bearing the brunt.

If Republicans get thumped, all the polling suggests that prices will be one of the main reasons, with the Iran war's contribution to higher costs looming large. According to a recent New York Times/Siena poll, 65% disapprove of President Trump's handling of the war in Iran, and almost 75% disapprove of his handling of gas prices, two closely intertwined issues.

Given the political risk, it's remarkable how stalwart Trump has been in prosecuting the war, the brief interlude of the misbegotten Memorandum of Understanding aside. "The quickest way of ending a war," George Orwell said, "is to lose it," and Trump has been loath to accept a strategic defeat as the way out of the conflict.

That doesn't mitigate the potential political damage. If the Iran war had been as short as initially advertised, or if it had dragged on with no appreciable cost back home, most people presumably wouldn't have cared very much, even if they weren't on board. It's the combination of a relatively drawn-out war causing elevated prices that's a killer, and it adds insult to injury that Trump has handled the matter with such high-handedness.

He didn't ask Congress to authorize the war, and barely made a public case beforehand, while giving the impression throughout that the entire enterprise depends on his whim.

It's often remarked that Trump's obsession with naming things after himself, or building things in Washington, is hurting him because it makes him seem out of touch and interested only in his own priorities. But none of this directly harms anyone -- unless they, say, hold a season pass to the Washington National Opera at the Kennedy Center.

The Iran war, in contrast, has imposed an economic cost on nearly everyone in the country. President Trump has an idiosyncratic view of representative government. The common understanding of our system is that we elect representatives who debate and vote on important public matters, before standing for election again and finding out if their constituents still want them.

Trump's populist understanding is different -- he's the people's representative. It makes sense that Trump, who has a highly personalized view of government and of his movement, has a highly personal view of himself as the tribune of the people. This tends to render the other representatives an unnecessary encumbrance, and indeed this is how Trump has largely treated Congress in his second term.

So it shouldn't be a surprise that it evidently didn't occur to him to ask Congress to authorize the Iran war. There have been comparisons made between Trump's war and George W. Bush's in Iraq, but this is a stark difference. Bush went to Congress, and by the time lawmakers authorized the war, it was a matter of national consensus (although one that fell apart).

Trump hasn't gone to Congress on his tariffs, either, but he made it abundantly clear in the 2024 campaign that he intended to drastically increase duties. Compared with that, the Iran war was a bolt from the blue.

There have been ongoing efforts to cushion the conflict from public accountability. Republicans have tried to argue that it isn't really "a war," and Trump has said that a renewal of a major bombing campaign will only occur after the election, an effort to keep the war from being front and center during voting.

Now, although the war hasn't gone as planned, we need to wait to see how it turns out to make an ultimate judgment -- if Trump manages to crack the regime, it will indeed be a legacy-defining achievement. The problem for now, though, is that you can't expect great patience from the public when it wasn't asked or even informed beforehand.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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California Farmers Explore Seaweed Crop

Seaweed farming in the United States remains in its infancy but has grown in recent years. In 2015, there were just a handful of kelp farms along the Atlantic and Pacific coastlines, according to a 2026 report by the aquaculture nonprofit GreenWave. There are now around 250 permitted seaweed farms across the U.S. and Canada, amounting to more than 6,000 acres. "Over the past decade, we've come a long way," said Kendall Barbery, GreenWave's director of partnerships and industry engagement. The company worked with Cal Poly, Humboldt, to open the state's first commercial, open-water seaweed farm in 2020. "We're at the point where we have achieved some serious scale and ability to produce and demonstrate viability as a new industry across the U.S.," Barbery said. However, she said the industry faces barriers in California due to the state's environmental regulations and an arduous permitting process.

Soaring Costs and Low Yield Dampen Walnut Prospects

California walnut growers face the prospect of another year in the red as harvest wraps up this month and handlers market the new crop. Despite increased walnut prices, industry experts said growers could struggle to break even due to rising production costs and low yields. On Oct. 1, the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimated the state's crop at 680,000 tons, down 16% from last year. Inconsistent chill hours during winter and varying temperatures in the spring caused uneven pollination and a lighter nut set, according to an October report from the California Walnut Board and Commission. Robert Verloop, CEO of the walnut board, said prices for growers were expected to be "significantly higher" this year than the 75 cents a pound they earned on average for last year's crop. However, "they may not go up enough to cover the light crop and higher production cost," Verloop said."

Ventura County's record Crop Values Describe 'Only Half the Story'

Ventura County farmers and ranchers generated a record $2.41 billion in gross production value in 2025, but cost estimates in the county's annual crop report indicate that growers of some major commodities earned little or nothing after production expenses. The report found that production costs consumed an estimated $1.01 for every dollar in strawberry revenue, leaving growers with no return. Lemon growers faced an even larger shortfall, spending an estimated $1.12 for every dollar earned. By including the cost estimates associated with producing a crop and the net return to growers, the 2025 Ventura County crop and livestock report represents a departure from traditional crop reports, which typically provide only the gross revenue of agricultural commodities. "We're always fighting that perception that farmers are rich because the gross (revenue) is so high," said Louise Lampara, CEO of Farm Bureau of Ventura County. "That's only half the story. That's not even the real story." ★

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Water Reliability Depends on More Than Water Supply

By Robert P. Wichert, Director, Sacramento Suburban Water District

Groundwater is one of California's most important water resources, and for many regions, it provides the only reliable source of drinking water.

Through regional collaboration and innovative planning, the Sacramento Suburban Water District (SSWD) implemented sustainable groundwater management practices years before the state mandated it under the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

This long-term stewardship is especially important because groundwater remains the foundation of SSWD's water supply. Today, the District operates more than 80 wells throughout our service area. Keeping those wells running reliably requires continual maintenance, repair and, as infrastructure ages, more significant rehabilitation. As with most technical fields, maintaining groundwater infrastructure requires specialized expertise that cannot be easily or quickly replaced. California requires well drilling contractors to have at least four years of experience and pass state licensing examinations. The work itself can include drilling, casing, cementing, cleaning, repairing and rehabilitating wells and their pumping systems.

Our state has seen what can happen when demand for those skills increases. During the state's severe drought a decade ago, the Contractors State License Board expedited licensing for well-drilling and pump contractors to help meet increased demand for their services. The state also encouraged other qualified contractors to pursue well-drilling licenses to help expand capacity.

For water agencies, access to this unique expertise matters. When specialized contractors are difficult to secure, routine maintenance can be delayed and unexpected equipment failures can leave important water sources offline longer than anticipated. SSWD experienced this challenge firsthand when we became increasingly concerned about our ability to secure specialized well contractors when we needed them. A prolonged outage at one well is manageable. Multiple wells awaiting specialized repairs can begin to affect the flexibility and reliability that water systems depend on.

Although often overlooked, access to specialized expertise is a water reliability issue.

In 2023, SSWD entered into an exclusive five-year agreement with Kirby's Pump & Mechanical, a groundwater well contractor, to ensure we had prompt, reliable access to the expertise needed to maintain and repair our wells. Over the following three years, that arrangement gave us an opportunity to see the value of having specialized expertise consistently available when we needed it. It also prompted us to think differently about how we could address our workforce needs over the longer term.

This year, that thinking led SSWD to purchase KPM and bring its specialized expertise in-house.

It was an unconventional step, and not one that will make sense for every water agency. Before moving forward, our Board commissioned an independent cost-benefit analysis to determine whether the approach made financial and operational sense. The analysis projected that the purchase could pay for itself in less than three and a half years and save approximately $7 million over 10 years.

But the larger lesson isn't about one acquisition.

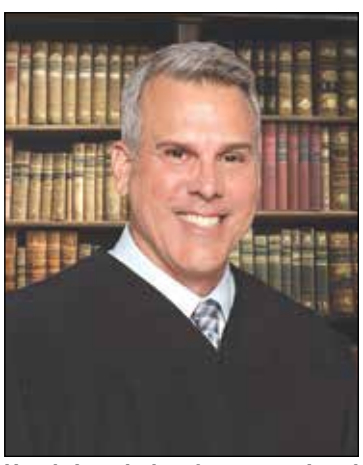
California spends considerable time planning for the physical infrastructure and water supplies we will need in the decades ahead. We should bring that same long-term thinking to the people and specialized skills required to operate and maintain those systems.

That means asking practical questions. Do we have the expertise needed to maintain critical facilities? Where are we vulnerable to shortages in specialized skills or contractor availability? Could a lack of specialized expertise leave infrastructure unavailable when we need it most? And are there different ways to secure those capabilities before a problem becomes an emergency?

The answers will look different for every agency. But for SSWD, bringing a specialized contractor into our workforce ensures a resilient water delivery system backed by the skills needed to keep our infrastructure working long into the future.

Robert P. Wichert represents Division 3 on the Sacramento Suburban Water District Board of Directors and lives in Citrus Heights. ★

Newsom Announces Five Appointments to Sacramento Superior Court



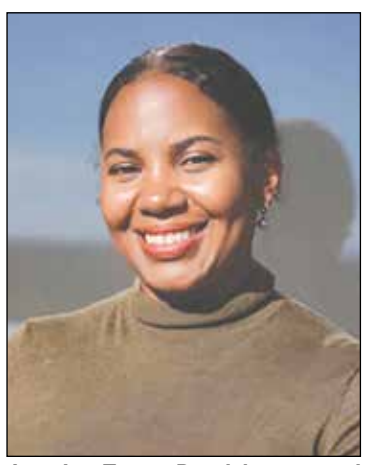
Heath Langle has been appointed to serve in an interim appointment as a Judge.



Alicia Hartley has served as a Commissioner at the Sacramento County Superior Court since 2022.



Matthew Lee has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary in the Office of Governor Newsom since 2024.



Jasmine Turner-Bond has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Newsom since 2019.



Michele Beckwith has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Newsom since 2025.

Sacramento Superior Court News Release

SACRAMENTO, CA (MPG) - Gov. Gavin Newsom announced five appointments to the Sacramento Superior Court bench on Wednesday Nov. 4.

The appointments included: Michele Beckwith of Yolo County; Jasmine Turner-Bond of Placer County; Matthew Lee of Sacramento County; Alicia Hartley of Sacramento County; and Heath Langle of Placer County.

These appointments fill five existing judicial vacancies on the Sacramento County Superior Court bench as of Oct. 2026.

"We are grateful to Governor Newsom for his appointment of these judicial officers to the Sacramento County bench," said Presiding Judge Lawrence G. Brown. "We welcome our newest judicial officers and look forward to the contributions they will make to the court and the people of Sacramento County."

Michele Beckwith has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Newsom since 2025. She served in various roles at the U.S. Attorney's Office, including as a First Assistant U.S. Attorney from 2022 to 2025, as the Criminal Division Chief from 2019 to 2022, as an Executive Assistant U.S. Attorney from 2016 to 2019 and as an Assistant U.S. Attorney from 2010 to 2016. Beckwith served as a Law Clerk in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from 2008 to 2010 and in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California from 2006 to 2008. Beckwith worked as an Associate at Downey Brand from 2005 to 2006. She worked as an Associate at Baker Hostetler from 2003 to 2004. Beckwith received a Juris Doctor Degree from the Ohio State University, Moritz College of Law. She fills the vacancy created by the elevation of Judge Lauri Damrell to the Court of Appeal.

Jasmine Turner-Bond has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Newsom since 2019. Turner-Bond served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Jerry Brown from 2018 to 2019. She served as a Hearing Officer and Staff Attorney at the California Victim Compensation Board from 2014 to 2018. Turner-Bond worked as a panel attorney at the Appellate Defender's Inc. from 2013 to 2017. Turner-Bond received a Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Donald J. Currier.

Matthew Lee has served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary in the Office of Governor Newsom since 2024. He served as General Counsel for the California Department of Cannabis Control from 2021 to 2024. Lee served as a Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary at the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom from 2019 to 2021. He served as a Deputy City Attorney at the San Francisco City Attorney's Office from 2016 to 2019. Lee served as a Law Clerk in various courts, including the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California from 2015 to 2016 and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from 2013 to 2015. Lee received a Juris Doctor Degree from Yale Law School. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Maryanne G. Gillard.

Alicia Hartley has served as a Commissioner at the Sacramento County Superior Court since 2022. She served as an Assistant Public Defender at the Sacramento Public Defender's Office from 2004 to 2022. Hartley received a Juris Doctor degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law. She fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Delbert Oros.

Heath Langle has been appointed to serve in an interim appointment as a Judge, allowing him to immediately assume the position he was otherwise elected to begin in Jan. 2027. Langle has served as a Commissioner at the Sacramento Superior Court since 2023. He worked as an Attorney at Bold, Polisner, Maddow, Nelson, & Judson from 2021 to 2023. He also worked as an Attorney at Hackard Law from 2020 to 2021. Langle worked as a Sole Practitioner at the Law Office of Heath T. Langle from 2014 to 2020. He worked as an Associate at various firms including at Wagner, Kirkman, Blaine, Klomparens, and Youmans from 2013 to 2014, at La Follette, Johnson, DeHaas, Fesler, & Ames from 2011 to 2012 and at Porter Scott from 2008 to 2010. He was the owner at the Law Office of Heath T. Langle from 2006 to 2008. He fills the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge James McFetridge. ★

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